

**COLLECT for
the SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens
and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all
your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns
supreme over all things,
now and for ever.
Amen

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DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Mon 8th	7:30 pm	Elm Grove home Group
Tues 9th	7:30 pm	Link Leaders Meeting (Upper Room)
Wed 10th	1.15 pm 7.00 pm	Holy Communion (Revd Rod Corke) Alpha Course, Session 4
Thurs 11th	11.00 am 7.30 pm	Holy Communion (Revd Dennis Cavaghan) Contacts Group meeting (in Church)
Fri 12th	8.00 am 7.00 pm 7.30 pm 7.30 pm	Holy Communion (Revd Rod Corke) Choristers Practice Adult Choir Practice Voice
Sat 13th	9.30 am	Parish Prayers for All (Chapel)

Monday to Friday 2.45 pm Evening Prayer is said in Church.

Today

at St Mary Magdalene Church

Sunday 7th February 2010
Second Sunday before Lent

Companion to
"Together"
St Mary Magdalene's
monthly magazine

Dear Friends,

Welcome to St. Mary Magdalene today. A special welcome if you are visiting us. We hope you feel comfortable and able to worship God with all your heart.

Today we remember that it is 58 years since our Queen Elizabeth II ascended to the throne. In her reign so much has changed and yet she has remained as a constant figurehead - a wise, dutiful monarch. Born on 21st April 1926 at 17 Bruton Street., London W1, she ascended to the throne on the death of her father George VI. She is the 40th monarch since William the Conqueror. During her reign she has opened 15 bridges, attended 34 Royal Variety Performances, given 91 state banquets, launched 23 ships, sent 37,500

the first PM to be born in her reign. We will pray for our Queen especially at 8.00 Holy Communion today—and sing the national Anthem!

Today we welcome Mike and Sarah Pulley who have brought twins James and Thomas for Baptism. We pray for them all and celebrate with their friends and family.

Our Alpha Course continues to go very well and we have 25 guests attending. Please remember us in your prayers. Because of the Alpha Course, the Ash Wednesday Communion is at **6.00pm** on 17th February 2010 (not 7.30pm as mentioned in Together).

Following a meeting last Saturday, it was decided to temporarily suspend our MU until we can firm up the leadership. We hope this can happen soon.

Paul has been away on retreat this week at St Non's retreat house in Wales, so we welcome him back today.

Blessings,

Rod



Christmas cards, been Godmother to 30 children, sat for 139 official portraits and is the patron of 620 charities. She attended her first football match at the 1953 cup final and Tony Blair was

THIS SUNDAY 7th FEBRUARY—SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

President and Preacher: Revd Rod Corke

This service will include a celebration of the 58th Anniversary of the Accession of the Queen. Coffee will be served after the service.

Readings: 1 Peter 2:11; Matthew 22:16

10.00 am CHURCH FAMILY WORSHIP with Holy Baptism

Leader: Revd Rod Corke

Preacher: Revd Paul Tullett

Baptisms: Revd Paul Tullett

Welcome team led by Betty and Colin Matthews

Hymns: Per sheet

6.30 pm HOLY COMMUNION (Sung Eucharist)

President and Preacher: Preb Terry Stokes

Deacon: Revd Paul Tullett

Readings: Genesis 1:1-2:3; Matthew 6:25-end

Reader: Joan Martin

Hymns: AMNS 105 (omit vv 4, 5, 6), 180, 263, 204

NEXT SUNDAY 14th FEBRUARY—SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

8.00 HOLY COMMUNION

President: Revd Rod Corke

Preacher: Daphne Seddon

10.00 PARISH COMMUNION

President: Revd Dennis Cavaghan

Preacher: Revd Rod Corke

Welcome team led by Derek and Ruth Hicks

Readings: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36

Reader: Ian McIntyre

Intercessions: Daphne Seddon

Hymns: Per sheet

6.30 pm EVENSONG

Leader and Preacher: Revd Paul Tullett

Readings: Exodus 3:1-6; John 12:27-36a

Reader: Morton Dunn

Hymns: AMNS 64, 122, 365, 234 (omit v4)

Psalm: 89 vv1-18

We Pray for:

THOSE WHO ARE SICK John Bower, Nigel Crayford, Linda Dawson (Wife of Rodney Dawson— Salvation Army), Shirley Graves, Faith Gunter, Kenneth Higgins, Ruth Hodgson, Henry Lucas, Julia Mann, Alison Mollan, Norma Punshon, Joyce Gratrex, Frances McKirgan, Marianne Ring

IN HOSPITAL Elizabeth Stevens, Joan Green, Colin Matthews, Henry Lucas, Rosemary Thomas, Jane Carpenter

DECEASED Violet Sampson, aged 102

YEARS MIND Ian Adams (8.02.99), Bernard Reynolds (9.02.99), Jill Shobbrock (10.02.75), Aileen Norman (11.02.99), Helen Morrison-Gill (12.02.94)

FLOWERS today are in memory of Alan Thomas

BABY HATS Please keep knitting as hats are urgently needed for our Musgrove outreach, and we are so grateful to all knitters. Jane Maclure is away but please give them to the Bookshop and Ann Tomlinson will pick them up from there for immediate distribution. Warmest thanks.

CONTACTS GROUP MEETING This Thursday 11th February at 7:30 pm in the church. Please check e-mails, pigeon holes and letterboxes for your current list.

FORTY DAYS AND FORTY NIGHTS A quiet day for Lent, exploring desert spirituality, will be held at St John the Evangelist Church, Taunton, on 20th February from 10.30 am to 3.30 pm. For more information, contact Revd Jane Eastell on 01823 321069 or e-mail jane.eastell@bathwells.anglican.org.

HOME GROUPS If you are interested in joining a Home Group, would you please let Paul know (contact details on back of sheet). Also, if anyone is interested in hosting a small group meeting monthly or fortnightly, would they please have a word with Paul.

LAY VISITORS MEETING will be taking place this Tuesday, 9th March at 7.30 pm in the Upper Room.

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The Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Wellington
Appointment of Personal Assistant to the Rector

We are looking for someone with proven experience to work closely with the Rector in administration and organisation, for a minimum of 10 hours a week at £7.50 an hour. We need someone who has sympathy for the Christian Church, preferably a knowledge of the Church of England, experience of computers and good personal skills.

For further details, contact Revd Colin Randall on colinms.randall@virgin.net or telephone 01823 662248. Closing date for applications: 20th February 2010.



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BOOKSHOP The Bookshop needs your books! Both hardback and paperbacks would be welcome on any subject to help us build and expand our selection of secondhand books. Please think of us first, as any that we cannot use will be taken to the Oxfam Bookshop and disposed of on your behalf. We have some exciting plans for the future of the Bookshop but we will need to build up our stock before we can put our plans fully into action.

BOOK GROUP We are looking for interested parties to join our new St Mary Magdalene Bookshop Reading Group to start in February, reading a different book each month and then joining in with a group discussion led by Gary Penny. If you are interested, would you please put your names and contact details down on the list at the back of the church and Gary will contact you with full details. For further information, contact Gary on by e-mail at info@whitewedding.uk.com or telephone 01823 433321 (Mobile 07970 762629).

AUTOGRAPH PANCAKE AND QUIZ NIGHT on Tuesday, 16th February at 7.00 pm in church. Cost £3. Please sign up on the list at the back of church. If you are able to provide pancakes, would you also indicate this on the appropriate form. Thank you.

IAN CARSON is planning to go to the opening recital on the new Slovenian Skrabi pipe organ in Lyme Regis parish church on Monday, 8th February at 7.30 pm. He would be able to transport three people, if anyone is interested in going. Free tickets from the Tourist Office (telephone 01297 442138).

A 'KESHER' COURSE exploring the origins of Christianity will be taking place at Rockwell Green Christian Centre over 10 monthly sessions on Saturday evenings at 7.00 pm starting on 13th February. For more information, contact Mrs M A Threlfall (telephone 01823 663287 or e-mail marionthrelfall@hotmail.com).

Would you please note that the **PARISH OFFICE** will be closed during the week beginning 8th February for remedial work. Lucy will be working at home and will be back in the office on Tuesday, 16th February at 9.15 am.

TAUNTON CHRISTIANS TOGETHER The TCT AGM will be held on Monday, 8th February at 7.30 pm in St James' Church. All welcome. Also, a volunteer is needed to take on the not onerous job of TCT Representative. If anyone is interested, would they please see Rod.

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