Sunday 9th February, 2020 - Third Sunday before Lent
10.00 Parish Communion

**Hymns**

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**Gloria:**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.
Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, Heav‘nly King, Almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

**Gloria to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.**

Lord, Jesus Christ, only son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us:
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

**Gloria to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.**

For you alone are the Holy one, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father.

**Gloria to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest. David Thorne**

**Collect:**

Almighty God who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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

**Sanctus/Benedictus:**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. David Thorne

**Agnus Dei:**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.
David Thorne

08:00 Holy Communion       10:00 Parish Communion

**First Reading: Isaiah 58. 1 - 12**

Thus says the Lord: Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practised righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgements, they delight to draw near to God. ‘Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?’ Look, you serve your own interest on your fast-day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do
today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry, and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2. 1 - 16**

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God’s wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, ‘What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him’ — these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God’s Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are discerned spiritually. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else’s scrutiny. ‘For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?’ But we have the mind of Christ.

**Gospel:** **Matthew 5. 13 - 20**

Jesus went up the mountain and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to teach them: ‘You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ‘You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ‘Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**
Hello Children Is Mary Mouse hiding in church today?

Sunday Club meets on the first Sunday of each month. For details contact Gillian, gillian.pett29@gmail.com
We are looking for helpers on an occasional or regular basis.

Toddler Group: The Toddler Group meetings are suspended.

INTERCESSIONS
Please refer any pastoral concerns for members of the congregation or members of the local community to any member of the Ministry team including our Co-ordinator for Pastoral Services, Mrs Frances Simms. Please pray for the sick, frail, housebound and those in care. Please let the priest in charge know about all cases of sickness and others for whom we should pray. Intentions left in the blue Intercessions Book at the back of the North Aisle will be offered each week at the Parish Communion. If you prefer, you can write your prayer intention on one of the tags provided, and hang it on the prayer tree at the back of church, or light a votive candle.

Cloakroom facilities are available in the Community Room during church services.

Gift Aid Donations: We welcome all donations from visitors and there are Gift Aid envelopes at the back of church. If you pay tax we can reclaim 25p for every pound you donate to the Church at no cost to yourself, if you have completed the declaration on the envelope. For further information, or to join the planned giving scheme, please contact Mrs. Ann Seaman, mobile no. 07710 452647; email juliet.a.seaman@outlook.com

Donations & Payments by Card: The PCC has taken delivery of a card payment device which can accept bank and credit cards for donations and payments. If you wish to make your donation by card, please speak to one of the Sidespersons.

ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD - WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Marriage Banns: Please pray for Stephen Chetwynd and Rachael Barltrop whose Banns are being read from 2nd Feb., as they prepare for their marriage in early spring in Thaxted.

General Synod: General Synod meets in London this week from Mon. 10th to Thurs. 13th Feb. I will be attending full time - please pray for all those involved in the Synod as we address a fairly packed agenda.

The Rev'd. Tim Fyffe RIP: Tim's funeral will take place on Monday 17th February, with a Requiem Eucharist at St. Mary's at 12:00. There will be a Reception at Great Shelford Rugby Club after the service. A private family cremation will follow later in the afternoon at Cam Valley Crematorium. Tim's cremated remains will be interred in later February or early March in Wolverhampton, after a Memorial Service in the city; his remains will join those of his wife and son in Wolverhampton.

Please continue to remember Tim's daughter, Margaret, and the extended family, in these days before the funeral.

Children's Area: Work to extend and update the children's area should be finished by this weekend, as agreed by the PCC at their November meeting. The remaining five short pews on the north aisle have been removed, and the whole area recarpeted and refurnished, with a storage banquette installed along the north wall, bookshelves, and a children's altar. This work is being done under a temporary licence from the Archdeacon, which lasts 15 months; if it is a success, a faculty will be applied for to make it permanent. The pews will be stored meanwhile.

Children's Society Collection Boxes: Please let me have your 'filled' collection boxes by the end of February. Over many years, St Mary's supported the work of the Children's Society by fund raising activities throughout the year. Now our giving is just through the boxes and the collections taken at our Children’s Christmas Services - £372 in 2019. The Society works with the most vulnerable children and young people in Britain and needs so much help. If not already a 'box holder' please let me know if you would like to help by having your own collection box. Many thanks Dorothy Doel
Cambridge City Foodbank: The organizers have again asked for their thanks to be passed to everyone who contributed to the collection sent from our parish last week. They are so grateful for our continued support.

**Venue of Next Pilgrim Meeting**

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Many thanks to Margaret, Maureen and Astra for leading the last 2 sessions. We have continued to study the well-known parables about losing something and the pleasure in finding it. We talked about the different ways of losing something or being lost and the ways we ourselves might become lost or perhaps distracted, busy or otherwise occupied. We all appreciated the possibility of being ‘found’, even if we have only strayed a little.

Everyone welcome. Please phone Anne on 07745 562702 for more details.

**Crowns & Gowns - An Exhibition -01 Feb 2020 - 15 Mar 2020:** A fabulous collection of costumes, jewels, props, behind the scenes images and memorabilia from some of the major Hollywood movies filmed at Ely Cathedral. This fascinating exhibition in the Lady Chapel will showcase some of the most iconic gowns and outfits from Elizabeth: The Golden Age, The Other Boleyn Girl, The King's Speech, Macbeth, and The Crown. These productions brought global award winning actors to the Cathedral including Cate Blanchett, Scarlett Johansson, Natalie Portman, Michael Fassbender, Colin Firth and Geoffrey Rush.

**Tickets:** On the door: Standard Cathedral admission fee including entrance to the exhibition £8
Cathedral Pass Holders admission to the exhibition £5
Sunday Admission to the exhibition £5
Children under 16 free (when accompanied by a paying adult)

**Exhibition Opening Times:** Monday - Saturday: 9.30am - 4pm
Sunday: Midday - 3.45pm

**Alms Giving 2020:** The alms on the first Sunday of each month are donated to Shelford School. The alms for the remaining Sundays in February will be going to USPG. Alms can be gift aided provided your giving is in an envelope marked ‘Alms’ and with your PIN. Alms not in envelopes should be placed in the alms bowl as you come into church. This stands on the offertory box at the back of church, near the back pew.

**Sunday 9th February, 2020**
- 08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10:00 Parish Communion
- 18:30 Evensong

**Monday to Friday**
- 09:00 Morning Prayer

**Wednesday 12th February, 2020**
- 09:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

**Sunday 16th February, 2020**
- 08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10:00 Parish Communion
- 18:30 Evensong

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