

18th February 2018 – 1st Sunday of Lent

Welcome!

Place	This Week		Next Week	
All Saints Newland	4pm Evensong	BE	No service	
All Saints Staunton	No Service		9.30am Euch	AW
St J's @ St MM Coleford	9.30am Eucharist	AW	9.30am Word	CH
Good Shepherd B'well	11am Word	CH	11am Euch	AW
St Peter's Clearwell	11am Eucharist	AW	11am Word	CY
	Followed by LCC			
St Saviour's Redbrook	No Service		4pm Euch	AW

Readings

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Genesis 9.8-17	8	Genesis 17.1-7,15,16	13
Psalms 25.1-9	532	Psalms 22.23-31	531
1 Peter 3.18-22	251	Romans 4.13-25	165
Mark 1.9-15	37	Mark 8.31-38	47

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

✠ **For the sick, anxious and housebound:** Ivy Harris & Bea Erskine.

✠ **For those who mourn** Especially the family and friends of those who have recently died and also of James Robbins whose anniversary of death falls around this time.



Collect for today:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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.**

(or)

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Post Communion:

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Holy Week Services:

Mon 26th March @ 11am @ St Peter's Church, Clearwell

Tues 27th March @ 11am Eucharist @ All Saints Church, Staunton

Wed 28th March @ 7pm Joint service with RC congregation @ St Margaret Mary

Thurs 29th March @ 7pm Maundy Thursday service with washing of feet @ Good Shepherd, Broadwell.

Saturday 31st @ 8pm Easter Vigil service @ St Margaret Mary

News and notices...

From Alan: Thank you very much for the cards, expressions of sympathy and offers of support following the loss of my Mum. Thank you also to those who attended the funeral or sent their support for that occasion.

Lent Lunches – These start this Friday @ 12 noon @ the Good Shepherd and will continue on the following Fridays: 23rd February; 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd March. We will be asking for a suggested donation which will be split 50/50 between the Parish and Christian Aid. We still need 2 helpers on 2nd March please!

Women's World Day of Prayer – Friday 2nd March. 2pm @ St Margaret Mary.

11th March – Bishop Robert visits the Parish to take the following services: 9.30am Eucharist @ St Margaret Mary & 11am Baptism Celebration Service @ St Peter's Clearwell. There will also be the normal 11am Eucharist @ GSB and 4pm at SSR.

Lent Group – begins Tuesday 20th February @ Christchurch @ 7 for 7.30pm

United Parish Services for 2018

25th March @ 10.30am - Palm Sunday Eucharist @ All Saints, Newland.

27th May @ 10.30am – Baptism of Isaac Bick at All Saints Church, Newland

30th June @ 10.30am – Patronal Day at St Peter's Church, Clearwell

30th September @ 10.30am – Harvest Festival at Good Shepherd, Broadwell

4th November @ 10.30am – All Saints Day at All Saints Church, Staunton

30th December @ 10.30am – Good Shepherd, Broadwell

Birthdays: To all who have a Birthday this week - Many Happy Returns and may God bless you this week, and in the year to come!

Banns: SPC Jessica May Teague & Daniel Jones; Charles Bundy & Sophie Neville. (Third time of calling).

This week's regular meetings:

Mon 19th 2pm Standing committee @ Church on the Street

Tues 20th No Morning prayer @ All Saints, Newland today
2.30pm CAMEO meet @ Good Shepherd, Broadwell

Weds 21st 8.30am @ Good Shepherd, Broadwell. Morning Prayer
10am Knit and Natter (or just natter!) at Church on the Street

Thurs 22nd 1.30pm Craft club @ Good Shepherd, Broadwell
2pm Finance committee meet @ Church on the Street

Fri 23rd 9.30am 'A half hour of music & reflection' @ Church on the Street
11am Clearwell Cell group meet @ 1 Church Road, Clearwell
12 noon Lent Lunch @ Good Shepherd, Broadwell

Dates for your Diaries (more details will be given nearer the time)

26th February – Haiti – Hurricanes and Hope - Christian Aid talk @ St Stephens Church, Cinderford. 7pm.

6th/7th May – Parish Flower Festival @ St Peter's, Clearwell. 'Leisure Pursuits'. If you would like to do a flower arrangement, please call Betty on 562680.

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