

SUNDAY, 3 March 2019

1st Sunday before Lent

WELCOME TO ST MARY MAGDALENE

LYMINSTER

Advance notice. The APCM Tuesday April 30, at 7.30 pm. Refreshments will be served from 7 pm. A new electoral roll needs to be completed for this meeting. Forms are available at the back of church. Please return them to either of the Church Wardens or to Frances Farrer- Brown.

Sermons There have been requests for copies of the text of the first sermon in the series on Esther. They are available at the back of church and we are recording the sermons from today.

Social Media Training Day Anyone interested? Church House, Hove. Thursday 25 April, 10.00—4 pm. Is anyone else interested in learning how to use social media in the local church?

Publicity. We need a few more people who can deliver leaflets to roads in the new Toddington estates at the beginning of April. If you might be willing to deliver about 50 leaflets, please will you speak to one of the church wardens or Vanessa.

Friday 15 March Children's Society Coffee Morning, All Saint's, Wick. If you have a box, please bring it to be emptied. Come to collect a new box for 2019.

Friday 29 March , Lent Lunch at Sandfield House. £5.00 in aid of the Children's Society. Names please to Frances.

Parish Outing , May 8 to Rye and the Romney Marsh. Cost £35 approx. If you are interested, please will you give your name to Frances Farrer-Brown soon please.

Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Esther 7:1-10

So the king and Haman went to Queen Esther's banquet, 2 and as they were drinking wine on the second day, the king again asked, "Queen Esther, what is your petition? It will be given you. What is your request? Even up to half the kingdom, it will be granted."

3 Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have found favour with you, Your Majesty, and if it pleases you, grant me my life—this is my petition. And spare my people—this is my request. 4 For I and my people have been sold to be destroyed, killed and annihilated. If we had merely been sold as male and female slaves, I would have kept quiet, because no such distress would justify disturbing the king."

5 King Xerxes asked Queen Esther, "Who is he? Where is he—the man who has dared to do such a thing?"

6 Esther said, "An adversary and enemy! This vile Haman!"

Then Haman was terrified before the king and queen. 7 The king got up in a rage, left his wine and went out into the palace garden. But Haman, realizing that the king had already decided his fate, stayed behind to beg Queen Esther for his life.

8 Just as the king returned from the palace garden to the banquet hall, Haman was falling on the couch where Esther was reclining.

The king exclaimed, "Will he even molest the queen while she is with me in the house?"

As soon as the word left the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face. 9 Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs attending the king, said, "A pole reaching to a height of fifty cubits stands by Haman's house. He had it set up for Mordecai, who spoke up to help the king."

The king said, "Impale him on it!" 10 So they impaled Haman on the pole he had set up for Mordecai. Then the king's fury subsided.

Luke 9:28-36

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. 29 As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. 30 Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendour, talking with Jesus. 31 They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem.

32 Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. 33 As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

34 While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were

afraid as they entered the cloud. 35 A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." 36 When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

GLORIA

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.
Glory to God in the highest. and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

Please pray for those who are sick: Mary Harvey, Alan Soutter (a friend of Carol Hatton's).

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of George Carmen early last week.

Hymns

Gathering CP 592 The Lord is king
Gradual CP 96 Jesus lover of my soul. (Aberystwyth)
Offertory CP 45 Guide me O thou great redeemer
Communion CP 30 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (Hyfrydol)
Final *O the deep, deep love of Jesus – see sheet*

DIARY Ash Wednesday March 6, 9.30 All Saints ,Wick Holy Communion

7.00 Ash Wednesday service, Lyminster

Next Sunday Lyminster 8.00am Communion 11.00 Eucharist

Next week's readings: Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13

Lent Groups begin the week of Monday March 11. We will be following the diocesan Lent course looking at the theme of Vocation. What it means for us to follow Christ. What is God calling us to do?

Monday evening Lyminster Vicarage 7 pm or 7.30 Finish by 9

Wednesday morning. Beginning March 13 March. All Saints, Wick, 10.00 coffee
10.30 – 12 Study

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward to Thy glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore!
How He watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best!
'Tis an ocean full of blessing, 'tis a haven giving rest!
O the deep, deep love of Jesus, 'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee!