

❖ GOSPEL *John 12. 20-33*

²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' ²² Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. ²⁷ 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' ²⁹ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' ³⁰ Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹ Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' ³³ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die



**King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent
18th 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)

Hebrews 5. 5-10, John 12. 20-33

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

Jeremiah 31. 31-34, Hebrews 5. 5-10,

John 12. 20-33

Hymns: 702, 628, 128, 780

President: The Revd Claire Allwood,

Deacon: The Revd Laurence Powell

Preacher: The Revd Richard Williams

A creche is available in the Church Hall.

Please ask a sidesman for directions.

6.30PM Choral Evensong(BCP)

President: Mr Derek Greenwood

Exodus 7. 8-24, Romans 5. 12-end

**Next Sunday: Palm Sunday
25th March 2018**

8AM HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

10AM PARISH COMMUNION(CW)

6.30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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King Charles the Martyr Church, Tunbridge Wells

PASSION SUNDAY reminds us of God's love towards the world as he sends his only son to be our sacrifice for sin and promise of new life through his resurrection. Today we are called to meditate and prepare ourselves for the beauty, devastation and joy of Holy Week.

Collect for the Week

Most merciful God,

who by the death and resurrection of your Son

Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world:

grant that by faith in him who suffered on the

cross we may triumph in the power of his victory;

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 19th 1pm CRAFT & SEW IN THE HALL

Wed 21st 11.30am HOLY COMMUNION(BCP)

12.30PM LENT COURSE IN UPPER ROOM

7.30PM LENT COURSE IN UPPER ROOM

Fri 23rd 1.00pm Prayers in the Quiet Corner

Notices.

1. Craft & Sew at 1pm-3pm tomorrow

Our new crafting group continues **tomorrow** in the Hall. Please note the change of time as we will now meet between 1pm - 3pm. All are welcome to join us and let their creative side be inspired.

2. Lent Course

Our fifth session is called 'CONFRONTING THE INJUSTICE IN THE WORLD' we are looking at how the Christian life requires us to be involved in the affairs of the world and to witness to God's kingdom of peace and justice every day. 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

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. PCC

Reminder to all those on the PCC that we have a meeting at 8pm in the upper room tomorrow.

6. Palm Sunday and Holy Week

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and marks the beginning off the greatest week in the Christian calendar. There will be a procession through the Pantiles during the 10am service. please see the leaflet, posters, our website or our facebook page for information on all our services over Easter. **Please note that the Clocks go forward next Sunday.**

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 *Jeremiah 31. 31-34,*

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

❖ SECOND READING *Hebrews 5. 5-10,*

⁵ So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; ⁶ as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' ⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸ Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹ and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰ having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Charity Collections for March

Ghana Church Roof

Yellow gift aid envelopes at the back of the Church