

are required whilst others are optional. If you have something about church business you would like included in the Annual Report, please let me have it by 17 March, in order that I can have the report published in plenty of time before the meeting. You can send them to me at secretary@farlingtonparish.co.uk The meeting will also elect Churchwardens (2) and PCC members, of which there will be nine vacancies. Nomination forms for wardens and PCC members are in church, so please think about who can serve the parish in these roles, and put names forward. Note that the person you are nominating must agree on the form to their name being proposed. John Upton



17 March 2019
2nd of Lent

Forthcoming Events for your diary:

Wednesday afternoons 6, 13, 20, 27 March and 3 and 10 April) at 1pm at the Rectory. Nothing More and Nothing Less Lent Study Group

Fridays from 11:45 to 1:30. Lent lunches at Drayton United Hall (Good Friday at St Colman's)

Saturdays 12-2pm Lent lunches in our parish. See notice

Wednesday evenings starting 13 March: Churches Together in Cosham: Lent Study Group
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Monday 18 March 10.30am Service at Kinross Care Home

Wednesday 20 March 2pm Service at Alexandra Rose Care home

Thursday 21 March 2pm for 2.15pm Service at Hamilton House Care Home.

Saturday 23 March from 3 pm 21 Knowsley Crescent PO6 2PJ. Planning meeting for Parish fair 27 May

Sunday 31 March Mothering Sunday services: 9.30am at Resurrection, 11.15am at St Andrew's

Sunday 14 April, 6 pm – Church of the Resurrection,
The MGC Choir performs John Rutter's *Requiem*, conducted by musical director Andrew Cleary, organ accompaniment by Ian Walker. Free admission, retiring collection

Keep the date:

Maundy Thursday 18 April 11am Chrism Mass at Portsmouth Cathedral. All congregational members are invited to attend.

Maundy Thursday/Good Friday Vigil. St Andrew's Church. Do sign up for an hour prayer slot through the night. It can only happen if enough people sign up.

Sunday 28 April Annual Parish Meeting

Welcome to our worship, especially if you are here for the first time.

A large print version of this sheet is available. Please ask a member of the Welcome Team.

Sunday 17 March

8am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's: Canon Paul Gully

9.30am Family Eucharist at Resurrection, Canon Paul Gully, Preacher: Simon Lemieux
Reader John Fellows, Intercessor Sheila Fellows

Hymns: 15,82,259,317

11.15am Family Eucharist at St Andrew's: Canon Paul Gully, Preacher: Simon Lemieux,
Reader Lynne Runham, Intercessor: Amber VP

Hymns: 19,105,340,419

Monday 18 March

10.30am Service at Kinross Care Home

Wednesday 20 March

10am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's: Canon Paul Gully, Preacher: The Revd Philippa Good

2pm Service at Alexandra Rose Care Home

7pm Said Eucharist at Resurrection: Canon Paul Gully, Preacher: The Revd Philippa Good

Thursday 21 March

9.30am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

2for 2.15pm Service at Hamilton House

Friday 22 March

11.45—1.30 Lent lunch at Drayton United Church Hall

Saturday 23 March

9am Morning Prayer at Resurrection

12-2pm Lent Lunch at 35 Augustine Rd (Fiona and Andrew Harrison)

3pm Planning meeting for Parish fair at 21 Knowsley Crescent PO6 2PJ

Collect for 2nd of Lent

.Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent

may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading: Genesis 15.1-12,17-18

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' ²But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' ³And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' ⁵He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

⁷ Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' ⁸But he said, 'O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' ⁹He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' ¹⁰He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

¹² As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

¹⁷ When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

Gospel: Luke 13.31-35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' ³²He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." ³⁴Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁵See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '

Post-communion prayer for 2nd of Lent

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly

in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We do not take a collection during the service. Instead we ask our regular worshippers to place their offering in the plate at the back of church as they arrive. Visitors are welcome to make a contribution if they wish.

The soup and pancakes lunch on Shrove Tuesday raised £112 which will go to the Bishop's Lent Appeal. Much fun was had by all. Thanks to all who participated.

Christian Aid Lent Lunches

Christian Aid Parish lunches during Lent will be held between 12 and 2pm at the following:

23 March Fiona & Andrew Harrison. 35 Augustine Road,

30 March Revd. Paul Gully 27 Farlington Avenue

6 April Ann Howells 26 Lower Farlington Road

13 April Di Allen 61 Bedhampton Hill, Havant.

The Churches Together in Cosham Lent lunches are held at the Drayton United Church hall on Fridays during Lent and are served from 11.45 to 1.30. The Good Friday lunch this year will be held at St. Colman's Church after the Walk of Witness and service in Cosham High Street.

100 Club: The successful members of 100 Club in the March draw were as follows: 1st prize – Emma Walters; 2nd prize – Chris Gibbons; 3rd prize – Jan Boucher; 4th Prize – Emily Saunders. Congratulations to all of them. Please note that as this was the last draw of the current year, all existing members and potential new members are invited to renew/start their membership for 2019/20 by making their contributions to Chris Gibbons or Geoff Wilson. Thank you.

Parish May Fair: This will be held on Bank Holiday Monday 27 May. The first planning meeting will take place on Saturday 23 March from 3pm at our house, 21 Knowsley Crescent PO6 2PJ. Anyone interested in helping to prepare for this and /or help on the day is invited to come and join us. John and Linda

Annual Meetings information: A new Electoral Roll is being compiled and the existing one is now void. Please complete an Application form, available in church today, in order to be included in the new Roll and to be eligible to attend and vote at the annual meetings. Deadline for applications is **7 April**, after which the roll will be closed until the annual meetings have taken place on **28 April**.

The APCM will receive the Financial Statements and Annual Report. I am now inviting your contributions to the Annual Report. Some elements of the report