

Rota for This Week

Door, Welcome & Collection: Lesley & Mike Wareham
Reader: Douglas Clare
Intercessions: Audrey Hobley
Elements: Clare & Richard Rednall

Coffee: Jean & Tom Gray
Cleaning: Mary & Dennis Bambury

Services Next Week

Wednesday 21st February

10.30. a.m. Holy Communion Bampton

Services for Sunday 25th February 2018

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion Bampton
9.15 a.m. Holy Communion Lew
9.30 a.m. Family Service Aston
10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist Bampton
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Clanfield

Rota for 25th February 2018

Door, Welcome & Collection: Pat Robson & Mark Albert
Reader: Nicola Saward
Intercessions:
Elements: Grace & Richard Wilkins

Coffee: Celia Humphreys & Jan Jones
Cleaning: Penelope & Martin Kettle

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BAMPTON

18TH FEBRUARY 2018

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Introit Hymn: 95

Forty days and forty nights

The Collect:

Almighty God
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so we may know your power to save;
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.

Old Testament:

Genesis 9: 8-17

Psalm:

Psalm 25: 1-9

1. To you, O lord, I lift up my soul:
O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies triumph over me.
2. Let none who look to you be put to shame,
but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.
3. Make me to know your ways, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.
4. Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you have I hoped all the day long.
5. Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
6. Remember not the sins of my youth
or my transgressions,
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,
according to your steadfast love.

7. Gracious and upright is the Lord;
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.
8. He will guide the humble in doing right
and teach his way to the lowly.
9. All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth
To those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Epistle: **1 Peter 3: 18 - end**

Gradual Hymn: 385 **Be thou my guardian and my guide**

Gospel Reading: **Mark 1: 9-15**

Offertory Hymn: 96 **Jesu, lover of my soul**

Communion Anthem: **If ye love me (Tallis)**

Prayer after Communion:

Lord God,
You have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;
by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,
and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your
mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Final Hymn:416 **Father, hear the prayer we offer**

Notices

- Today's service is led by **Revd. Canon Martin Peirce**
- Beginning on **Wednesday 21st Feb.**, there will be the first of a series of five Lent Groups held in the Methodist Church, Bampton at 7.15 for 7.30 pm. As in previous years, we will be using one of the York Courses for study and discussion. It would be good if we could have a sizeable representation from all the three congregations who worship in Bampton so that we can grow in understanding.



MESSY CHURCH

Our next Messy Church will be on **Sunday 4th March** when we will be considering how Jesus welcomed the children. Everybody is welcome to join us at 3-5 pm. Messy Church would appreciate any donations of food for tea please. If you feel you would like to help in this way there is a list of items required on the table as you go out.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S - SUNDAY AFTERNOON TALK AND TEA - £8

TODAY at 3.30.p.m.

Save the Children Fund- Syrian Refugees

Concern has been expressed for the plight of the refugees. In response the BCCC has agreed that a collection can be taken at the Service of Reflection in the week before Easter. Envelopes will be made available throughout Lent and can be placed in any collection up to Easter. If giving up chocolate for Lent is what you do, why not give some of the money saved and as you do so think of Jesus' love for the outsider.

BAMPTON ZIMBABWE PROJECT.

Sincere and grateful thanks to all who defied the miserable weather to come to our Traditional Tea Party last Tuesday, 13th February. It was probably the best one we have had, enhanced by children enjoying the half term break, who were delightful and helpful! The need for funds to be channelled through ZANE and Medicins Sans Frontieres, who are still working in Zimbabwe, is continuous, and vital. We now have the financial result which is £348.50. Best yet!

THANK YOU!

Ann Flute

Ladies' Lunch

Ladies' Lunch will take place at 12.30 p.m. on 23rd February at The Pavilion in Buckland Road. Please join us to enjoy a delicious meal and friendly company. *For further information please contact Joy Edwards: 01993 852557*