



# Emmanuel Parish Community News Letter

21st February 2021

BCP First Sunday of Lent

CW Year B

Liturgical Colour: Purple or Lent Array



## Worship at Emmanuel

The Church is now **CLOSED** indefinitely due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

Do go onto the website to read the Newsletter.

Watch Stewart's Ash Wednesday Reflection

Watch Each Wednesday watch the six Lenten studies on line

Watch a short morning Prayer service

Visit St Cuthbert's website

Watch St Bart's Roby service live at 11 am

If anyone needs to talk to someone they can leave a message on the church office phone (506723) or call Rev Stewart (07540 344870) or any other member of the leadership team Linda (213986), John (07834 376050), Jean (227211) or Sara (07889 094743).

Visit Emmanuel Church Website on [www.emmanuelsouthport.org.uk](http://www.emmanuelsouthport.org.uk)



## Collect of the day

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



We entered Lent on Ash Wednesday and you can view on line Rev Stewarts Ash Wednesday Reflection. Also on the following six Wednesdays

You can watch and follow the six Lenten studies on line. So please visit our website.

The **law** of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;

the **decrees** of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

the **precepts** of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;

the **commandment** of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

The **fear** of the LORD is pure, enduring forever;

The **ordinances** of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

Psalm 19.7-9



### In Remembrance

It is with sadness that we advise that two of our friends have passed recently.

Dot Edgerton , who was a member of the Bowling Club and Friend to many passed away on Tuesday at Queens court Hospice.

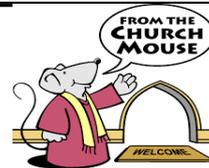
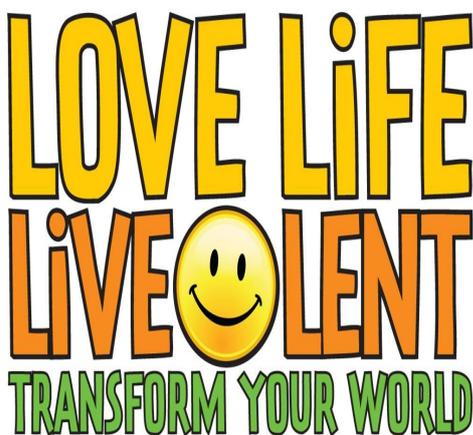
Also parishioner Mr Wilf Cockbain ,who lived at 1 Cambridge Ave died a couple of weeks ago in Parklands Lodge aged 105 and his funeral is on Monday coming at 3pm with the cortege passing his house at 2.30. Our Thoughts and prayers are with all family and friends of Dot and Wilf at this time and may God Bless them both.



The next PCC Meeting is to be held via a zoom meeting on the 2nd March at 6pm..

## *Wedding*

On the 8th August the wedding of Jennifer Avery , a former Emmanuel Church Chorister ,and Peter Holden took place, This was the last wedding of 2020 in our Church under Covid –19 restrictions , with all precautions and procedures observed. Only 20 guests were permitted to attend and the service was officiated by Reverend Stewart . We hope that by the time Jennifer and Peter come to celebrate their first wedding anniversary with a blessing in Emmanuel Church and a “proper” reception afterwards, the restrictions will have eased., not only for them but many other couples as we look forward to new weddings taking place in our beautiful church. As a note Stewart has a lovely PDF copy of an article and photographs of Jennifer and Peters wedding for you to see, so just ask.



This is YOUR news letter so if you want an item included then Please email or phone in by Thursday email [sally@cleverwebseo.com](mailto:sally@cleverwebseo.com) or phone 01704 227 157  
Many thanks Sally.

### Thought Of the week

Yes we are getting impatient to have some normality in our lives and easing of restrictions, services to resume. However we will have to continue to be patient and see what Boris has to say on Monday.

I know how hard the restrictions have been for many, no experiences to share, no chatter on what we have done plan to do, and you just dry up. You are not alone and the following by Donna Ashworth .I think, sums it up.

You're not imagining it, nobody seems to want to talk right now.

Messages are brief and replies late.

Talk of catch ups on zoom are perpetually put on hold.

Group chats are no longer pinging all night long.

It's not you. It's everyone. We are spent.

We have nothing left to say.

We are tired of saying 'I miss you' and 'I cant wait for this to end'.

So we mostly say nothing, put our heads down and get through each day.

You're not imagining it.

This is a state of being like no other we have ever known because we are all going through it together but so very far apart.

Hang in there my friend.

When the mood strikes, send out all those messages and don't feel you have to apologise for being quiet.

This is hard. No one is judging.

