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# Pew-sheet for Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

## The First Sunday of Lent

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### Today's services

#### *Liturgical Colour: Purple*

#### **8.45am Morning Prayer** on Zoom

Meeting ID 833 3035 8290

Passcode 735361

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**10.00am Holy Communion** at the  
church of St Peter & St Paul,  
Cosgrove

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#### ***Collect for today***

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 may we 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 for ever.

**Amen**

#### ***Post Communion prayer for today***

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.

**Amen**

### Readings for this morning's service of Holy Communion

#### ***First Reading: Romans 5.12-19***

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— <sup>13</sup> sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup> Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup> But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup> And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup> If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup> Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup> For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

For the Word of the Lord;  
**Thanks be to God**

## **Gospel: Matthew 4.1-11**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord,  
Jesus Christ, according to  
Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord**

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup> He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup> The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' <sup>4</sup> But he answered, 'It is written,

"One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

<sup>5</sup> Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup> saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

<sup>7</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

<sup>8</sup> Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; <sup>9</sup> and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' <sup>10</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

"Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him."

<sup>11</sup> Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The coming week's services and prayer**

### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February**

**8.00pm**, a short service of **Night Prayer** on our South Cleley [Facebook page](#).

### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February**

#### **5.00pm Meditation Prayer**

Contact [Mary McVay](#) so she can send you the details.

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

**8.45am Morning Prayer** on Zoom  
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**10.00am Holy Communion** at Cosgrove

*(Note change of location due to Wicken church being closed for interior works to take place)*

**4.00pm Celtic Footsteps (What is Faith?)** at Potterspury

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## **Support for you**

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## What social, fundraising and outreach events are coming up?

- **Tue 24 Feb – 8.50 – Little Lambs**  
– Potterspurry
- **Tue 24 Feb – 12.45 – Nic’s Kitchen** – Potterspurry
- **Wed 25 Feb – 12.30 – Lent Lunch**  
– Yardley Gobion Village Hall
- **Tue 3 Mar – 8.50 – Little Lambs** – Potterspurry
- **Tue 3 Mar – 12.45 – Nic’s Kitchen** – Potterspurry
- **Wed 4 Mar – 12.30 – Lent Lunch**  
– Potterspurry St Nicholas Church
- **Thu 5 Mar – 10.30 – Coffee Morning** – Cosgrove (17 Main St)
- **Sat 7 Mar – 18.30 for 19.00 – Musica Charity Choir MK Concert**  
– Cosgrove Village Hall
- **Tue 10 Mar – 8.50 – Little Lambs**  
– Potterspurry
- **Tue 10 Mar – 12.45 – Nic’s Kitchen** – Potterspurry
- **Wed 11 Mar – 12.30 – Lent Lunch** – Cosgrove Village Hall

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## Additional Lectionary readings for this Sunday

### **Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7**

<sup>15</sup> The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup> And the LORD God commanded the man, ‘You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup> but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.’

**3** Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, ‘Did God say, “You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?”’ <sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, ‘We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; <sup>3</sup> but God said, “You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you

touch it, or you shall die.’” <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, ‘You will not die; <sup>5</sup> for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God,<sup>[a]</sup> knowing good and evil.’ <sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

### **Psalm 32**

#### **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord.**

1 Happy the one whose transgression is forgiven, and whose sin is covered.

2 Happy the one to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3 For I held my tongue; my bones wasted away through my groaning all the day long.

4 Your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up like the drought in summer.

#### **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord.**

5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you and my iniquity I did not hide.

6 I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,’ and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

7 Therefore let all the faithful make their prayers to you in time of trouble; in the great water flood, it shall not reach them.

8 You are a place for me to hide in; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with songs of deliverance.

#### **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord.**

9 ‘I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

10 'Be not like horse and mule which have no understanding; whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.'

11 Great tribulations remain for the wicked, but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

**Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord.**

**Give us honest hearts, O God,  
and send your kindly Spirit  
to help us confess our sins  
and bring us the peace of your  
forgiveness;  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Please take this pew-sheet home  
with you after today's service.**

**You may wish to use the  
readings during the week for  
your own prayer and reflection.**