

All Saints News

Sunday 11th March 2018

Mothering Sunday Fourth Sunday of Lent

Notices from Fr Charles:

■ The Community Concert

This was an absolute triumph! What more can one say?

Apart from 'Thank You' to our Director of Music, John Davenport (and the 150th Anniversary Planning Group) and to all who took part in so many ways! From soloists, choir, orchestra, St John's School to those working in the 'back room' as ushers, cleaners, servers and so forth..... Thank You!

■ The 150th Anniversary Souvenir Brochure

Available now.....Please make sure you pick up a (free) copy and others you wish to circulate within the community.

■ Easter Egg Appeal

Last year Sister Teresa and team treated those who attend the Project with an Easter Egg – and they hope to do the same this year.

This means collecting somewhat more than 300 Eggs – hopefully we can help them toward this target. If you have an opportunity to '*go to church with an egg* (or two)' then please drop them into the office. We will deliver them to the Sisters on Monday 19 March.

■ Fr Charles and Lenten Retreat

Fr Charles is away this week at the Friary in Glasshampton (this will include next Sunday – the first day of Passiontide).

■ Lent Course

Journey with Ben – Family Lent Course: will not take place today, but will next Sunday 18th March.

Broken – will take place on Wednesday 14 March at 2.00pm and 7.00pm as usual and at the Vicarage. The harrowing nature of this course will be transformed on the following Wednesday (21st), from which we will leave encouraged and inspired.....

■ Church Cleaning

Usually on the Saturday before Palm Sunday we do the church cleaning..... This year we're going for something slightly different! Different 'groups' are encouraged to volunteer for different tasks. Hopefully this will work out as (some groups have already volunteered):

- Servers will tidy and clean the Sacristy
- Priests and LLMs will tidy and clean the Richard Chapel
- PCC members will straighten the books etc in pews
- Cynthia and her team will clean the silver
- Ministrants will tidy and clean the Sanctuary
- Choir will tidy and clean the Choir Vestry

The Electoral Roll, Annual Parochial Church Meeting and the Parochial Church Council

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is the key decision making body of a Church of England parish. It consists of clergy, churchwardens and others elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) of the parish.

Its powers and duties are defined by certain Acts of Parliament and other legislation, principally the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956. It has the responsibility, along with the incumbent (Vicar), to promote the mission of God in its parish. It also has a responsibility for the parish finance and the church buildings – but these should not obscure the fundamental role. This role is focused on the wider areas of mission.

I should also add that each PCC member is also a *Charity Trustee*. Our next PCC Meeting is this week – 14th March.

Our Wider Mission

The PCC works with the incumbent to promote within the parish, and the areas in which it has influence, the whole mission of the Church – pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical and to enable every member of the church to play a full part.

We also have a church school, St John's, which is important to the mission of the parish. Additionally, we are encouraged to engage with the Diocesan Strategy (Creating Connections, with God, with each other and with the Community) and create a culture of welcome and safety. Here, at ASC, we take our engagement with the school seriously and also align ourselves with the themes of the Diocesan Strategy.

This means we need a vision of what we're attempting to do, a plan of activity and willingness to engage and the enthusiasm to move forward.

These are features that we have, all based on our foundation and enabling the richness of our catholic tradition to become alive in each new generation of the church.

APCM and Electoral Roll

This is the time of year that we need to ensure two things: 1. That our details are up-to-date on the Electoral Roll and 2. To make sure we are on the Electoral Roll. (Check your details in the Atrium today...). This means we are able to vote, nominate and fully engage in the APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) on Sunday 15 April.

If you're thinking about becoming a PCC member please talk with one of the Churchwardens, Fr Charles or any member of PCC.

Easter cards

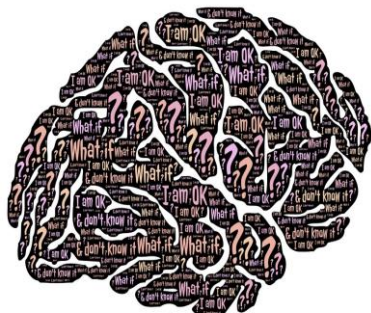
The All Saints Easter cards are now ready for distribution.

As well as sending Easter greetings from All Saints to everyone in the parish the cards offer information about all the services that are taking place throughout the Easter period.

Please take any cards that you are able to deliver in your neighbourhood.



Let's Talk about ... Mental Health



Demystifying Mental Health –

How can social action promote the
mental health and wellbeing of our
community?

Monday 12th March 2018

7pm – 9pm

Refreshments from 6:30pm

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Friends on Friday – a dementia accessible café for all at All Saints, meets regularly at 2.00pm on the second Friday of each month.

The next meetings in 2018 are **Friday 6th April** and **Friday 13th May**



Afternoon Worship – a dementia accessible service for all, will be held on **Sunday 8th April** and **Sunday 15th May** from 3pm until 3.30pm

The group and service are open for everyone including people with dementia, their families and carers, please tell your friends and neighbours.

12 M	<p>Mass 9.30am <i>Pray for all who work as Domestic Engineers, in particular plumbers. Remember in prayer older people who live in fear of things going wrong in their houses, and who fear the visit of a stranger to put things right.</i></p> <p><u>Let's talk about ... Mental Health 6.30pm</u></p>
13 T	<p>Mass 7.00pm <i>Praying for all who live within the Abrahamic Faiths. May a better understanding develop between Christians, Jews and Muslims.</i></p> <p><i>Our role, as people of Faith, is not to 'prove' the existence of God, but to lead people to grow in their faith.</i></p>
14 W	<p>Mass 9.30am <i>Pray for Entomologists. Those who study insects not only as an academic subject but also those who work to reduce impact of invertebrate spread of disease, especially those carried by insects – mosquitoes (malaria) tsetse flies (sleeping sickness), ticks (Lyme disease).</i></p> <p><u>Lent Group</u> <u>PCC Accounts</u></p>
15 Th	<p>Mass 7.00pm <i>Pray for those who provide and use the Sacrament of Penance. May each one of us take time in Lent to reflect on our life and seek better ways to serve God.</i></p>
16 Fr	<p>Mass 10.30am <i>Give thanks that public authorities are obliged to share certain information about their activity and conduct so that this openness helps ensure political health. Pray for those who live under regimes where information is not shared and where people are divided by fear and secrecy. (Freedom of Information Day)</i></p>
17 Sa	<p>Mass 10.30am <i>Patrick of Ireland (about 460) Pray for the Church of Ireland, Archbishop Richard Clarke, its people and work. Giving thanks for the Celtic tradition. Praying for the growing links between the Anglicans Church and the Roman Catholic Church</i></p> <p><u>Gloucester Organist Association 11.15 – 1.00pm</u></p>
18 Su	<p>Lent 5 Passiontide</p> <p>Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory</p> <p>Mass 8.00 am Family Mass 9.30 am Parish Mass 11.00 am Evening Prayer 6.00 pm</p>

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