

## **COLLECT**

**Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **FIRST READING Genesis 9.8–17**

A reading from the book of Genesis.

8 God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 9 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, 10 and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. 11 I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' 12 God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: 13 I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. 14 When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, 15 I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' 17 God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **Responsorial Psalm Psalm 25.1-10**

**Response: Your paths, O Lord, are love and faithfulness**

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me. 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes. **R** 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths. 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long. **R** 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting. 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord. **R** 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore he teaches sinners in his way. 8 He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his way to the lowly. 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. 10 For your name's sake, O Lord, forgive my sin, for it is great. **R**

## **SECOND READING 1 Peter 3.18–22**

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

18 Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, 19 in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, 20 who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the

building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. 21 And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you – not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

## **GOSPEL Mark 1.9–15**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark  
**Glory to Christ our Saviour**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. 11 And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' 12 And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. 13 He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. 14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, 15 and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Faithful God, in this holy bread you increase our faith and hope and love. Lead us in the path of Christ who is your Word of life. We ask this in his name. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

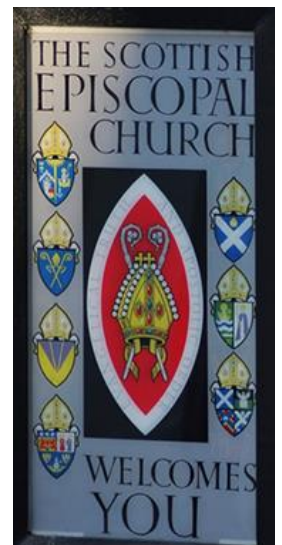
The notices for the week are on the reverse of this sheet

—please take this pewsheet home & pass it onto a friend or neighbour

This sheet is also on our website—let others know how to find it and to follow week by week.

**730pm Tuesdays in Lent is our Regional Study Group**

**7pm Fridays in Lent is Stations of the Cross**





# The Joint Charges of St Johns Johnstone & St Margarets Renfrew

The Scottish Episcopal Church United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway  
St John's Church, Floors Street, Johnstone PA5 8QS St Margaret's Church, Oxford Road, Renfrew PA4 0SJ

**All Sunday services are being streamed live this week**

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Zoom/Telephone is Tel:01314601196 Meeting ID: 832 4184 0407

Passcode: 076546 or use the link on the newsletter or website



## **Worship today—18 February Lent 1**

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist—Curate & Rector

**Music at St Johns: 190—19—(LP 546)—674—433**

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist— Rector

**Music at St Margarets: 190—19—(LP 546)—852—676**

**Monday 19 February**—comm- Martin Luther, 1546

**Tuesday 20 February**—comm- Colman of Lindisfarne, Bishop,

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**730pm Regional Lent Course on zoom CALL of LIFE**

**Wednesday 21 February**—feria

**St Johns 2pm Said Eucharist—Curate**

**St Margarets 7pm Sung Eucharist—Rector**

**Thursday 22 February**—feria

**Friday 23 February**—comm-Polycarp of Smyrna, Bishop and

Martyr, c.156

**7pm Stations of the Cross for Lent** hosted at St Margarets

**Saturday 24 February**—comm- Finan of Lindisfarne, Bishop,

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## **Next Sunday 25 February Lent 2**

0945 St Johns Sung Eucharist—Curate

**Music at St Johns: 104—303—(LP 546)—379—695**

1130am St Margarets Sung Eucharist— Rev Robert

**Music at St Margarets: 195—104—(LP 546)—303—695**

## **Dates for the coming months:-**

**Mothering Sunday 10 March**

**Palm Sunday 24 March**

**Maundy Thursday 28 March** 730pm Last Supper Eucharist

and feet washing and Vigil in St Margarets until 10pm

**Good Friday 29 March** Ecumenical walks to be announced

2pm St Johns "An hour at the Cross"

**Easter Day 31 March**



## **2024 Confirmations at St Margarets**

1130am Sunday 26 May with Bp Kevin—please see Vanessa for details of

the preparation sessions for children and adults.

**Details of Doreen's Funeral will be announced in due course as arrangements are put in place.**

To ask about arrangements for Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms/Christenings, Confessions, House Blessings etc. please contact the Rector

### **Intercessions** The sick and in need we have promised to

**pray for:** David Fowles, Liz Fairns, Pauline Campbell, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, May Burton, Adrian Bull, Isobel Trail, Isabel Cummings, Moira Bruce, Neil Barclay, Veronica Whitelock, Jeanette Farquhar, Emily Parker, Sam Aaron, Andrew Mitchell, Raymond Bruce, Olly Mitchell, Joe Smith, Nan Grimstead, Eric Parker, Brian Angus, Geraldine Revie, Brenda Sproule, Donna Skalley, Kay Cherrie, Ruby Robertson, Judith Thorley, Bishop Kevin, Anna Gatherer, Brenda McEwan, May Robertson, Helen Robertson, Margaret Fry

**The Departed:** Doreen Ward

**Cycle of Prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet**

**Weekly downloads the PEWSHEET, the INTERCESSION SHEET, the GOSPEL REFLECTION from**

[www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk)

The Daily Offices can be followed on the provincial website at <https://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/>



**Zoom Morning Prayer 9am for 20mins**

**Pastoral Assistants Support every week:** please call Wilma 07714 525726, Rev Lisa Curtice 07802 888423 or Rev Robert Chambers 07968 279351

**Gardening Hour at St Johns** Sat 9 March, Sat

13 April, Sat 11 May, Sat 8 June, Sat 13 July, Sat 10 August, Sat 14 September, Sat 12 October & Sat 9 November



**Stations of the Cross for Lent** is at 7pm hosted at St Margarets. We follow the last journey of Christ with his cross and reflect upon its meaning for today. 30-40mins

**Lent Study Group** starts this Tuesday at 730pm on zoom, come along and invite others too.

Using the zoom details above.



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**by 0900 on Wednesdays.**

**Sponsorship: we pray for the repose of the soul of Doreen Ward—deeply mourned, much loved, much missed**

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