



Sunday 20th February

Prayer ministry is available as part of today's 10.30am Service at St Saviour's. This is available by the font during communion and after the service.

Today's readings for the 10.30am Holy Communion Service are:-
Revelation Chapter 4 and Luke 8: 22 – 25.

Lent is not far away – it begins on **Ash Wednesday, 2nd March**. There will be a **Service of Ashing at 7pm at St Saviour's**. Please do return last year's Palm Crosses to the Church Office so that they can be burned to make the ash used in this service.

Life is For Giving – copies of this booklet, which helps us to explore what our vocation might be in this Year of Vocation, are still available from the Church Office for £2 a copy.

During Lent some of our house-groups will be studying ***Where Does my Faith Lead Me?*** – a series of six Bible studies that help participants recognise the differing ways we can use our God-given skills to benefit His kingdom. If you would like to join one of these study groups then do please let the Church Office know.

On **Wednesday evenings during Lent at 7pm** there will be services of **Night Prayer at St Saviour's**. During these services a member of our congregation will be giving an address on their sense of vocation – do please come and support them.

Lent - Wilderness and Oasis

I would like your help for a church Lent project which will be on our website and sent out as a prayer blog. This follows on from our previous church Advent and Lent calendars.

I only recently realised that the Lent period is actually 40 days + 6 Sundays. I want to explore the ideas of wilderness and oasis in prayers, poems, pictures, Bible verses and quotes using:

- Monday to Saturday for reflections on the idea of wilderness
- Sundays as times of oasis - moments of rest, wonder and joy.

It would be great if you can contribute – please send me material as soon as possible. For more details, please contact me on Sue.moss@littleoaks.net

Lent – Wilderness and Oasis Prayer Blog

Please sign up to the prayer blog to join in this Lent project.

You can do this on the church

website: <https://brockenhurstchurch.com/churchlife/prayer/prayerblog>

Or if you send me an email to sue.moss@littleoaks.net, I can add your name.

You will receive the twice weekly blog until Lent and then receive daily offerings during Lent created by members of the church congregation.

You can 'unsubscribe' at any time.

**Coffee and tea will be served in the Hall
at the end of the 10.30am Service.**

Mothers' Union Meeting – Monday 21st February 7pm Church Hall

In this meeting we welcome John Purkiss speaking on the theme of 'Between the Lines'. There will be an opportunity to ask John more of his memories of bygone days in Brockenhurst. So do come along with your questions – visitors as well as members are very welcome.

Christian Aid Lent Soup Lunch - Thursday 3rd March 12.00pm - 1.30 pm Church Hall

Come and join us for homemade soup with bread followed by tea/coffee and biscuits. Donation £5. No need to book just come along.

A raffle will be held after the lunch.

Silver Birch Firewood

There is a stack of birch firewood at the back of St Saviour's Church. This half tonne of wood came from H.M. The Queen's Silver Jubilee tree, which had to be felled due to decay.

The wood is cut to firewood and cordwood lengths of about 1.2 to 1.4 metres and would be ready to burn next winter if cut and split to dry out.

Offer of donations by email to Martin at martinfletcher42@gmail.com or left at the Church Office.

A replacement birch tree is to be planted this summer to commemorate H.M. the Queen's Silver and Platinum Jubilees.

EcoChurch Weekly tip – February's theme is 'Be Informed'

Read a book to become more "carbon literate" and understand the greenhouse gas cost of your choices. Try "*How Bad are Bananas? The Carbon Footprint of Everything*" Mike Burners-Lee.

Collect

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever. Amen.



Pray for today's services and those leading them.

Please pray for the congregations of St Nicholas' and St Saviour's Church; and for the worship and understanding that takes place.

Please pray and give thanks for the District Nurses and Health Visitors serving our community. Pray that they may bring health and comfort to all they visit.

Pray for all who live in Setley.

Mission of the Month - Friday Club. Please pray for the continued good health of our elderly members, their carers and families. Pray for the friendships formed within the group, the companionship and the enjoyment gained from this opportunity to get out and meet others each week. Celebrating every member's birthday is especially important.