

# Noticeboard

**NO EVENING PRAYER this evening.** Evening prayer will now take place on the 1st Sunday of the month only with the Healing Service.

Today at St Mary's we welcome Revd Mark Rudall Director of the Diocesan Communications Team at both our 8am and 10.45am services.

Following the terrible earthquake in Haiti our retiring collection today will be for the DEC appeal for this country. Should you wish to gift aid your donation please donate via their website [www.DEC.org.uk/haiti-appeal](http://www.DEC.org.uk/haiti-appeal)

This weekly CROSSWAY SUPPLEMENT can now be accessed via the parish website at: [www.worplesdonparish.com](http://www.worplesdonparish.com)

The PAIN SUPPORT group need two people to serve tea and coffee at their meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Brian & Tricia Williams (G. 825954) if you could help.

Due to the recent weather the BREAKFAST for WATERAID due to have been on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan. has been rescheduled for Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February, from 8am at Jacob's Well Village Hall. All Welcome.

LENT BOOKS – both Lent books are on display at both churches today together with a list to sign if you would like to place an order.

PARISH LUNCH– the next lunch is on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January to book a place please telephone the Church Office (G.233091) by noon on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

To receive important parish updates and items of news via EMAIL please ensure that the Church Office has an up to date email address for you.

Following the presentation of the report by Woking Church Recorder Group many people offered further INFORMATION regarding furnishings, furniture and textiles in St Mary's. If you have information to be included in the report please put it in writing and send in to the Church office.

Now is the time to return any Palm Crosses to prepare the ash for Ash Wednesday. Please leave at the back of the church or hand in to the office.

The deadline for items for inclusion in the weekly Crossway Supplement is:  
**Wednesday 12 noon c/o the Church Office G. 233091 or [churchoffice@worplesdonparish.com](mailto:churchoffice@worplesdonparish.com)**



The Parish of Worplesdon  
Crossway Supplement  
Readings, Prayers & Notices  
Epiphany 3



**Calendar for Week beginning  
January 24<sup>th</sup> 2010**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>**

- 6.00pm **NO** Celtic worship at St Mary's.  
6.00pm Parish Youth Group at St Alban's

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup>**

- 11.00am Primrose House communion  
8.00pm Sunday Club planning at 20 Dynevor Place

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>**

- 3.30pm StoryZone at St Alban's  
8.00pm Fundraising Committee

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>**

- 11.00am Holy Communion at St Alban's  
12.30pm Village Lunch at St Alban's (*to book phone 01483 233091 by noon on Monday 25<sup>th</sup>*)

- 8.00pm Lyons Drive House Group

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>**

- 9.45am Parent & Toddler at St Alban's  
8.00pm Fairlands Home Group.

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup>**

- 7.00pm Choir Practice at St Mary's  
8.00pm Bell-ringers at St Mary's.

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>**

- 10.00am Marriage Preparation day at St Mary's

**Advanced Notice**

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>**

- 6.00pm **NO** Evening Worship at St Mary's

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup>**

- 8.00pm Ministry Team

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- 8.00pm GFW planning 43 Frog Grove Lane

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- 1.30pm Edward Bear Club at ST ALBAN'S.

*Weekday Morning prayer is said at St Mary's at 8.30am  
& Evening Prayer at St Alban's at 5.00pm.*

*On Saturdays Morning Prayer is 9.00am at St Mary's.*

## *Welcome to our Worship*

*Hymns: 244, 740, 54, 40, 382, 474.*

### *Sentence before Collect*

Jesus of Nazareth was attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders and signs that God did through him among you.

Acts 2.22

### *The Collect* (said by all)

**Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
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 forever. Amen.**

### *The First Reading: Nehemiah 8. 1-3, 5-6, 8-10*

**Reader: St Mary's: Sarah Haddy**

*(Lives can be changed by reading the scriptures. So it was when Jesus read from Isaiah in the synagogue, and so it was in the 5th century BC when the holy books, once lost were read aloud by Ezra to the Israelites returned from exile.)*

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month.

He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen,' lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation.

They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.  
And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people  
said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God;  
do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law.  
Then he said to them,  
'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine  
and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared,  
for this day is holy to our LORD;  
and do not be grieved,  
for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'  
V. This is the word of the Lord  
**R. Thanks be to God**

***The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12. 12-31a***

**Readers: St Mary's: Ed Gillett**

*(This reading continues the letter from last Sunday. Paul has said the gifts of the Spirit are many and various, and now he shows that these do not divide us but unite us in the body of Christ on earth, all members together.)*

Just as the body is one and has many members,  
and all the members of the body, though many, are one body,  
so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free –  
and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.  
Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many.  
If the foot would say,

Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,  
that would not make it any less a part of the body.  
And if the ear would say,  
'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,'  
that would not make it any less a part of the body.  
If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be?  
If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body,  
each one of them, as he chose.  
If all were a single member, where would the body be?  
As it is, there are many members, yet one body.  
The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you,'  
nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.'  
On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are  
indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable  
we clothe with greater honour,

and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. V. This is the word of the Lord

**R. Thanks be to God**

***The Gospel Reading: Luke 4. 14-21***

V. Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**R. Glory to you, O Lord**

*(When Jesus read from Isaiah in the Nazareth synagogue, he proclaimed that he was himself the expected anointed one, bringer of good news of freedom and healing.)*

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee,

and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country.

He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up,

he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom.

He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down.

The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him.

Then he began to say to them,

'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

V. This is the gospel of the Lord.

**R. Praise to you, O Christ**

*Requests for Prayer*

*Intercessions:* St Mary's: Sarah Peak

*The Church in the World:* The Anglican Church of Burundi - Archbishop Bernard Ntahoturi Archbishop of the Province of Burundi & Bishop of Matana.

*Our Diocese:* We pray for the Communications Department.  
Director: Mark Rudall.

*Our Parish: Our missionary links: Ruth Sayers in Bethlehem with CMS, Azariah in Andhra Pradesh, India; the African Children's Choir, The Ntamara Centre, Rwanda, Community of St Mary of Nazareth & Calvary: Church of Myanmar (Burma) Association; Diocese of Ife in Nigeria, Evry, France & Visby, Sweden. Perry Hill, Pinks Hill & Pitch Place.*

*Those in need:* John & Pat Evason, Noreen Hodgson, Catherine Mosley, Alicia Pettit, Gill Cross, Michael Blossie, Pauline Hinks, Penny Mallett.

*In Yearly Remembrance:* Margaret Joan Thomas, Gladys Brown, Douglas Bryant, Len Lennox, Betty Roberts, Ada Hebburn, Stanley Hebburn, Leitia Symonds-Taylor, Ernest Preece, Edna Philps.

Assisting with our worship today

<b>Sidespersons:</b>	St Alban's:	8.00	Don Brealey
	St Alban's:	9.15	Mark Herdman David Hypher
	St Mary's:	10.45	Eric/Sylvia Thomas Brian Smith
<b>Lay Assistants:</b>	St Alban's	9.15	iWorship
	St Mary's	10.45	Pat Gathercole

<b>Servers:</b>	St Alban's	9.15	Wally Gathercole iWorship
	St Mary's:	10.45	Mike Baker Jane Baker

*Assisting with our worship next week*

**8.00 St Mary's:** Sidesperson                      Ann Brown

**Parish Communion**

	<b>St Alban's</b>	<b>St Mary's</b>
<b>1st Reading</b>	Mal. 3. 1-5	
<b>Reader</b>	Nigel Thornback	
<b>2nd Reading</b>	Heb.2. 14-end	
<b>Reader</b>	Roger Toulson	
<b>Gospel</b>	Luke 2. 22-40	
<b>Intercessor</b>	Gill Cross	Eric Thomas
<b>Lay Assistants</b>	Brenda Moore	8.00 Steve Reeds
	Jeanette Grey	Anthony Hillard Mary Hillard
<b>Servers</b>	Roger Welch	Bryony Davison Emily Kelly
<b>Sidespersons</b>	Brenda Moore	Kevin Davison
	Chris Sturdee	Joy Corner
<b>Refreshments</b>		Lina Sexton Dominic Sexton

