

The Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ
fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are,
yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves
in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
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 open once again for visitors and
private prayer and contemplation
with the Church Watch present on:
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays:
11am - 1pm.**

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**King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells**

**The Sunday next
before Lent**

27th February 2022

This week's Services

Sunday 27th February 2022

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)
President: Revd Laurence Powell
Live streaming on Facebook

10.00am - Parish Communion (CW)
President: Revd Laurence Powell
Preacher: Revd Laurence Powell
Live streaming on Facebook

6.30pm - Celtic Prayer
President: Mr Paul Clark
Live streaming on Facebook

Wednesday 2nd March Ash Wednesday

11.30am - Holy Communion (BCP)
7.30pm Holy Communion (CW)

Sunday 6th March The First Sunday of Lent

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)
Live streaming on Facebook
10am - Family Service
Live streaming on Facebook

6.30pm - Holy Communion (CW)
Live streaming on Facebook



First Reading: Exodus 34. 29-end

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God.

³⁰ When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him.

³¹ But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them.

³² Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.

³³ When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴ but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵ the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 3. 12-4.2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³ not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴ But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside.

¹⁵ Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶ but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed.

¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

¹⁸ And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

⁴ Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ² We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Gospel: Luke 9. 28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray.

²⁹ And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰ Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him.

³¹ They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.

³² Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him.

³³ Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. ³⁴ While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud.

³⁵ Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!'

³⁶ When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.