



PEW NEWS

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Sunday 21st February – 1st Sunday of Lent

9am – Parish Eucharist – Online

10:30am – Connect - Online

Readings: Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-9;

1 Peter 3:18-end; **Mark 1:9-15**

Sunday 28th February – 2nd Sunday of Lent

9am – Parish Eucharist – Online

10:30am – Connect - Online

Readings: Genesis 71:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-end;

Romans 4:13-end; **Mark 8:8:31-end**

Coming up

Alpha Course – Tuesday 7:30pm – Online

Saturday 27th Feb 7:30pm – Online Quiz

Thought for the Week

Saints,

This past week we have heard about the shocking report of a great evangelist and speaker called Ravi Zacharias through an independent investigation that found he was guilty of sexual misconduct.

It is always hard when a well-known Christian falls into sin, it is also very hard when you have found that they were helpful in your Christian walk of faith, which Ravi was for mine. I had the chance to meet him once and thanked him for what he has done for the Christian faith and for my faith personally.

All the while he was living a double life and the revelation that has come out has rocked the Christian world and the critics are having a field day! As Christians we are called to live a higher standard in our lives, leaving all of our sinful desires behind and to become more Christlike. We can choose to do this with all of our heart or we can choose to live a double life, both will lead to different consequences to us personally and those around us. Which one will you choose today?

Many blessings, Dan.

News and Notices

Online Quiz Night – We will be holding our 2nd online quiz on Saturday 27th February at 7:30pm via Zoom. If you would like to join in with a fun and light hearted quiz then please email greatjamesoutreach@gmail.com

Zoom Coffee after each service – If you would like to join us for a coffee and a catch up after each service then please find the Zoom link in the description box under each video. The times will be:
10am for Parish Communion and Sung Eucharist services.
11:30am for the Connect service.

Books to read – Are you missing not being able to visit the Library? If so, and you would like a book to read, we have various ones available. Please contact Rev Dan or Christine.

Authors include:

Diane Allen, Charlotte Bingham, Dillie Court, Anton Du Beke, Liz Fenwick, Dick Francis, Katie Flynn, Anna Jacobs, Debbie Johnson, Sophie Kinsella, Jill Mansell, Sheila Newberry, Elvi Rhodes, Marcia Willett, Jennifer Worth.

Prayers for those known to us in need of prayer at this time:

Felicity, Cathy & Geoff, Janet, Mary & family, Baby Theo, Doreen & Aubrey. All of our church family who are currently unable to join us in worship.

1st Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Post Communion Collect

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers

Monday – For those in our church family who are isolating.

Tuesday – For all the people in our parish who are in difficulties.

Wednesday – For people who are struggling with the lockdown.

Thursday – For our local schools and the children remotely learning.

Friday – For the vision and the mission of our church.

Saturday – For the vaccination process.

Sunday – For the other churches in Aylesbury.

Every day we will pray at 11am, the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of Oxford have asked us to say Psalm 23 and to pray the Lord's Prayer as part of our prayers.