Pew-sheet for Sunday 9th March The First Sunday of Lent

Today's services

Liturgical Colour: Purple

8.45am Morning Prayer on zoom Meeting ID 886 7055 6248 Passcode 056953 You can join just the audio by phoning 0131 460 1196 / 0203 481 5237 / 0203 481 5240

10.00am Holy Communion at the church of St Leonard, Yardley Gobion

Collect for today

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save;

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.

Amen

Post Communion prayer for today

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

Readings for this morning's service of Holy Communion

Psalm 131.1-4

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

As a father has compassion on his children,

so is the Lord merciful towards those who fear him.

O Lord, my heart is not proud; my eyes are not raised in haughty looks.

I do not occupy myself in great matters,

with things that are too high for me.

But I have quieted and stilled my soul,

like a weaned child on its mother's breast;

so my soul is quieted within me.
O Israel, trust in the Lord,
from this time forth and for
evermore.

Galatians 4.4-7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Romans 8.11, 14-17

If the Spirit of him who raised Christ Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit who dwells in you. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a Spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs – heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.

For the Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God**

The coming week's services and prayer

Wednesday 12th March

8.00pm, a short service of **Night Prayer** on our South Cleley <u>Facebook page</u>.

Thursday 13th March

5.00pm Meditation Prayer

Contact Mary McVay so she can send you the details.

Sunday 16th March

8.45am Morning Prayer on Zoom Meeting ID 833 3035 8290 Passcode 735361 You can join just the audio by phoning 0131 460 1196 / 0203 481 5237 / 0203 481 5240

10.00am Holy Communion at Potterspury

4.00pm Evensong at Cosgrove

If you would like to receive a copy of our free weekly newsletter by email, showing details of all our upcoming services and social events within the benefice, please drop us an email to admin@southcleley-benefice.org.uk to be added to the distribution.

<u>Preparation of new Church</u> Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll Full Revision is now open for all four Benefice churches. To be included on the Electoral Roll for your "home" church, you will need to complete an application form and return it to the appropriate Electoral Roll Officer, as follows:

Cosgrove - Lesley Wort, by 17th March 2025

Wicken – Tish Gordon-Lee, by 6th April 2025

Yardley Gobion - Linda Llewellyn, by 6th April 2025

Potterspury – Anne Henson, by 6th April 2025

Support for you

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Church Buildings

Our buildings are open at the following times:

Cosgrove Daily 10am to 4pm
Potterspury Daily around 9am to 5pm,
or until after the last service of the day
Yardley Gobion Monday to Saturday
10am to 4pm, Sunday 12noon to 4pm
Wicken – the church can be opened if
anyone would like to go in. Please see
the notice outside for details of who to
contact.

Here follows space for you to write or draw during periods of quiet and reflection in today's service.

Please take your pew-sheet home after the service for your use during the week ahead.