

## Notices:

1. KCM Men's Group on 27th March at 7.30pm at Woods Restaurant with Yudhistra Moodley as guest speaker. Please contact Rodney Smith at [rodney.smith8@btopenworld.com](mailto:rodney.smith8@btopenworld.com)
2. As we have been closing in the afternoons in December, January and February and on many summer Saturdays for some years now when cover proved impossible, it has been decided to abandon Saturday afternoon Church Watch until the situation improves. Apologies for any inconvenience, especially to the flower arrangers.

## Lent Course 2019

### Exploring the Eucharist

Also known as Holy Communion, The Lord's Supper or Mass.

This year's Lent course will consider the presence and purpose of the Eucharist within the worshipping life of the church.

Should the Eucharist be the pattern of all Christian worship?

Can the Eucharist transform our relationship with God?

Is the whole of life sacramental?

**Sessions have started and the next one is Saturday 30th March at 12noon - 1:30pm in the church. All welcome**

We would like to encourage people to bring a packed lunch or something to share with others. Tea and coffee will be available.

## This Week:

### Tuesday 26th March:

9.30am Morning Prayer

### Wednesday 27th March:

11.30am Holy Communion(BCP)

7.30pm KCM Men's Group at Woods

### Friday 29th March:

10.45am Mead Easter Service

1pm Prayers in the Church

### Saturday 30th March:

12 - 1.30pm Lent Course in the Church



**King Charles the Martyr  
Tunbridge Wells**

**Third Sunday of  
Lent  
24th March 2019**

## Today's Services:

### 8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

President: The Revd Ian Harrison

### 10am: Parish Communion (CW)

President: The Revd Canon Sarah Partridge

Deacon: The Revd Laurence Powell

Preacher: The Revd Dr David Lyall

### Hymns:

116: Be thou my guardian

534: As water to the thirsty

813: Through the night of dark and sorrow

682: In the cross of Christ I glory

### 6.30pm: Celtic Meditative Prayer

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

*Please join us in the Hall after the 10am Service for refreshments*

## Next Week's Services:

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

### 8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

### 10am: Parish Communion (CW)

President: The Revd Laurence Powell

Deacon: The Revd Canon Sarah Partridge

Preacher: The Revd Laurence Powell

### 6.30pm: Evening Prayer(BCP)

President: Mr Paul Clark

## Parish Office:

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## The 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

## First Reading: Isaiah 55. 1-9

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;  
and you that have no money, come, buy and  
eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money  
and without price. <sup>2</sup> Why do you spend your  
money for that which is not bread, and your  
labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen  
carefully to me, and eat what is good, and  
delight yourselves in rich food. <sup>3</sup> Incline your ear,  
and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I  
will make with you an everlasting covenant, my  
steadfast, sure love for David. <sup>4</sup> See, I made him  
a witness to the peoples, a leader and  
commander for the peoples. <sup>5</sup> See, you shall call  
nations that you do not know, and nations that  
do not know you shall run to you, because of the  
Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he  
has glorified you. <sup>6</sup> Seek the Lord while he may  
be found, call upon him while he is near; <sup>7</sup> let the  
wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous  
their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that  
he may have mercy on them, and to our God,  
for he will abundantly pardon. <sup>8</sup> For my thoughts  
are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my  
ways, says the Lord. <sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are  
higher than the earth, so are my ways higher  
than your ways and my thoughts than your  
thoughts.

## Second Reading: Corinthians 10. 1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and  
sisters, that our ancestors were all under the  
cloud, and all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup> and all  
were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the  
sea, <sup>3</sup> and all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup> and  
all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank  
from the spiritual rock that followed them, and  
the rock was Christ. <sup>5</sup> Nevertheless, God was  
not pleased with most of them, and they were  
struck down in the wilderness. <sup>6</sup> Now these  
things occurred as examples for us, so that we  
might not desire evil as they did. <sup>7</sup> Do not  
become idolaters as some of them did; as it is  
written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink,

and they rose up to play.' <sup>8</sup> We must not indulge  
in sexual immorality as some of them did, and  
twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. <sup>9</sup> We  
must not put Christ to the test, as some of them  
did, and were destroyed by serpents. <sup>10</sup> And do  
not complain as some of them did, and were  
destroyed by the destroyer. <sup>11</sup> These things  
happened to them to serve as an example, and  
they were written down to instruct us, on whom  
the ends of the ages have come. <sup>12</sup> So if you  
think you are standing, watch out that you do  
not fall. <sup>13</sup> No testing has overtaken you that is  
not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he  
will not let you be tested beyond your strength,  
but with the testing he will also provide the way  
out so that you may be able to endure it.

## Gospel Reading: Luke 13. 31-end

At that very time there were some present who  
told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate  
had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup> He asked  
them, 'Do you think that because these  
Galileans suffered in this way they were worse  
sinners than all other Galileans?' <sup>3</sup> No, I tell you;  
but unless you repent, you will all perish as they  
did. <sup>4</sup> Or those eighteen who were killed when  
the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think  
that they were worse offenders than all the  
others living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup> No, I tell you; but  
unless you repent, you will all perish just as they  
did.' <sup>6</sup> Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig  
tree planted in his vineyard; and he came  
looking for fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup> So he  
said to the gardener, "See here! For three years  
I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and  
still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be  
wasting the soil?" <sup>8</sup> He replied, "Sir, let it alone  
for one more year, until I dig round it and put  
manure on it. <sup>9</sup> If it bears fruit next year, well and  
good; but if not, you can cut it down."

## Parish Electoral Roll and Contact List Renewal

The six year renewal of the Electoral Roll and  
the two year renewal of the contact information  
for the Parish contact list is now due.

Forms are available at the back of the Church,  
each form is for single use only.

We are asking for application forms to be  
completed by **NEXT Sunday 31st March 2019.**

Forms can then be posted in the box available  
at the back of the church.

Charity Collection for March

## Missionary Aviation Fellowship

Gift Aid envelopes at the back of the church