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March 2025

# St George's Church Stalybridge

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*For baptisms, marriages or funerals or to have the name of a departed friend or relation entered in the Book of Remembrance, please contact the Vicar on 07741 269102 or Therevd.downen@yahoo.co.uk*

*Baptisms are usually conducted at 12.30 pm  
on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month.*

*To receive Communion at home when you are sick or housebound, please contact the Vicar on 07741 269102 or Therevd.downen@yahoo.co.uk*



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Well, Lent is here, and I wonder if you've been thinking about how you might observe it? Will you give something up, chocolate, cakes etc? Or will you take something up, extra prayer time or coming to a Lent course?

I'm hoping to spend more time in silent prayer each day if possible, but certainly four or five times a week.

Silence is something I've spoken to my spiritual companion about a lot in our meetings, and I feel it's time to take this kind of prayer more seriously. Lent is a serious time. It is the one time in the year when we're strongly encouraged to consider discipline and its place in our lives. Here are some words from the Ash Wednesday Liturgy, 'I invite you... to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy word.'

All of the things listed here are spiritual disciplines and are a means for us to draw closer to God. In the list we see again how a physical or practical discipline can be used to as an outward focus to our inner spiritual growth.

Silence isn't the only discipline I'll be undertaking during Lent; I'll also be undertaking some self-denial and fasting disciplines too. It will be a challenge of course, but that's partly the point. The other point or purpose is to recognise where I/we have strayed from the Lord and to make sure we are doing what we can to realign ourselves with God.

So, I pray that you'll have a holy Lent. I pray that you'll know God's presence and draw closer to Him and I pray that through those Lenten disciplines Easter, when it comes, will be more joyful than ever.

Yours in Christ,

Revd Denise

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## Service Details

### Sundays

**9.30am Parish Eucharist with hymns** - every 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sunday in the month.

**9.30am Worship for All** - a simple Sunday service for everyone of all ages, including Holy Communion, every 4th Sunday in the month

### Tuesdays

**10.30am Holy Communion**

**For baptisms, weddings, funerals and all other enquiries please contact the Vicar on 07741 269102 or [Therevd.downen@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Therevd.downen@yahoo.co.uk)**

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## Ash Wednesday Services



**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

**Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes**

**2pm at St George's, Mossley**

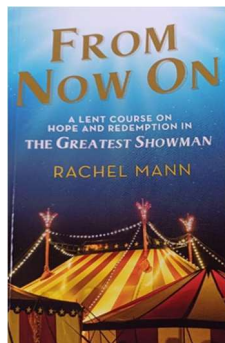
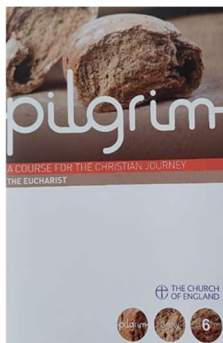
**7pm at St George's, Stalybridge**

**Lent Courses**

**Monday evenings at 7pm at St George's, Stalybridge – Pilgrim Course - The Eucharist**

**Tuesday evenings at 7pm at St George's, Mossley – Rachel Mann – From Now On / The Greatest Showman**

Courses will begin the week after Ash Wednesday



# Holy Week and Easter



**Palm Sunday** – Holy Communion at 9.30am at St George, Stalybridge  
Service of the Word at 9.30am at St John, Roughtown  
Holy Communion at 11.30am at St George, Mossley

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April** at 10.30am – Chrism Mass at Manchester Cathedral  
7pm – Stations of the Cross at St George, Mossley

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April** at 10.30am – Holy Communion at St George,  
Stalybridge  
7pm – Stations of the Cross St George, Stalybridge

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April** at 7pm – Prayers and Readings at St John,  
Roughtown

**Maundy Thursday** – Bring and Share Supper at 5pm at St George,  
Mossley  
7pm - Holy Communion with foot washing and vigil until 10pm at St  
George, Mossley  
Holy Communion at St George, Stalybridge to be confirmed

**Good Friday at 10.30am** – Good Friday Liturgy at St George, Stalybridge  
2pm – Prayer and Meditation at St George, Mossley

**Easter Sunday** – Holy Communion at 9.30am at St George, Stalybridge  
(Fr Craig)  
Holy Communion at 9.30am at St John, Roughtown  
Holy Communion at 11.30am at St George, Mossley

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## Readings and Psalms for March 2025

<b>Sun 2nd</b>	<b>Sunday next before Lent</b>
9.30	<b>Exodus 34.29-end; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2; Luke 9.287-36</b>
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 Ecclesiasticus 35.1-12; Psalm 50.1-6; Mark 10.28-31
<b>Wed 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
19.00	Joel 2.1-2,12-17; Psalm 51.1-18; 2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10; Matthew 6.1-6,16-21
<b>Sun 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>1st Sunday of Lent</b>
9.30	<b>Deuteronomy 26.1-11; Psalm 91.1-11; Romans 10.8b-13; Luke 4.1-13</b>
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 Isaiah 55.10-11; Psalm 34.4-6,21-22; Matthew 6.7-15
<b>Sun 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>2nd Sunday of Lent</b>
9.30	<b>Genesis 15.1-12,17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3.17-4.1; Luke 13.31-end</b>
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 Isaiah 1.10,16-20; Psalm 50.8,16-end; Matthew 23.1-12
<b>Sun 23rd</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b>
9.30	<b>Isaiah 55.1-9; Psalm 63.1-9; 1 Corinthians 10.1-13; Luke 13.1-9</b>
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 Isaiah 7.10-14; Psalm 40.5-11; Hebrews 10.4-10; Luke 1.26-38
<b>Sun 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 4th Sunday of Lent - Mothering Sunday</b>
	<b>Exodus 2.1-10; Luke 2.33-35      <i>Worship for All</i></b>

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### **200 Club**

#### **February Winners**

1st prize £25 no 99 Sarah Dentith; 2nd prize £15 no 108 Scott Lees ;  
3rd prize £10 no 26 Jean McManus

Thank you for your continued support of the 200 Club. There are still some numbers available so if you would like to join the club please speak to Rose. The cost is £12 per number you hold for the full year.



# Sunday Social at Kendal House Ambleside

A new initiative aimed at men over 50 years of age and sponsored by “Men in Kitchens” based at the Shed in Dukinfield and supported by Ridgehill Big Local

The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month sees a social event with a 2-course lunch included from 11.30-2pm, lunch served at 12.30pm  
Social activities will include: Quizzes, Board games, Sporting memories, News hours, Musical memories, Personal playlist.

Option to choose own menu for future sessions,  
donation requested of £3 to cover food costs.

**Places must be pre-booked as these are limited to 20 people, please contact Margaret at the Big Local Hub on 0161 465 4774 or ask Karen Watkins 07514207454 to book a place for you. Last day for booking is 17<sup>th</sup> March please to allow for catering.**

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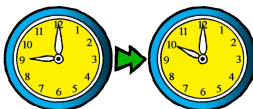
## Grave Tidy Service

While we try to keep all of the graveyard clean and tidy all year round, it is getting to that time of year when everything seems to spring up! So we offer a grave tidy and attendance service from April to October. The service is to ensure particular graves are de-weeded, well trimmed, neat and clear of leaves and twigs. We also clean the memorial. All of this is just £30 per year. If you are interested, have a chat with Ian Cooke.



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**Don't Forget ... the clocks go FORWARD one hour at 2am on Saturday 29th March**





## Some dates for your diary - March 2025

<b>Sun</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist with hymns</b>
Mon	3rd	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
Tues	4th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
<b>Wed</b>	<b>5th</b>	<b>7.00 p.m.</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b>
		6.30 p.m.	Brownies
		7.30 p.m.	Guides
Thurs	6th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
		1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.	Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities
		7.30 p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Fri	7th	11.30 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Dementia Café - please book places on 07714235736
Sat	8th	10.00 a.m.	Mission Community get together, St John's Hurst
<b>Sun</b>	<b>9th</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist with hymns</b>
Mon	10th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
		7.00 p.m.	Lent Course
Tues	11th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Wed	12th	6.30 p.m.	Brownies
		7.30 p.m.	Guides
		7.30 p.m.	Informal Meditation and Prayers, St John's, Roughtown
Thurs	13th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
		1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.	Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities
		7.30 p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
<b>Sun</b>	<b>16h</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist with hymns</b>
Mon	17th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
		7.00 p.m.	Lent Course
Tues	18th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Wed	19th	6.30 p.m.	Brownies
		7.30 p.m.	Guides
Thurs	20th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
		1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.	Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities
		7.30 p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Fri	21st	11.30 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Dementia Café - please book places on 07714235736
<b>Sun</b>	<b>23rd</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist with hymns</b>
Mon	24th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
Tues	25th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Wed	26th	6.30 p.m.	Brownies
		7.30 p.m.	Guides
Thurs	27th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
		1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.	Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities
		7.30 p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
<b>Sun</b>	<b>30th</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist with hymns</b>
Mon	31st	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
		7.00 p.m.	Lent Course

For more information please go to our website [www.stg.org.uk](http://www.stg.org.uk)

## 2025 – time for a new Church Electoral Roll

This is the year when EVERYONE gets dumped off the Electoral Roll – and needs to make a definite decision to come back on again.

It happens in the Church of England every six years. Whereas for five years, the Electoral Roll is revised annually by our Electoral Roll Officer, in this sixth year, the roll is dissolved, and we must all re-apply and re-commit ourselves.

That's the quick way of explaining it. If you want a detailed and clear legal break down of how exactly it works, you can find it at

<https://www.churchofengland.org/about/leadership-and-governance/legal-resources/church-representation-rules>

If you manage to wade through all the details of the process, and understand them, it will leave you with admiration for the person in our church who has been brave enough to become the Electoral Roll Officer!

If you would like to be included in the new Electoral Roll please complete the double sided application form on the page opposite, tear it out and return it to St George's Church before Easter Sunday 20th April 2025 in time for inclusion in our APCM meeting on 18th May 2025.

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## APCM

The APCM will be held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May – after the service. This is when we vote in new PCC members, appoint assistant wardens and wardens. If you would like to be considered for any of these roles, please speak to Denise or Val, and complete a nomination form. You will need to be nominated and seconded.

Being on the PCC is great way to influence what happens in your Church, so please do consider being part of it.



**Confirmation** - Our Mission Community Confirmation Service will take place on **Sunday 11th May at 6pm**. Confirmation means making a public affirmation that you want to follow Christ. There will be preparation sessions when we will explore our faith together. Please see Revd Denise for more details.



**APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT  
ON THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL OF THE PARISH OF:  
St George, Stalybridge**

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Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred title (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

I declare that –

1. I am baptised, am a lay person and am aged 16 or over (or become 16\* on \_\_\_\_\_)

\* A person who is going to become 16 during the next 12 months may complete this Form, and will then be eligible to have his or her name entered on the Roll on his or her 16th birthday.

Tick only one of 2A, 2B and 2C

2A. I am a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with the Church of England and am resident in the parish.

OR

2B. I am a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with the Church of England, am not resident in the parish,  
 [but have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months]  
 [and would have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months but was prevented from doing so because \_\_\_\_\_]\*\*\*

OR

2C. I am a member in good standing of a Church which is not in communion with the Church of England but subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, am also a member of the Church of England,  
 [and have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months]  
 [and would have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months but was prevented from doing so because \_\_\_\_\_]\*\*\*

\*\*\* If you tick 2B or 2C in circumstances where a new Roll is being prepared, you must delete either the first set of words in square brackets or the second set. If you delete the first set, you must complete the second set by filling in the space at the end. See [Note 3](#) for further information. (If completing the form digitally, use the check boxes to indicate which set of words is true)

I declare that the above answers are true and I apply for inclusion on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

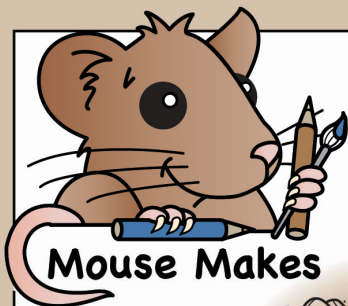
## Notes

### **General matters**

1. The only Churches at present in communion with the Church of England are other Anglican Churches and certain foreign Churches, as listed in the Supplementary Material to the Canons (but note [Rule 83\(3\)](#) of the Church Representation Rules, which provides for any question as to whether a particular Church is in communion with the Church of England to be decided by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York acting jointly).
2. Membership of the electoral roll is also open to members in good standing of a Church not in communion with the Church of England which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity where those members are also prepared to declare themselves to be members of the Church of England.
3. Every six years a new roll is prepared and those on the previous roll are informed so that they can reapply. If you are not resident in the parish but were on the roll as a habitual worshipper and have been prevented by illness or other sufficient cause from worshipping for the past six months, you should complete declaration 2B or 2C as follows –
  - (a) delete the first set of words in square brackets and
  - (b) at the end of the second set of words in square brackets, briefly state the reason for not having worshipped as mentioned.
4. If you have any problems with this Form, please approach the clergy or lay people responsible for the parish, who will be pleased to help you.
5. In this Form 'parish' means ecclesiastical parish.

### **Use of email addresses and other personal data**

6. You do not have to provide an email address on this Form. If you do provide one, the Parochial Church Council and the electoral roll officer are entitled to use that email address to communicate with you in connection with the maintenance or revision of the Roll or the preparation of a new Roll or with elections to or membership of the Council.
7. The Church Representation Rules impose certain requirements for your name and address to be given to a third party, such as the diocesan electoral registration officer, in connection with elections to or membership of a deanery synod, diocesan synod or the House of Laity of the General Synod. If you provide an email address on this Form, it will be given to the third party along with your postal address.
8. A third party to whom your name and address have been given under the Church Representation Rules is in certain cases required by the Rules to pass them on to another person, such as the presiding officer in a synodical election. If you provide an email address on this Form, that email address will be given to the other person along with your postal address.
9. Any person to whom your email address or other personal data is given under the Church Representation Rules is required by those Rules to hold the data securely. Furthermore, if you do provide an email address on this Form, that does not give anybody the right to use it for any purpose other than those permitted by the Rules; so it cannot, for example, be used for social matters or fund-raising.
10. The roll is published after each annual revision and after the preparation of a new roll. The published roll will include your name (as well as the name of every other person on the roll) but none of your other personal data (as defined by the Data Protection Act 2018) will be made public as a result of your inclusion on the roll.



## THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS

After Jesus was baptised who led him into the wilderness?

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 Luke 4:1

**For how many days was Jesus tempted by the devil?**

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 Luke 4:2

*What did the devil tempt Jesus to turn a stone into?*

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 Luke 4:3

*What happened after the temptation of Jesus? see Luke 4:14-15*

Who did Jesus say you should **ONLY** worship and serve?

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 Luke 4:8



### READ

the story in  
**Luke 4:1-13**

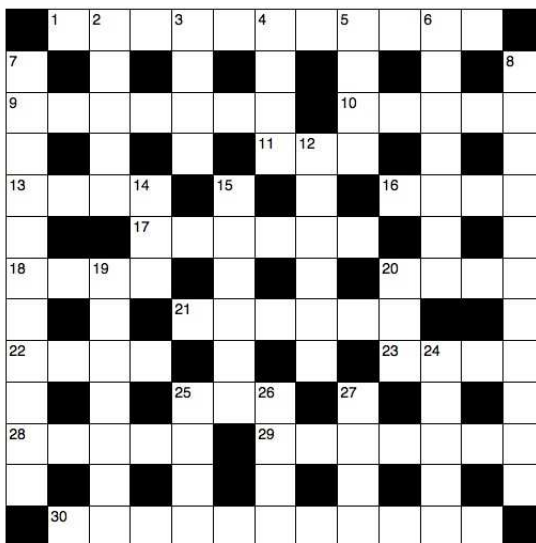
**Jesus said not to put the Lord your God to the...**

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 Luke 4:12

JESUS • LED  
 WILDERNESS  
 DESERT  
 TEMPTATIONS  
 DAYS • DEVIL  
 HUNGRY • SON  
 STONE • ROCK  
 KINGDOMS  
 WORLD • GLORY  
 WRITTEN  
 SCRIPTURE  
 WORSHIP • ONLY  
 SERVE • LORD  
 JERUSALEM  
 HIGH • TEMPLE  
 THROW • DOWN  
 JUMP • ANGELS  
 HANDS • HOLD  
 LIFT • FOOT

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## March Crossword



### Across

1 These letters come between Romans and Galatians (11); 9 'You will not — me to the grave' (Psalm 16:10) (7); 10 King of Moab to whom the Israelites were subject for 18 years (Judges 3:14) (5); 11 Town possessing mineral spring (3); 13 Mede (anag.) (4); 16 High-fidelity (abbrev.) (4); 17 He succeeded his father Rehoboam as king of Judah (1 Kings 14:31) (6); 18 A son of Simeon (Genesis 46:10) (4); 20 Controversial religious book of the 1970s, The — of God Incarnate (4); 21 'He has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you — — and hear' (Acts 2:33) (3,3); 22 'You — me together in my mother's womb' (Psalm 139:13) (4); 23 Edit (anag.) (4); 25 'Who has believed our message and to whom has the — of the Lord been revealed?' (Isaiah 53:1) (3); 28 Abraham's brother (Genesis 22:23) (5); 29 'When Mordecai learned of — that had been — , he tore his clothes' (Esther 4:1) (3,4); 30 Sympathetic (Proverbs 11:16) (4-7)

### Down

2 'That was why his parents said, "He is — —; ask him"' (John 9:23) (2,3); 3 Integrated Services Digital Network (1,1,1,1) 4; 4 'Saul has slain his thousands, and David his — of thousands' (1 Samuel 18:7) (4); 5 Concept (John 8:14) (4); 6 'Do we, then, — the law by this faith? Not at all! Rather, we uphold the law' (Romans 3:31) (7); 7 Industrious (2 Timothy 2:6) (11); 8 'I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be — in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you (Ephesians 1:18) (11); 12 'Out of the same mouth come — and cursing' (James 3:10) (6); 14 This was how many of the Jewish leaders described Jesus (John 10:20) (3); 15 Vitality (Job 20:11) (6); 19 He urged David to kill Saul at Hakilah (1 Samuel 26:8) (7); 20 'So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul — with the church and taught great numbers of people' (Acts 11:26) (3) ; 24 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord — — ' (Deuteronomy 6:4) (2,3); 25 Parched (Matthew 12:43) (4); 26 'In the image of God he created him; — and female he created them' (Genesis 1:27) (4); 27 Disparagement (Psalm 15:3) (4)



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## News from Robert T Tuxxie



Dear Everypurr,

Here I am again, Robert the vicarage cat.

In this photo I am sitting in my special comfy house. It's just the right size for me. I feel safe and warm when I'm inside it. I especially like to go in it when I've had enough of my mummy and her wanting me to run around and play.

I am an older gentle cat, so I prefer sitting down and sleeping to running around and catching things. I sometimes like to chase a little ball but not for very long. Mummy says running and chasing is good for me, but I think eating my dinner and having extra special treats is better for me. What do you do that's good for you?

Mummy has been telling me more about Jesus. She says Jesus looks after us in lots of ways, and he wants us to be happy. Jesus definitely looked after me when I came to live with my mummy. I didn't have my own house before that. Mummy says Jesus cares for poor people and people who have no where to live, and he said we should care for them too. Isn't it amazing that Jesus loves absolutely everyone! I love him too.

Yours purrfully,  
Robert T Tuxxie

### February Crossword Solution

#### ACROSS:

8, Cross-examined. 9, Ash. 10, Apocrypha. 11, Sci-fi. 13, Typical. 16, Visited. 19, Offer. 22, No account. 24, RAC. 25, Sovereign Lord.

#### DOWN:

1, Oceans. 2, Hophni. 3, Islamist. 4, Exhort. 5, Omar. 6, On spec. 7, Add all. 12, CBI. 14, Plotting. 15, Awe. 16, Vanish. 17, Starve. 18, Daub it. 20, Furrow. 21, Recede. 23, Cure.



## Why Do We Do That?



Have you noticed how when Holy Communion has been distributed, and I return to the altar I usually consume what is left over? This isn't quite accurate, but I'll explain what we do and why. This has to do with what we believe about the bread and wine which have been consecrated during the Eucharistic Prayer.

Basically, we believe that Christ is present in them. Although, we don't go as far as to say the bread and wine are the actual body and blood, we do believe that in a miraculous way they are more than simple, everyday bread and everyday wine. Christ is in them. So, if we believe this, then we have to be very careful about how they're disposed of. We treat what is left over with the same care as we would treat Christ himself. It is not permitted to return the wine to the bottle it came from, or to pour it into the ground.

In the same way we are not permitted to put the hosts back in the container they came from or to feed them to birds. They have to be consumed straightaway or kept separate for use in other services or for home visits. We keep the consecrated bread and wine in an aumbry which is a small cupboard usually built into the wall near an altar. You may have noticed that some people genuflect towards the altar when they approach it, this is because of the presence of the consecrated elements in the aumbry.

There are obvious practical reasons why I have to be careful when consuming what is left of the wine, so I will sometimes leave what is left of the consecrated wine in a chalice for someone else to drink. Either way, the chalices have to be rinsed with water, water which is also consumed rather than poured away and this is so that as far as possible all of the wine has been drunk reverently. The crumbs left over from the hosts are also added to the wine and consumed. In this way as far as possible, the consecrated bread and wine are eaten or drunk in their entirety before the chalices and patten are washed.

Do you wonder why we do certain things in church? Please let me know and I'll try to explain.

Revd Denise

# BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

## Funerals and Interment

11th February  
May Chadwick



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### LEAP YEAR MONEY BOX

As we say goodbye to February, how did you do with your Leap Year Money Box?

You may remember that on 29<sup>th</sup> February, to celebrate Leap Year (and to raise some much needed funds for church!) we launched the Leap Year Money Box. The idea was to save just one coin per day, any denomination of your choice, for the whole of the leap year, ending on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Just one penny a day will give us £3.66! Five pence per day is £18.30, ten pence £36.60 .... You get the idea! 366 random (British) coins would be wonderful but whatever you are able to give would be so much appreciated and very much needed!

It is now time to send your coins to St George's. I'm sure Andrew, our Treasurer, would be very grateful if you were to change the coins and pay in a cheque or bank transfer to church, however, we have more than enough volunteers to count your cash!! Any contributions will be very gratefully received!

If you would prefer to send a bank transfer the details are:

St George's Church  
Account no: 84774266  
Sort code: 60 20 21

Thank you



### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

To have the name of a loved one entered into this special book, and remembered in our intercessions for their anniversary please have a word with one of the wardens.  
The cost for the inscription is £10 per entry

# From Our Book of Remembrance

1 Mar	Mary Bailey	1969	13 Mar	Donald Feetham	1997
	Tom Bowden	1972		Christine Higgins	2010
	Joan Wheatley	1972	14 Mar	Frank Stones	1990
	Thomas Cowman	1984	16 Mar	Daniel James Greenhalgh	2020
	George Harry Hobson	1984	18 Mar	Thomas Williamson Thomson	1983
	Allen Marsden	1995		Alma Nuttall	1991
	Betty Curtis	2014		Roberto Luigi Pravisani	2005
	Kenneth John Dodd	2017		David Rawsterne	2009
2 Mar	George Jubb	1978	19 Mar	Thomas Green	1966
	Gerard Postings	1996	20 Mar	Ernest Sidebottom	1988
3 Mar	Tom Broadbent	1989	21 Mar	James Shenton	1964
4 Mar	Jean Boyle (nee Smith)	2011		John Duxbury	1985
				Regan Joseph Michael	1988
5 Mar	Dennis Harrison	1985		Tetlow	
	Rose Ann Quest	1991		Frank Cooke Jackson	1993
6 Mar	James Wilkinson	1985		Emmeline Elizabeth Heap	1997
	Albert Barber	1987	23 Mar	James Johnson	1985
	James Eric Hinchliffe	1999		Harold Moore	1996
	Barry Mutch	2008		James Wright	2001
	Ellen Johnson	2018		George James Crossland	2002
7 Mar	Henry Saxon	1977		Ian Stuart Wharton	2014
	Sadie Shaw	1984	24 Mar	Alice Hardon	1989
	Jessie Mary Daly	1986	26 Mar	Denis Patrick Daly	1984
8 Mar	Jane Norris	1969		Samantha Jane Dunlop	1984
	Margaret Cawley	1985		Edward Noah Clayton	1989
9 Mar	Gordon Wheatley	1998		Hilda Graham	2009
	Joseph Sharpe	2000	27 Mar	Herbert Battersby	1965
	Norman Nield	2005		Mary Bardsley	1994
10 Mar	Lewis Dain Gudger	2014		Theresa Aldred	1999
	Rosemary Andrew	2017	28 Mar	Patricia Carter	2014
11 Mar	Sarah Ann Allsop	1986	29 Mar	Olive Stephenson	1985
	Brian Jones	2008		William Spencer	2000
	Enid Longden	2014		Bernard Joseph Walsh	2012
12 Mar	Herbert Bardsley	1981	30 Mar	Norman Stokes	1970
	James Turner	1987		William Forde Clarke	2005
	Harold Webster	1987		John William Arthur Dale	2008
	Basil Kirk	1989		Maureen Bebbington	2016
	Mabel Sweeney	1991	31 Mar	Tom Grimes	1980
	Mary Bailey	2014		Mark Press	1981
13 Mar	William Bateman	1978		Irene Jones	2021
	Beatrice Kelsall	1981			

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