

❖ SECOND READING *2 Corinthians 1. 3-7,*

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, ⁴who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. ⁵For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. ⁶If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. ⁷Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

❖ GOSPEL *Luke 2. 33-35*

³³ And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent 18th March 2018

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

6.30PM CHORAL EVENSONG(BCP)

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King Charles the Martyr Church, Tunbridge Wells



**King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells**

**Mothering Sunday
11th March 2018**

Welcome to King Charles the Martyr – especially if you are visiting. A melody edition of the hymn book is available – please ask a sidesman for a copy. We hope you will enjoy your time with us. Refreshments are served after the 10am Service in the Hall. Please join us if you can.

Today's Services

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

2 Corinthians 1. 3-7, Luke 2. 33-35

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

Exodus 2. 1-10, 2 Corinthians 1. 3-7,

Luke 2. 33-35

Hymns: 537, 136, 145, 826

President: The Revd Laurence Powell,

Deacon: The Revd Sarah Partridge

Preacher: The Revd Laurence Powell

A creche is available in the Church Hall.

Please ask a sidesman for directions.

6.30PM Evening Prayer(BCP)

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

Exodus 6. 2-13, Romans 5. 1-11

ON MOTHERING SUNDAY we celebrate not only mothers but all those who have nurtured and cared for us.

Collect for the Week

*God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to
himself: strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power
of your presence to bind together and to heal;
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.*

This Week at King Charles

Mon 12th 3pm T@3 IN THE HALL

Wed 14th 11.30am HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

12.30PM LENT COURSE IN UPPER ROOM

7.30PM LENT COURSE IN UPPER ROOM

Fri 16th 1.00pm Prayers in the Quiet Corner

Sat 17th 10am Bible Study in the Upper Room

Notices.

1. T@3

We are honoured to have a visit from the Mayor of Tunbridge Wells to our T@3 tomorrow Monday 12th March at 3pm in the Hall. She will give a short talk on her duties, regalia and her Mayoral experiences. All welcome.

2. Lent Course

Our fourth session is called 'IN ALL MY RELATIONSHIPS' we are looking at how faith in the God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit shapes and changes our relationships. The session takes place on Wednesday at 12:30pm and is repeated at 7:30pm in the Upper room of the Church Hall. Refreshments will be available. All are welcome.

3. King Charles Cookbook

Come on King Charles the Martyr is renowned for it's great cooks and bakers, we need your recipes!

Please send any recipe contributions to caroline.powell88@outlook.com or hand them to Laurence or Caz.

4. Easter Lilies

As last year we are offering the opportunity for anyone to donate the cost of one (or several) of the Easter Lilies, which beautifully decorate the Church, at approx. £2.50 per stem. If you would like to make a donation please see Jane Scholes at the back of the Church today.

5. Funerals

A thanksgiving service for the life of Joyce Winchester (aunt of Simon and Jane Kildahl) will be held in the church on Tuesday 20th March at 12noon.

A thanksgiving service for the life of Michael Doyle will be held in the church on Friday 23rd March at 3pm. The family would love as many people to attend as possible.

Readings Today

❖ FIRST READING *Exodus 2. 1-10,*

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. ²The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. ³When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ⁴His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. ⁵ The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. ⁶When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. ⁷Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' ⁸Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. ⁹Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. ¹⁰When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Charity Collections for March

Ghana Church Roof

Yellow gift aid envelopes at the back of the Church