

All Saints' North Hillingdon

6th April 2025

5th Sunday of Lent



Question on the Isaiah reading:

Are there any desert areas of your life? What might God 'bringing streams' or 'making a way look like in those areas?

Questions on our Philippians reading:

What in our life gives you a sense of worth? Is there anything you need to give up in order to know and follow Christ more deeply?

Questions on our Gospel passage:

What was Mary's motive for her extravagant worship? What might make you want to worship God extravagantly? What was the real reason Judas criticised Mary? How do we feel when others are more passionate about our Lord than we are?

HYMNS AT 10 O'CLOCK – NHWS Book

Gathering	393	Lead us, heavenly Father,
Gradual	370	Help us, O Lord, to learn
Offertory	294	Just as I am
Comm'n	358	Father of Heaven, whose love
Sending	461	There's a wideness in God's

This week:

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion	10:30am Cake, Coffee and Chat in Hall
In Lent: Stations of the Cross: Every Friday 6pm in Lent in Church. <i>No bible study this Tuesdays 7.30 pm due to PCC meeting</i>	
Social Event Dates for 2025: 10 th May – Live music and Dancing night 5 th July – Summer Fete: 12 to 3pm	
6 th April – Sunday 5.30pm Hillingdon Deanery Compline and prayer for Mission in our Parish 13 th April: - Palm Sunday 17 th April: - Maundy Thursday 7.30 pm	

18 th April:	-	Good Friday Walk of Witness: starts 9.30 am St Johns and ends at All Saints around 11:20am for refreshments.
18 th April:		Good Friday Vigil: 2-3pm
20 th April:	-	Easter Sunday Celebration!

GIVING:

We will soon replace the boiler, hopefully do some insulation and draft-proofing, as well as other improvements. Donations to: "All Saints Church Hillingdon Parish Church". Sort Code: 20-89-16 a/c number: 00107344 (please fill in gift-aid form so we can re-claim tax)

THIS WEEK'S INTERCESSIONS: We lift up to the Lord those who have asked for our prayers; Mark Callaghan, Michael Worrell, Simon Matthews, David Rance, Hazel & Helen Parris, John Clarke, Mabel and Tony Poon-Jones, James Wills, Lyn Prior, Lynn Taylor, Tony Bond, Pat Szymański, Ann Tutton. **May they know his blessings, healing, grace and salvation.**

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We remember the anniversaries this week of the deaths of: GLADYS DICKS, ALICE TOPLEY, ERNIE JOHNSON, NANCY BLAKE, DOROTHY COOPER, LES ROBINSON, LEN SOWDEN, HARRY BAILEY, RON BALDWIN, GEORGE MEARING, JIM BARTON, HORACE HAIGH.

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VISITS / HOME COMMUNION

Holy Communion services at Ryefield Court: 29th Apr 11am (also 3rd June, 1st July). All welcome. If you know of anyone who needs a home or hospital visit, please let me know; Rev Ulric Gerry 07909 127 929 ulricgerry@icloud.com

Social Action: Being salt and light in the world is part of our Christian faith; email our MP on recent issues: danny.beales.mp@parliament.uk

Parish Website: www.allsaintsnorthillingdon.co.uk

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Safeguarding Officer: Jane Turnbull:



COLLECT

Most merciful God,
 who by the death and resurrection
 of your Son Jesus Christ
 delivered and saved the world:
 grant that by faith in him who
 suffered on the cross
 we may triumph in the power of
 his victory;
 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.

FIRST READING Isaiah 43:16-21

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD, who makes
 a way in the sea, a path in the
 mighty waters, who brings out
 chariot and horse, army and
 warrior; they lie down, they
 cannot rise, they are extinguished,
 quenched like a wick: Do not
 remember the former things, or
 consider the things of old. I am
 about to do a new thing; now it
 springs forth, do you not perceive
 it? I will make a way in the
 wilderness and rivers in the desert.
 The wild animals will honour me,
 the jackals and the ostriches; for I
 give water in the wilderness, rivers
 in the desert, to give drink to my
 chosen people, the people whom
 I formed for myself so that they
 might declare my praise.

PSALM Psalm 126

R *The Lord has indeed done great things for us.*

When the Lord restored the
 fortunes of Zion,
 then were we like those who
 dream.
 Then was our mouth filled with
 laughter
 and our tongue with songs of joy. **R**
 Then said they among the nations,
 "The Lord has done great things
 for them."

The Lord has indeed done great
 things for us,
 and therefore we rejoiced. **R**
 Restore again our fortunes, O Lord,
 as the river beds of the desert.
 Those who sow in tears
 shall reap with songs of joy.
 Those who go out weeping,
 bearing the seed,
 will come back with shouts of joy,
 bearing their sheaves with them. **R**

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4b-14

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

If anyone else has reason to be
 confident in the flesh, I have
 more: circumcised on the eighth
 day, a member of the people of
 Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin,
 a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as
 to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal,
 a persecutor of the church; as
 to righteousness under the law,
 blameless. Yet whatever gains I
 had, these I have come to regard
 as loss because of Christ. More
 than that, I regard everything as
 loss because of the surpassing
 value of knowing Christ Jesus my
 Lord. For his sake I have suffered
 the loss of all things, and I regard
 them as rubbish, in order that I
 may gain Christ and be found in
 him, not having a righteousness
 of my own that comes from the
 law, but one that comes through
 faith in Christ, the righteousness
 from God based on faith. I want to
 know Christ and the power of his
 resurrection and the sharing of his
 sufferings by becoming like him in
 his death, if somehow I may attain
 the resurrection from the dead.
 Not that I have already obtained
 this or have already reached the
 goal; but I press on to make it my
 own, because Christ Jesus has
 made me his own. Beloved, I do
 not consider that I have made it
 my own; but this one thing I do:

forgetting what lies behind and
 straining forward to what lies
 ahead, I press on towards the goal
 for the prize of the heavenly call of
 God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL John 12:1-8

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Six days before the Passover
 Jesus came to Bethany, the home
 of Lazarus, whom he had raised
 from the dead. There they gave
 a dinner for him. Martha served,
 and Lazarus was one of those at
 the table with him. Mary took a
 pound of costly perfume made of
 pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet,
 and wiped them with her hair. The
 house was filled with the fragrance
 of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot,
 one of his disciples (the one who
 was about to betray him), said,
 "Why was this perfume not sold
 for three hundred denarii and the
 money given to the poor?" (He
 said this not because he cared
 about the poor, but because he
 was a thief; he kept the common
 purse and used to steal what was
 put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her
 alone. She bought it so that she
 might keep it for the day of my
 burial. You always have the poor
 with you, but you do not always
 have me."

POST COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ,
 you have taught us
 that what we do for the least of
 our brothers and sisters
 we do also for you:
 give us the will to be the servant
 of others
 as you were the servant of all,
 and gave up your life and died for
 us,
 but are alive and reign, now and
 for ever.

The Lord has in - deed done great things for us. great things for us.