Rota for this week

Door Welcome & Collection Lesley & Mike Wareham

Reader Roger Humphreys Intercessions David Battersby

Elements Clare & Richard Rednall

Coffee Clare Rednall & Debbie Jacobs

Cleaning Mary & Dennis Bambury

Services next Sunday 28 February The Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP) Bampton
9:15 a.m. Holy Communion Lew
9:30 a.m. Family Service Aston
10:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist Bampton
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Clanfield

Rota for next week

Door Welcome & Collection Pat Robson & Mark Albert

Reader Rosemary Arundel Intercessions Ann Boutflower

Elements Grace & Richard Wilkins

Coffee Joy Edwards & Rose Grout Cleaning Penelope & Martin Kettle

Please take this leaflet home with you.

It will help to remind you about what is coming up at St Mary's.

Remember to check our website: bamptonchurch.ora.uk

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The Second Sunday of Lent

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Introit Hymn 368 All my hope on God is founded

The Collect

Almighty God,

you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,

that they may return to the way of righteousness:

grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Old Testament Reading Genesis 15: 1 – 12, 17 - 18

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 27

Response The Lord is my light and my salvation

The Epistle Philippians 3: 17 – 4:1

Gradual Hymn 423 Fight the good fight

The Gospel Luke 4: 1 – 13: 31 - 35

Offertory Hymn 586 The God of Abraham praise

(vv.1,2,8,9,10)

Post Communion Prayer

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. **Amen**

Final Hymn 385 Be thou my guardian and my guide

Notices

Please pray for **Mia-Rose Christine Murrant**, who will be baptised here later today.

Bampton Community Church Council meets in church tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Lady Chapel on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

The Ecumenical Lent Course continues on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Methodist Church, Bampton. All are welcome.

St Mary's Prayer Group meets on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at 16 The Lanes. *More information from Beate on 01993 851123.*

Bible Discussion Groups

The church's two Bible Discussion Groups will cease their regular weekly/fortnightly meetings for the period of Lent. Most members will be joining the Ecumenical Lent Course. We look forward to joining with other members from our church together with members of the Methodist Congregation.

Coffee & Fellowship can be found every Monday at **Coffee & Co.**, in Bampton Coffee House from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to join us for company, and a friendly chat. We buy ourselves a drink of our choice and find a seat. Newcomers will be introduced around the group. Some come regularly week by week, others just pay an occasional visit. It's all very informal - why not give it a try! *Further information from Margaret Battersby on 01993 850182.*

The Friends of St Mary's, Bampton invite you to join them, at St Mary's, for a series of Sunday afternoon talks followed by tea and cake.

Sunday 28 February – Speaker Matthew Rice will present "Church Architecture – The Violent destruction of St Mary's Bampton in 1867". Matthew is an author, artist and architectural enthusiast and known locally for his restoration of Bampton Castle, now Ham Court, and for his interest in church architecture and local history. Tickets on sale from end January.

Sunday 20 March – Speaker Professor John Blair will pose the question "Anglo-Saxon Bampton: how much do we know now?". Professor Blair is also known locally for his extensive knowledge of Bampton's history and architecture. He is currently Professor of Medieval History and Archaeology at The Queen's College, Oxford. Tickets on sale from end February.

Sunday 24 April – Speaker Jeremy Gray will present an Illustrated talk "Painting the Saints".

Jeremy Gray, who lives in Bampton, will be known to many as Joint Founder and Artistic Director of Bampton Classical Opera whilst being Head of History of Art at Queen's College London.

All events will start at 3:30pm and tickets will be available at Bampton Coffee House, from Jill Hall or by phone 01993 851142. Tickets will cost £6 prior to the day of event and £8 at the door.

Confirmation

Bishop Colin will be coming to St Mary's on 12 June for a Eucharist and Confirmation Service. Adults, young people and children in Year 6 and above, who would like to consider being confirmed (no obligation at this stage) should contact David as soon as possible.

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