

In & around the Benefice....

10th March | First Sunday of Lent

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ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY VISIT TO THE BENEFICE

Exciting news!

The Archbishop of Canterbury
will be visiting our Benefice at



10AM ON TUESDAY 9TH APRIL 2019

Due to time constraints the visit will be
hosted by one of our churches:
St Mary's Grendon.

More details on the visit will be available in
due course but in the meantime **PLEASE** put
the date in your diaries.

Worship in our churches.....

Today...

9.00am	Yardley Hastings	Holy Communion
11.00am	Castle Ashby	Holy Communion
4.00pm	Denton	Worship For All

Next week 17th March, Second Sunday of Lent...

8.00am	Whiston	BCP Holy Communion
9.00am	Grendon	Holy Communion
11.00am	Denton	All Age Holy Communion
4.00pm	Yardley Hastings	BCP Evening Prayer

Midweek Services

Weds	9.30am	Grendon	Morning Prayer
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Please hold in your prayers this week...

- ◇ Our Rector Reverend Paula York and her family
- ◇ All our elected members of Parliament that they may serve the common good in all they do
- ◇ Those involved with severe weather provision for the homeless in our county
- ◇ All those in food poverty
- ◇ Those in residential care and the housebound, among them: Gwen Brimacombe, Audrey Desborough, Tom Stocks, Ruth Williams, Gwen York
- ◇ Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them: Daniel Rouffaud, Nicholas Vaughan, Chris Sayles
- ◇ The recently departed, among them Betty Eyre, Delsie Greasley, Michael Loasby and all who grieve at this time

2019 Lent Course: The Beatitudes

START DATE POSTPONED TO 23RD MARCH

Our Lent course this year will explore the
Beatitudes, using course in the Pilgrim series.

Saturday mornings from
23rd March until 13th April
at the United Reformed Church,
Yardley Hastings.

Beginning at **9.15am** with breakfast,
finishing no later than **10.45am**

Please do come along to one or all of the
sessions, everyone is welcome!
For more details please speak to
Paula, Amanda or Janet.

*****REMINDER ***** All electoral roll forms need to be returned by
17th March 2019 so that the new roll can be displayed for the statutory
2 weeks before the APCM's. Thank you!

Dates for the Diary...

Weds	13th	7.30pm	Community Choir practice, St Mary's Grendon
Weds	13th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Thurs	14th	6.30-8pm	Youth Group, St Mary's Grendon
Fri	15th	3.30pm	Messy Church, URC Yardley Hastings
Sat	16th	10am-12	Coffee morning in aid of St Andrew's at The Willows, 56 Castle Ashby Rd, Yardley Hastings
Sun	17th		Please return electoral roll forms by today
Sat	23rd	9.15am	Lent Course, URC Yardley Hastings
Sat	23rd	2.30-4.30pm	Spring Flower Show, Village Hall Denton

LENT LUNCHES

Everyone welcome
for a simple soup & cheese lunch.
Donations to the Daylight Centre
Fellowship, Wellingborough

12 - 2.00 pm on Thursdays
at the following locations:

- 14th March: Pat & Keith Maddocks,
5 Parson's Close, Grendon
- 21st March: Judith Cundell,
Paradise Farm, Chadstone
- 28th March: URC, Yardley Hastings
- 4th April: Lucy Williamson,
14 Chase Park Rd, Yardley
- 11th April: Carole Clarke,
The Old Quart Pot,
21 Bedford Rd, Denton



The Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

(or)

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

Moses spoke to the people, saying:

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

What does scripture 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.

Post Communion

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**