

## Lent

**Rosary Prayers** —7pm Wednesdays before Mass

**Stations of the Cross**—Sunday 25th March at 5 pm in the chapel

## News from LIFC

Second talk in our occasional series on Food and Festivals in world faiths, on Wednesday March 14th at 2.00pm, when Rabbi Rachel Benjamin will speak about Food and Judaism with special reference to Pesach (Passover).



**For our Prayers**— Roger, Stephen Yaa, Floret, John Q, Trish, Cleo, Marguerite and Ruth **For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** including Reg Holder, George Shipman, Margaret Gayler, Charles Lee, Anna White and Max O'Connell.

### Services during the week 5th March 2017

<b>Monday</b>	<b>No Morning Prayer today</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel <b>6pm</b> Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>7pm</b> The Rosary is Said <b>7.30pm</b> Sung Mass with imposition of Ashes
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>6pm</b> Evening Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>10am</b> My Move <b>2.30pm</b> Tea and Chat
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Sunday 11th</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Mothering</b>	<b>9.30am</b> Sung Mass with Sunday School
<b>Sunday</b>	

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# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

*Confidently sharing the love of Christ*

**Sunday 4 March 2018**

## Lent 3

**HYMNS TODAY** - 804, 97, 19, 481 and 437

**President** Mo Christine **Preacher** Mo Christine

*Welcome to worship today—it is great to have you with us. We hope that you will feel welcome in our worship today. If you are new, please do say hello—we would love to get to know you. If you are unsure where to find something, or about what is going on, please do ask and we will be happy to help. Our worship style is quite formal- but we hope relaxed-as we come to worship God in our midst. Please do join us for refreshments after the service.*

**The Decalogue** was God's direct address to Israel: "God spoke all these words" ("words," not commandments). God's own introduction to these words is important for an appropriate understanding: "I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery." The Ten Commandments are not a law code, a body of laws that are meant to float free of their narrative context. This introductory line about redemption -- often omitted from printed versions of the Ten Commandments, unfortunately -- is recognized in Judaism as the first word; "you shall have no other gods before me" is the second word

### 1st Reading— Exodus 20: 1-17

*Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the*

*name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.*

*Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.*

**Our Second reading** : The passage today is a theological re-centering - a reminder that the gospel does not operate according to the wisdom of the world.

### **2nd Reading— 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25**

*For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.*

**Our Gospel reading today** is John 2: 13-22 and recounts Jesus' disruption of the temple—an event which can be proved historically and was recorded in all 4 gospels (though at different times) During the weeks of Lent Christians consider what it means to follow Jesus, or to walk the way of the cross. The gospel portrays Jesus in a public act that confronts religious and government institutions. Jesus' demonstration at the temple invites us to consider the complex relationships between civil and religious life. When does Christian faith lead us to challenge civil authority? When do secular laws compromise

Christian values? When does one interfere with the other? What does it look like to follow Jesus for us in our own time and place? Who are our models of faith and why? Lent is a good time to think about difficult or unpopular decisions we make as we walk the way of the cross.

### **Our Community Life Together /Dates for your Diary Finance—St Anne's**

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. At present our average congregational giving is £2150 —this means we are a little short each month. If you are new to St Anne's, or have not previously thought about it, please consider setting up a Standing Order to manage your giving. Forms and information are available in the entrance, or you can speak with Michael .

### **Laurence's Larder and Food Bank**

The Larder is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am-1.30pm. Volunteers are also to help with preparation between 10– 1pm on Wednesdays. We are still asked to bring in a can a week. We have also been asked to consider if we could choose one type of food. We have been asked if we might be the **'tinned fish'** church! Having said this any non perishable; easily edible food would be very welcome at this point! We are also in need of a couple of replacement drivers for Monday pick of items from Bakery on Kilburn High Road. We have a rota and it takes about 30mins at around 7pm to collect left over bread etc and deliver to Christ Church.

### **Ambassadors for Christ**

We are looking forward to hearing more stories this year in the 2 minute slot. Once again we are looking for people to share some of their experiences outside of Sunday morning. We invite you to reflect on how you spend your week, and how this informs your faith. We are looking for volunteers to share during the coming month.

### **Annual General Meeting and Electoral Roll**

Our Annual General meeting will take place on 18th March after church in preparation of this meeting we need to up date our Electoral roll which entitles you to vote as a member of the parish. Please check that your name is on the list, if it isn't please complete an application form.

We also need have vacancies for a Church Warden, PCC Secretary and PCC members. We also elect Sidespeople, who are those who welcome people to church each Sunday morning. Please complete and speak to Mo C or Alice if you are interested.