

# The Parish of Greenford Magna



## Stop Press

Our weekly newsletter at Holy Cross Church

Sunday 28th February, 2010

Second Sunday of Lent



Ash Wednesday, Lent Study Groups, Passiontide, Holy Week, Good Friday...it could all sound a bit depressing, heavy weather, hard work, at this time of year, couldn't it?

**But it isn't. Not at all.**

The word "Lent" derives from a German word for Spring, the time when the earth revives after winter and starts to make us a promise, the promise of Summer. Lent is, quite simply, the expression of a similar transformation and a time of preparation for Easter, the liturgical expression of the deepest joy of our faith. Easter is the time when we celebrate, Lent is the time to prepare.

### This Sunday

Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18

Philippians 3: 17-4:1

Luke 13: 31-35

Intercessions

Servers: MC – Derek Cleminshaw; Crucifer – Martin Dawe; Thurifer – Annabel Radville; Boat – Miles Bernadine; Acolytes – Hannah Cleminshaw and James Cleminshaw

### Lent Two

A sparkling bit of narrative about Abram

Our citizenship is in heaven

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets

### RCL p. 822-826

Gerald Najera

Chyrl Husbands

Katherine Flewitt

Hymns 73, psalm, 467, 501, 316

Psalm antiphon MAY YOUR LOVE BE UPON US O LORD  
AS WE PLACE ALL OUR HOPE ON YOU



After holy communion, the Holy Cross Choir will sing **Only forgiveness** with words and music by **Patrick Appleford** (b. 1925)

\*\*\*\*\*

### **YOU ARE WELCOME AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH**

Under 6's welcome in the Crèche which is in the Parish Room.

5-12's are welcome in Chris...Cross except on Youth Sundays when we are all in Church.

## NOTICES for Sunday, 28th February, 2010

Midweek:

Tuesday

7.00am Said Mass

Friday

7.00am Said Mass in the Old Church

Saturday

11am Toby Vandeveldel will speak about being a press photographer

Next Sunday

## Sunday, 7th March, 2010

## Lent Three

8.00am

Said Mass in the Old Church

9.30am

**THE PARISH MASS  
and Youth Sunday** (Brownies and Rainbows)

### Next Sunday

### Lent Three

### RCL p. 827-830

Isaiah 55:1-9

Priceless food freely available

Brownies & Rainbows

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

God is faithful

Brownies & Rainbows

Luke 13: 1-9

A parable of the fig tree

Intercessions

Brownies & Rainbows

Servers: MC – Susan Wyatt; Crucifer – John Sidebottom; Thurifer – Annabel Radville; Acolytes – Olivia Ross and Natasha Moses

## Lent, 2010

### Lent Lunches - next Saturday at 11am!

Toby Vandeveldel will speak about his life as a press photographer, show us his photographic equipment and some of his photographs. This is followed by Lent lunch at noon

Moneys raised will go to a school in Mozambique (see item 5) as part of the ALMA link with London, Mozambique and Angola. We are sharing the fund-raising with children from Edward Betham School.

### Lent Groups

Its not too late! All members of the congregation are invited to participate in study and discussion groups held in private houses. Please look at the schedule on the Notice Board and contact the host to indicate your interest.





**HOT OFF  
THE  
PRESS !!!**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS  
and  
ADVANCE NEWS**

### **1. CHRIS...CROSS**

Today's session is led by Frank and Audrey Pascal. Please register children in advance.

### **2. VISITORS FROM GERMANY**

The dates are from 13th – 16th May, 2010 and we expect a large group, so please put the date in your diary today and be sure to volunteer as a host!! The hosts are asked to provide suitable accommodation, breakfast and a meal or two, and join in as much of the activity as possible.

### **3. HOLY CROSS MOTHERS' UNION**

We meet every month on the first Monday at 8pm at the rectory or other venues. New members are always welcome and you do not have to be a mother or even female! Men, women, young and old are all included.



### **4. NEXT YOUTH SUNDAY**

Bacon rolls/toasted cheese sandwiches £1.50 each. Limited supplies! After the service on March 7th. Place your orders in advance with Jill Marsh or take pot luck on the day.

### **5. OUR LENT PROJECT - ALMA'S CHILDREN**

Lent 2010 will see us raising funds for Angola and Mozambique along with other church in the Diocese and we will be focusing on **All Saints' School**, or Escola de Todos dos Santos in Nacala, Mozambique. We will be combining our efforts with the pupils of Edward Betham School and the funds raised will be ear-marked for books for this school Please join in by filling in Gift Aid envelopes, coming to Lent Lunches and enjoying the Lenten groups available for 5 weeks.

### **6. PALM SUNDAY PASSION GOSPEL**

Members of the congregation are invited to become part of the team which will deliver the dramatised Passion Gospel on Palm Sunday, 28th March. See Tony Nayager.

### **7. ANNUAL REPORTS**

Please will all those responsible for writing annual reports send them to Tracey Cameron by the end of February. The report should consider the year 2009. APCM is Tuesday 20th April.

### **8. ELECTORAL ROLL 2010**

To be able to vote at our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** on **Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup>**, or stand for election - you must be on our **Electoral Roll**. Please check the current roll on the notice-board. If your name is not there, or the details have changed, complete a blue form and return it to **Beth**, or put it in the box provided -no later than **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March** – Palm Sunday

### **9. COMING UP – TWO DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Quiz Night on 24 April (St George's day theme) and the Holy Cross annual Dinner Dance, 22 May. Reserve dance tickets now to avoid disappointment! See Annabel or Brian Radville and Peter or Rosemary Abernethy today.

### **10. CALLING ALL NEEDLEWOMEN AND MEN**

Edward Betham School are seeking support for a project involving sewing Please respond.

### **11. RNIB**

Please could you help the Royal National Institute for the Blind raise funds to help blind people, "find their life again", by supporting their Spring Draw. Tickets cost £1.00 each - books of five tickets are £5.00. Malcolm Ede will be selling tickets at Parish Breakfast or order tickets by calling him or e-mail: [malcolm.ede@o2.co.uk](mailto:malcolm.ede@o2.co.uk).

### **12. EDWARD BETHAM FRIENDS ASSOCIATION**

We are holding a fundraising auction of goods and promises on Saturday 20th March in Holy Cross New Church. Doors open 6.30pm to view, food served 7.15pm and auction starts at 8pm. Tickets are £6 per adult, £2.50 per child and include a fish & chip supper. Please book in advance as we need to order the food! For tickets and further information please see Louise Law or Melanie Weston after church service or call Melanie. Thanks.

### **13. CONFIRMATION, 2010**

We are setting up both adult and young persons' preparation for Confirmation which this year will be on Sunday, 27th June, at 9.30am. Please give your details on a piece of paper to Neil as soon as possible.

**Webmaster** Richard Bell email- [richard.bell@ic24.net](mailto:richard.bell@ic24.net)