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This evening we join together for our monthly Healing service at 6pm at St Mary's Church.

All Welcome

We welcome members of the Royal Artillery Association to St Mary's today for the Laying up of their Standard.

The MEN'S GROUP meet in St Mary's Room on Saturday 13th March at 9.00am to make our Mothering Sunday posies – all men of the Parish are warmly invited to join them!

Offers of GREENERY for the Mothering Sunday posies should be delivered to the Church Office on Friday 12th by 1pm or to St Mary's Room for 9am on Saturday 13th please.

This weekly notice sheet is also available from the Parish Website:

www.worplesdonparish.com

RE-ORDERING – it is now 6 months since the re-ordering of St Alban's took place. Any comments would be most welcome in the book available from the Narthex.

SIGN UP lists are now at both churches to help deliver Easter Cards to every house in the Parish. Please consider delivering to a road near you.

Many people have offered to sponsor the new LIGHT FITTINGS at St Mary's and money can now be sent in c/o the Church Office, if you would like to 'sponsor' one of the new fittings it's not to late – please speak to the Church Office or to Mike Gillett.

VILLAGE LUNCHESES – volunteers are sought to both help and lead at the Parish Lunch which is held once a month at St Alban's Hall. Please speak to Brian and Tricia Williams or to the Church Office.

MOTHERING SUNDAY - Next Sunday there will be a GFW Parade service at St Alban's at 10.45am. The service at St Mary's that day will be more quiet and reflective for those who find Mothering Sunday a difficult time. Posies will be distributed at both services

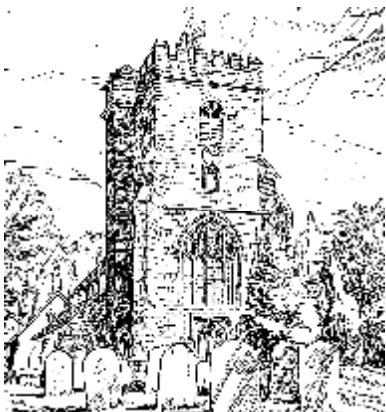
Passion Sunday – there will be a HEARTPRAISE service at 6pm on Sunday 21st March at St Alban's . All Welcome.

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



The Parish of Worpl esdon
Crossway Suppl ement
Readi ngs, Prayers & Noti ces
Lent 3



Calendar for Week beginning
March 7th 2010

Sunday 7th

6.00pm Healing Service at St Mary's

Monday 8th

8.00pm Growing Ministering Congregations at
St Mary's.

Tuesday 9th

4.00pm StoryZone at St Alban's

Wednesday 10th

11.00am Holy Communion at St Alban's

1.30pm Mother's Union Service of Closure at
St Alban's.

8.00pm Lent Group St Mary's Church Room

Thursday 11th

9.45am Parent & Toddler at St Alban's

8.00pm Fairlands Home Group.

Friday 12th

7.00pm Choir Practice at St Mary's

8.00pm Bell-ringers at St Mary's.

Advanced Notice

Sunday 14th

10.45am GFW Mothering Sunday Parade at
St Alban's

10.45am Parish Communion with distribution of
posies at St Mary's

6.00pm Parish Youth Group at St Alban's

Monday 15th

8.00pm Pain Group at St Mark's Hall, Wyke

8.00pm Holiday club planning

Tuesday 16th

4.00pm StoryZone at St Alban's

Wednesday 17th

11.00am Holy Communion at St Alban's.

8.00pm Lent Group - St Mary's Church Room

*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: St Alban's: 240, psalm, 81, 73, 54.

St Mary's: 483, printed, 481, 134, 464, 22.

Sentence before Collect

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1.18

The Collect (said by all)

Almighty God,

whose most dear Son went not up to joy

but first he suffered pain,

and entered not into glory before he was crucified:

**mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;**

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.

The First Reading: Isa 55. 1-9

Reader: St Alban's: Dorothy Kinsella St Mary's: Mary Broughton

(We can hear these ancient prophetic words as a summons for ourselves, to put God first, to seek him and listen to him. Like Jesus in today's Gospel, Isaiah calls us to repentance, for God is great and freely forgiving.)

The LORD says this:

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;

and you that have no money, come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,

and your labour for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,

and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me;

listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,

my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,

a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know,

and nations that do not know you shall run to you,

because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,

for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake their way,
and the unrighteous their thoughts;
let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.
V. This is the word of the Lord
R. Thanks be to God

The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10. 1-13

Reader: St Alban's: Lorna Morton St Mary's: Sue Odell

(This passage is a reminder of the fate of people who were determined to rebel against God. We, says Paul, should be strong to resist anything tempting us away from the life to which Christ calls us.)

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters,
that our ancestors were all under the cloud,
and all passed through the sea,
and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,
and all ate the same spiritual food,
and all drank the same spiritual drink.
For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them,
and the rock was Christ.
Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them,

and they were struck down in the wilderness.
Now these things occurred as examples for us,
so that we might not desire evil as they did.
Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written,
'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.'
We must not indulge in sexual immorality
as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put
Christ to the test, as some of them did,
and were destroyed by serpents.
And do not complain as some of them did,
and were destroyed by the destroyer.
These things happened to them to serve as an example,
and they were written down to instruct us,
on whom the ends of the ages have come.
So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall.
No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone.

God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

V. This is the word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God

The Gospel Reading: Luke 13. 1-9

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

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

(Jesus refers to some recent events in warning of the need for repentance. A parable suggests that God always allows us second and third chances to turn to a truly fruitful life.)

There were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.

He asked them ‘Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?’

No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed

when the tower of Siloam fell on them –

do you think that they were worse offenders

than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you;

but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.’

Then he told this parable:

‘A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard;

and he came looking for fruit on it and found none.

So he said to the gardener, “See here!

For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree,

and still I find none. Cut it down!

Why should it be wasting the soil?”

He replied, “Sir, let it alone for one more year,

until I dig around it and put manure on it.

If it bears fruit next year, well and good;

but if not, you can cut it down.”’

V. This is the gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you, O Christ

Post Communion Sentence

My food is to do the will of him who sent me, says the Lord.

John 4.34

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord,

grant your people grace to withstand the temptations

of the world, the flesh and the devil,

and with pure hearts and minds to follow you,

the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Requests for Prayer

Intercessions:

St Alban's: Betty Leach ***St Mary's:*** Sarah Peak

The Church in the World: We pray Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Hong Kong island -(Hong Kong) Archbishop Paul Kwong.

Our Diocese: We pray for the Department of Mission, Evangelism & Parish Development.

Our Parish: *The residents and staff of Primrose House.*
Brocks Drive, Brooke Forest & Burton Drive.

Those in need: John and Pat Evason, Noreen Hodgson, Catherine Mosely, Alicia Pettit, Gill Cross, Michael Blossie, Sally Vallins, Eileen Lee, Gwen Sheppard.

Departed: Pauline Hinks, Bertha Christmas, Ethel Russell.

In Yearly Remembrance: Clifford Heather, Cecil Marley, Harold Banks, Alfred Mitchell, Reginald Ray, Thomas Chennell, Annie Moore, Eric Rhodes, Derek Youlton, Leslie Gardiner, Louise Windo.

Assisting with our worship today

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| Sidespersons: | St Mary's: | 8.00 | Lynn Collier |
| | St Alban's: | 9.15 | Margaret Rourke |
| | | | Steve Mochrie |
| | | | Roger Welch |
| | | 10.45 | Anthony Hillard |
| | | | Chris Hughes |
| | | | John Collier |
| Lay Assistants: | St Alban's | 9.15 | Betty Leach |
| | | | Brenda Moore |

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| | St Mary's: | 8.00 | John Collier |
| | | 10.45 | Jane Baker |
| | | | Kevin Davison |
| Servers: | St Alban's | 9.15 | Helen Parsons |
| | St Mary's: | 10.45 | Jane Baker |
| | | | Mike Baker |

Assisting with our worship next week

8.00 St Alban's: Sidesperson Don Brealey

Parish Communion

| | St Alban's | St Mary's |
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| 1st Reading | GFW | Joshua 5.9-12 |
| Reader | | Chris Hughes |
| 2nd Reading | GFW | 2. Cor. 5.16-21 |
| Reader | | Angela Backhouse |
| Gospel | GFW | Luke 15.1-3,116-32 |
| Intercessor | | Christopher Peacock |
| Lay Assistants | GFW | Eric Thomas |
| | | Mike Gillett |
| Servers | GFW | Sarah Peak |
| | | Helen Baker |
| Sidespersons | GFW welcome | Kevin Davison |
| | | Joy Corner |
| Refreshments | | Jeanne Ward |
| | | Enid Dibben |