

19 MARCH 2023

LENT 4 - MOTHERING SUNDAY

11.00am Holy Communion

SERMON SERIES: BORDERS & BELONGING, RUTH 3

With children's activity table SPLASH [Rec to Yr6] ECO YOUTH [Yrs 7-12]

ST BARNABAS CLAPHAM COMMON



CHURCH FOR ALL - INCLUDING YOU

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WORSHIP

COMING UP

05 th	9.30 Family Service	
	11.00 Holy Communion	
12 th	11.00 Morning Worship	

16th 12.15 Taize Prayer & Communion Service
 19th 11.00 Holy Communion, *Mothering Sunday*

26th 9.30 BCP Communion

11.00 All Age Morning Service & Baptism

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Family Service	05 Mar, 9.30am
Film Bible Study [Yrs 10-12]	12 Mar, 10am
Splash [Reception to Yr 6]	12 & 19 Mar, 11am
Grid [Yrs 7 to 10]	12 Mar, 11am
Eco Youth [Yrs 7 to 12]	19 Mar, 11am
All Age Morning Worship	26 Mar, 11am

MIDWEEK

Daily Prayers Monday to Thursday, 12- 1.00pm **Taize Communion** Thursday 16 March, 12.15pm

GROUPS

BARNEY'S TODDLER GROUP

Monday and Wednesday mornings (9.30-11.00) for mums, dads, grand-parents and their little ones.

SENIORS' ACTIVITIES

Lunches: 02 Mar, 16 Mar, 30 Mar at 1pm Thursday Activities: 09 Mar & 23 Mar at 1pm Keep on Moving classes: 07, 14, 21, 28 Mar, 2pm

NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS

Connect people in small groups for support and prayer through the week.

Please speak to any member of staff if you would like more information. Fill in a Welcome Card if you would like to leave your details and one of the clergy will contact you this week.

NOTICES

LENT - BORDERS & BELONGING

This week is the Lent course last session and we will be looking at Ruth 4 and Chapters 7-9 of *Borders & Belonging, studies from the book of Ruth.* Tuesday 7.30pm in the Windrush Room.

FIRST COMMUNION

Children in Yr 3 and above who wish to, will be admitted to communion on Easter Sunday. There will be a preparation session on Sunday 26 March, 2.30 to 4pm. Speak to Richard if you are interested.

ELECTORAL ROLL AND ANNUAL MEETINGS

Our APCM and AGM (Parochial Church and General Meetings) will be on Sunday 23 April. Representatives to the Deanery Synod and Church Council will be elected. We will revise the Church Electoral until 04 April – please see Sandrine to be added.

GARDENING

Victoria and Andrew will be tending to the gardens on Thursday morning – join them for some cutting, weeding and planting.

CARE FOR THE FAMILY: THE HEART OF COMMUNICATION

Last chance to book your ticket if you want to attend this fabulous event with Rob Parsons sharing his 50 years + of experience in public speaking. Book a ticket at cff.org.uk/heartof to *The Heart of Communication*. 22nd March, 7.30pm-10pm, Wimbledon.

SAFEGUARDING

If you have concerns about someone being at risk or causing a risk, please speak in confidence to Sandrine, the Parish Safeguarding Officer. A Safe Church which details safeguarding procedures is available for reference at the back of the worship area.

GIVING TO CHURCH

Your donations enable everything we do. On Sundays, there are two collection plates on your way out, one for cash and one for cards.

For cash, please put your donation in a blue envelope to enable us to claim gift aid on it. For regular giving, or to fill in a regular giving gift aid form, please visit our giving page by clicking on the QR code or speak to Sosy or Sandrine.



*** PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSHEET. THANK YOU ***

THE BIBLE READING Ruth 3 (NRSVA)

3 Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, 'My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. ² Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing-floor. ³ Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing-floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴ When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.' ⁵ She said to her, 'All that you tell me I will do.'

⁶ So she went down to the threshing-floor and did just as her mother-in-law had instructed her. ⁷ When Boaz had eaten and drunk, and he was in a contented mood, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came quietly and uncovered his feet, and lay down. 8 At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and there, lying at his feet, was a woman! 9 He said, 'Who are you?' And she answered, 'I am Ruth, your servant; spread your cloak over your servant, for you are next-of-kin.' 10 He said, 'May you be blessed by the LORD, my daughter; this last instance of your loyalty is better than the first; you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. ¹¹ And now, my daughter, do not be afraid; I will do for you all that you ask, for all the assembly of my people know that you are a worthy woman. 12 But now, though it is true that I am a near kinsman, there is another kinsman more closely related than I. ¹³ Remain this night, and in the morning, if he will act as next-of-kin for you, good; let him do so.

If he is not willing to act as next-of-kin for you, then, as the LORD lives, I will act as next-of-kin for you. Lie down until the morning.'

¹⁴ So she lay at his feet until morning, but got up before one person could recognize another; for he said, 'It must not be known that the woman came to the threshing-floor.' 15 Then he said, 'Bring the cloak you are wearing and hold it out.' So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley, and put it on her back; then he went into the city. ¹⁶ She came to her mother-in-law, who said, 'How did things go with you, my daughter?' Then she told her all that the man had done for her, ¹⁷ saying, 'He gave me these six measures of barley, for he said, "Do not go back to your mother-in-law empty-handed." 18 She replied, 'Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest, but will settle the matter today.'

This is the Word of the Lord:

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

THE COLLECT

God of love,
passionate and strong
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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OPERATIONS

Enabling the church's mission and ministry

WORSHIP & PRAYER

Spiritual growth through active involvement

MISSION & EVANGELISM

Faith in action that makes a difference to others

FINANCE

Investing in God's plan for St Barnabas