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NEWSLETTER

Sunday 1st March 2026 -Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday 8th March 2026– Third Sunday of Lent

CHRIST CHURCH

SAINT ANN'S

Sundays at 9.30 a.m.

Sundays at 11.00 a.m.

Sung Mass with Sermon

Sung Eucharist with Sermon

Thursdays Said Mass at 12.30 p.m.

Tuesdays Holy Eucharist at 10.00 a.m.

Readings for Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 12.1-4a - Psalm 121 - Romans 4.1-5, 13-17 - John 3.1-17

Collect

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 for ever.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Sunday 8th March 2026– Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17.1-7 - Psalm 95 - Romans 5.1-11 - John 4.5-42

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.

Prayer of Thankfulness

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.

Prayers of Intercession:

The needs of world:

We pray for our world today. We pray for peace and hope to abound. Many are affected by natural disasters: floods, droughts and forest fires. Many are struggling with conflict, poverty and the global food crisis. We pray for peace in the world, especially in the Middle East, and in the conflict in Gaza. We pray for the people of Ukraine and that there will be peace.

The Church:

We pray for the new archbishop of Canterbury, Dame Sarah Mullally. Rest upon her with gentle grace, persistent mercy, and eternal wisdom. Strengthen and guide Bishop Helen-Ann and Bishop Mark as they lead and guide us in this our Diocese of Newcastle. For our Mother Church the Cathedral of Saint Nicholas.

We pray for those who have recently died:

T. Lilly Pushpa

We pray for the sick:

Jill and others

We remember in their Year's Mind:

Christ Church

Thomas Lunn
Dorothy Grigor
Christopher Curtis
Thomas Ripley Wilson
Margaret Jane Stanwix
Mary Ann Rogerson Skinner
Julie Elliott
Annie Martin
Peter Smith

Dolly Stephenson
Betty Williams
Robert William Vardy
David Mann
Isabella Carr
Alice Hoggins
Charles William Anderson
Jane Stephenson
Sister Beatrice Theodora

Rev Ernest Mitchell
Julie Elliott
Frankie Ramsey
Leonard Brason
Edna Harrison
Joseph Curry
Florrie Gibson
Elizabeth Hall
Ceila Turnbull

Saint Ann

Isabella Harrison
Norah Speedy
Robert William Shipley
Mary Jane Forebanks
George Edward Hewison
Eddie Warwick
Albert Strike
William George Hardy
Alan Pendrich

Martha Gurrey
Muriel Hill
Minnie Davison
Susan Bird
Ernest Beltran Fulham
Florence O' Loughin
Mary Ann Bell
Ann Sommmerville
John Thompson Veitch

Georgina Douglass
Betty Williams
William Graham
Charles Bennett
May Smith Saunders
Hilda Painter
Mary Stokoe
Edward William Burn
Leslie Dunn



The Church of England's theme for Lent 2026 is **Draw Near: Life-giving habits for Lent**. This year's resources have at their heart the theme of a 'rhythm of life' – habits and patterns which help us grow as disciples of Christ day by day, especially as we prepare to celebrate the great mystery of God's saving love at Easter.

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. **worshipping** together, **praying**, **exploring the Bible**, sharing **communion**, offering **service** and **sharing the good news** with others.

A parallel 40-day challenge is available - exploring the life-giving habit of generosity in partnership with 40 acts. You are invited to turn the tradition of giving things up for Lent on its head, instead: give things away, give time, give encouragement, and discover the joy of walking in generosity. A booklet containing the 40-day challenge is available in Church to collect.

More opportunities to worship together and explore the bible to share the good news will be available during Lent.

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday 1st March- Second Sunday of Lent Saint David's Day

9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist at Christ Church- Fr. Chris
11 a.m. Sung Eucharist at Saint Ann's - Fr. Chris

Tuesday 3rd March

10.00a.m. Holy Eucharist at Saint Ann- Fr. Michael

Thursday 5th March

12.30 p.m. Said Mass at Christ Church- Fr. Val

Sunday 8th March- Third Sunday of Lent

9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist at Christ Church- Fr. Bryan Vernon
11 a.m. Sung Eucharist at Saint Ann's - Fr. Bryan Vernon

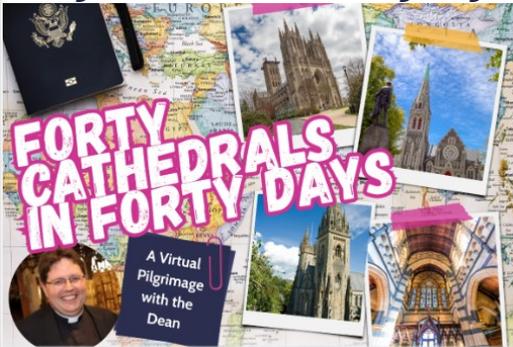
Tuesday 10th March

10.00a.m. Holy Eucharist at Saint Ann - Rev Jean skinner

Thursday 12th March- Gregory the Great

12.30 p.m. Said Mass at Christ Church- Fr. Chris

Forty cathedrals in forty days - a virtual pilgrimage



Dean of Newcastle, Lee Batson, invites you to join him as he listens to a sermon from a different Anglican Cathedral from across the world every day during Lent.

You can email Lee at dean@newcastlecathedral.org.uk with your mobile phone number to be added to the pilgrimage party.