

St Nicholas, Ingrave

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Sunday 17th March. Lent 2 **9:30am. Holy Communion**

Sidesmen: Lorraine Foskett & Jackie Channa **Reader:** Mary Jane Targett **Intersessions:** David Schacht

Offertory: Barry & Wendy Clarke **Eucharistic Minister:** David Lowe

Sunday School: **Refreshments;** Christine Thropp & Mary Jane targett

Reading: Genesis 15:1-12,17-18 Psalm 27 Luke 13; 31-35

This week:

Tuesday 19th March Wendy's Kitchen 2.00- 4.00pm in the hall

Wednesday 20th March, 10.00am Holy Communion

Lent group 8.00pm, 75 The Meadows.

Sunday 24th March. Lent 3 **9:30am. Holy Communion**

Sidesmen: Beryl White & Wendy Fleming **Reader:** Steve Slocombe **Intersessions:** John Targett

Offertory: Steve & Pat Slocombe **Eucharistic Minister:** Steve Slocombe

Sunday School: **Refreshments;** Christine Hamilton & Kathy Baker

Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-9 Psalm 63:1-9 Luke 13; 1-9

We are praying for: Malcolm Benson, Geoffrey Pimblott, Daniel Shultz, Len Ellaway, Brian Smith, Joyce Block, Alex Mansfield

For those who have died: John. Please pray for John's family and Malcolm

Please inform Pat (810123) about people to add to our prayer list, and let Paul know about any parishioners who would appreciate him visiting.

Hard of hearing: An induction loop is fitted. Please use the setting on your hearing aid.

Taking Communion: All confirmed members of the Church of England, children who have attended our preparation course and baptised visitors who are full members of their own church are invited to take Communion. If you are not a communicant, please come forward for a blessing.

Visitors' Book: If you are a visitor, or new to our church, we warmly welcome you. Please sign our Visitors' Book on the table in the porch.

Foodbank: We urgently need tins of hot meat and instant mash, also tins of meat pies, cold meat (not corned beef), potatoes, rice & sponge puddings and custard; pasta sauce, jams & spreads; sugar; squash; juice; coffee; tomato & brown sauces; washing powder & liquid; kitchen, bathroom & toilet cleaners; toilet rolls; shaving products; shampoo & conditioner; deodorant; shower gel,

Easter is approaching so we would be pleased to receive Easter fare and goodies in the next few weeks.

Church email list for up to date information. To add your address please email rectorspa@btinternet.com

Communion Wine - We would be grateful to receive donations of fortified wine for our Communion Services. QC or other fortified wine is perfect for our usage.

Future Events

Sunrise Service: We are thinking about offering people the opportunity to welcome Our Risen Lord at Sunrise on Easter morning. This is an ancient and traditional service and a really lovely way to start our Easter celebrations. If we have one or two volunteers we can have breakfast together in the hall afterwards. Please let Paul know if you would come to this service.

Lent group: 'Being Christian beyond church' Wednesdays from 13th March to 17th April for 4 weeks (missing 20th March). 8.00pm at 75 The Meadows. All welcome.

First Communion Preparation: Children from the age of 7 years old can receive preparation for their first Holy Communion. If you think your child is ready, or for more information then please speak to Paul. Classes will begin later in the year.

Wendy's Kitchen: Tuesday 19th March, 2.00pm in the Hall, All welcome

Electoral Roll renewal: every six years we have to renew our electoral roll (Church membership) so even if you have previously been on the register you will still need to re-enter your name. To do this forms are available at the back of the Church. Please hand your completed form to Pat Kettle. Lynn Studd, Kirsten McMillan

Singing group: Next meeting Tuesday March 26th 2.00pm in Church. If you enjoy singing come and join us. All welcome.

Bradwell Area Vocations Day: Saturday 23rd March 2019. 9.30am – 3.30pm and includes a lunch -For more information please speak to Paul, attendance confirmation by Friday 22nd February 2019 (hpowney@chelmsford.anglican.org).

We are looking for 2 volunteers to join the refreshments rota for the 5th Sundays. This will only involve doing coffee for 4 Sundays a year, the 3 left for this year would be 30th June, 29th September and 29th December. Please speak to Christine or Paul if you can help.

Today's Readings

Genesis 15:1-12,17-18

15 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. ⁷ Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." ⁸ But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" ⁹ He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰ He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹ And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. ¹² As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. ¹⁷ When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸ On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

Luke 13; 1-9

13 At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ² He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?" ³ No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. ⁴ Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem?" ⁵ No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." ⁶ Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. ⁷ So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' ⁸ He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. ⁹ If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

BASILDON AND THURROCK WOMENS REFUGE

Mother's Day Handbag Appeal



Please spare a thought for Mothers less fortunate than ourselves this Mother's Day by donating an old handbag of yours and pop in a few treats! These can be smellies, sanitary products or make-up.

Any donation part or complete would be gratefully received by Anna Tubby, who will deliver them on Friday 22nd March, ready for Mother's Day on the 31st March!

Any queries, please contact Anna on 07799 417642

Many Thanks

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