

# The Parishes of Steep and Stroud and Froxfield with Privett

in the Diocese of Portsmouth



**SUNDAY 5 MARCH 2023**  
*The Second Sunday of Lent*

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Joanna Farrell

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Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75702932891?pwd=alRzeHlxUjVldUJl6SmdKKzdJdFVkdz09> Meeting ID: 757 0293 2891/Passcode: MPrayer

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Genesis  
12.1-4a

## The Call of Abram

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ▲

**STEEP'S WELCOME CLUB PROMISES** a treat for armchair travellers this month. On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>, Peter Thackrey shares his 'Experiences of Life in Russia and Shanghai'. And don't forget the quintessentially English afternoon tea. 2.30pm at Steep Village Hall. Contact Heather Maybury (HJMaybury@aol.com /07554 747361.▲

6pm

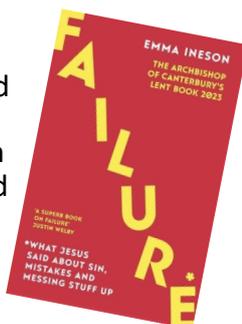
Froxfield Choir sings Choral Evensong.  
Sunday, 5 March  
St Peter's, Petersfield

2023  
**LENT**

**EVEN IF YOU  
HAVE** decided  
not to  
participate in

a Lent course, you might be interested in the book which the Archbishop of Canterbury has selected as his Lent 2023 book, describing it as 'A superb book on failure'!

Its full title is *Failure: What Jesus Said About Sin, Mistakes and Messing Stuff Up*, and it is published by SPCK (ISBN 9780281087846) for £10.99. The book, by Bishop Emma Ineson, has informed and inspired the Dust+Glory Lent Course currently running in Petersfield (office@stpeterspetersfield.org.uk). ▲



John  
3.1-17

## Nicodemus Visits Jesus

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?'

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.'

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.'

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.▲

**THIS IS A NEAR-FINAL** call to all eligible for the church Electoral Roll to sign up! Everyone on the Roll is entitled to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting which for **Steep and Stroud** will be held at All Saints' on **Sunday 26 March**, and for **Froxfield with Privett** at St Peter's, High Cross on **Sunday 16 April**, both following on from the 10am service.

Forms for adding names or updating details can be picked up from Steep and High Cross. They should be **returned by 10 and 15 March** respectively. The updated Rolls will then be displayed (names only) before the meetings.

Our Electoral Roll Officers who can answer any questions you have, are Judy Thompson (Steep and Stroud) 01730 267362 / judy.thompson@me.com; and Pat Sadler (Froxfield with Privett) 07866 506744 / sadlerpatricia@hotmail.com. ▲

Froxfield with Privett  
**Drop In**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO** this monthly get-together...over cake. Well-behaved dogs add to the relaxed atmosphere. Under-16s should please be accompanied by an adult.

**Saturday 11 March  
10.30am-12noon  
Froxfield Village Hall**

**April Alert!** The Drop In will be on the 15<sup>th</sup>, not the usual second Saturday (8<sup>th</sup>), which falls on Holy Saturday. Enquiries to Joanna: 828450.▲

TO CELEBRATE THE ESSENCE of 'mother' in traditional, nurturing and encompassing terms, please join us on Mothering Sunday at one of our services in High Cross and Steep.

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