

Praying for one another during the week:

Damian Walker, the Burns family, Marcus, Joseph, Sam, Damian Walker, the Burns family, Marcus, Joseph, Sam, Clive L, Ken, Sarah Benelli, Dermot, Theo, Dene, Robert, Angela Ingham, Robert Wright, Sussana Barford, Sarah Feeney, Jonathan Navarro & family, Ian Cochran, Jesus Robert, Georgeann Tisdale, Linda Bell, David, Farin Marvich, James, Eli, Chris, Brian, Mary Pacey, Tim Wykes, Maryrose, Malcolm Gallagher, Grace, Danny, Mark, Luke, Ellie, Stuart & family, Sharon, Alison, David, Penny, Lucie, Jo Fluff & family, Robyn & family, Stephen, Sue & family, Eddie, Beth, Ronald, Margaret & Brian, Liz & Albert, Mel & Matthew, Tanya, Luke, Lesley Parkes, Michelle, Tony, Derek Strathan, Andria, Maria Jose, John Highley, Keri & Pedro, Sue Chelton. Peter Sheldon, Sheldon family, Brian, Pamela, Steven, Robert Smith and family, The recently bereaved.

We are supporting our Bishop's Lent Appeal for Mental Health & Livelihoods support for the vulnerable in Greece, through the Hestia Hellas: "Greeks, like the many refugees and migrants we see today need our help to regain parts of themselves that they've lost through devastating experiences. With the continued support of the Anglican Church, and their generosity, we can serve the Greek and refugee populations side by side." *Details at the back of church.*

Chaplaincy AGMs - Thursday 11 April, after the 12.30pm Eucharist at St Andrew's.

7th April – Sunday lunch at No31 13.30hrs 20€ please see Pat Schofield for details

7th May - Interchurch quiz in Palma. Teams of 4 needed further details from Monica

Deanery Cluster Gathering 2019 – Following the success of the Retreat with the hymn writer and member of the Iona Community, John Bell in Barcelona, for all our Chaplaincies in the cluster a couple of years ago - another gathering has been organized for 3-5 May 2019. It will be a Weekend with Bishop David Hamid, staying in Salesians Marti-Codolar, Barcelona – a Spirituality Centre and Religious Institute (we're assured they have better facilities than the previous venue!). Full details will be available soon – but book the dates now!

Father Nigel wishes to thank everyone for their kind messages and generous gifts

Christian Stewardship:

Our Giving on Sundays is always about our response to God's love for us, not just about paying the bills - 'Count your blessings,' as they say! Last It costs around 6,393€ each month to maintain our chaplaincy ministry (an increase of 1,092€ from 2017). Unlike other Diocese in the C/E, the Diocese of Europe does not provide Chaplaincies with any financial support for ministry.

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Saint Andrew's

Sunday 31st March 2019

Welcome to our Sung Eucharist
on the Forth Sunday of Lent
Mothering Sunday

A special welcome if you are visiting.
If you require Gluten-free Altar bread – please
have a word with one of the Welcomers.

Hymn Nos: 428 654 605 (929) 631
Celbrant Rev Paul Southern

*Do join us for refreshments after the Service,
which are served at the back of church*

*If you pay tax in the UK and are visiting – please
make use of the Gift Aid envelopes – it helps us a
great deal. Please complete all the details required -
Thank you!*

Prayer Ministry is offered during Holy Communion:
Just make your way to the Quiet Room at the front
of Church after receiving Holy Communion &
someone will be there to pray with you or for you.

During the week

Monday 1st April 7.30pm Quiz with supper

Wednesday 3rdth – 7.30pm Lent Course in
Church – based on *The Way*

Thurs 4th - 12.30pm Said Eucharist with
Stations of the Cross

Next Sunday: 7th April 2019 - Lent 5
10.00am Sung Eucharist

*To help you prepare for worship next Sunday
why not look up the readings we will use at:*

Isaiah 43:16-21; Phil 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

During the week please pray for:

Those in need: see list over

Recently Departed: Sibyl Young, Dennis,
Fernando

March Anniversaries: Marcia Benzoni, Antonio
Serra, Nigel Geoffrey Thomas, Paul Clement,
Josephine Walker, Michael Hodson.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ Mothering Sunday ~

OPENING PRAYER

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE READING (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) *A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians*

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

*This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother, says the Lord.

Glory and praise to you, O Christ

GOSPEL (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. "This man" they said "welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he spoke this parable to them: "A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, 'Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery. When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs.

And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, 'How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants.' So he left the place and went back to his father.

"While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

"Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. 'Your brother has come' replied the servant 'and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound.' He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, 'Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening.'

"The father said, 'My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, says the Lord. (*Matthew 23:37*)

