

The Parishes of Steep and Stroud and Froxfield with Privett

in the Diocese of Portsmouth



Sunday 8th March 2026
The Third Sunday of Lent

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP), **Stroud**
Susie Collingridge
Ephesians 5. 1-14 | Luke 11.14-28

10am Parish Communion **with Baptism,**
Steep
Susie Collingridge
Romans 5. 1-11

WEEKDAY PRAYERS

Wednesdays:

Morning prayer **9am on Zoom.**
Join zoom meeting: Meeting ID: 757 0293
2891/Passcode: MPrayer
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75702932891pwd=a1RzeHlxUVLdU16SmdKKzdJdFVkdz09>

Thursdays:

9.30am- 10.00am Morning Prayer at **St Peter's on the Green**
(note change of venue during building works at High Cross)
and
6.30pm- 7pm Silent Prayer at **All Saints', Steep**

Next Week Sunday 15th March

The Fourth Sunday of Lent
Mothering Sunday

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP), **Steep**
Susie Collingridge
Hebrews 12. 22-24 | John 6. 1-14

10am Mothering Sunday all Age Benefice
Communion
Susie Collingridge
Exodus 2:1-10 | John 19:25b-27



Chloe Louise Gray will be baptised this Sunday 8th March at All Saints', Steep. Please pray for Chloe, her parents, Rosie and Christopher, Godparents Iona, Alice, and Autumn.

COLLECT BCP

The Third Sunday in Lent.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT

Eternal God,
give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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.
Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNITY

Let us pray for

The Church Worldwide: The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East

Our Diocese:

The Bishop, **Jonathan Frost**
Diocesan Secretary, **Philip Poulter**

Bridgemaury, and Elson. Vacancy.

Churchwardens, Donna Coyne and Andy Tanner. Reader, Corinne Pattinson (PtO). Children, Youth and Families Ministers, Steven Smart (Anna Chaplain). PtO Clergy, Sue West, and Brian Williams.

Our Deanery: Our own benefice Churches in Steep, Stroud, High Cross and Froxfield Green; and the ministry team of Sue Jones, Pippa Madgwick, Caroline Hilton, Graham Madgwick and Lindsay Clegg, led by Vicar Susie Collingridge.

Our Benefice:

Celia Storey, Paul Garstin Victoria Dunn, Susie Bryan-Terry, and Sue Coles, all who are suffering or have recently been bereaved. For those preparing for baptism and/or confirmation in our parishes. Please also remember the late **Sienna Courtney**, her parents and family in your prayers.

Romans 5:1-11
New Living Translation
Faith Brings Joy

5 Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. 2 Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

3 We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. 4 And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. 5 And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

6 When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. 7 Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. 8 But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. 9 And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation. 10 For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. 11 So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.

Matthew 19:13-15.
Jesus Blesses Little Children

¹³ Then children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them, ¹⁴ but Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." ¹⁵ And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

All Saints' Steep GU32 2DD
St Peter's : High Cross GU32 1EQ:

The Thanksgiving service for the late **Martin Holmes** (brother of Jeremy) will be held at **St Mary Magdalen Church, Steep**, on **Wednesday 11th March at 2pm**. All welcome. Please remember the family in your prayers.

Reminders this week

Tuesdays 2.30pm – 4.30pm Steep Warm space at Steep Village Hall

Thursday 12th March Steep Welcome Club
"Restorative Justice in Hampshire"
Contact Heather Maybury : 07554 747361

Saturday 14th March – Froxfield Drop in
10.30am - 12 noon. Meet over a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of cake.

Saturday 21st March – Froxfield Church fundraising auction

Future Dates

March 15th Mothering Sunday

March 29th Palm Sunday

April 26 APCM – Steep

May 3 APCM – Froxfield

The funeral of the late **Pam Thomas** is on Tuesday 31st March at 2pm at All Saints' Church, Steep. Please keep Pam, her family, and friends in your prayers.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory

Who's Who.....

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