



William Lamb
450th anniversary

ST JAMES' CHURCH, ISLINGTON N1 8PF

8th March 2020 LENT 2 Year A 20/10

Welcomer: Eva Kasella
Readers: Martin Allen and Shirley Chinery
Interceder: Kerry Sabine
Euch Mins: Hilary Roden and Kerry Sabine
Coffee: Rosemary Ross (15th: Lucy Haire)

Lent 3 15th March 2020 at 10am:
Exodus 17: 1-7 Chris Carter; Romans 5: 1-11 Luigi Falcioni

Collect: 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. Amen.



O HAPPY DAY! Two Sundays ago we remembered how Jesus gave his closest friends a 'taste of heaven' on the mountain. Last Sunday we had a taste of what the Church can be like at its very best with a Church full of young and old, giving thanks for the way nine more people were drawn to the Table of the Lord. Like the disciples we need these happy days to give us the energy and the courage to face whatever challenges come our way, reminding us yet again that we are 'better together'. We are the Church and when we all play our part in it, God is able to achieve *far more than we could ever ask or think*. Today we ask: how can we make that happen?

Notes on today's readings:

Exodus 30: 11-16 What you give shall be a thanksgiving for all that you have received
Ephesians 3: 14-21 Success lies in the one who can do so much more than we can imagine
St Mark 12: 41-44 The widow, hoping not to be seen, gives all she has

Entry AM641 Glorious things
R Psalm Psalm 112
Offertory AM496 Long ago
P-Comm TP70 Jesu, Jesu
Final AM766 Praise my soul

TODAY'S HYMNS at 10am

WELCOME to everyone in Church today, especially those visiting for the first time.

- Please ask the nearest person to you in the pews if there is anything you need. There is a carpeted area in the south aisle for our smallest children. A full service booklet is available and the T-loop system works well.
- A collection of money is taken during Mass. We are very grateful for your kind support.
- At the time of communion, please feel free to come forward to the front of Church - either to receive communion or a blessing. Jesus invites everyone, you too!
- Finally, do stay for a drink after Mass if you can and say hello before you leave. If you would like to keep in touch, please fill in a white Contact Card and we'll respond asap.

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LENT READING GROUP All the copies of Rowan William's book 'Luminaries' were snapped up last Sunday but more can be ordered via Amazon at £8.50. This is all boding well for some good discussions and I am delighted that Ken Thompson has now set a date for one: 8pm on Tuesday 24th March, at his house, 318 Liverpool Road, N7 8PU. If you want to take part please email him at kenneththompson493@gmail.com. He will then suggest the way we might best use our time together.

THE ELECTORAL ROLL The date for new applications is Sunday April 5th, not as previously notified.

ORGAN PROJECT We have now been informed by the Diocesan legal team that a number of Objections to the scheme have been lodged with the Registrar. While we now know who some of the objectors are we don't know the substance of their reservations but as soon as details become available we will let you know. After so much research and painstaking consultation we are hopeful that these misgivings can be overcome. We just have to be patient.

AGM REPORTS Kerry Sabine reminds us that tomorrow is the deadline for 2020 AGM reports, ready for circulation to the PCC which meets on Wednesday 18th March.

STEWARDSHIP Today is the start of our appeal for additional help to cover the cost of running St James'. Thanks to Nieve Goodwin our stewardship coordinator for getting the envelopes out. Letters setting out our current needs are on their way to you.

Calendar and Daily Prayer themes

Sun 8 LENT 2 Kerry, Chris and Ben Sabine; Sam, Charlie, Isla Seabrook
Mon 9 DEL Lent 2 Nick, Isabelle, Maxwell and Leon Sharples
Tues 10 Feria Tomi Solomon, Susan and Eric Sorensen
Wed 11 Feria Jodie, Gary, Amelia and Elijah Silvera; Vera Taggart
Thurs 12 Feria Alex, Claire, Kaitlin and Oliver Suksiri; Fr Stephen Taylor
Fri 13 Feria Ken and Margaret Thompson; Zoe, Dan, Darcia and Chester
Sat 14 Feria Fr Victor de Waal; Belle, Tom, Poppy, Pearl and Bow
Sun 15 LENT 3 Tim Willis, Chris Wright; Brian, Kate and Oscar Yeats

WHAT'S ON AT ST JAMES' THIS WEEK

Sun LENT 2 8am Mass. 10am PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL.
Mon 12.15pm Pack-Up.
Tues 8.30am Morning Prayer. 9am Mass.
Wed 10am Mass.
Thurs No Office session. 6pm Diocesan Synod, St Paul's Church, Robert Adam Street, WI.
Fri 12noon Funeral of Gordon Brown (Elia Street).
Sun 15 LENT 3 8am Mass. 10am PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL.

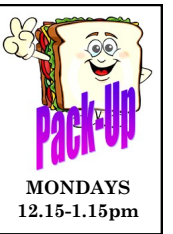
PRAYER BOARD/NOTICES Requests for prayer welcome

BIRTHDAY Happy Returns to Kenneth Awoonor-Renner whose birthday is on Tuesday.
BAPTISM AND FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATES Kaitlin and Oliver Suksiri; Poppy and Pearl Wheatley, Reggie Murphy; Sophie Duffy, Karensa Greenaway, Claire Suksiri and Belle Williams.

SICK Robert Addington, Annie Bryan, Chou Seng Joo, Emily Grainger, Kris Hyde, Hayley Jenkins, John, Klenan, Kingsley Lewis, John Scott, Charlie Sharpe, Rene, Vera Taggart, Angela Vinnicombe.

DEPARTED We pray for the soul of Gordon Brown (Elia Mews), to be laid to rest on Friday 13th March.
MEMORIALS 28th: Ellen Barton (2002); 9th: Leonard Cobb; 10th: Nick Gale (2015); 12th: Lee Tane (2018).

INTERNATIONAL CHURCH LINKS US: Fr Travis and Suzanne Smith, Angleton, Texas; Japan: Fr Sebastian Naniwa, working in Hiroshima.
PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE We share Richard's concern for **Nazanin Zaghari-Radcliffe** in the wake of the outbreak of Coronavirus in Iran. Will they give her temporary release from jail; can she cope with the trauma of returning? We pray too for **Kylie Moore-Gilbert** (left), a British-Australian academic, **Anoosheh Ashoori**, an Engineer and **Aras Amiri**.



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