



William Lambe 450th anniversary

# ST JAMES' CHURCH, ISLINGTON N1 8PF

15th March 2020 LENT 3 Year A 20/11

Welcomer: Grace Joseph  
Readers: Chris Carter and :Luigi Falcioni  
Interceder: Jane Kilgannon  
Euch Mins: Role suspended until further notice  
Coffee: Isabel Nisbet (22nd: Lucy Haire)

**Collect: Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Lent 4 22nd March 2020 at 10am:

Exodus 2: 1-10 Teresa Pereira Colossians 3: 12-17 Ros Ford



Dear Colleagues,

### Coronavirus COVID-19

**AS ANTICIPATED** all churches have now received formal instructions about how to cope with Coronavirus. In the likelihood that we are about to enter an epidemic, we need to take sensible precautions - but without panicking. As from last Wednesday's Mass we will be administering Communion in just one kind (bread) and we will ask people not to touch one another at the Sign of Peace. Hand washing, as last Sunday, will be encouraged; there is plenty of hot water throughout the Church. If we do all those things there is no reason not to come to Mass unless you feel ill, in which case staying at home is obviously the most sensible thing to do. Please do let me know if you hear that someone has caught the virus. One of the appeals of the Archbishops is that we go on supporting people even if they are in self-imposed quarantine. We all have phones!

### Notes on today's readings:

Exodus 17: 1-7 The people grumble about a lack of water; God helps Moses to respond  
Romans 5: 1-11 Knowing that we are made right with God gives us a new sense of peace  
St John 4: 4-42 The chance meeting of Jesus and a Samaritan women at Jacob's well

Entry CAHON422 Lord we come  
Gradual TP121 River, wash over me  
Offertory AM669 I heard the voice  
P-Comm LamPr50 I waited patiently  
Final LamPr140 Praise the One

### 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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**STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL 2020** By now we hope that will have received an envelope of papers from Nieve Goodwin, building on the presentations that were made at our Masses last Sunday. At the heart of this appeal is the hope that *everyone* will contribute to the work of the parish - in small ways as well as in big - so that the work we are doing can continue. Please do ask Nieve for further information, for Gift Aid forms and for boxes of envelopes if you would find them helpful. And thanks to her for taking this work on.

**LENT READING GROUP** All the copies of Rowan Williams'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. If you would like to take part please email [kenneththompson493@gmail.com](mailto:kenneththompson493@gmail.com).

**THE PCC** meets on Wednesday, the final session before the Annual General Meeting on April 26th. Along with the small fry stuff (pest control in the kitchen and paperwork on the new aerials in the Church tower) there are exciting plans afoot for 'Lambe's Feast' on June 21st, a refit of the Hall kitchen and new curtains on the stage - and the news that we are growing in numbers again which is always encouraging. In the meantime we are still awaiting confirmation from the Registry about any Objections to the Organ Project. I think we all know this is going to be a tricky (coronavirus dominated) summer but I have every confidence we can support one another through it all.

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

### Calendar and Daily Prayer themes

Sun 15 LENT 3 Tim Willis, Chris Wright; Brian, Kate and Oscar Yeats  
Mon 16 DEL Lent 3 Robert Addington; Lisa Ahmet, Max and Oscar  
Tues 17 St Patrick Louise, Vinny and Benjy; Martin and Kerri Allen  
Wed 18 St Cyril Beatrice, Kenneth, Klenam, Kaiman and Kepha A-Renner  
Thurs 19 St Joseph Rose Baker; Vicky Bellamy, Holly and Josh Campbell  
Fri 20 St Cuthbert Annie and Albert Bryan; the Vicarage family  
Sat 21 Thomas Cranmer, Archbp. M Vivienne Carlton; Shirley Chinery  
Sun 22 LENT 4 Dionne, Aly, Sophie, Emma and Jack Carter

### WHAT'S ON AT ST JAMES' THIS WEEK

Sun 15 LENT 3 8am Mass. 10am PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL.  
Mon 12.15pm Pack-Up. 6-8pm Ward Partnership meeting, Popham Community Hall.  
Tues 8.30am Morning Prayer. 9am Mass.  
Wed 10am Mass. 7.30pm PCC meeting, Vicarage.  
Thurs 10am Proms Committee meeting. 6pm Evening Prayer. 6.15-7pm Office session. 7pm FC2.  
Sun 22 LENT 4 8am Mass. 10am PARISH MASS and SUNDAY SCHOOL.

### PRAYER BOARD/NOTICES Requests for prayer welcome

**BIRTHDAY** Happy Returns to server Ethan Faloppa who will be 14 tomorrow.  
**ANNIVERSARIES** Fr John gives thanks for all God's blessings as he celebrates his 11th anniversary at St James' on Saturday 21st.

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

**MEMORIALS** Today: Guiseppe Saponara (1997), Andy Burroughs (2014); 18th: John Semaine (2002).

**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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