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**Welcome to everyone attending our services today**

Please join us for refreshments after the  
10.00 & 10.30 services.

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

0800	<b>CCP</b>	The 8.00 Service: Holy Communion 2
1000	<b>SJP</b>	Holy Communion <i>Followed by Lent Lunch in Church Hall</i>
1030	<b>CCP</b>	The 10.30 Service: Holy Communion
1800	<b>CCP</b>	The 6.00 Service: Revive
1800	<b>SJP</b>	Compline

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (Mothering Sunday)

0800	<b>CCP</b>	The 8.00 Service: Holy Communion 1 <i>(Revd Andy Wilson)</i>
1000	<b>SJP</b>	Holy Communion <i>(Revd Rosemary Donald)</i>
1030	<b>CCP</b>	The 10.30 Service <i>(Revd Andy Wilson)</i>
1800	<b>SJP</b>	Compline

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March

0800	<b>CCP</b>	The 8.00 Service: Holy Communion 1 <i>(Revd Andy Wilson)</i>
1000	<b>SJP</b>	Holy Communion <i>(Revd Andy Wilson)</i>
1030	<b>CCP</b>	The 10.30 Service <i>(Sandra Morgan)</i>
1800	<b>CCP</b>	The 6.00 Service: Refuel <i>(Sheila Gill)</i>
1800	<b>SJP</b>	Compline

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April

0800	<b>CCP</b>	The 8.00 Service: Holy Communion 2
<b>0930</b>	<b>SJP</b>	Breakfast Church <i>(Revd Andy Wilson)</i>
1030	<b>CCP</b>	The 10.30 Service: Holy Communion
1800	<b>SJP</b>	Compline

### This Week's Activities

Monday	1030	<b>CCP</b>	Lent Course (Dave Fowler)
	1800	<b>SJP</b>	Evening Prayer
	1930	<b>CCP</b>	Lent Course (Pauline Letters)
Wednesday	0900	<b>CCP</b>	Morning Prayer
	1400	<b>CCP</b>	Lent Course (Jacqui Wilson)
	1800	<b>SJP</b>	Vestry Hour (Broadways)
	1900	<b>SJP</b>	Evening Prayer
	1930	<b>SJP</b>	Bible Study (Broadways)
Friday	1415	<b>CCP</b>	Friday Friends (Church Hall)
	1800	<b>SJP</b>	Evening Prayer
Saturday	0900	<b>CCP</b>	Church Cleaning
	0900	<b>CCP</b>	Who Let the Dads Out? (Church Hall)

## CHRIST CHURCH

[www.christchurchportsdown.org](http://www.christchurchportsdown.org)



### Mission of the Month: Tearfund

We are sorry to hear that former church members **Harry Rooke** and **Pat Abrahams** have both died recently. Details of Harry's funeral will be made available when known.

**Lent Lunches:** Homemade soup and a roll will be served in the church hall from 12.00 - 1pm on **Saturdays 28<sup>th</sup> March and 4<sup>th</sup> April**. Donations for Tearfund or the Mothers' Union Away From It All holiday scheme.

**Annual meetings** for Christ Church will take place on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April** starting with worship at 7.15pm

## ST JOHN'S

[www.stjohnspurbrook.org.uk](http://www.stjohnspurbrook.org.uk)



**Lent Lunches:** Homemade soup and a roll will be served in the church hall at 12.00pm after the 10.00 service on the following Sundays during Lent: **15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> March** (after the APCM) **and 5<sup>th</sup> April**. Please add your name to the list in the Church Porch or contact Pat Wootten. There will be no charge but donations will be gratefully received in aid of the Bishop's Lent Appeal, Christian Aid, Two Saints and MAF.

**Annual meetings** for St John's will take place on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March** starting at 11.15am.

## NOTES AND NEWS

**The Funeral of June Nelson-Tomsen**, who will be remembered by some members of both churches, will take place at Portchester Crematorium on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March** at 11.30am. Details from Marion Pegg.

**Andy & Jacqui** are on leave until 21<sup>st</sup> March.

**JustOne:** Churches across Portsmouth are hosting evangelist Canon J John to speak at Portsmouth Guildhall on **4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> April** (7.30pm). This is a great opportunity to invite just one relative, friend, neighbour or colleague to hear the life changing message of Jesus Christ presented in an accessible manner. Tickets are £5 each. See [justone.co.uk](http://justone.co.uk) for more details.

### **Coronavirus:**

Please note the following directions for our churches:

- Please refrain from intinction (dipping the bread into the wine at Communion), as this can introduce germs into the cup.
- We are still offering the chalice at this point, but if you feel unwell, please do not receive the wine. Equally, if you prefer not to receive the wine, then you should take only bread – your communion will be complete.
- If we share the peace in a service, please respect those who prefer not to engage in physical contact, such as shaking hands. This also applies before and after the service.

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him something to eat?' <sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. <sup>35</sup> Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. <sup>36</sup> The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. <sup>37</sup> For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." <sup>38</sup> I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

<sup>39</sup> Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' <sup>40</sup> So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. <sup>41</sup> And many more believed because of his word. <sup>42</sup> They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

***Praise to you, O Christ.***

### **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.**

## **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

### **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.

**Amen.**

### **Psalm 95**

<sup>1</sup> O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation. <sup>2</sup> Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving and be glad in him with psalms. <sup>3</sup> For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. <sup>4</sup> In his hand are the depths of the earth and the heights of the mountains are his also. <sup>5</sup> The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have moulded the dry land. <sup>6</sup> Come, let us worship and bow down and kneel before the Lord our Maker. <sup>7</sup> For he is our God; we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. <sup>8</sup> O that today you would listen to his voice: 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, on that day at Massah in the wilderness, <sup>9</sup> 'When your forebears tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my works. <sup>10</sup> 'Forty years long I detested that generation and said, "This people are wayward in their hearts; they do not know my ways." <sup>11</sup> 'So I swore in my wrath, "They shall not enter into my rest." '

### **NEW TESTAMENT: Romans 5:1-11**

<sup>5</sup> Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces

character, and character produces hope,<sup>5</sup> and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.<sup>7</sup> Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die.<sup>8</sup> But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.<sup>9</sup> Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God.<sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life.<sup>11</sup> But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **GOSPEL READING: John 4:5-42**

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

**Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>5</sup> So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.<sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.<sup>7</sup> A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'.<sup>8</sup> (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)<sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.'<sup>11</sup> The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?'<sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and

with his sons and his flocks drank from it?'<sup>13</sup> Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,<sup>14</sup> but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.'<sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.'

<sup>17</sup> The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband";<sup>18</sup> for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' <sup>19</sup> The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet.<sup>20</sup> Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.'<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.<sup>22</sup> You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.<sup>23</sup> But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him.<sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.'<sup>25</sup> The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.'<sup>26</sup> Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'<sup>27</sup> Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?'<sup>28</sup> Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people,<sup>29</sup> 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?'<sup>30</sup> They left the city and were on their way to him.<sup>31</sup> Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.'<sup>32</sup> But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.'<sup>33</sup> So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought