

## Second Sunday of Lent

### 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.**

### Today's Readings

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18

Psalm 27

Philippians 3.17-4.1

Luke 13.31-end

### Post Communion

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. **Amen.**

### **Baptism Preparation – Prayer for March**

***God, You give us Your love, even when things go wrong. Fill these parents  
with Your peace, even when things don't go to plan. Amen.***

### ***Book: Handa's Surprise***

***Please pray for the people that live in New Bradley Hall in our parish and  
for the people who care for them.***

**Gluten Free Wafers - whenever the Eucharist is celebrated gluten free  
wafers are available.**

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## SERVICES AT CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION – MARCH

### Sunday 16 March

10am Morning Prayer

### Monday 17 March

7.30pm Lent Group at Fr Mel's – 14 Beech Tree Close

### Tuesday 18 March

2.30pm Lent Group at Jill's – 30 Stallings Lane

5pm Evening Prayer

### Wednesday 19 March

10am Midweek Eucharist with Hymns and Songs

5pm Evening Prayer

6.15pm Lent Group @ Church of the Ascension

### Thursday 20 March

10am Mainly Music

2.30pm Lent Group at Jane's – 25 Foundry St, Wall Heath

7.30pm Lent Group at Jenny's – 17 Clover Lane, Wall Heath

### Sunday 23 March

10am Team Service at St Mary's

**All are welcome to Morning Prayer at St Mary's at 8.30am on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week.**

**Pray for our sick** and those who care for them: Evelyn, Pat Hughes, Bob, Carol, Steph Randall, Pam, Fran and Peter, Tim Dalloway, Anne-Marie, Chris Hemsley, Angela, Winnifred Quirke, Winston Sharpe, Reagan, Carole, Jayne Timmins, Carol, John Timmins, Lainey, Edna Barlow, Phil Mayhew, Eileen Knight, Mike, Henry, Samantha Hart, Brian Genner, Liz Cross, Sarah, Denise, Harold.

MU Members, especially the house bound.

**Recently Departed**: Helen Gregg, Carol Cartwright, Eileen Knight, Pauline Heathcock.

**Fr. Mel's Prayer Meeting** will become a Lent Group at 7.30pm. The next group is on March 17<sup>th</sup> and then on March 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

Back to the fortnightly meetings from April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

## **Church of the Ascension School**

These are this week's prayers that remind the children to pray a **thank you** prayer, a **sorry** prayer and/or a **please** prayer.

- Dear God. Thanks for all the animals we have so we are not alone. Amen.
- Sorry for the things I have done wrong.
- Please give me happiness and love so that I can respect others.

**Our next Team Service** will be on **Sunday 23 March at 10am at St Mary's**. Make a note in your diary and let people know who may have missed this notice.

**Our Mothering Sunday Service** on 30<sup>th</sup> March will be café church. Please join us for pastries, discussion and worship in the hall before we come together to share Eucharist.

## **Annual Meetings**

- The annual meeting for Church of the Ascension will be on **Tuesday 29 April at 7.30pm** in church. Please do your best to attend this important meeting.
- Our annual parish meeting will then be on **Wednesday 28 May at 7.30pm** in church. Again, please do your best to attend this important meeting.

**The funeral service of Eileen Knight** will be held at Church of the Ascension on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 1pm**. There will be refreshments in the church hall afterwards.

**Festivals which shape our lives and discipleship** The next big set of services come during Holy Week. Holy Week is a journey, a pilgrimage with Jesus and I really encourage you to get the big dates in your diary now and come and experience one of the most profound and important weeks in human history. All the details are on postcards at the back of church but the big ones to try and attend are Palm Sunday; Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and then Easter Day. These days have inspired my faith every year since I started doing them all and I absolutely commend them to you – a journey with our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Items Available** Quingo scooter (in good working order) and walking frame with seat - great for shopping! Both going free.  
Please contact Jill on 07503 993691 or 01384 273814

**Exciting news!!** We have a new look website with lots of information around what we are doing both in church and our community.

[www.churchoftheascensionwallheath.org.uk](http://www.churchoftheascensionwallheath.org.uk) Please take a look 😊