

## St Mary the Virgin and All Saints Potters Bar

7th March 2010

### The Third Sunday of Lent

*A warm welcome to St Mary's,  
especially if this is your first time here.*

*We have a Family Room at the back of church, with toys and books, for parents to use with their children, if they so wish. Please stay to supervise your children – the service is relayed into the room. Thank you.*

*Do join us for refreshments after Parish Communion*

#### TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**

10.00am **PARISH COMMUNION**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 55 vv 1-9 *The prophet calls for people to draw near in repentance and faith to their Heavenly Father.*

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 10 vv 1-13 *St Paul issues a warning against over-confidence and stresses the need to resist temptation.*

Gospel: Luke 13 vv 1-9 *Jesus underlines the urgent need for repentance – before it is too late.*

**Hymns:** 351, 376, 440, 310, 336

### The Week Ahead

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Edward King</b>	
	9.30am	Holy Communion
	12.30pm	Funeral of Norma Shim
<b>Wednesday</b>	12 noon	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
	8.00pm	Lent Study Group in St Michael's Chapel
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Lent Study Group in St Michael's Chapel
<b>Saturday</b>	7.30pm	Barnet Choral Society concert with music by Gounod, Schubert & Faure <i>Rehearsal in church from 1.30pm</i>

**Next Sunday is MOTHERING SUNDAY (Lent 4)**

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am **FAMILY COMMUNION**

6.30pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### Parish Notices

The next date for Church cleaning is **Wednesday 17th March** at 9.30am. All help gratefully received.

On **Saturday 20th March** at 7.30pm, we welcome back **Potters Bar Choral Society** to St Mary's for a concert of music by Mendelssohn and Bruckner. Details are on the poster at the back of the church.

On **Sunday 21st March** at 11.45am : Walk & Pub lunch. Please see notice board for further details and to sign up, or have a word with Geoff Foster.

The PCC will meet briefly after Parish Communion on **Sunday 28th March**, Palm Sunday.

On **Thursday 22nd April**, 7.30pm : Film Evening with supper, "Out and About with the Two Johns." £8. Please see notice board for further details and to sign up.

We are grateful to **Councillor John Donne** for choosing our Hall Restoration project to receive £1,000 from the Hertsme Ward Improvement Initiative scheme.

**Easter Lilies** If you would like a lily at Easter in memory of a relative or friend, please enclose their name(s) in an envelope (in a yellow Gift Aid envelope if you are a taxpayer) with **£1.50** for each lily. Please give the envelope to Richard or Fr Peter by **Sunday 21st March**.

The revision of our **Church Electoral Roll** will begin next Sunday and conclude on Easter Day. This year, only new applicants need to complete a form.

**Wool needed please.** Some of the Knit & Natter group are making blankets for Ethiopia and gifts for the "shoe-box appeal" and would appreciate donations of wool for their projects. Please give/speak to Heather Hawkes or Marilyn Grosse. Next meeting - Tuesday 30th March.

**Congratulations** to Sylvia Knight and Ray who were married yesterday at East Coker near Yeovil. Flowers have been sent to them from St Mary's with our love and best wishes.

**Can you help?** We are planning a 'Holiday Evening' on 28th August to raise funds for the Restoration Fund and would like to run a 'Holiday Souvenir Tombola'. If you're planning a holiday between now and August we would be grateful if you could bring St Mary's back a holiday souvenir to be included in our Tombola. Please speak to Ann or Jenny if you would like further details.

### For your prayers :

**The Sick** Donald Jones, Christine Moore, Beryl Johnson, Liz Mungavan, Rita, Alan Freed, Kathryn Light, William Jubb, Chris Dunlop, Margaret, Bernard Harlow, Brian Thornton, Diana, Sybil Harrison, Debby & Sofia Warwick, Tony Ruffell

**The recently departed** Norma Shim

**Anniversaries of death this week** Sidney Barrett, Agnes Reid, Ruby Halsey, James Vincent, May Sloan, Peter Reyre, Margaret Walker, Aloysius Crowther (Priest), Carrie Lewis, Bertram Betts, Gordon Bowring

**Our parish** We remember those who live in Wayside, Wentworth Close and Whaley Road

### LENT 2010 at ST MARY'S

**Worship** The devotion "**Stations of the Cross**" will take place **THIS WEDNESDAY** and Wednesday 24th March at **12 noon** and **NEXT SUNDAY** at **6.30pm**.

**Group Study** Lent study groups will meet **weekly**, on **Wednesdays** at 8.00pm and **Thursdays** at 10.00am.

**Personal Study & Prayer** Leaflets to help us with the discipline of reading & reflecting on a scripture verse each day are available. Do take one home with you.

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*Items for next week's sheet to Richard Osborn (Tel: 07803 756088 / e-mail: rmosborn@hotmail.com) by Thursday  
Father Peter would be grateful to be informed about illnesses or any other emergencies affecting parishioners.*

**THIS NEWS SHEET IS FOR YOU TO KEEP - PLEASE TAKE IT HOME WITH YOU**