

St Francis of Assisi
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Charity No. 1134856
Sunday, 15th March 2020 – Lent 3
8 am Holy Communion at **St Mary's** – Richard Ford
10.45 am Family Communion – Richard Ford

Before the start of the service it's good to prepare in quiet. Please talk to God in prayer at this time rather than to others, or perhaps look at the day's readings and hymns. After the service is the time for conversations with each other and we hope that you will stay then for a cup of tea or coffee.

Collect: Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymns	Readings	Bible	Large Print
461: My Jesus, my Saviour			
45: As the deer pants	Exodus 17: 1 - 7	56	111
310: I heard the voice of Jesus say			
161: Father, hear the prayer we offer	John 4: 5 - 42	864	1662
205: Glorious things of thee are spoken			

Electoral Roll: This is not due to be revised until 2025 but if you would like your name added to this year's roll could you please let Rowena know by the end of today, Sunday 15th, and we will supply the forms. Please let us know also of any changes of address, telephone numbers, email etc. to be updated. This year due to the new GDPR rules we are only allowed to print the names of those on the roll and cannot display any personal details like addresses, telephone numbers etc. These will only be kept by the Electoral Officer but you can view your own personal details on request. Thank You, Rowena Griffiths, Electoral Roll Officer.

Next week it is **Mothering Sunday** and the offertory will be given to support the Mothers' Union and their work in the UK and around the world. Please come prepared to give generously.

Lent Groups this year will be focused on the events of Holy Week, watching and discussing an inspiring film: The Passion – a BBC production from 2008. If you are not already a member of a home group, or if you'll miss a session from a home group, please join a drop in session at St Francis' church:

- 2pm on Tuesdays: 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st March; or
- 12.30pm on Fridays (bring your own lunch; film starts at 1pm): 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th March and 3rd April.

Other alternative groups to join are on Monday evenings (contact Richard Ford - 8289 2432), Thursday mornings (contact Debbie Adams – 8777 7834), or Friday mornings (contact Ken Bryan – 8777 1850).

Bishop's Lent Call: There is information about the various projects which will be supported this year at the back of church with envelopes for your donation. Please Gift Aid if you can, using the Gift aid envelope. Cheques should be made payable to St Francis Church.

St Francis APCM - Sunday 5 April - the APCM will be held following the service on Sunday 5 April and there are vacancies for 3 Deanery Synod Representatives and members of the PCC. If you would like to serve as a Deanery Synod Representative or on the PCC please speak to Hazel or one of the Church Wardens.

Working with Children: we need some more volunteers to join Barbara Goodchild, Helen and Philip Freeman and Barbara Plummer at Messy Church which happens one Friday a month from 3.30 to 5.30 pm at St Mary's. Future dates are April 3rd, May 15th, June 12th, July 10th. If you could help regularly or just occasionally you can find out more from any of the above.

There is an **exhibition** on the 4 ages of women at Bethlem Museum of the Mind and a group will be going on Saturday, 4th April when there is a free talk at 2 pm. We will meet at the gallery at 12.30 pm, or to walk there from St Francis' Church at 12 noon. If you would like to go to the talk, please book via the following link: <https://museumofthemind.org.uk/whats-on/events/hold-me-in-a-circle-of-tender-listening-2pm/2020/04/04> (Hazel O'Sullivan)

"Here Am I": a photography exhibition celebrating 25 years of women's ordination in the Southwark Diocese is now on display in the Arnhem Foyer at The Fairfield Halls, Croydon until 17th April 2020. Open from 10 am – 6 pm daily and until 11 pm when a show is taking place.

Christian Aid Week door to door collection 10th to 16th May 2020: Christian Aid call us together for Climate Justice. We stand with people living in poverty to fight for a more just world. Listen to Rose Jonathan, as she looks over parched land in Kenya, where every last drop of water has dried up. 'Because of the drought...I often feel hungry' Rose fights hunger and thirst every day. Your gift this Christian Aid Week could help her community build a long-lasting source of water so not a single drop is wasted. There is a booklet for Christian Aid Week 2020 at the back of the Church. Please take a copy. (Anita Curtis)

Summertime Lunch Recitals will commence on Thursday, 14th May with a performance of oboe and piano. Further dates: 18th June, 23rd July, 13th August, 27th August and 24th September.

Reading: If you would like to read one of the lessons on a Sunday in April, May or June, please print your name on the list at the back of Church. Thank you, Joan Burford.

Prayer Ministry. If you come with any concerns about your health or have any other needs for which you would like prayer, do speak to one of the ministry team after the service and they would be pleased to pray with you. (Hazel, Richard, John, Rowena, Brian and Lesley).

Pew sheet: Items for the pew sheet by Wednesday morning please: elizabeth_bligh@hotmail.com

	Hazel's day off is Monday
Tuesday	8 am Morning Prayer at St Mary's 2 pm Lent Group (Drop in at St Francis)
Wednesday	9.30 am Morning Prayer 10.45 am Holy Communion
Thursday	9 am Morning Prayer
Friday	9 am Morning Prayer at St Mary's 10 am – 12 noon – Place of Welcome 12.30 – Lent Group (Drop in at St Francis)
Saturday	9 am Quiet Hour 10.30 – 11.30 Action Aid Coffee Morning

Sunday, 22nd March 2020 – Mothering Sunday

8 am Holy Communion – Hilary Fife
10.45 am Family Communion – Hazel O'Sullivan