#### Our Faith: Lenten Prayer

Lent is the time to start new patterns of prayer. Perhaps you haven't been praying much at all. This is a great time to choose to begin, but it is important to begin realistically. You can start by simply pausing when you get up and taking a slow, deep breath, and recalling what you have to do this day, and asking for the grace to do it as a child of God. You might consider going to bed a half an hour earlier and getting up a half an hour earlier to give yourself some time alone to read the readings for the day and listen to what the Lord is telling you through those readings. You may choose to go to Mass more frequently during Lent. You may choose to arrive at church a little earlier on Sunday for a time of prayer and reflection before Mass. Lent may be a good time to start a prayer journal in which you write your prayers intercession - for yourself and others for which you want to pray each day. Do not forget to build thanksgiving into your daily pattern of prayer. Why not make a note of all the blessings and gifts that God has given you each day? When we count our blessings, we may be surprised at the ways in which God has been active in our lives. Living a life of thanksgiving deepens our relationship with God and opens our eyes to the needs of others.

#### From the Fathers:

'In all our actions and in all our circumstances we ought to hold submission to God before our eyes. When that is rooted in the soul, not only comfort, honours and rank, but also slanders, injuries, tortures, in fact everything will produce in us fruits of joy. The roots of a tree are bitter, but the fruit is sweet. In the same afflictions, when they are in accordance with God's will, will provide us with immense joy.'

From 'To the people of Antioch' by St John Chrysostom (349-407, bishop, theologian)

#### **Collect:**

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer, and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.



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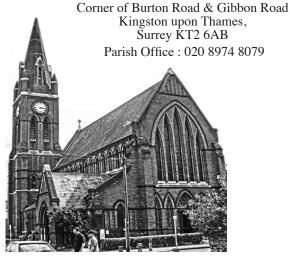


The account of Jesus turning over the tables in the Temple appears in all four gospels, but John places it at the beginning of Jesus' ministry. This stands in contrast to the Synoptics (Mark, Matthew and Luke) who put it near the end of his life. John's style includes the use of enigmatic and symbolic statements that were surely not understood at the moment in which the events happened. By the time the gospel was written, the temple had been destroyed by the Romans in A.D. 70. The destruction of the temple was a spiritual disaster for Israel and it surely affected the early Jewish Christians. Their loss was eased by John's theology of the Christ-temple. The temple stood in need of purification and its function would be replaced by the risen body of Christ. This saying about the destruction of the temple occurs in various forms in Matthew and Mark: "I can destroy the temple of God. . . "I will destroy this temple made with hands and within three days I will build another not made with hands." This event is symbolic of Jesus' resurrection and the resulting community of the new Covenant. Jesus' cleansing of the Temple should prompt us to cleanse our own hearts.

Today's Gospel: St John 2: 13-22

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# St Luke's Parish Church Kingston upon Thames



We welcome you to St Luke's Kingston, a traditional Forward in Faith parish under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Fulham the Rt Rev'd Jonathan Baker. His website is: http://www.bishopoffulham.org.uk.

As a community we are dedicated to making the love of Christ known through excellence in worship and active care and concern for others.

St Luke's Church is kept open most days during the daylight hours for prayer and meditation.

#### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

8.00am Said Mass 10.30am Sung Mass 5.00pm Evensong

#### **WEEKDAYS**

9.00am Mass Tuesday/ Wednesday/ Thursday & Friday

#### THIS WEEK

MONDAY 4th March: Feria

2 Kings 5:1-15; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Luke 4:24-30

TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> March: Feria

Song of the Three 2& 11-20a; Ps 25:4-9; Matthew 18:21-35

9.00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 6th March: Feria

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-20; Matthew 5:17-19

9.00am Mass

THURSDAY 7th March: Feria

Jeremiah 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Luke 11:14-23 11.00am - Fr David's Funeral - All Saints Benhilton

FRIDAY 8th March: Feria

Hosea 14:2-10; Ps 81:6, 8-11, 14&17; Mark 12:28-34

9.00am Mass

SATURDAY 26th March: Feria

Hosea 6:1-6, 18-20; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21; Luke 18:9-14

Please note due to Fr David's funeral there will not be 9am Mass on Thursday 7th March.

Join Zoom Meeting- Sunday 10.30am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84180162383?pwd=Q2lYdXFU TW5iaVc4NmdBZ0l4alZxUT09

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#### **HEALING PRAYER**

We pray for our troubled world. We ask for the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and help others to come to know the love of Christ. We pray for those whose families are shattered by violence and for those who strive for reconciliation, peace and justice.

We pray that the Lord's healing love will comfort and strengthen all those in sickness of mind, body and soul; for Peter Bennett, Tom Hatton, Jason Ridley, Lucy, Judith C, Anne Oram, Sean, Joan Wigham.

Especially we pray for:- Gillian, Patricia Davidge, Susan S, Editha Hinds, Carol, Patrick & Sue Codd and Sandy Tanner.

#### THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Fr David Chislett, Luke Barnes, Kenneth Cheeseman, Dhan, Paul Pangrace

#### ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:

TODAY: Ellen Wilson MONDAY: John Enright

TUESDAY: Marjorie Croucher

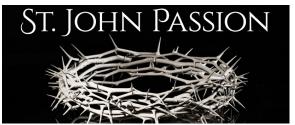
THURSDAY: Brian Taylor, Tristan Galvin-Sparks

FRIDAY: Lily Parslow

SATURDAY: Douglas Hamilton (Priest), Philip Barnard

#### **Tiffin School Concert**





Friday 15th March 7.00pm Tickets:- www.ticketsource.co.uk/tiffinchoirs Take up thy cross then in his strength, And calmly every danger brave; 'Twill guide thee to a better home, And lead to victory o'er the grave.

Take up thy cross, and follow Christ, Nor think till death to lay it down; For only he who bears the cross May hope to wear the glorious crown.

To thee, great Lord, the One in Three, All praise for evermore ascend; O grant us in our home to see The heavenly life that knows no end.



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# **NOTICES**

WE WELCOME YOU to St Luke's this morning, especially if is your first time with us. Please make contact if you would like a visit from Fr Martin, or if you would like to come in for an appointment (contact details are on the inside back cover of this pew bulletin).

**PEW BULLETINS:** Please take your pew bulletin home, not just for the notices, but also to reflect on the readings, prayers and hymns. (If there are spares at the back of the church, why not take an extra one to give away?).

**THE HEALING MINISTRY:** including the Sacraments of Holy Communion and the Anointing of the Sick, and/or the laying on of hands and prayer, is available at home or in hospital. Contact Fr Martin.

**EMAIL LIST:** If you would like to be added to our email list for regular service updates and community events please email parish@stlukeskingston.uk to say you wish to be added.

## St Luke's Church Kingston upon Thames

(Cnr Burton & Gibbon Rd KT2 6AB)



Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024 10.30am





Isaiah 66:13

As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

contact:- parish@stlukeskingston.uk / 07592408419

# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

### INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN**

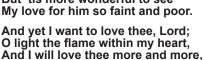
84 It is a thing most wonderful

It is a thing most wonderful, Almost too wonderful to be, That God's own Son should come from heaven, And die to save a child like me.

And yet I know that it is true: He chose a poor and humble lot, And wept, and toiled, and mourned, and died For love of those who loved him not.

But even could I see him die, I could but see a little part Of that great love, which, like a fire, Is always burning in his heart.

It is most wonderful to know His love for me so free and sure; But 'tis more wonderful to see My love for him so faint and poor.



# Until I see thee as thou art. ANTIPHON Psalm 25:15-16

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

#### **GREETING**

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. All: And with your spirit.

#### **PENITENTIAL ACT**

The celebrant asks the people to acknowledge their sins.

After a pause for silence:

All: I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned

in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;

And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin,

all the angels and saints,

and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

People: Amen.

#### **KYRIE ELEISON**

Choir: Kyrie

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison. Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.



#### COLLECT

Priest: O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. All: Amen

The people SIT

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### THE FIRST READING Exodus 20:1-17 (ESV)

A reading from the book of Exodus.

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

"You shall have no other gods before me.

"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

"You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labour, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

"Honour your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

"You shall not murder.

"You shall not commit adultery.

"You shall not steal.

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

"You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbour's."

The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

#### THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 19:8-11 R. You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. R.

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. R.

The fear of the Lord is holy. abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. R.



Priest: Behold the Lamb of God.

behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy All:

that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Holy Communion is now given.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**Psalm 84:4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

**COMMUNION ANTHEM**The Lord Bless you and Keep You - John Rutter b1945

The People STAND

#### COMMUNION HYMN

64 Be thou my guardian and my guide

Be thou my guardian and my guide, and hear me when I call; let not my slippery footsteps slide, and hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell around the path I tread; O save me from the snares of hell, thou quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin, and outward things are strong, do thou, O Lord, keep watch within, and save my soul from wrong.

Still let me ever watch and pray, and feel that I am frail; that if the tempter cross my way, yet he may not prevail.

# **CONCLUDING RITE**

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest: As we receive the pledge of things yet hidden in heaven and are nourished while still on earth with the Bread that comes from on high, we humbly entreat you, O Lord, that what is being brought about in us in mystery may come to true completion. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

#### **BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

The Priest blesses the people, who respond: Amen.

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the lord.

People: Thanks be to God

#### FINAL HYMN

76 Take up thy cross, the Saviour said.

Take up thy cross, the Saviour said, If thou wouldst my disciple be; Deny thyself, the world forsake, And humbly follow after me.

Take up thy cross; let not its weight Fill thy weak spirit with alarm; His strength shall bear thy spirit up, And brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.

\*Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame, Nor let thy foolish pride rebel; The Lord for thee the Cross endured, To save thy soul from death and hell.



memorial of Christ your son, our Saviour, whom you led through his Passion and Death on the Cross to the glory of the Resurrection, and whom you have seated at your right hand, we proclaim the work of your love until he comes again and we offer you the Bread of life and the Chalice of blessing.

Look with favour on the oblation of your Church, in which we show the paschal Sacrifice of Christ that has been handed on to us, and grant that, by the power of the Spirit of your love, we may be counted now until the day of eternity among the members of your Son, in whose Body and Blood we have communion.

Lord renew your Church by the light of the Gospel. Strengthen the bond of unity between the faithful and the pastors of your people, together with Jonathan our Bishop, the whole Order of Bishops, that in a world torn by strife your people may shine forth as a prophetic sign of unity and concord.

Remember our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the peace of your Christ, and all the dead, whose faith you have known. Admit them to rejoice in the light of your face, and in the resurrection give them the fullness of life.

Grant also to us, when our earthly pilgrimage is done, that we may come to an eternal dwelling place and live with you for ever; there, in communion with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with the Apostles and Martyrs, with Saint Luke and with all the Saints, we shall praise and exalt you through Jesus Christ, your Son.

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the holy Spirit, all glory and honour

is yours, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The People STAND

#### THE COMMUNION RITE

*Priest:* At the Saviour's command,

and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say

All: Our Father, who art in heaven;

hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,

graciously grant peace in our days, that by the help of your mercy we may always be free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope

and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All: For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:

Peace I leave you, my peace I give you: look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity

in accordance with your will.

Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

#### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Choir: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb. **R.** 

**THE SECOND READING** 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 (ESV) A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men

The Word of the Lord. *All:* **Thanks be to God** 

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION John 11:25-26 (ESV).

- Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!!
- R. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!
- v. I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord, whoever believes in me will never die
- .R. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!!

#### THE GOSPEL John 2:13-25

*Priest:* The Lord be with you. *People:* **And with your spirit.** 

Priest: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

#### THE GOSPEL

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables.

And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade."

His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?"

The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?"

But he was speaking about the temple of his body.

When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**HOMILY** *The people SIT* 

NICENE CREED The people STAND I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.



I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

All bow: and by the Holy Spirit

was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The people KNEEL or SIT

At the end of each bidding, silence is kept, followed by: Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end of the prayers: People: **Amen.** 

#### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The people STAND

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

62 Ah, holy Jesu, how hast thou offended

Ah, holy Jesu, how hast thou offended, That man to judge thee hath in hate pretended? By foes derided, by thine own rejected, O most afflicted.

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee? Alas, my treason, Jesu, hath undone thee. 'Twas I, Lord Jesu, I it was denied thee: I crucified thee.

Lo, the good Shepherd for the sheep is offered; The slave hath sinned, and the Son hath suffered; For man's atonement, while he nothing heedeth, God intercedeth.

For me, kind Jesu, was thy incarnation, Thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation; Thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion, For my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesu, since I cannot pay thee, I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee, Think on thy pity and thy love unswerving, Not my deserving.

#### **INVITATION TO PRAYER**

Priest: Pray. brothers and sisters.

that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God,

the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice

at your hands

for the praise and glory of his name,

for our good,

and the good of all his holy Church.

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

*Priest:* Be pleased, O Lord, with these sacrificial offerings, and grant that we who beseech pardon for our own sins, may take care to forgive our neighbour.

Through Christ our Lord

All: Amen.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.
People: And with your spirit.
Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

*Priest:* It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For you have given your children a sacred time for the renewing and purifying of their hearts, that, freed from disordered affections, they may so deal with the things of this passing world as to hold rather to the things that eternally endure. And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise you, as without end we acclaim:

Choir: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people KNEEL or SIT

*Priest:* You are indeed holy, and to be glorified, O God, who love the human race and who always walks with us on the journey of life. Blessed indeed is your son, present in our midst when we are gathered by his love, and when, as once for the disciples, so now for us, he opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread.

Therefore, Father most merciful, we ask that you send forth your Holy Spirit to sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer, on the night of the Last Supper, he took bread and said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR

MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.

All Say: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your cross and Resurrection

you have set us free.

Priest: Therefore, holy Father, as we celebrate the