

COMING UP...

Tuesday 24th February—PCC Meeting

If you have any matters you wish the PCC to discuss please let either Penny or Sue Colborne have the information in writing TODAY.

Sunday 1st March - Community Afternoon Tea

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church if you can help with provisions towards the tea. As always, your donations are very much appreciated.



Saturday 7 March – The BIG Sing at St George's 2pm. An uplifting performance led by Tim Dowland raising money for Forest Holme and St George's.

Remembering our mothers



Mothering Sunday is special.

Café Church

Wednesday 4th March 2pm

St George's Church Hall

All Welcome

Come and join us for tea, cake and chat

More information church office 01202 660612

THIS WEEK

Sunday 22 February – Lent 1

8.30am **Holy Communion** in the Lady Chapel
10am **All Together Morning Worship and Zoom**
12noon **Lent Lunch** in the large hall

Monday 23 February

Please pray for those attending our Lent Courses
Oakfield Road and Oakdale Junior School
7pm Lent Course in the small hall
7.30 pm Bell Ringers practice

Tuesday 24 February

Please pray for our PCC members and this evening's meeting.
Old Dairy Close and Old Farm Road
2 -4 pm Lent Course in the Choir Vestry
7.15pm PCC in the Choir Vestry

Wednesday 25 February

Please pray that those struggling with their mental health receive the appropriate care
Palmer Road and 'Pergins'
10am Holy Communion in the Choir vestry
2-4pm Knit and Natter in the small hall

Thursday 26 February

Please pray that we can demonstrate God's love by our acts of kindness,
Pilgrim Way and Popes Road

Friday 27 February

Please pray for careful stewardship of the earth's resources, Preston Road and Rectory Road

Saturday 28 February

9am Prayers for the Parish on Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8430477988?pwd=VFpUVIPXU0VwUzFISWp3WHZNTGpWdz09>

Meeting ID: 843 0477 9888 Passcode: 266213
Please pray for all St George's services
Rose Crescent and Rowlands Avenue

Sunday 1 March Lent 1

8.30am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
10am Holy Communion and Zoom
JaM in the small hall
3pm Community Afternoon Tea in the hall

THIS WEEK AT OAKDALE ST GEORGE First Sunday of Lent 22nd February



Dear Friends,

Today is the 100th Anniversary of the Scout & Guide Association 'World Thinking Day' - a day to think about others.

Our Gospel this morning should leave us 'thinking', thinking about ourselves, about our motives, and about how we often use our gifts to make life better for ourselves.

Jesus teaches us about using the gifts we have been given, not for ourselves, but for God and for the benefit of those around us.

This 'Thinking Day', may we truly think about how we might use God's gifts in the right way, His way, and to point the way to Him.

Penny

Next Sunday
1st March - Lent 2

Readings
Romans 4. 1-5, 13 -17
John 3. 1-17

Hearing loop available in church.
Turn your hearing aid to the T switch

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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 **Amen**

Readings

Romans 5.12–19

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—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 one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. 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.

Matthew 4.1–11

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.

Post 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.

Amen

Please pray for

Worldwide: The Church of Ireland.

Diocese: St Andrew's in the Jersey Deanery

Local: Nansen Avenue and Oakdale Road



Immediate Prayer: Jacob Mason, Beverley Mitchell, Alison, Frances, Judith, Nancy, Willow.

Continuous Prayer: Mandy Barrington, Carol Burridge, Tony Bursey, Bethany Cook, Hazel Day, Barbara Fairbrother, Richard and Anita Glynn, Hilary Henson, Peter Hooper, Jim L, Chris Moody, Carl and Sue Rowledge, Carrie Spencer, Ginny Williams, Chris, Dorothy, Julie, Kezia

Also, we remember those who have died recently

RIP Jean Frake and those whose anniversaries fall at this time: **Eric Copp, Albert Gibbs, Henry Botfield, Sidney and Norma Rogers**

Jean Frake's funeral will be held at St George's on **Wednesday 11th March at 12noon**.

Refreshments will be served after the service in the hall.

All welcome

Jean was part of The Flower Team for many years and if you would like to donate towards the church flowers at Jean's funeral, please place in an envelope and mark 'flowers for Jean's funeral'

Thank you

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Advanced Notice - Mission Gift Day 8th March

Please prayerfully consider and place your gift in an enveloped marked 'Mission Gift Day'.

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Revision of Church Electoral Roll – deadline 4th March 2026. If you wish to have your name added to the roll, please speak to either Penny or Jenny Read (Electoral Roll Officer). Forms are available at the back of church.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Is on 22nd March after the 10am service.

A REMINDER!

Sue Colborne is standing down as Honorary Secretary to the PCC at this year's APCM.

If you feel that you would be able to take on this role or would like to know more, please speak to either Sue or Penny.

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Our MP, Neil Duncan-Jordan, is conducting a survey about 'Positive Voices Finding Practical Solutions for Our Town'. Should you want to take part to promote up to 3 of the proposals you can find the survey here: [Page - Neil Duncan-Jordan - Your MP for Poole](#)