



The Mid-Wydean Churches

serving Coleford, Broadwell, Clearwell, Newland, Redbrook, Staunton and surrounding areas.



12th March 2017 – Second Sunday of Lent

Welcome! Especially to the family and friends of Ollie Matthews who is being Baptised at St Peter's Church this morning

Place	This week	Next Week
All Saints Newland	9.30am Euch SB	4pm Evensong SB
All Saints Staunton	No Service	No Service
St J's @ St MM Coleford	9.30am Word EB	9.30am Euch SB
Good Shepherd B'well	11am Euch AW	11am Word CH
St Peter's Clearwell	11am Bap SB/CY	11am Euch AW
St Saviour's Redbrook	4pm AAW/ship SB/MB	No Service

Readings

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Genesis 12.1-4a	10	Exodus 17.1-7	68
Psalms 121	600	Psalms 95	579
Romans 4.1-5,13-17	165	Romans 5.1-11	165
John 3.1-17	100	John 4.5-42	101

Prayers: In your prayers this week, please pray for:

✠ **For the sick, anxious and housebound:** Please let Sarah know names of anyone who would be happy to be added to the list. Names on this list will be removed after four appearances unless someone asks for them to remain listed. Thank you.



✠ **For those who mourn**, especially for the families & friends of Dennis Tippett & Leonard (Alan) Hart who have recently died and also of Michael Lockey whose anniversary of death falls around this time. Do please let Sarah know of any prayers answered, or any changes to the lists that might be needed. Thanks.

Collect for today:

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 forever. **Amen**

Or

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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. **Amen.**

News and notices...

Revision of the Electoral Roll. There are application forms for enrolment on the Electoral roll in all our churches. These forms are only for people who have joined one of our congregations during the past year and qualify to be on the electoral roll (the full rules are on the application form). If you would like to be added please complete one of the forms and leave it in the envelope at the back of the Church. The closing date for inclusion is 13th March.

Tuesday 14th March @ 7pm. 'Lent Reflections' @ Christchurch.

Tuesday March 14th 11.30 - 2pm. Super Soup at Coalway Methodist. Homemade soup / cheese / roll / fruit. No charge - donations please for Christian Aid.

Wednesday 22nd March @ 7pm PCC meeting @ The Good Shepherd

Special Appeal - request for donations to the shop project.

The new shop/office is nearing completion. At this stage we would like to put out a request for donations from anyone who feels able to contribute financially towards this project. In the refurbishment and fitting out of the space, we have encountered a few unexpected expenses, and so our planned budget is very tight for what is still left to be done. There were costs for the planning application and for emergency and fire exit lighting to comply with building control. The extra expenses total around £750. So if you feel you can make a donation, it would be gratefully received! Should we exceed the immediate need, the remainder would go towards future costs for outreach activities, such as training from CAB.

Please, if you do make a donation directly to the parish bank account, or by cash or cheque, do let Rosemary (or Alison, Sarah or Alan) know that it is intended for this appeal. Many thanks.

Birthdays: 12th Phyl Phelps GS; 14th Sue Brain StJ; 18th Anna Phillips & Ann Howell GS; Many Happy Returns! May God bless you this week, and in the year to come!

Banns: SPC: Rachel Seaton & James Nightingale (second time of calling)

This week's regular meetings:

Mon 13th

Tues 14th 8.15am @ All Saints, Newland. Morning Prayer. All welcome.

Weds 15th 8.30am @ Good Shepherd, Broadwell. Morning Prayer. All welcome.

12.00 @ White Horse, Staunton. Meet and Eat. All welcome

2:30pm @ FODC Funeral of Dennis Tippett

Thurs 16th 11:30 @ SPC/Clearwell Funeral of Leonard Hart

7.30pm @ White Horse Staunton. Hot potato Discussion evening:

'Is science going too far?' All Welcome

Sat 18th 10 – 12 Coffee and chat @ St Margaret Mary Hall. All Welcome

Dates for your diaries: More details will be published nearer the time.

Friday 24th March - Lent Lunch 12 – 2pm @ The Good Shepherd.

Sunday 9th April - Palm Sunday Parish service followed by the APCM

Monday 17th April - Easter Monday Cake stall @ the Parish Office

Saturday 6th May - Plant and Cake stall with refreshments @ GSB

Sunday and Monday 28th & 29th May – Parish Flower Festival @ ASN

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