



HOLY INNOCENTS
KINGSBURY

NOTICE SHEET

22nd February 2026

First Sunday of Lent

Welcome to Holy Innocents.

Readings & Hymns for today

Please stand when the hymn begins.

Processional hymn: (AM676)

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

COLLECT

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 2.15–17; 3.1–7

A reading from the book of Genesis.

¹⁵ The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.' ³ Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' ²The

Services Today

8.30am Said Eucharist

10.00am Eucharist

Services this week

Tuesday 10.00am Morning Prayer & coffee

Thursday 10am Said Eucharist followed by coffee

Next Sunday 1st Mar –2nd Sunday of Lent

8.30am Said Eucharist

10am Eucharist

11.30am Burial of Ashes – Jean Firth

Next Week's Reading

Genesis 12.1–4a; Psalm 121; Romans

4.1–5, 13–17; John 3.1–17

woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die." ' ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loin cloths for themselves.

For the word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 5.12–19

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

¹² Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— ¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the

many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: (AM116) *Be thou my guardian and my guide*

GOSPEL READING (*Matthew 4.1–11*)

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

Glory to you O Lord

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' ⁴But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' '

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' '⁷ Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' '

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their

splendour; ⁹and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' ¹⁰Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Offertory Hymn: (AM121) *Forty days and forty nights*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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**

NOTICES

Donations for Brent Foodbank; We are collecting items for Brent Foodbank – there is a list by the box in the Narthex. Please do bring along donations as you can.

For your prayers; Juliet; Coleen; Martin; Ivy; Phyllis; Marylin; Coral; Robin; Ann; Desmond; Winfield; Heather.

Recessional Hymn: (AM652) *Guide me, O thou great redeemer*

Anniversary of death: Edward Titchener; Frederick Briggs; William Frith; Herbert Mortlock; Revd Tom Devonshire Jones; Elizabeth Robinson.

Diary of upcoming events: for details see notices above or signs in church.

Day	Date	Time	EVENT	Place
Tues	24 th Feb	11am-1pm	TIME TO SEW – COASTERS <i>Come for a chat, sew a simple item from new or repurpose fabric or bring your clothes for simple mending/adaptation. Please bring your own fabric or a donation to cover fabric provided.</i>	Church
Wed	25 th Feb, 4 th , 11 th , 18 th & 25 th March	7-9pm	LENT GROUP <i>We will join with the diocesan online reflection series exploring discipleship amid uncertainty, suffering, and mystery. Drawing on disability and suffering theologies, the sessions will reflect on following Christ not despite life's struggles, but through them, trusting God's presence and grace in hidden places (Isaiah 45:3). All are welcome, especially those journeying with questions, doubt, or vulnerability.</i>	Church
Thurs	26 th Feb, 5 th , 12 th , 19 th & 26 th March	11am-1pm		
Thurs	12 th March	7-9pm	BIBLE STUDY <i>Time to read and study the Bible together. We will start with food so please let Sophie know if you can come along.</i>	Church
Sat	21 st March	10am-12pm	GARDENING MORNING <i>All welcome to come along to help in the garden as we begin Spring</i>	Church
Sat	28 th March	11am	MOTHERS UNION LADY DAY SERVICE	Holy Innocents Church

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