

## 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

**King Charles the Martyr Church is closed for the foreseeable future, we will let you know as soon as it is possible to open again for private prayer and contemplation**

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King Charles the Martyr  
Tunbridge Wells

**The Third Sunday of  
Lent**

**7th March 2021**

Due to rising covid infection rates - No congregations will be able to attend Services at KCM and St Mark's for the foreseeable future - services are only be available on-line or by telephone

## Today's Services:

**8am - St Mark's Holy Communion (cw)  
Revd Revd Claire Allwood  
Live streaming on Facebook**

**10am -KCM Holy Communion (BCP)  
Revd Laurence Powell  
Revd Canon Sarah Partridge  
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Password: 072916  
(11am - on-line Coffee Club - see notices)**

**6.30pm - Evening Prayer  
Mr Paul Clark  
Live streaming on Facebook**

## Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March

**6.00pm - Evening Prayer (cw)  
from home - Revd Canon Sarah Partridge  
Live streaming on Facebook**

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March

**The Fourth Sunday of Lent  
Mothering Sunday**

**8am - KCM Holy Communion (CW) Live  
streaming on Facebook**

**10am -St Mark's Holy Communion (BCP)  
Live streaming on Facebook and Zoom**

**6.30pm - Evening Prayer**



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### **First Reading: Exodus. 20. 1-17**

Then God spoke all these words:

<sup>2</sup> I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery;

<sup>3</sup> you shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup> You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

<sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup> but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup> You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

<sup>8</sup> Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.

<sup>9</sup> For six days you shall labour and do all your work. <sup>10</sup> But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup> For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

<sup>12</sup> Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup> You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup> You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup> You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup> You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

<sup>17</sup> You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

### **Second Reading: 1 Corinthians. 1. 18-25**

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup> For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

<sup>20</sup> Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

<sup>21</sup> For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup> For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup> but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup> but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup> For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

### **Gospel Reading: John. 2. 13-22**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup> Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup> He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!' <sup>17</sup> His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'  
<sup>18</sup> The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' <sup>19</sup> Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.'  
<sup>20</sup> The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' <sup>21</sup> But he was speaking of the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup> After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.