

NEWS AND NOTICES

THIS YEAR'S LENT COURSE is being hosted by St Andrew's and continues on Tuesday evenings, March 10th, 17th & 24th starting at 7.30pm.

The title is *Journeys of Discipleship with Matthew's Gospel*. Readings are from Matthew and it looks at the people we meet throughout Jesus' life and Passion.

COMMUNITY CAFE, every Monday 10-11.30am in the church hall. You will find a warm space, warm drinks & treats (there is no charge) and a warm welcome for all.

LITTLE SPARKS @ST ED'S runs every Thursday during term-time from 9.30 – 11.30am in church. There will be crafts, toys, stories & songs. The cost is just £3 per family and includes refreshments and snacks. Please come along if you have babies or toddlers.

ST ED'S YOUNG ADULTS GROUP. 18+ for young people in and around the Roundhay area at any stage of life (work/ uni etc). Meeting every Thursday, 7pm at Hesco Lounge, Street Lane. Please contact Isabelle Lepine on 07847622184.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, "*I will give you rest, come*" on Friday 6th March at Lidgett Park at 10.30am. Other venues include Oakwood church at 3.15pm. For more information visit <https://www.wwdp.org.uk/prayers/>

YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP for school years 11 to 13 meets fortnightly during term time - now on Mondays. The next meeting will be on Monday 9th March from 7 - 8.30pm in the church hall. There will be pizza! Please join us.

MID-WEEK WALKS Tuesdays 10th & 31st March. We meet in the church car park

for a 9.30am start, Please contact Brian Livesey at b.livesey@ntlworld.com or on 293 7403 for more information.

THE JULIAN PRAYER MEETING, on Thursday 12th March at 2pm. For details, please contact Julie Meakin: jpmeakin@hotmail.co.uk or Terry Robson: terry1robson@icloud.com

MUM'S THE WORD, for those who find Mothers' Day difficult, come and enjoy a cuppa, cake & company on Friday 13th March, 9.30am till 11.

TRANSCENDENT JOURNEY with the Phoenix Concert Band, in church on Saturday 14th March at 4pm. A fantastical musical journey through folklore, farytale and on-screen moments performed by a live wind orchestra. Adult £12, Student £10, children PAYF.

LEEDS HOSPITALS Memorial Walk on Saturday 14th March. There are options of a 4 or 10 mile walk along the Leeds Liverpool Canal. *More details are on a poster at the back of the church.*

YOUTH LOUNGE for school years 7 to 10, in the church hall on Sunday evening, 15th March from 7 till 8.30pm. With games, crafts & activities, tuck shop, pizza & hot chocolate, table football, chats & discussions.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP meets on 16th March at the back of church from 10:30 till 12. We start with a chat and coffee, with the main meeting starting at 11. We will be looking at Romans 8:6-11 and John 11:1-45.

LOSS, GRIEF & FUNERAL PLANNING on Saturday 21st March, 10.30am – 12 noon in the Church Hall.

A warm welcome from St Edmund's Parish Church

Sunday 8th March 2026 The third Sunday of Lent

We extend a warm welcome to everyone who will worship with us whether in church or at home.

8am HOLY COMMUNION, WITH HEALING
Revd Michelle Lepine is presiding and preaching.

10am HOLY COMMUNION, WITH HEALING
Revd Paul Tudge is presiding and Revd Michelle Lepine is preaching.

Junior Church for children aged 3+ meets today.
We leave after the first hymn and return in time for communion; please join us!

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The 10am service is streamed live on our Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/StEdsRoundhay>
You do not need a Facebook account to watch it.
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<u>Services this week</u>		<u>Services next Sunday</u>	
<u>Wednesday 11th March</u>		<u>Sunday 15th March</u>	
11am	Holy Communion, with healing Led by Revd Michelle Lepine	Mothering Sunday The fourth Sunday of Lent	
<u>Thursday 12th March</u>		8am	Holy Communion
8.30am	Morning Prayer	10am	Morning Worship
		6.30pm	Holden Service

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**COLLECT FOR THE THIRD
SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us
and to seek the perfection we are
promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 5:1-11

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the

death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹ But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

GOSPEL READING

John 4:5-42

⁵ So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.

⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷ A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. ⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' ¹¹ The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?' ¹² Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' ¹³ Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' ¹⁵ The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw

water.'

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' ¹⁷ The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; ¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' ¹⁹ The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' ²¹ Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' ²⁵ The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' ²⁶ Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

²⁷ Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' ²⁸ Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, ²⁹ 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' ³⁰ They left the city and were on their way to him.

³¹ Meanwhile the disciples were urging

him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' ³² But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' ³³ So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' ³⁴ Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. ³⁵ Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. ³⁶ The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. ³⁷ For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." ³⁸ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.' ³⁹ Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. ⁴¹ And many more believed because of his word. ⁴² They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who have asked for prayer:
***Doreen, Rachael, Andrea, Sarah and
Jocelyn.***

The recently departed.

**Andy & Kati, our CMS mission
partners in Brazil.**