

ORDER OF SERVICE

Leader: Maggy Garton

Notices

Time of quiet

Call to Worship

Hymn: With gladness we worship (StF 17)

Prayer of thanksgiving

Talk - The Trinity

Hymn: Father in heaven (StF 4)

An affirmation of faith

Readings: John 3: 1-17 and Romans 8: 12-17

Prayer of confession

Hymn: Father, we love you (StF 6)

Address Collect

Hymn: Love divine (StF 503)

Prayers of Intercession, Road Prayer, The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: Longing for light (StF 706)

Closing prayer & Blessing

The Grace

Coffee

The YouTube link to view the live stream on Sunday is: https://youtube.com/live/02VYIC9yr2E?feature=share



PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Loving God, Now that an election has been called. hear our prayers for our country and the campaign ahead. We pray for those who are standing for election, for their safety, and for their willingness to listen and to speak. We pray for truthfulness and kindness to prevail as the issues are debated. We pray that each of us will be inspired to use our voice and our vote for your goodness and glory. Inspire us, God, to Love, to Pray and to Vote. Amen.

We pray for those having difficultly with neighbours, friends or family. Grant us an abundance of patience and tolerance as we navigate challenging interactions. Help us to respond with grace and understanding, even in the face of adversity.

This week we pray for all those living in Jevington.

NOTICES

Church Finances

We do not take a collection during the service but a Response Box is on the Information Table, should you wish to make a donation to the work of our Church. We have also recently introduced a card reader so that people can make donations with their card via contactless payment.

Alternatively, you could sign a Standing Order form committing to regular monthly giving, which allows our Treasurer (Ben) to monitor the church finances more closely. Please do speak with Ben if you wish to make arrangements for this.

Dates for your diary

- 2nd June Next Sunday our next collection for Pines School Foodbank
- 9th June Church Meeting, following the service
- 29th June St Michael's Summer Fete
- Every Sunday in July School uniform shop after service
- 4-6th October 3Generate Weekend
- 8th December Celebration service for 30 years of C@P

The school are inviting people to help them celebrate 50 years! It would be lovely if lots of us can attend this event to show our support.



Sponsored Walk in aid of 'Action for Children'

Date: Saturday 1st June

Time: 10am

Meet: Virginia Water, meet at the main car park

Bring: A packed lunch

This is an annual event and a group is gathered from around the Circuit. It's a very enjoyable 4-5 mile walk. Sponsorship forms will be available from the Welcome Table on Sunday.

NOTICES FROM ST MICHAEL'S



REVD CAROL

As you know, Revd Carol has been unwell and subsequently has been on an attachment. During her absence from us she applied for a position as Interim Group Minister within the Slough and Burnham Deanery and was successful.

If you would like to make a donation towards a leaving gift, please see the churchwardens or Revd Gareth.

Everyone is welcome at an informal gathering to wish Carol farewell on Sunday 2nd June at 3pm in the Parish Centre.

School Admissions

To make the system fair and transparent, those wishing to apply to St Michael's or Ranelagh church schools on church attendance criteria will be asked to sign a register at the back of church each time they attend (even if they have a sibling at the school). To make sure that all new signees understand the admissions criteria we ask that you email the parish office to make an appointment.

Please note: Please go to the relevant school website for the latest admissions policy.

Ranelagh St Michaels



READINGS

John 3: 1-17

Jesus teaches Nicodemus

3 Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. 2 He came to Jesus at night and said, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.'

3 Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.'

4 'How can someone be born when they are old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!'

5 Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. 6 Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. 7 You should not be surprised at my saying, "You must be born again." 8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.'

9 'How can this be?' Nicodemus asked.

10 'You are Israel's teacher,' said Jesus, 'and do you not understand these things? 11 Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. 12 I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? 13 No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven – the Son of Man. 14 Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, 15 that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.



READINGS cont...

Romans 8: 12-17

12 Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation – but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. 13 For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. 15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, 'Abba, Father.' 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. 17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.