



15th February
2nd Sunday before Lent

8am: Said Holy Communion (1662 BCP)

10am: Parish Eucharist

with the Right Reverend Dr Martin Gainsborough, Bishop of Kingston

4pm Recital – Claire Filer - Soprano

6pm: Evening Prayer live on St Margaret's Facebook page

Readings: Exodus 24.12 to end, 2 Peter 1.16 to end, Matt 17.1-9



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The Week at St Margaret's, Putney

Monday

7:00pm – St Margaret's Choir practice

Tuesday

9:30am– 11.30am Little Maggie's Play Group

Ash Wednesday

9.45am Bible Study

11am Eucharist with ashing

7pm Eucharist with ashing and choir

Thursday

12.30pm Lunch on the Lane

Sunday 22nd February

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist

4pm Recital – Kelly Glyptis - Musical theatre

6pm Lent Evening Prayer

Readings: Gen 2.15-17, 3.1-7; Romans 5. 12-19; Matthew 4.1-11

ST MARGARET'S DIARY

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 18th February

Services at 11am and 7pm

Lent bible study

Begins on Wednesday 25th February and runs throughout Lent

Wednesday 9.45am

Evening Prayer in Lent

Sunday evenings 6pm

Our services of Evening Prayer in Lent will align with the Church of England's Lent programme: **Draw Near**, and we will explore this more in our Bible Study on Wednesdays at 9.45am

"**Draw Near** is all about teaching us how we can cultivate the habits and practices that will draw us nearer to God. And we will find that, in doing so, God will draw nearer to us, too."

Archbishop Sarah Mullally & Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

During Lent, reflections are centred around a [summary of the Christian Way](#) from Common Worship, which identifies six activities essential to our calling as disciples.

Each week a different contributor explores a different aspect of Christian discipleship – **worshipping** together, **praying**, **exploring the Bible**, sharing **communion**, offering **service** and **sharing the good news** with others. Individuals can also participate on a daily basis: more details here <http://www.cofe.io/DrawNear>

Quiet Morning

Saturday 28th March 10.30am – 1pm

Reading, reflection and prayer on the threshold of Holy Week

For more details, please speak to Anne East

For your prayers:

Gordon Jones, Mette Marston, Cynthia, Julia Reece, Reg Norman,
Dolly Beresford Jones

Those who have died: Jeanette Sweetland, Molly Mansell, Loletha Thorne

In remembrance: Richard McNally (11.02.23), Alice Emma Baute (15.02.97)

Curate's update

Ash Wednesday opens the season of Lent with a quiet but powerful invitation: to pause, to reflect, and to return to God. As ashes are traced on our foreheads, we are reminded of our human frailty and our deep need for grace. The words *“Remember that you are dust”* speak not of despair, but of truth, truth that grounds us in humility and dependence on God.

The holiness of this day lies in its honesty. Ash Wednesday does not pretend that life is without struggle or sin. Instead, it invites us to bring our whole selves before God, trusting in mercy rather than perfection. The ashes, marked in the shape of the cross, remind us that even in our brokenness, we belong to Christ.

This day sets the purpose of Lent before us: Through prayer, fasting, and generosity, we begin a journey of renewal, making space for God to reshape us in love and lead us towards a new life.

I look forward to seeing you at one of our services, at 11am a quiet reflective time of worship together, and at 7pm with choral music from our wonderful choir.

Every blessing

Rev'd Sarah

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