



St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton

This week's music and notices

Sunday 26th February 2023 - The First of Lent

- 11.15am - Choral Eucharist** in the Nave
4.15pm - Lent Study Group (access by the rear door of the church)
6.30pm - Choral Evensong in the Chancel

The week ahead

*The church will be open for private prayer from 11.00am to 2.00pm from
Monday to Friday*

Tuesday 28th February

10.00am Pebbles - in Church

Wednesday 1st March

- 10.30am Said Eucharist** in St John's in the Square
5.15pm Choral Evensong in the Chancel
7.00pm - Stations of the Cross in St John's in the Square

Thursday 2nd March

10.30am Knit and Natter in St Peter's House

Friday 3rd March

- 12.30pm Said Eucharist (Common Worship)** in the Chancel
1.15pm Lunchtime Live!: Jed Hughes (organ)

Sunday 5th March - The Second of Lent

- 11.15am Choral Eucharist** in the Nave
4.15pm - Lent Study Group (access by the rear door of the church)
6.30pm Choral Evensong in the Chancel

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Choral Eucharist

Musical Setting Messe in G-flat minor - de Lioncourt

Lent Prose

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.

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To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory: lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:

listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.

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Introit Hymn

**1. Forty days and forty nights
Thou wast fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted, and yet undefiled:**

**2. Sunbeams scorching all the day;
Chilly dew-drops nightly shed;
Prowling beasts about thy way;
Stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.**

**3. Shall not we thy sorrows share,
And from earthly joys abstain,
Fasting with unceasing prayer,
Glad with thee to suffer pain?**

**4. And if Satan, vexing sore,
Flesh or spirit should assail,
Thou, his vanquisher before,
Grant we may not faint nor fail.**

**5. So shall we have peace divine;
Holier gladness ours shall be;
Round us too shall angels shine,
Such as ministered to thee.**

**6. Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,
Ever constant by thy side;
That with thee we may appear
At the eternal Eastertide.**

*Tune: Aus der Tiefe (NEH 67)
G. H. Smyttan (1822-1870)
and Francis Pott (1832-1909)*

Collect

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading Romans 5: 12 - 19

Gradual Hymn

**1. Lord Jesus, think on me,
And purge away my sin;
From earthborn passions set me free,
And make me pure within.**

**3. Lord Jesus, think on me,
Amid the battle's strife;
In all my pain and misery
Be thou my health and life.**

**5. Lord Jesus, think on me,
When flows the tempest high:
When on doth rush the enemy,
O Saviour, be thou nigh.**

**2. Lord Jesus, think on me,
With care and woe opprest;
Let me thy loving servant be,
And taste thy promised rest.**

**4. Lord Jesus, think on me,
Nor let me go astray;
Through darkness and perplexity
Point thou the heavenly way.**

**6. Lord Jesus, think on me,
That, when the flood is past,
I may the eternal brightness see,
And share thy joy at last.**

*Tune: Southwell (NEH 70i)
Greek, Synesius of Cyrene (375-430)
Tr A. W. Chatfield (1808-96)*

Gospel

Matthew 4: 1 - 11

Offertory Hymn

**1. Jesu, Lover of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.**

**3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want,
More than all in thee I find:
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name,
I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am,
Thou art full of truth and grace.**

**2. Other refuge have I none,
Hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, ah, leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
All my help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of thy wing.**

**4. Plenteous grace with thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound,
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
Freely let me take of thee,
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity.**

*Tune: Aberystwyth (NEH 383ii)
Charles Wesley (1707-88)*

Post Communion Motet Wash me thoroughly - S. S. Wesley

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you 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.

Final Hymn

**1. God is working his purpose out
as year succeeds to year,
God is working his purpose out
and the time is drawing near;
Nearer and nearer draws the time,
the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with
the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.**

**3. What can we do to work God's
work,
to prosper and increase
The brotherhood of all mankind,
the reign of the Prince of peace?
What can we do to hasten the time,
the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with
the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.**

**5. All we can do is nothing worth
unless God blesses the deed;
Vainly we hope for the harvest-tide
till God gives life to the seed;
Yet nearer and nearer draws the
time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with
the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.**

**2. From utmost east to utmost west
where'er man's foot hath trod,
By the mouth of many messengers
goes forth the voice of God,
'Give ear to me, ye continents,
ye isles, give ear to me,
That the earth may be filled with
the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.'**

**4. March we forth in the strength
of God
with the banner of Christ unfurled,
That the light of the glorious
gospel of truth
may shine throughout the world;
Fight we the fight with sorrow and
sin, to set their captives free,
That the earth may be filled with
the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.**

*Tune: Benson (NEH 495)
A. C. Ainger (1841-1919)*

Organ Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in A Minor, BWV 543 - J. S. Bach

Choral Evensong - 6.30pm

Preces and Responses Sanders

Evening Service in B flat Stanford

Opening Hymn

**1. Father of heaven, whose love
profound
A ransom for our souls hath found,
Before thy throne we sinners bend,
To us thy pardoning love extend.**

**2. Almighty Son, incarnate Word,
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
Before thy throne we sinners bend,
To us thy saving grace extend.**

**3. Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
The soul is raised from sin and death,
Before thy throne we sinners bend,
To us thy quickening power extend.**

**4. Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son;
Mysterious Godhead, three in one,
Before thy throne we sinners bend,
Grace, pardon, life to us extend.**

*Tune: Rievaulx (NEH 358)
Edward Cooper (1770-1833)*

Psalm 50.1-15

Deus deorum

THE Lord, even the most mighty God, hath spoken : and called the world, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof.

2 Out of Sion hath God appeared : in perfect beauty.

3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.

4 He shall call the heaven from above : and the earth, that he may judge his people.

5 Gather my saints together unto me : those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness : for God is Judge himself.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak : I myself will testify against thee, O Israel; for I am God, even thy God.

8 I will not reprove thee because of thy sacrifices, or for thy burnt-offerings : because they were not alway before me.

9 I will take no bullock out of thine house : nor he-goat out of thy folds.

10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine : and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills.

11 I know all the fowls upon the mountains : and the wild beasts of the field are in my sight.

12 If I be hungry, I will not tell thee : for the whole world is mine, and all that is therein.
13 Thinkest thou that I will eat bulls' flesh : and drink the blood of goats?
14 Offer unto God thanksgiving : and pay thy vows unto the most Highest.
15 And call upon me in the time of trouble : so will I hear thee, and thou shalt praise me.

First Lesson Deuteronomy 68: 4 - 9, 16- end

Office Hymn

1. O kind Creator, bow thine ear
To mark the cry, to know the tear
Before thy throne of mercy spent
In this thy holy fast of Lent.

2. Our hearts are open, Lord to thee:
Thou knowest our infirmity;
Pour out on all who seek thy face
Abundance of thy pardoning grace.

3. Our sins are many, this we know;
Spare us, good Lord, thy mercy show;
And for the honour of thy name
Our fainting souls to life reclaim.

4. Give us the self-control that springs
From discipline of outward things,
That fasting inward secretly
The soul may purely dwell with thee.

5. We pray thee, Holy Trinity,
One God, unchanging Unity,
That we from this our abstinence
May reap the fruits of penitence.
Amen.

*Tune: Audi Benigne (NEH 60i)
Latin, ascribed to St Gregory (540-604)
Tr T. A. Lacey (1853-1931)*

Second Lesson Luke 15: 1 - 10

Anthem Call to remembrance - Farrant

Hymn

**1. Be thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me,
Save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought
In the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping,
Thy presence my light.**

**2. Be thou my wisdom,
Be thou my true word,
Be thou ever with me,
And I with thee Lord,
Be thou my great Father,
And I thy true son;
Be thou in me dwelling,
And I with thee one.**

**3. Be thou my breastplate,
My sword for the fight;
Be thou my whole armour,
Be thou my true might;
Be thou my soul's shelter,
Be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me heavenward,
Great Power of my power.**

**4. Riches I heed not,
Nor man's empty praise,
Be thou mine inheritance
Now and always;
Be thou and thou only
The first in my heart:
O Sovereign of heaven,
My treasure thou art.**

**5. High King of heaven,
Thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys,
After vict'ry is won,
Great Heart of my own heart,
Whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision,
O Ruler of all.**

*Tune: Slane (NEH 339)
Irish c. 8th century
Tr Mary Byrne (1880-1931)*

Organ Voluntary Chorale Prelude: "Why does azure deck the sky?" -
Stanford

Wednesday 1st March, 2023 Choral Evensong - 5.15pm

Preces and Responses Disraeli Brown

The Cherubini Service Ian Wicks

Psalm 91
Qui habitat

WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the most High : shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold : my God, in him will I trust.

3 For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter : and from the noisome pestilence.

4 He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers : his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night: nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

6 For the pestilence that walketh in darkness : nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.

7 A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand : but it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold : and see the reward of the ungodly.

9 For thou, Lord, art my hope : thou hast set thine house of defence very high.

10 There shall no evil happen unto thee : neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee : to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 They shall bear thee in their hands : that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder : the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him : I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will hear him : yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour.

16 With long life will I satisfy him : and shew him my salvation.

First Lesson Genesis 11: 1 - 9

Second Lesson Matthew 24: 15 - 28

Anthem Ex ore innocentium - Ireland

Hymn

**1. Be thou my guardian and my guide,
And hear me when I call;
Let not my slippery footsteps slide,
And hold me lest I fall.**

**2. The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
Around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
Thou quickener of the dead.**

**3. And if I tempted am to sin,
And outward things are strong,
Do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
And save my soul from wrong.**

**4. Still let me ever watch and pray,
And feel that I am frail,
That if the tempter cross my way,
Yet he may not prevail.**

*Tune: Abridge (NEH 64)
Isaac Williams (1802-65)*

Notices

Administering Communion

As you approach the altar, please gel your hands.

Move to either side of the altar where you will be offered the consecrated bread. You can then continue on to receive the consecrated wine from the shared chalice or limit your Communion to bread alone. Please remember that Communion in one kind still constitutes full reception.

Please DO NOT dip your bread into the chalice. This is not recommended on fairly obvious health grounds.

If you wish to receive a blessing rather than Communion, please take your service sheet with you.

Return to your seat via the side aisles as usual.

If you would like gluten free bread at Communion, please just ask.

Lent Sunday Study Group

Beginning on Sunday there will be a weekly study group at 4.15pm in St Peter's. Each week we will be looking at one of the women of Holy Week using a study guide written by Paula Gooder. This week it will be Susannah's story.

Stations of the Cross

On Wednesday evenings during Lent, beginning on March 1st, we will be journeying through the Stations of the Cross in St John's Church at 7.00pm. Do please consider making this part of your Lenten discipline.

Ecumenical Lenten Lunches

These popular events will return again this year, beginning on Monday March 6th. The theme will be *Where we stand together*. We will follow the usual format of a simple bread and soup lunch from 12.00 noon, a talk at 12.30pm and time for questions and comments afterwards, before a prompt 1.00pm finish. The plan is:

Monday March 6th - St Peter's - The Rev'd Preb. David Wright

Monday March 13th - SS Peter and Paul - Fr. Sean Gough

Monday March 20th - St Peter's - The Rev'd Linda Gilson

Monday March 27th - SS Peter and Paul - Clare Whitney

Monday April 3rd - St Peter's - The Rev'd Preb Sarah Schofield

A poster with details of the title of each talk will be available soon.

If you can help with the soup on the St Peter's days, please speak to The Rector.

Save the Date - Westminster Abbey - Tuesday 11th April 2023

Our choirs will be singing Evensong in Westminster Abbey on this day. Further details regarding times, travel etc, in due course.

London Marathon Fundraising

Fiona Rendell is taking on the challenge of the London Marathon on April 23rd this year. She is raising money in aid of Compton Care alongside 10 other locals who are taking on the challenge. If you feel you are able to sponsor her in her efforts (and help her through the long winter months of training), please use the link below. She has a target of £500 to raise.

[Fiona Rendell is fundraising for Compton Care Group Ltd \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/fionarendell)

Lisztomania and the Organ - Saturday 25th March

Join Charles Francis in a journey through 19th century virtuoso organ music.

Pre-recital lecture (free) at 3.00pm - St Peter's House

Organ recital (£5) at 5.00pm - St Peter's Collegiate Church

Tickets for the recital are available on the door or pre-book using the QR code



The Chaplaincy Department - University of Wolverhampton

We know that there are lots of asks right now, but our new international students arrived recently to our winter weather. The Chaplaincy is seeking donations of gloves, hats and scarves in addition to our ongoing kitchenware collection. If you can help with either, please drop off at the Chaplaincy on Molineux Street or email [**chaplaincy@wlv.ac.uk**](mailto:chaplaincy@wlv.ac.uk)

Request for Home utensils

We have had a request from a member of our congregation, who has recently moved to the University of Wolverhampton undertaking post graduate studies in Leadership & Management.

She is shortly to be joined by her family and is in need of items for her apartment, specifically; Hoover, microwave, toaster, kettle and duvet.

She is also looking for work to help meet her expenses. If you can help with any of the above items or know of a job opportunity please speak to one of the churchwardens.

Coffee Mornings in the City Centre

Deacon Linda Gilson of Wolverhampton City Centre Ministry has organised a series of coffee mornings at K Teas Cakes, St George's Parade, between 10.00am and 12.00pm on Fridays, all are welcome for coffee, tea..... and conversation.

Friday Lunchtime Recitals

Our Friday recital series continues, and the next recitals are;

3rd March - Jed Hughes (organ)

10th March - Lydia Goodall (soprano)

17th March - Matthew Rose (organ)

24th March - Eryna Kisumba (cello) and Venesca Yapson (piano)

31st March - Angela Sones (organ)

Gift Shop

The Gift Shop has a selection of Mothering Sunday and Mother's Day cards available. There is also a good selection of books for Lent. Please do call in and have a look. New stock is arriving regularly.

Good Shepherd Ministry

In these difficult times, the Good Shepherd's work amongst the homeless and vulnerable in our city is absolutely vital. If you can help with donations of non perishable foodstuffs or toiletries, please either take them directly to the Good Shepherd at 65 Waterloo Road between 8.00am and 2.30pm on weekdays, or bring them to church and we will take them for you.

Bell Ringing

On Sunday afternoon, beginning about 1.00pm, a visiting band of ringers will be attempting a full peal on our bells. That should take between two and three hours, so do listen out for them.

Friends of the Music

If you would like to help us continue our work in producing the choral musicians of the future, please consider either giving us a one-off donation or becoming a Friend. One-off donations can be made directly to our account via the details below, and if you wish to become a member of the Friends of the Music, please complete the form in the leaflets at the back of church and return it to the Parish Office.

Account Name: Friends of St Peter's Church Music

Sort Code: 30-99-83 Account Number: 02010234

Giving

General & Gift Aid Donations

Those who are UK taxpayers and who wish to make a donation are asked to use one of the small white envelopes which can be found by the doors and in the pews. Please ensure that you fill in your details in ink on the front. This will enable HMRC to add 25% to your gift. If you would like to commit yourself to regular giving through our envelope scheme, please ask one of the stewards or churchwardens.

St Peter's welcomes donations via our Just Giving page:
www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stpeterwolverhampton.

Standing Orders

Perhaps the simplest way to give regularly is by Standing Order. Please tell us so that we can do what's necessary to claim Gift Aid. Please email us for our bank details.

Giving by Post

You are most welcome to send regular and one-off donations by posting a cheque (please see address below) but please do not send cash.

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