

# The Benefice of Steep and Froxfield with Privett

NEWS SHEET

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019

⊕ The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

## SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK...

SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH

6pm\* Holy Communion, Stroud Joanna Farrell

SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

10.30am\*\* Parish Communion, Steep John Owen  
Including "Miracles" by Marcus Bashaarat (see below)

11am\*\* Morning Prayer, Froxfield Green

READINGS

\*From BCP for the Sunday following

\*\*Isaiah 55:1-9; Luke 7:11-18

## ...AND NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

10am Benefice Service for Mothering Sunday, High Cross John Owen

### COLLECT

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.

### POST-COMMUNION

Merciful Lord,  
grant your people grace to withstand  
the temptations  
of the world, the flesh and the devil,  
and with pure hearts and minds to  
follow you, the only God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

COLLECT AND POST-COMMUNION PRAYER



PRAYERS FROM THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

### LET US PRAY FOR...

**The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui**, the Most Revd Paul Kwong, Archbishop of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui and Bishop of Hong Kong Island;

**The Archdeacon of Portsdown**, Joanne Grenfell; and the officers of the Havant deanery: Joint Area Deans Karina Green and Ian Snares; Secretary Anne Grove; Treasurer Paul Franks; Subwarden of Readers Sandra Haggan; and Lay Training and Development Officer Emma Racklyeft;

**The parishioners and congregations** of the Church of the Holy Rood, Empshott, and the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Hawkley, led by their vicar Peter Sutton.

The Memorial Service for the late JOAN FANSHAWE will be on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm at All Saints', Steep.

Please put this family-friendly service in your diary!



We welcome Marcus Bashaarat to 10.30am Parish Communion today - and look forward to his homily on "Miracles".



Mental Health

Counts

CONUS

## Bishop's Lent Appeal

**B**ISHOP CHRISTOPHER URGES US this Lent to pray for the mental wellbeing of all, and to give generously to his selected national charity, Heads Together ([www.headstogether.org.uk](http://www.headstogether.org.uk)).

Additionally, if you would like to nominate a local charity or community group to receive a grant this year, please contact the Bishop's office: [rachel.houlberg@portsmouth.anglican.org](mailto:rachel.houlberg@portsmouth.anglican.org)

Special Gift Aid envelopes and leaflets about the Lent Appeal are in each church. Further information can be found on [www.portsmouth.anglican.org/search/?q=lent+appeal](http://www.portsmouth.anglican.org/search/?q=lent+appeal)

## Isaiah 55:1-9

### An Invitation to Abundant Life

**HO, EVERYONE WHO THIRSTS,**  
 come to the waters;  
 and you that have no money,  
 come, buy and eat!  
 Come, buy wine and milk  
 without money and without price.  
 Why do you spend your money for that which is not  
 bread,  
 and your labour for that which does not satisfy?  
 Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
 and delight yourselves in rich food.  
 Incline your ear, and come to me;  
 listen, so that you may live.  
 I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
 my steadfast, sure love for David.  
 See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
 a leader and commander for the peoples.  
 See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
 and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
 because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
 for he has glorified you.  
 Seek the Lord while he may be found,  
 call upon him while he is near;  
 let the wicked forsake their way,  
 and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
 let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on  
 them,  
 and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.  
 For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
 nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
 For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
 so are my ways higher than your ways  
 and my thoughts than your thoughts.



April 1<sup>st</sup>  
2019

**Electoral  
Roll**

**YES, THIS IS THE DEADLINE** for Steep and Stroud residents to register to be on the new electoral roll being drawn up this year. Forms are at the font at All Saints' - please do complete one if you wish to have a say in your local church's future. Enquiries to [judy.thompson@me.com](mailto:judy.thompson@me.com).  
*Froxfield and Privett: The new register is on display in the High Cross lychgate notice board until the APCM on 7<sup>th</sup> April. Please let Pat ([sadlerpatricia@hotmail.com](mailto:sadlerpatricia@hotmail.com)) know if there are any amendments.*

## Luke 7:11-18

### Jesus Raises the Widow's Son at Nain

**SOON AFTERWARDS HE WENT TO A TOWN CALLED** Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, 'Do not weep.' Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, 'Young man, I say to you, rise!' The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, 'A great prophet has risen among us!' and 'God has looked favourably on his people!' This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

### Messengers from John the Baptist

The disciples of John reported all these things to him. So John summoned two of his disciples.



2019  
LentroUp  
Week 4

Kindness is a  
renewable resource  
And a renewal  
of our innocence

G a l a t i o n s 5

Thursdays, 2-3.30pm, until 18<sup>th</sup> April  
 29 Grenehurst Way, Petersfield GU31 4AZ  
 Contact Caroline Hilton / 263460 to join the discussions

**STEEP WELCOME CLUB MEETS** next Thursday (28<sup>th</sup>) at Steep Village Hall, 3.30pm. Bring something with you which evokes special memories! To help with the catering, please "book" with Judy 267362, or Heather / 266855.

**! This news sheet, and the rota of services in the benefice, can now be downloaded from the benefice website: [www.steepfroxford.com](http://www.steepfroxford.com).**

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**Churchwardens:** Please see the *Froxfield and Privett Parish Magazine* and the *Steep and Stroud Newsletter*

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WHERE OUR CHURCHES ARE ...STEEP: GU32 2DD

STROUD: GU32 1AT

HIGH CROSS: GU32 1EQ

FROXFIELD GREEN: GU32 1DQ