

NOTICES

Services: From 10 March, there will be a 8.45am Morning Service in the Ken Chapel each Monday.

The Monday service joins our new regular services list; Sundays at 10.00am & 5.00pm and Fridays at 12.30pm.

Look out for further additions to our weekly worship, and other changes.

March Café & Mini Market: We're delighted to report that our first mini market of the year made a grand total of £705.98 including donations. Many thanks to all who set up, cleared away, helped and supported us on the day and supplied cakes, preserves and items for us to sell.

'Come and Sing' Evensong (with tea & cake) Sunday 16 March: This will follow the Kindness Festival choral event. Our short singing rehearsal will start at 4.30pm, and the music will reflect some of the themes of Kindness & forgiveness. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Frome 'Kindness Festival' Event at St John's - Sunday 16 March

Free from 2pm-4.30pm 'Songs and Scones' - featuring four local choirs.

<https://www.thegoodheart.uk/festival>

St. John's 'Women's Group': Meet at 7.00pm in church on Monday 24 March. This group is open to females of all ages. All are welcome. Any questions please ask Alison Henderson.

Quiz Night - Fundraising for Frome Carnival Charities: Sunday 9th March, starts at 7.30 at Masons Arms Frome BA11 4DJ £10.00 per team book with Mandy Morgan 07913057968 or turn up on the night.

Fair Frome Foodbank: There are collection points in most supermarkets. There is also an app called 'Bank the Food' which Fair Frome update regularly with their current needs. All help gratefully received.

DIARY DATES

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| Mon 17 Mar | 8.45am Morning Service - Ken Chapel |
| Wed 19 Mar | 1.30pm Lent Course - SJ Vicarage |
| | 8.45am Eucharist - St Joseph's Day |
| Thurs 20 Mar | 2pm-4pm Craft & Cake (BC) |
| Tues 25 Mar | 11am Julian Meeting |
| | 12.30pm Service - The Annunciation |
| Wed 26 Mar | 1.30pm Lent Course - SJ Vicarage |

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SUNDAY 9 MARCH 2025 - First Sunday of Lent

8.45am Morning Service via Zoom

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9.00am Service at St Mary's

10.00am Holy Communion

5.00pm Benediction and Evening Prayer

Monday 10 March

8.45am Morning Prayer - Ken Chapel

Wednesday 12 March

12pm Funeral of Terry Gale

1.30pm Lent Course - SJ Vicarage

Friday 14 March

12.30pm Eucharist

6.30pm Choir Practice

SUNDAY 16 MARCH 2025 - Second Sunday of Lent

8.00am Service at Christ Church

8.45am Morning Service via Zoom

10.00am Holy Communion

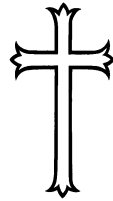
2pm- 4.30pm 'Songs and Scones' event

Part of Frome Kindness Festival

4.30pm Short musical rehearsal for Evensong

5.00pm Evensong

First Sunday of Lent (Year C)



COLLECT

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26.1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

This is the word of the LORD, **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING: Romans 10.8b-13

But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth

and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

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GOSPEL READING: Luke 4.1-13

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."'

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."'

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

This is the Gospel of the LORD. **Praise to you, O Christ**