

Welcome

Sunday, 10 February, 2019

The Fourth Sunday before Lent (green)

EAST BARNET 
PARISH CHURCH
St Mary the Virgin

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In Ordinary Time the church celebrates God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and we commit ourselves to grow in knowledge of God, and loving service to God, each other, and the created world.

10.00am

Parish Eucharist with renewal of vows, and Sunday Club

This service will be led by Bishop Stephen Venner

10.00am Parish Eucharist

¶ Opening hymn

Blessèd city, heavenly Salem,
vision dear of peace and love,
who, of living stones upbuilt
art the joy of heaven above,
and with angel cohorts circled,
as a bride to earth dost move!

From celestial realms descending,
bridal glory round her shed,
to his presence, decked with jewels,
to her Lord shall she be led;
all her streets and all her bulwarks
of pure gold are fashioned.

Bright with pearls her portals glitter,
they are open evermore;
and by virtue of his merits
thither faithful souls do soar,
who for Christ's dear name in this world
pain and tribulation bore.

Many a blow and biting sculpture
fashioned well those stones elect,
in their places now compacted
by the heavenly Architect,
who therewith hath willed for ever
that his palace should be decked.

Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three, and ever One,
One in love, and One in splendour,
while unending ages run. Amen

¶ Collect

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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. **Amen**

¶ First Reading

Isaiah 6.1-8

¶ Psalm 138

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods will I sing praise to you.
- 2 **I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name, because of your love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**
- 3 In the day that I called to you, you answered me; you put new strength in my soul.
- 4 **All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.**
- 5 They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 6 **Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly; as for the proud, he regards them from afar.**
- 7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will preserve me; you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand will save me.
- 8 **The Lord shall make good his purpose for me; your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever; forsake not the work of your hands.**

¶ Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15.1-11

¶ Gospel

Luke 5.1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink.

But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon.

Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

¶ Renewal of Vows

After the renewal of vows, the Bishop says to the congregation

Will you, the family and friends of Graham and Margaret, continue to support and uphold them in their marriage now and in the years to come?

All **We will.**

At the end of each prayer

... through Jesus Christ our Lord

All **Amen**

The service continues at the Peace on page 11

¶ Offertory Hymn

During this hymn a collection will be taken

427 Praise to the Lord

¶ Communion Hymn

142 Forth in the peace of Christ

¶ Choir Anthem

May the grace of Christ our Saviour

Words John Newton and others, harmony J S Bach

¶ Post Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

¶ Closing hymn

212 Holy, holy, holy

After the service please join Graham, Margaret and their family for sparkling refreshments at the back of church.



¶ Please pray for

Our Wardens, Associate Priest, Reader, Parish Administrator and PCC, and all those involved in caring for us in the vacancy.. The Rev'd Dr Alec Corio, Sam, Nathaniel and Josiah as they prepare for his ministry here.

All victims of war, natural disasters, famine, and refugees; the emergency services.

Those who have asked for our prayers

Trevor and Luke; Janet; Don, Jilly and family; Deborah and family; Joan; David; Janet; Carmen; Audrey and Frank; Emma and Max; Peter; James; Maria and Edward;

Anniversary of Death

Richard Osborne

Anniversary of Baptism

Reginald and Carter Summer Watson, Florence Dawson

Those living in

Doggets Close, East Barnet Road, East Walk

Those whose Banns of Marriage we call today

Matthew Edward Mitchelmore and Ailsa Victoria Lanham

Notices & Information

¶ The Vacancy Prayer

God of our past, present and future, you call us to follow in faith, with confidence in your abiding presence. Be with us in this time of vacancy, and prepare us for a new chapter in our ministry together in Christ's name. Give wisdom and discernment to those who act on our behalf, that your will may be done to the glory of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen

¶ New Rector

The wardens are delighted to announce the appointment of the next Rector of St Mary's, the Rev'd Dr Alec Corio. There are copies at the back of church of information about Alec and a message from him.

¶ Chipping Barnet Food Bank

Currently, the food bank has the following shortages:

Shampoo, shower gel, rice

They have plenty of biscuits and cakes, pasta, soup and baked beans. Donations can be placed in the box in the South Aisle or a box in the atrium at Brookside.

Thank you for your kind help to local people in crisis.

¶ Breathe - Drop in sessions for parents of 11-18 year olds

For parents of 11-18 year olds **today** and on Sunday 10th March from 17:00 - 18:30pm. Come to listen and share different parenting strategies in a relaxed and supportive environment. Snacks will be provided. Meeting in the East Barnet Baptist Church FIN lounge. Further details from 020-8449-5320 or mail@ebarnetbaptist.org.uk

¶ Shrove Tuesday/Ash Wednesday

At **7.30pm on Tuesday 5 March** there will be informal worship with pancakes at Brookside Methodist Church. Please let Margaret know as soon as possible if you are attending this, so they can arrange for enough pancakes!

On **Wednesday 6 March** there will be a Communion service at Brookside at 10.45am, and a Parish Eucharist with Ashing at 8pm at St Mary's.

¶ Partnership Lent Groups

These will be taking place on Thursdays at 2pm and 8pm in the Brookside Methodist Church coffee lounge on March 14, 21, 28, and April 4, 11.

¶ Church School admission

Parents and guardians of children who will be applying for admission to church schools should sign in the book confirming their attendance at our Sunday services, to support their application. The book is available from a Churchwarden.

¶ World Day of Prayer 2019

Formerly known as the Women's World Day of Prayer, this takes place on **Friday 1 March at 2.30pm at St James' Church, New Barnet**. It is an ecumenical event, involving five local churches - ourselves, East Barnet Baptist Church, St James', the Society of Friends, and St Peter's Roman Catholic Church. The day commences in Samoa in the Pacific, and sweeps westwards across many countries of the world, finishing in Samoa 24 hours later. This year Slovenia has devised the service on the theme "Come, everything is ready." Everyone is invited to this short service, which is followed by tea.

¶ Film Evening

Coming Shortly!

On **Saturday 23rd February at 5pm** - A critically acclaimed 2015 Disney version of a much loved fairy tale, followed by light refreshments.

¶ Quiz Evening

There will be a quiz evening in church on **Friday 1 March, 7.30pm for an 8.00pm start**. Tickets will be £5 and there will be a raffle. Please let the Parish office know if you are coming.

¶ Men's Evening and Women's Evening

These social events will be making a welcome return to St Mary's. There will be a **Men's Evening on Friday 15 March** and a **Women's Evening on Monday 1 April**. Again, more details nearer the time, but please put these dates in your diaries now.

¶ Table Top Sales

Saturday 2 March and Saturday 11 May

These will be in church between 2 and 4pm on Saturdays. Tables can now be booked for the March sale through the office for £10 each. Admission free, refreshments available, come and browse the bargains!

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¶ Next Sunday, 17 February, 2019

The Third Sunday before Lent

10.00am Parish Eucharist and Sunday Club

6.30pm Evensong

¶ Spring into Summer

Our new concert season starts on

Sunday 17 March at 3pm

The Art Deco Orchestra will be playing dance music of the 1920's and 30's. All are welcome. Tickets are £5 at the door, and refreshments will be available. Further concerts in the season will be happening on 28 April, 19 May, 23 June and 21 July. You can now follow our new Twitter page @smebconcerts, and we are on Facebook!

¶ Help with Herald Sorting

We need a few more people to help with sorting the Heralds into bundles at Brookside on the next sorting day, which is Saturday 23rd March, and also some people to help with driving and dropping the bundles off to the distributors. If you could help with either/ both of these tasks, please contact Matthew Eade (07958268899/editor@eastbarnherald.org.uk).

Some paper copies of the new Herald are at the back of church, or you can see it in full colour at bit.ly/ebherald Many thanks to Matthew and all involved in the Herald.

¶ This week

Monday 11 February

9.30am Staff prayers and meeting

1.30pm Monday Club at Brookside

Tuesday 12 February

8.00pm Adult choir practice

Wednesday 13 February

4.00pm Junior Choir at Brookside

Thursday 14 February

10.00am Little Tots group at Brookside

10.45am Holy Communion at Brookside

5.45pm Brownies at Brookside

7.30pm Guides at Brookside

Saturday 16 February

10.30 - 12.30pm Church of England Flower Arrangers Association meeting in church

¶ Alice in Wonderland

Mathew Dickinson Productions present Alice in Wonderland at Manor Drive Methodist Church on 20th - 23rd February. (Wednesday to Friday 7.30pm, Saturday 2pm and 6pm.). Tickets £12 adults, £8 U16 children and concessions.

Tickets from MDPRODUCTIONS.ORG.UK or 020-8368-3927.

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