



The Theydon Parishes

28th February 2021

Second Sunday of Lent



The Church of England
in Essex and East London
Diocese of Chelmsford

BENEFICE VISION

Core values: Faith, love and community.

We seek to live these value by welcoming all, caring and teaching so that we may change lives through sharing the love of God in Christ.

**THEYDON BOIS ST MARY'S
THEYDON GARNON ALL SAINTS
STAPLEFORD TAWNEY ST MARY'S
THEYDON MOUNT ST MICHAEL'S**

A short online service available on Sunday - it can be found on the Benefice website (www.theydonparishes.org/recorded-services/).

Although the church buildings are closed, the church is not. Resources for prayer and worship can be found on the Benefice website; to request paper copies please contact the Vicar.

Today's readings:

Genesis 17.1-7,15-16; Romans 4.13-end; Mark 8.31-end

THEYDON PARISHES ONLINE

Sunday Family Service at 10.30am on Zoom

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79389455002?pwd=TVJRdkRiMHFFMm1PNjhwNTY4cVUwQT09>

Meeting ID: 793 8945 5002 Passcode: B4HdrH

Sunday Sung Evensong for Lent at 6.00pm on Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82160082411?pwd=Z000bTBWew52aVdta0hWckhKZ2pQdz09>

Meeting ID: 821 6008 2411 Passcode: 497716

Wednesday morning service at 10.00am on Zoom:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74592812873?pwd=Uk5YM2tmTm1FbWRnL01DVENmNksxdz09>

Meeting ID: 745 9281 2873 Passcode: 64de5M

Collect for second Sunday of Lent

Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
grant to all those who are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things
that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

GENERAL NOTICES

PUBLIC WORSHIP IN THE THEYDON PARISHES

At present, worshipping together online continues to be the pattern in the Benefice. The PCCs of the Benefice have met over the last weeks and having reviewed the differing circumstances and sizes of each church have prayerfully made plans for the resumption of public worship. At present, St Mary's ST, St Michael's TM and St Mary's TB will remain closed for public worship until Sunday 28th March. All Saints TG will reopen with a service of Holy Communion (BCP) at 8.00am on Sunday 7th March followed by an All Age Mothering Sunday service at 9.15am on Sunday 14th March. Holy Communion will be celebrated weekly in All Saints TG on Tuesdays at 10.00am beginning on 9th March.

FAMILY SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

This week, our "live" family service continues on Zoom on Sunday morning at 10.30am and can be found:

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This week, it would be helpful if children could have one of more of these pairs of item (A chair and balloon; a brick and sponge, cotton and rope, airtight box and envelope).

ST MARY'S TB 2021 LENT "LUNCHESES" ON ZOOM

Next Tuesday 2nd March at 11.00am is the first of our Lent Lunches on Zoom. We will be sharing a favourite soup lunch recipe and updating you about the work of The Box in Epping. There will also be a home-baked surprise delivered to your door for you to enjoy. We are asking for a donation of £10 (in total) to sign up for our four Zoom Lent lunches. Your donations, together with other funds raised during the year, will be donated to those charities and organisations supported by St Mary's including The Box in Epping. The Box is a small local charity that offers a safe social space, professional counselling and information and advice to young people in the Epping area. During the pandemic young people's mental health has been even more at risk and The Box continues to need our support and prayers. If you would like to make a direct donation to the work of The Box, please use the following link

<https://www.justgiving.com/theboxepping>. To sign up for our four Zoom Lent lunches, please email office@theydonparishes.org or telephone Sarah Bowen on 01992 814725. Please note that if you are unable to make it on the day, we hope to provide a recording of each Zoom lunch for you to watch at a later date/time. Thank you so much

for your support. Don't forget that this week and next is Fairtrade Fortnight. St Mary's Mission Committee

ST MARY'S TB LYCHGATE LARDER

A new community pantry is located in the entrance to the churchyard at St Mary's Theydon Bois. This is a place where anyone in need can pick up emergency food supplies with no questions asked. The box stocks tinned food only - if you can and are passing, please drop off a tin or in times of need, take what you need. (We continue to take donations for the foodbank on the Vicarage step, and the clergy are able to make client referrals to the foodbank).

RECORDED SERVICES

This week will be the final recorded service in its current form. Thank you to all who have taken part and to Tim Adams who has put them together. From next week, as services begin to resume, a recording of a service which took place in the morning will be posted weekly on Sundays afternoons.

PRAYER LINES

Do you ever try to calm the constant chatter in your head? The psalmist felt God was saying through him "Be still, and know that I am God." This stilling ourselves and being aware of God is part of our prayer life, and is very difficult, our mind does not want to be still! After a few seconds we are off again with the next idea. Don't give up, just gently bring yourself back, try repeating slowly to yourself "Be still, and know that I am God."

BENEFICE FINANCES

While we are not meeting in our buildings for a season, our worship continues, and an important aspect of that is our financial giving to the work of the church. Regular giving envelopes or cash donations in a sealed envelope with the church name clearly marked can be posted through the door of the Vicarage at 2 Piercing Hill, and they will be passed onto the church treasurers unopened. Alternatively, you may wish to donate directly into the church bank account, details below

St Mary's TB

Sort Code 20-29-86 Account Number 20868329

Account Name St Mary's Theydon Bois PCC

All Saints TG

Sort Code 20-29-86 Account Number 10871788

Account Name Theydon Garnon Parochial Church Council

St Mary's ST and St Michael's TM

Sort Code 60-07-39 Account Number 55646956

Account Name PCC Stapleford Tawney and Theydon Mount

VOCATIONS DAY

Have you ever thought that God maybe calling you to something, and are not sure what that is? There is an opportunity to explore this at the Barking Area Vocations Day to be held on Zoom on Saturday 6th March from 10.00am - midday. More details are attached to the electronic version of the sheet, or can be provided by the Vicar.

NEXT SUNDAY'S MORNING READINGS

Exodus 20.1-17; 1 Corinthians 1.18-25; John 2.13-22

NEXT SUNDAY – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

7TH MARCH	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints TG
	10.30am	Family service on Zoom
	4.00pm	Sung Evensong on Zoom

Meeting codes for Zoom services will be published next week.

ITEMS FOR NEXT WEEK'S NOTICE SHEET

Send by 9.00am Tuesday to Sarah Bowen at notices@theydonparishes.org

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