

This Week's Notices

Additional Curates Society (ACS)

Once again we will be supporting the ACS during Lent. Boxes and prayer cards are available throughout Lent. Please consider taking a box and supporting the work of this organisation and support poorer parishes in providing priests. Thank you. Pam Kinghorn

Craft Group

The next meeting of the Craft Group will be on Monday, 23rd February from 1pm to 3pm in the Parish Rooms.

Bible Study Group

We meet next on Friday, 27 February at 2pm in the Choir Vestry when we will look at the Second Reading and Gospel for 1st March. As we begin Lent, using the Diocesan Booklet "God's Story - Our Story", why not make the Bible Study Group part of your Lenten journey? You would be most welcome to join us. Rosemary Pickles.

Master Singers

The Master Singers will perform a concert in church in Saturday 14th March at 7pm. Tickets are £10 and will be available on the door. Children free.

Fairtrade Easter Eggs

If you would like to buy or donate an Easter Egg There is a order list at the back of church. Please order as soon as possible and in any event by 1st March. Thank you. Christine Campbell.

Stainer's Crucifixion - Sunday, 22nd March.

Advance notice, as in recent years there will be a performance of Stainer's Crucifixion. Rehearsal will be in the afternoon. Registration from 1.45pm with the performance at 7.00pm. If you wish to participate email crucifixion.aid@gmail.com

Heyhouses Food Bank

Diane and Howard invite cash donations towards buying Easter Eggs and food for families over the Easter period. Thank you.

Walsingham Pilgrimage

This years pilgrimage will be from Monday, 14th September to Thursday, 17th September. Cost dependent on numbers £360. Please let Bill Hoskins or Gerald Wilson know of your interest. New pilgrims particularly welcome.

World Day of Prayer

A Service on Friday 6th March at 2pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea **Social Centre** on St Albans Road. A warm welcome for all.

Free Electric Bed

We have an electric bed that may suit a person with mobility issues. Free to take but please make a donation to Trinity Hospice. We can arrange delivery for you. Please contact Liz Currie

If you are unable to go to the altar to receive your Holy Communion or a blessing, then please speak to a sidesperson who will arrange for you to receive in your pew.



NOTICES for next Sunday's Pew Sheet should be with the Parish Office by WEDNESDAY NOON at the latest. Notices handed in after this may not be included.

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Welcome



St Annes Parish Church
Sunday, 22nd February 2026
First Sunday of Lent

Our Worship & Diary for this Week

Today	Parish Mass Fr David Lyon	10.30 am
	Sunday School	10.15 am
	<i>Courage</i>	
Monday	No Service	
	<i>Mothers</i>	
Tuesday	Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily Fr Brian Mayne Bell Practice	10.30 am 7.00 pm
	<i>People of the Ukraine</i>	
Wednesday	Holy Communion by Extension Bill Hembrow LLM Wednesday Men	9.00 am 9.30 am
	<i>Police Service</i>	
Thursday	No Service Choir Practice	7.00 pm
	<i>Sunday School</i>	
Friday	OLW Cell Mass Canon Godfrey Hirst Bible Study Group	9.30 am 2.00 pm
	<i>Our Church Nursery</i>	
Saturday	No Service	
	<i>Repentance</i>	

Services & Readings for Next Sunday

Sunday, 1st March 2026
Second Sunday of Lent
Parish Mass - 10.30 am
Choral Evensong - 4.30pm

Morning: First Reading - Genesis 12: 1 - 4a
Second - Romans 4:1 - 5, 13 - 17
Gospel - John 3:1 - 17

Evening: Psalm: 135 v 1-123
First Reading - Numbers 21:4 - 9
Second - Luke 14:27 - 33

You are all very welcome to join us for tea & coffee after the service. This is served at the back of church.

Collections & Donations

A collection is taken during the service, but if you prefer you can make an offering or donation up to £20 via text
 Text SAPC (amount) to **70085**, eg SAPC05 for £5
 For cash on the Collection Plate, taxpayers please use the yellow Gift Aid envelope.

Collect & Readings for Today

Hymn 88, Forty days

Kyrie See order of Service

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 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.

First Reading *Genesis 2: 15 - 17,3: 1 - 7*

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; 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.' 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"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; 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."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' 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. 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.

Second Reading *Romans 5: 12 - 19*

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 - sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. 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. 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. 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. 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. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so the act of righteousness of one leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one person's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Gradual Hymn 464, Fight the good

Gospel *Matthew 4:1 - 11*

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, 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."' Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' Again, the devil took him to

a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Offertory Hymn 192, The God of Abraham

Sanctus & Agnus Dei See order of service

Communion Hymns 82, Ah, holy Jesu
97, My God, I love thee

Motet At thy feet - Johann Sebastian Bach

Post Communion Prayer

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.

The Angelus

Dismissal Hymn 593, Ye servants of God



We warmly welcome you all here today.

Please do introduce yourself after the service or complete the card in the pew and hand to one of our sidespersons. Please don't worry if children make a little noise, there are toy bags at the back of church for younger children and you can always use the choir vestry where there are books & toys.

FOR OLDER CHILDREN (4+), THERE ARE LITURGY BAGS. THE BAGS CONTAIN A CHILD-FRIENDLY SERVICE BOOKLET WITH ACTIVITIES LINKED TO THE DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE SERVICE

Toilets and changing facilities are available through the choir vestry at the back of church. Our churchwarden or sidepersons are here to help, so please ask.

For Our Prayers

Those who are Sick or in Particular Need

Ben Akrill, Angela Armit, Elizabeth Arnold, Tessa Bebbington, Ashleigh Broadbridge, Alison Cross, Muriel Driscoll, Justine Eadie, Fr Michael Fish, Marian Hopper, Sarah Kinghorn, Margaret Lane, Cathy Picken, Sheila Pinches, Deborah Pincock, Ian Reece, Brian Rose, Rebecca Stuart, Terry Sutton, Brenda Underwood, Jayne Weaver, Jan, Thomas, Maurice, Baby JB

Long Term Sick and Housebound:

Winston Atkinson, Rita Fletcher, Ann Hazard, Paul Hodgson, Jan Hood, Doreen Taylor, Josie Wilkinson.

Please also pray for:
Our Parish during the interregnum