## **LENT GROUPS**

This year our Lent Course series is 'Free to Give'. The emphasis of the Sunday morning sermons and weekday study groups will be looking at what traps us, at issues of trust and provision and generosity. It is especially suitable for use in Lent because of the way in which Israel's journey through the wilderness echoes Lent themes of temptation, repentance and radical trust. Existing house groups have been invited to use the material and in addition there will be 'Pop Up' Lent groups taking place across the Team. There will be a Team Service at **St Michael's Offham on Ash Wednesday** and four Sunday sermons are planned as follows:

## **Ash Wednesday 14 February**

An introductory sermon based on the overall theme of being trapped.

Sunday 18 February 'Walking Free' Readings: Exodus 6.2-8; 12.29-39; Luke 4.1-13 Sunday 25 February 'All we need' Readings: Exodus 16.9-26; John 6.1-14 Sunday 3 March 'What comes first?' Readings: Exodus 32.1-20; Matthew 6.19-24 Sunday 17 March 'Presence and Gifts' Readings: Exodus 35.1-10; 40.34-38; Luke 21.1-6

This Sunday there will be the opportunity for you to sign up for one of the Lent Groups across the Team, if you so wish, which are as follows:

Tuesday Evenings – Venue to be confirmed – 7.30pm – 9pm 20 February, 27 February, 5 March and 19 March

Tuesday Evenings – ONLINE GROUP – Time to be confirmed 20 February, 27 February, 5 March and 19 March

Wednesday Daytime – Ryarsh Church Hall - 12.30pm – 2pm 21 February, 28 February, 6 March and 20 March

Parish Group – Venue to be confirmed – 7.30pm – 9pm Wednesday 21 February, Friday 1 March, Wednesday 6 March and Wednesday 20 March

If you can't attend church on Sunday but would like to sign up for one of the groups, please email Janet on <u>j.tootal@btinternet.com</u> or Tel: 07802 428662.