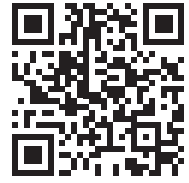




St Wilfrid's Church Brayton

Sunday 3rd March

Third Sunday of Lent



Welcome to Lay-led Morning Prayer at St Wilfrid's

Welcome to St Wilfrid's!

Before our Service begins you are invited to join in a short time of quietness and reflection in preparation for worship. After the Service please join us for coffee, cake, and chat in the Parish Hall.



Community Lunch. The Lent Lunches continue 13th March, 12noon to 1:30pm in the Parish Hall, but on **Wednesday 6th March** we hold the usual Community Lunch. Soup & roll, pudding with custard, tea/coffee for only £5. **Pat Griffiths**

Craft Group Coffee Morning. Saturday 9th March 10am - 11:30am, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. Come along to our Easter coffee morning, enjoy Easter cakes, crafts & raffle. We look forward to seeing you. **June**

Beetle Drive! Saturday 9th March, 6pm - 8pm, St Francis Church. Come along and enjoy a lively and sociable evening drawing beetles! **Jan**

Community Cinema. Friday 15th March, 10am, in St Francis. Coffee, Cake & Movie! Encouraging people with dementia, health, or mobility issues, including carers, to socialise over coffee & cake plus a movie. **Jan**

Drama Reading Group.

Tuesday 19th March, 7pm in the Parish Hall. Madame Arcati has looked into her crystal ball and says that we shall continue reading 'Blithe Spirit' by Noel Coward! **Helen**

Tea@2. Thursday 21st March, 2pm, in the Parish Hall. See you there for an afternoon of cake, tea, and nattering! **Pat Griffiths**

Coffeemates. Wednesday 27th March, 10am - 12noon, in St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. Join us for tea, coffee & homemade cakes! **Lynn**

Churchyard Tidying.

Saturday 30th March, 9:30am to 12noon. Enjoy nature and help tidy the Churchyard for Easter. **John**

The Fairburn Singers.

Saturday 20th April, 7:30pm, in St Wilfrid's. Tickets only £8 including refreshments, and available from me!

Pat Jarvis

Swaziland Globes. I will be in touch shortly to arrange for the Globes to be emptied. Let me know if you want to join this worthy charity. **Lis**

The Parish Electoral Roll is being updated.

If you are not on the roll, and would like to be, subject to the qualifying criteria, application forms are available at the back of Church. **Margaret**

St Wilfrid's Pastoral Care.

Contact Sue Beevers 01757 229515 (susan.beevers1@btinternet.com) if you know of anyone who is sick or in other need, or who would benefit from being visited by a member of the clergy or others in the Pastoral Team.

Revd. Phil

Safeguarding children and adults. We will take seriously any issues that arise, notifying & seeking advice from the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor where necessary. The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Cathy Rodgers, email cathy.rodgers@gmail.com or call 01757 704303. **Cathy**

Services at St Wilfrid's Church from 4th March:

Tuesday 5th March

10:30am Holy Communion at Fernbank Court

Wednesday 6th March

9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 10th March

Mothering Sunday

8am Holy Communion

10:30am Family Communion



Contributions. Please send your contributions to me at magazine@stwilfridsparish.com before the previous Tuesday 9pm please. **John**

COLLECT

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy
but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was
crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way
of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life
and peace;
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.

FIRST READING Exodus 20:1-17

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work – you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

PSALM Psalm 19 (or 19:7-end)

R *The commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes.*

The heavens are telling the glory of God and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

One day pours out its song to another and one night unfolds knowledge to another. **R**

They have neither speech nor language and their voices are not heard, Yet their sound has gone out into all lands and their words to the ends of the world.

In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun, that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber and rejoices as a champion to run his course. **R**

It goes forth from the end of the heavens and runs to the very end again, and there is nothing hidden from its heat. The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple. **R**

The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. **R**

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter also than honey, dripping from the honeycomb. By them also is your servant taught and in keeping them there is great reward. **R**

Who can tell how often they offend? O cleanse me from my secret faults! Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins lest they get dominion over me; so shall I be undefiled, and innocent of great offence. **R**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. **R**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who

are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

GOSPEL John 2:13-22

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." They then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

POST COMMUNION

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

