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THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

SUNDAY 22nd February

First Sunday of Lent

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<p>TODAY'S SERVICES 8AM: Said Eucharist (Fr Charles) at Church 10AM: Sung Eucharist (Fr Charles) at Church followed by refreshments in the Church hall HYMNS: 67, 383 (ii), 307, 362 (185) 11:30AM: Lent Course in the Choir Vestry</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation Glory and Praise to you, O Christ. We do not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Glory and Praise to you, O Christ.</p>
<p>Motet: Come down, O love divine – <i>Hilary Tadman-Robins</i> (OBFA p46)</p>	<p>Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in D minor – <i>JS Bach</i> (BWV 554)</p>
<p>Birthdays: Sonja Renfrew and Inara Nijkar</p>	<p>Retiring Collection: Rowans Hospice</p>
<p>THIS WEEK'S DIARY</p>	
<p>Monday 23rd February (<i>Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr, c.155</i>) 10AM: Friendship Group (with Bereavement Support) in the Church hall. All are welcome. Contact Eileen on 07355693719 Email smswetland47@gmail.com</p>	<p>Tuesday 24th February 2PM: Knit & Natter Group in the Church hall</p>
<p>Wednesday 25th February (<i>Ember Day</i>) 10AM: Said Eucharist (Rev Sandra) at Church followed by refreshments in the Church hall 10:45AM: Lent Course in the Choir Vestry 12PM: Lent Lunch in the Church hall</p>	<p>Thursday 26th February 7PM: Waterlooville Cinema in the Church hall</p>
<p>Friday 27th February (<i>George Herbert, Priest, Poet, 1633</i>)</p>	<p>Saturday 28th February</p>
<p>Next Sunday (Second Sunday of Lent) 8AM: Said Eucharist (Fr Tyrone) at Church 10AM: Sung Eucharist (Fr Tyrone) at Church followed by refreshments in the Church hall 11:30AM: Lent Course in the Choir Vestry</p>	<p>Readings Next Week Genesis 12.1-4a Psalm 121 Romans 4.1-5,13-17 John 3.1-17</p>

The Liturgical gifts today are given by Dawn Trimby in memory of Baby Jack Inwood whose anniversary falls at this time.

There is no official Sunday School today due to half term. Colouring available in the hall for any children and their carers if helpful.

We have a vacancy for a Hall Manager and Booking Secretary. If anyone is interested please speak to Sarah Canham (Churchwarden).

The Flower Show will be taking place again this year on May 15th, 16th and 17th. The theme is 'the seasons throughout the church year's. Anyone interested in having a display that represents one of the church groups/activities or would like to help out by stewarding please speak to Sarah Canham. We would also be grateful for any donations towards the cost of fresh flowers for the arrangements.

Lent Course: Session 1 of "Draw Near" "Praying" will take place in the Choir Vestry at 11:30 on Sunday and 10:45 on Wednesday

We are going to run an Auction of Promises (date TBC) if you have a skill or promise you could contribute please speak to Sarah (Churchwarden) or Jane Cook or anyone on the Social and Fundraising Committee. (Examples of skills: an hour's cleaning or gardening or a lesson in cake baking or crochet. Examples of promises: make Sunday lunch or a cream tea for 4, or donate a boat trip).

It is planned to have a working party to make more room in the tower. If you have any items in the tower could you please arrange to collect them over the next couple of weeks so we can avoid precious things being accidentally sent to the tip!

Waterlooville Cinema Thursday 26th February in the Church hall - "Downton Abbey - The Grand Finale". Tickets £6 on the door, 7pm.

We have 3 vacancies on the PCC. If you are interested in joining this lively but hard working team, please speak to Jane Cook .

Happy Thinking Day to Scouts & Guides in Waterlooville & worldwide on the 100th anniversary of Scout & Guide World Thinking day.

This year's World Day of Prayer service Friday 6th March, 2pm at St John The Baptist Church, Purbrook with refreshments after. Everyone welcome. (No 8 bus stops nearby, limited parking at the church and additional parking in the car park accessed via Ladybridge Road).

Volunteer needed to help on the tea and coffee rota. If you can help please talk to Richard Spurgeon (Churchwarden).

Heavenly Father, in the abundance of Your love, You have given us more than we could ever comprehend. Today, we come before You with a prayer for a generous heart. Teach us to give freely. Help us to understand that in giving we are reflecting Your image, Your generosity, and Your love. Lord, guide our hearts to see the needs around us, to reach out without hesitation, and to offer what we can. In our giving, remind us that it is more blessed to give than to receive. Let that truth settle deeply within us, stirring us to live generously in all aspects of our life. Amen

<p>Remembering Those Who Need Our Prayers This Week Rosemary Turner, Katie Gibb, Fr Colin, Caroline Magnussen, Margaret Harris, Inara Nijkar, Jeremy, Tom Clarke, Fr Ray Chapman, Steve Cook, Pam Gadd, Audrey Linney, Sheila Hall, Rozzy, John Blake, Anne Bailey, Jim Jones, Johnny Blake, Rebecca Sage & Rosa Miller.</p>	
<p>We Remember Margaret Deal, Shirley Huntley and Beryl Slater who have died recently and Gillian Spurgeon, Jenny Hawkings, Shelley Howes, Douglas Orsmond, Gillian Griffiths, Harry Ross, Violet Nicklen, Baby Jack Inwood, Dennis Herbert, Karen & Pauline Biddlecome and Elsie Argles whose anniversary falls at this time.</p>	