

This Weeks Diary

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Parish of Paignton
St John the Baptist, Paignton
St Boniface, Paignton



SUNDAY 13th February 2022 3rd Before Lent

Mon 14th Feb – Fri 18th Feb: Morning & Evening Prayer
8:30am & 5pm: St John's: Common Worship

Sunday 13th February: 3rd Before Lent

Jeremiah 17.5- 10 Psalm 1. 1 Corinthians 15.12- 20
Luke 6. 17- 26

Hymns: 472, 520, 201, 256, 78

08:00 St John's: BCP
10:00 St John's: Holy Communion
11.15 St Boniface: Messy Church

Monday 14th February: Cyril & Methodius. Valentine.

James 1.1-11 Psalm 119. 65-72 Mark 8. 11- 13

Tuesday 15th February: Sigfrid. Thomas Bray.

James 1. 12- 18 Psalm 94. 12- 18 Mark 8. 14- 21

Wednesday 16th February

James 1.19- end. Psalm 15. Mark 8. 22-26

Thursday 17th February: Janani Luwum

James 2. 1- 9 Psalm 34. 1-7 Mark 8. 27- 33

Friday 18th February

James 2. 14- 24, 26 Psalm 112. Mark 8. 34- 9.1

Saturday 19th February

James 3.1- 10 Psalm 12. 1- 7. Mark 9. 2- 13

Sunday 20th February: 2nd Sunday before Lent

Genesis 2. 4b- 9, 15- end. Psalm 65. Revelation 4.
Luke 8. 22- 25

Hymns: 163, 262, 105, 106, 263

08:00 St John's: BCP
10:00 St John's: Holy Communion
11.15 St Boniface: Satellite Service

Dates for the Diary

Sat 19th Feb St John's: PCC Meeting at 09:45
Wed 2nd Mar St John's: 7:30 Ash Wednesday Service
Sun 3rd Apr St John's: AMP/APCM at 11:45

What Christians Believe Study mornings

- Saturdays: 5, 12 & 19th Mar – Coverdale Centre:

Lent Fellowship Discussions

- **Tue:** 8, 15, 22, 29 Mar & 5 Apr: St Boniface 7:30pm
- **Wed:** 9, 16, 23, 30 Mar & 6 Apr: St John's 12:30pm

Pew Sheet items: to include items or a prayer request for yourself or someone else please contact the parish office. Deadline 12noon Thursday.

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Soup Lunches: If you are available why not invite someone to come along with you to our regular Wednesday morning soup lunches. They start around 11:50am immediately after the Eucharistic service. It would be great to have you join us to enjoy some wonderful homemade soup and fellowship.

Lent Fellowship Discussions: *Towards the Sunrise* takes the theme of a journey and follows the disciples as they gradually become aware of the reality of the resurrection and what it means for them – and us. The dates are outlined below and sign-up sheets will come out in the coming weeks (*to help plan provision of sufficient booklets*). Do join us for some or all sessions as listed on the back of the pew sheet.

Breakfast with the Bible: Come along to the Coverdale Centre on the five Sundays between 6th Mar-3rd Apr between 08:50-09:40 to delve deeper into the gospel set for that day with Fr Neil. Tea/coffee toast provided.

Confirmation Service: A Confirmation Service has been provisionally booked for Sunday the 1st May with Bishop Nick. Anyone seeking to be Confirmed or Affirm their Baptismal Vows in this service please speak to Fr. Neil. for more details.

Outlook Shop: Can you help? Our shop at 22 Palace Avenue, Paignton urgently require more bric-a-brac, carrier bags and volunteers. Please take items directly to the shop or contact Elaine on 01803-400553.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

- All who seek Jesus as a guide in their lives;
- All who seek Jesus as a source of healing;
- All who need change and healing as a result of the inequality and injustice of the world;
- All who believe they have what is needed to make them fulfilled in this life and feel they have no obligation to help those who have less or nothing;
- All who are reviled or excluded because of their declared faith in Jesus;
- All who need God's love and protection including ourselves, but most especially for those in need or suffering including those who have asked for our prayers;
Sue, Brenda, Margaret, Beverley, Paula, Emma, Rick, Rob, Timothy, Penelope, Barbara, Gordon, Charlotte, Annette, Josephine
- The souls of those who have died recently including:
Celia Minshall
their families and friends and any whose anniversary of death falls at this time:
Roger Willcocks, Ronald Peggs, Vic Farr

Collect

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Jeremiah 17.5-10

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Psalm 1

Blessed are they who | have not walked
in the counsel | of the wicked,
nor lingered in the | way of sinners,
nor sat in the assembly | of the scornful.
Their delight is in the law | of the Lord
and they meditate on his law | day and night.

Like a tree planted by | streams of water
bearing fruit | in due season,
with leaves that | do not wither,
whatever they do, | it shall prosper.
As for the wicked, it is not | so with them;
they are like chaff which the wind
| blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall | not be able
to stand | in the judgement,
nor the sinner in the congregation
| of the righteous.
For the Lord knows the way | of the righteous,
but the way of the wick | ed shall perish.

1 Corinthians 15. 12- 20

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Luke 6. 17-26

17He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon.18They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.19And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. 20Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 21'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 22'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. 23Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 24'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 25'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 26'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

Luke 6. 17- 26 Study Notes

Jesus has ascended a mountain to pray. While there, he has chosen twelve of his disciples, his followers, to be apostles. Now he descends part-way, to a "level place". There he finds other followers and many others, from Israel and beyond ("Tyre and Sidon", v.17). Many are healed, both of known "diseases" (v.18) and of being possessed. Evil "spirits" made them ritually "unclean" so they were not permitted to share in corporate worship of God. While Matthew has nine beatitudes (Matt: vv:5:3-12) and no woes, Luke has four of each (vv.20-22 & vv.24-

26). Some are "blessed" (happy) by being included in the Kingdom Jesus brings. The warnings are prophecies, cautions. The pairs are: the *poor* (v.20) & the *rich*(v.24); the *hungry*(v.21a) & the *full* (v.25a); the *sorrowful* (v.21b) & the *joyous* (v.25b); the *persecuted* (v.22) & the *popular* (v.26). The "poor" (v. 20) are those who acknowledge their dependence on God; the "rich" (v.24) do not want to commit themselves to Jesus and the Kingdom; they are comfortable with the existence they have now. The Greek word translated "consolation" (v.24) is a financial term: the "rich" do not realize what they owe to Jesus. The "hungry" (v.25) hunger for the word of God, the good news; the "full" are the materially satisfied. In v.22, "exclude" means socially ostracized and excluded from the synagogue and Temple; the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue (John 9:22; 12:42). The "Son of Man" has a corporate sense: it includes Jesus and his followers: they will be persecuted, as Israel (their ancestors, v.23) persecuted Jeremiah, Ezekiel and Amos, but "in that day" (at the end of the era), they will be rewarded. Jeremiah 5:31 says that people spoke well of 'false prophets' (v.26).

Once you are settled

Read the passage slowly and reflectively. Note anything that particularly strikes you and refer to the notes if they are helpful.

Questions for reflection:

1. Do you seek healing from Jesus?
2. Are the beatitudes our attitudes?
3. Are we guided by clear vision God's desire for us?
 - a. Are we persecuted for righteousness' sake?
4. Do our life attitudes stand in such contradistinction from society's attitudes that we are considered strange and subversive?
 - a. If not, why not?

Read the passage for a final time and give thanks to God for the gift of his holy word.