

# PARISH OF ESHER

CHRIST CHURCH, ESHER with ST GEORGE'S, WEST END

SHARING THE POWER OF GOD'S LOVE IN ESHER

Reconciling - Sustaining - Guiding - Healing

SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

23 FEBRUARY 2020

## WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES

If you are new to the parish or worshipping with us for the first time please introduce yourselves to a member of the clergy or one of our churchwardens or sidespeople.

This sheet gives some words that will be needed in the services and notices about the life of our church communities. Please do take it home.

## ST GEORGE'S CHURCH SERVICES

9.00am	Sung Communion led by Revd Jonathan Andrew
Reading & Prayers	Bridget Williams
Chalice	Sue Langley
Preacher	Dave Whymark
Setting	Addington
Music & Hymns	754, 729, 532 ( <i>omit vv 5,6</i> )
Musician	Keith Howell-Jones

## CHRIST CHURCH SERVICES

10.30am	Parish Communion led by Revd Jonathan Andrew
Churchwarden	Helen Coulson
Sides	Debbie and Michael Banks
Reading	Brian Elliott
Prayers	Jane Tyrrell
Preacher	Dave Whymark
Chalice	Hannah Emerson and Will Stevens
Refreshments	Will Stevens
Setting	Coulson
Music & Hymns	754, 706, 729, 532 ( <i>ex vv. 5,6</i> )
Anthem	<i>Panis angelicus</i> (Franck)
Musicians	Stuart Whatton, Keith Howell-Jones

## THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked hearts,  
and bend our wills to love your  
goodness and your glory  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus  
Christ:  
may we who are partakers at his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know his power  
to change and save.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our  
Lord.  
Amen.

## READING Exodus 24.12-end

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain.

The Parish Office will reopen on  
Tuesday 25 February

The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

## PSALM 2

1 Why do the nations conspire, and the peoples plot in vain?  
2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and his anointed, saying,  
3 'Let us burst their bonds asunder, and cast their cords from us.'  
4 He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord has them in derision.  
5 Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying,  
6 'I have set my king on Zion, my holy hill.'  
7 I will tell of the decree of the Lord: He said to me, 'You are my son; today I have begotten you.  
8 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.  
9 You shall break them with a rod of iron, and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.'  
10 Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.  
11 Serve the Lord with fear, with trembling

12 kiss his feet, or he will be angry, and you will perish in the way; for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Happy are all who take refuge in him.

## GOSPEL Matthew 17.1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

## PARISH NOTICES

**Thank you** - to Revd Jonathan Andrew for visiting us today and leading our services. It is a joy to worship with you again.

**Ash Wednesday** - Revd Jonathan Andrew will also lead a Eucharist with ashing on Wednesday 26 February at 8pm in Christ Church to mark the beginning of Lent. The choir will sing an anthem.

**New Rector** - We are delighted to say we have appointed a new Rector, Revd Darren McCallig. Darren is currently Senior Chaplain in the Anglican Chaplaincy in Norway. His induction service will be on Monday 23 March at 7.30 pm in Christ Church: please do your best to attend to give a warm welcome to Darren and his wife Annilise.

**Christ Church Spring Clean** - We are having a working party on Saturday 21st March from 9.30 to 12.00 to spring clean Christ Church before Darren's induction service. There are plenty of jobs to be done according to ability so please do sign up and join us. We will definitely need some able men to help with cobweb cleaning and managing the ladders. Coffee and refreshments provided so do join us to tidy up the church and make it welcoming to all. Sign-up sheet on the table by the font.

**Induction service** - We will need plenty of people to welcome, be sides people and prepare and serve refreshments during and after the service on Monday 23rd March. Please speak to Helen Coulson if you would be able to help in any way at all.

**Churchwarden** - Helen Coulson has been elected as our second Churchwarden to work with Sandra Argent. Thank you, Helen.

**Parish Bookkeeper needed!** - Val, our excellent bookkeeper is moving on in March, and we need someone to handle receipts and payments and enter them in our accounts. This is paid work for 5 hours per week. Bookkeeping experience is desirable but not essential as training can be given.

If interested, do contact one of our churchwardens Sandra Argent (07973 909152) or Helen Coulson (07506 701454) or our treasurer, Martin Fuller (01372 462657).

**Pioneers** - Our Pioneers youth group (Yr 7+) is joining with St Mary's Molesey for the foreseeable future. We look forward to our young people partnering together in the gospel. New time is 6-8pm every Sunday at St Mary's. If you have any questions please contact Dave Whymark (07535 611578).

**Post** - Do please check the A-Z pigeonholes at the back of Christ Church! There may be some post in there for you!

**Please stay for refreshments after the service.**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who are ill: Jackie Hinton, Yasmin Ingram, Stuart Williams, David Parcell, Maureen O'Brien, Mary Teague, Jen Gerrard

RIP anniversaries: Eric Williams, Joyce Meek, Hugh Eccles, Albert Hayhoe, Doreen Trimmer, 'Teddy' Baumann, Denise Green, Clive Sexton

## BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Taken from the Church of England Lectionary – readings for Morning Prayer are given below. All are welcome to use Christ Church for daily prayer.

February		Time	Reading
Monday	24		Genesis 37.1-11; Ps 71; Galatians 1
Tuesday	25		Genesis 37.12-end; Ps 73; Galatians 2.1-10
Wednesday	26		Daniel 9.3-6, 17-19; Ps 38; 1 Timothy 6.6-19
Thursday	27		Genesis 39; Ps 77; Galatians 2.11-end
Friday	28		Genesis 40; Ps 3; Galatians 3.1-14

## PARISH CALENDAR

February		Time	Event
Sunday	23	6.00pm	Pioneers, St Mary's Church, East Molesey
Monday	24		NO choir practice
Wednesday	26	7.00pm	Choir practice
		8.00pm	Ash Wednesday Service, Christ Church
Thursday	27	10.00am	Fellowship Group
March		Time	Event
Sunday	1	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP), Christ Church
		6.00pm	Pioneers, St Mary's Church, East Molesey
Monday	2	7.15pm	Choir practice
Wednesday	4	7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Saturday	21	9.30am-12.00	Christ Church Spring Clean
Monday	23	7.30pm	Induction of Darren McCallig as Rector of Esher

## CONTACTS

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All main events at Christ Church unless stated otherwise