

The week ahead

Monday 22nd February

→ **Lent Group**: 12.00pm River Methodist Church

7.30pm: 6 Bleriot Court

Tuesday 23rd February

Lunch Club

Wednesday 24th February

10.00am Holy Communion: Celebrant: Rev'd Andy Bawtree:

Readings: Jonah 4; Luke 11: 29-32

→ **Lent Groups today:**

7.30pm: 33 Danes Court

7.30pm: 1a Byllan Road

Thursday 25th February

3.15pm: Sunshine Club

Friday 26th February

10.00am: Study Group at the Vicarage

→ **2.30pm: Bob Williams'** Service of Thanksgiving at River Church

→ 7.00pm: The Gospel of Mark by Lance Pearson **in the church. Tickets £4 and £2 (concessions) on the door .**

Saturday 27th February

→ **Lent Group**: 9.30-10.30a.m.: 6 Mill Close

Sunday 28th February: The Second Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion: Celebrant: Rev'd Andy Bawtree

Readings: Jer. 17: 5-10; Matt 15: 21-28

10.00am Morning Worship

Readings: Luke 13: 31-35; Gen. 15: 1-18; Phil.3: 17- 4:1

Leader: Rev'd Andy Bawtree

6.30pm : Revd Andy Bawtree

Readings: Jer.22: 1-17; Luke 14: 27-33

River Parish Church



We worship and witness to
the Living God

Sunday 21st February 2010

The First Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion

Celebrant: Rev'd Andy Bawtree

Readings: Gen. 3: 1-8; Matt. 4: 1-11

10.00am All- Age Worship: Toothbrush Sunday

Leader: Rev'd Andy Bawtree;

Reading: Deuteronomy 2: 1-11

3.30pm: Sunday Half Hour: Meadowdean

6.30pm Holy Communion

Celebrant: Revd Andy Bawtree

Preacher: Don Soppitt

Readings: Jonah 3; Luke 18: 9-14



Come and share some time this year with others as we look to keep a Holy Lent, and grow in faith.

A list of Lent Groups has been included in this week's events diary.

..... And coming up soon.....

5th March: Women's world Day of Prayer: Services at 10.30am at St Mary's (Revd Trish Godfrey) and 7.30pm here at River Church with Major Alice Mc Knight

Saturday 6th March 7.30pm: WINE AND WISDOM Evening in the Christian Centre: Tickets from Tim or Sarah : £5.00 each or £12.00 per family. Meal and quiz included. Bring your own drinks and glasses.

17th February onwards from 10.00am: Lent Coffee mornings: St Mary's
Fairtrade fortnight 22nd February - 7th March

8th March: Deanery Men at Shepherdswell: Mrs Mary Berg: Norman Churches

Monday March 29th, Tues.30th, Wed 31st: Archbishop Rowan's Holy Week Lectures at 7.30pm. No tickets required. (Cathedral)

Wed 12th May: 7.30pm Visitation with Bishop Trevor

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Collect for the First Sunday of Lent

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Please pray for:

- The people of Haiti
- Bishop Trevor
- Provinces L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo: Most Rev'd Henry Kahwa
- People and clergy of Sittingbourne Deanery: Area Dean John Lewis
- Bishop Gilbert and the Christians of Madagascar
- From our Prayer Board: for Rachel, Colin, Jill, Phil, Henry, Gavin, Judy and family, John, Jason and all who need special prayer at this time
- For the bereaved especially for May and the family of Bob Williams; for their peace and comfort:
- Thank you Heavenly Father, for answered prayers

Please Check the Electoral Roll: Names can be added to the Electoral Roll during most of the year, but at this time of year the Roll is displayed in the church so that everybody can see if they are entered correctly. If you feel that you belong to St Peter and St Paul's and your name is not on the Roll and would like it to be - please ask for a form.

Josie Harding, Electoral Roll Officer