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WELCOME

If you are a visitor, please do introduce yourself to the chaplain or to one of our welcomers. There is an area for small children in the chapter room (the room that connects to the church). Everybody is welcome to stay for refreshments after the service. Toilets are downstairs.

Sunday 25 February, 2nd Sunday of Lent

Lenten Prayer of St Ephraim the Syrian

O Lord and Master of my life, do not give to me
the spirit of laziness, faintheartedness, lust for power, and idle talk.
But give to me, Your servant, the spirit of purity, humility, patience, love.
O Lord and King, grant me to see my own faults and not to judge my
brother or sister, for blessed are You unto ages of ages. Amen

8.30am Holy Communion

11am Holy Communion with group for children

A frugal lunch will be served after the service, with donations going to Open Doors work with Syrian Christians.

Lent Course: Praying with icons (at approx. 1.15pm after lunch)

Leader and celebrant: the Chaplain; Preacher: Glen Ruffle

Intercessions: Nicolette Kirk

Chalice: Louise Nanchen, Pat Szymczak

Hymns

312 - I need thee every hour
592 - Spirit of God
608 - Take up thy cross
48 - At the name of Jesus

During communion

362 - Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts
331 - Jesu, grant me this, I pray
774 - Lord, have mercy

Collect:

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his Way come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Reading: Romans 4: 13-25 (Reader Margret Satterthwaite)

13 For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. 14 If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15 For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

16 For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, 17 as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18 Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20 No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22 Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' 23 Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, 24 but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, 25 who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Psalm 22.23-31

23 Praise the Lord, you that fear him;

O seed of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, O seed of Israel.

**24 For he has not despised nor abhorred the suffering of the poor;
neither has he hidden his face from them;
but when they cried to him he heard them.**

25 From you comes my praise in the great congregation;

I will perform my vows in the presence of those that fear you.

26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied;

those who seek the Lord shall praise him; their hearts shall live for ever.

27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

28 For the kingdom is the Lord's and he rules over the nations.

29 How can those who sleep in the earth bow down in worship,
or those who go down to the dust kneel before him?

**30 He has saved my life for himself; my descendants shall serve him;
this shall be told of the Lord for generations to come.**

31 They shall come and make known his salvation, to a people yet unborn,
declaring that he, the Lord, has done it.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever. Amen**

Reading: Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16 (Reader Giles Walker)

17When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. 2And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' 3Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 4'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 5No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 6I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. 7I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

15 God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

Services/Events this Week

Morning prayer will be said in church from Monday – Thursday

Monday 26 February: 9.30am Ladies bible study, with child care, in the parsonage. Speak to Rachel Culbertson, Haley Hiscocks or Alison Rogers

Wednesday 28 February: 7pm Holy Communion

Sunday 4 March

8.30am Holy Communion (Traditional language)

11am A service of Holy Communion with groups for children

A frugal lunch will follow after the service

1.15pm (approx.) Lent course in the parsonage: Praying with icons

Lent course: Teach us to pray *On Sundays after frugal lunch*

4 March	Praying with icons
11 March	Praying with the desert fathers and mothers
18 March	Praying and fasting

Daily Bible reading and Prayer

Morning prayer and readings can be found using the 'Daily Prayer' app.

A shorter version of daily prayer can be found using the 'Time to Pray' app

Readings from the lectionary	<i>Sunday 25 February</i> Psalm 105.1-6,37-45 Isaiah 51.1-11 Galatians 3.1-9,23-29	<i>Monday 26 February</i> Psalms 26, 32 Genesis 43.16-end Hebrews 1
<i>Tuesday 27 February</i> Isaiah 1.10, 16-20 Psalm 50.8, 16-end Matthew 23.1-12	<i>Wednesday 28 February</i> Psalm 35 Genesis 44.18-end Hebrews 2.10-end	<i>Thursday 1 March</i> Psalm 34 Genesis 45.1-15 Hebrews 3.1-6
<i>Friday 2 March</i> Psalms 40, 41 Genesis 45.16-end Hebrews 3.7-end	<i>Saturday 3 March</i> Psalms 3, 25 Genesis 46.1-7, 28-end Hebrews 4.1-13	<i>Sunday 4 March</i> Psalm 18.1-25 Jeremiah 38 Philippians 1.1-26

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www.churchofengland.org/lent

This week we

- give thanks for this season of Lent and pray that we may use it as a time to grow in our awareness of God's love for us, and in our love for Him.
- pray for our neighbouring churches: Orthodox, Catholic, Lutheran and Evangelical. We pray for unity and that we can better work together.
- pray for people in need.

If there is someone who you would like us to pray for on the notice sheet, or

for enquiries about the church, contact chaplain@standrewsmoscow.org

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