

Welcome

We welcome the Revd. Sharon Bavington as our Preacher and Celebrant this morning.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

We will hold our APCM on Sunday 23rd March, following the morning service (there will be time for coffee!). We have 3 vacancies on the PCC, so if you would like to serve the church in this way, please sign the list at the back of church - or have a word with Grace or any member of the PCC for more information.

Children's Society Boxes

It is once again time to bring in your Children's Society boxes. Please bring them in as soon as you can and they will go to Val Muff for counting. Thank you!

ACE Cultural Tours visit

ACE Cultural Tours, who came last year, want to visit again on 10th April from 11.00 a.m. for about an hour. It would be good to have 3 or 4 people to welcome them, prepare refreshments and interact with them during the visit. Please see Grace if you can help.

Please pray for all on our prayer list: Dermot, Eric and Wendy, Doreen, Ivan, Pauline, Tracy, Keretha and Simon, Billy, John and anyone known to you.

Activities for the week

Today	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
Tuesday 18th	12 noon	Knit'n'Natter
	6.00 p.m.	Beaver Scouts
Wednesday 19th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion at St. James's
	2.45 p.m.	Prime Time Junior
	6.30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7.30 p.m.	Scouts and Explorers
Saturday 22nd	9.00 a.m.	Electrician in church
Sunday 23rd	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
	11.15 a.m.	APCM in hall

Sunday 16th March 2025

Second Sunday of Lent

Service: Holy Communion

Hymns

188; 156; 541; 421

Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

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Interim Priest-in-Charge:

Vacant

Assistant Curate

Revd. Daniel Furlong (tel: 07749 941348)

Churchwardens:

Mrs. Grace Studholme; Mr. John Ratnik

Children in Church

Children are most welcome to our services.

Refreshments.

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after the service

Please take this service sheet home with you

Collect of the Day (*Second Sunday of Lent*)

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Genesis 15.1-12,17-18

¹ The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.'

² But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' ³ And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.'

⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.'

⁵ He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.'

⁶ And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. ⁷ Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.'

⁸ But he said, 'O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?'

⁹ He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.'

¹⁰ He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two.

¹¹ And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram

drove them away. ¹² As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. ¹⁷ When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces.

¹⁸ On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.'

Luke 13.31-35

³¹ At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.'

³² He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³ Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem."

³⁴ Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁵ See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

Post Communion (*Second Sunday of Lent*)

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.