During the Interregnum ...

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The weekday Eucharist is on Thursdays at 12.30 pm. There are Eucharists on Festivals and Principal Holy Days.

Intercessions.

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Please pray for

Vera Alflatt Michael Greenstreet Daphne Holland Anne Andrews Brian Bowman in the loss Brenda Hope of his wife, Christine Avril Majewski Jane Sadler Jane Critchley Margaret Stephens Joe Daniels Michael Walsh Janet Dredge Jane Wearne The family of Don Fuller William

Notices

No evensong after this evening until Easter Sunday at 3.15pm.

Lent groups for *This is our Story* continue usually on Tuesdays at 7.30 pm at St Philip's and on Thursdays at 1.00 pm at All Saints.

Advance Notice. Joint Parish Eucharist at All Saints on Mothering Sunday 30th March at 10.00am.

The Mothering Sunday posies will be made in All Saints on Saturday 29th March at 2.30pm. Please come and help prepare these. Donations of help and spring flowers and greenery from both churches will be gratefully received by Mary Shaw 01732 870146 or shaw@theweir.fsworld.co.uk.

Willington Players will be presenting 'Cards on the Table' by Agatha Christie and I will have tickets for Wednesday 2 April at £10 each. Half the proceeds from ticket sales goes to Friends of St Philips Community Centre. Diane 674494.

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THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS with ST PHILIP, MAIDSTONE and ST STEPHEN, TOVIL

Sunday 16 March 2014 The Second Sunday of Lent

At All Saints

We welcome the Revd Joyce Addison to preside at the 8.00 am BCP Eucharist. Readings begin on page 88 and the service starts on page 237.

Music for the 9.30 am Parish Eucharist:

Introit: Call to remembrance - Farrant

Service: Aston

NEH 59 Now is the healing time decreed

NEH 307 Sweet Sacrament divine

NEH 357 Father, hear the prayer we offer

Communion Motets:

Lord for thy tender mercies sake - Hilton

God be in my head - Rutter

Psalm after Dismissal: 23

We welcome the Revd Robin Williamson to officiate at Choral Evensong.

At St Philip's and St Stephen's

Hymns are announced and/or displayed.

We welcome the Revd Robin Williamson to preach and preside at St Stephen's at the 11.00 am Eucharist.

Do stay for refreshments after 9.30 and 11.00!

What's on this Week

Tuesday 18 March 2014 10.00 am - Noon Coffee & Chat at St Philip's

7.30 pm This is our Story Lent Group 2, St Philip's

Wednesday 19 March 2014

10.00 am - Noon Seedlings at St Philip's

St Joseph of Nazareth

The Revd Mandy Reynolds CF

10.30 am Eucharist at All Saints

Thursday 20 March 2014

12.30 pm Eucharist at All Saints

1.00 pm This is our Story Lent Group 2, All Saints

Sunday 23 March 2014

The Third Sunday of Lent

8.00 am Eucharist said at All Saints
The Revd Canon David Grimwood

9.30 am Choral Eucharist at All Saints

The Revd Canon David Grimwood

11.00 am Parish Eucharist at St Philip's
The Revd Kes Grant

Readings for the main Eucharists:

Exodus 17.1-7; Romans 5.1-11; John 4.5-42

Readings & Prayers at 9.30 am & 11.00 am

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error
the light of your truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
grant to all those who are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things
that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING Genesis 12.1-4

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

SECOND READING Romans 4.1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (All Saints only)
Praise to you, O Christ, King of endless glory!
Glory and praise to you!

The Lord is a great God,

O that today you would listen to his voice. Harden not your hearts.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of endless glory! Glory and praise to you!

GOSPEL John 3.1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

POST COMMUNION

Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of ourselves
to help ourselves:
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt
the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.