



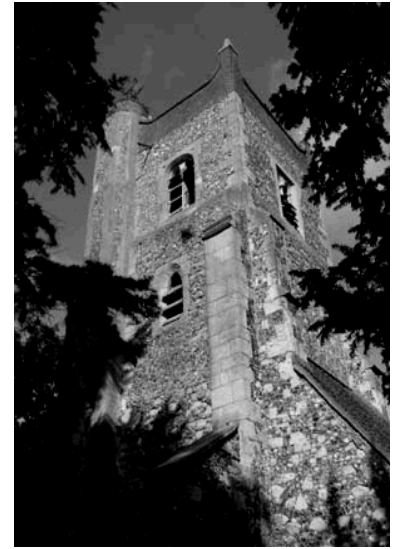
# EWELL PARISH NEWS

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## LENT

This year, the season of Lent begins on 17th February, Ash Wednesday. The word Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon word for Spring, "lencten" meaning "lengthening". At this time of year, in the northern hemisphere at least, the days lengthen as winter recedes and summer draws near. At the same time, the forty days of Lent take us towards the greatest Christian celebration, Easter Day. So nature works together with the church calendar: the lengthening days carry us towards summer, while the days of Lent are our journey towards Easter. So one of the reasons Lent is worth taking seriously, is that proper observance of Lent helps us celebrate the joy of resurrection all the more when Easter morning comes. A proper Lent makes for a better Easter.

There are forty days in Lent, partly modelled on the forty days which Jesus spent fasting in the desert at the beginning of his public ministry. It is primarily a season of preparation, as we've seen, and that means it's a time for reflection, self-denial, and penitence. "Giving something up" is the popular way of observing Lent, and is something much to be encouraged. Jesus, after all, spoke about "when" we fast, rather than "if" we fast. If you are giving something up, you may (or may not!) want to remember that the forty days of Lent don't include the Sundays, as Sundays are never days of fasting.

Along with "giving something up", there are other ways of observing Lent. Many people will opt for a regular discipline of prayer: even something very small, done regularly throughout Lent, will be a valuable spiritual preparation for Easter. Many people also give something extra to charity during Lent, and look

for opportunities to help their neighbours in acts of service. The Lent charity lunches on Wednesdays in our church hall are one way of doing this. For many Christians, Lent is also the time they usually receive the sacrament of reconciliation, also called confession. This is an opportunity to receive a personal absolution, and is open to everyone, whether it's something you have done before or not. Get in touch with the Vicar if you'd like to know more.

A way of observing Lent which has become popular in recent years is that of using the time for studying some aspect of the faith. Our Lent course is provided with this in mind. This year we will be looking at "What is an Anglican?" Anglicanism is very much in the news at the moment, as debates about who should be able to become a bishop, and the Church of England's relations with other church, are the controversies of the day. I thought that some time spent in learning and discussion about our Anglican heritage seemed very appropriate in these circumstances, as each of us seeks to form our own opinion on these questions. Tuesdays evenings from 23rd February, 8 for 8.15 in the Church Hall, all welcome (you don't have to be a regular at St Mary's to come along).

If you can't make the Lent course, or would like something to read on your own, I can recommend two books by Timothy Radcliffe: "What is the point of being a Christian?" and "Why go to Church?"

Both are accessible paperbacks that will generate plenty of food for thought.

***May God give you the grace to keep a holy season of Lent!***

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## The Vicar writes (continued)

### Snow

Some years ago, I enjoyed reading the diaries of an eighteenth century country parson. One of the diary entries read something like this:

*25th December, 1788. Christmas Day. Heavy snow today, so no church.*

I can hardly imagine no church on Christmas day! Things didn't get quite so bad as that at St Mary's this year, but the bad January weather did mean that many people were unable to get to church on one or more Sundays.

It has been good to hear from many parishioners who were unable to get about that their neighbours have helped out with shopping, things that need doing, and so on. I heard that many parishioners who couldn't get to church tuned in to services on the radio and television. Not the same, of course, but very welcome when going out is not an option.

For those who are housebound for a longer period of time, it's worth remembering that I, or someone else authorized by the Bishop, can administer Holy Communion at home to those who live in Ewell and are housebound, and we are very glad to do so. If you, or someone you know, would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please get in touch with the parish office.

I'm glad I've seen Ewell in the snow, as it's strikingly beautiful: but I also rather hope we've had our share of heavy snow, for this year at least!

### In Church in February

Two musical evenings to begin the month: on Saturday 6th at 7.30pm there will be a Piano Duet Recital, played by our Rural Dean, the Revd Stuart Thomas and Lourenco Cesar Finatti in aid of the Mayor of Epsom and Ewell's Charity. The programme will include Schubert, Debussy, Robert Fuchs, and Moszkowski. The next day, Sunday 7th February, our monthly Evensong will take place at 5.30pm. With no sermon, evensong concentrates on prayer and worship, and is a wonderful service to end a Sunday, both meditative and inspiring. (Some of my favourite choral music will be sung on this occasion, including the evensong setting "Dyson in D".)

The following Sunday, 14th February is both the Sunday next before Lent and St Valentine's day. At 11am there will be a special "Valentine Mattins" at which we celebrate especially all the weddings that have taken place at St Mary's. If you know of a couple who were married at St Mary's and might not have heard about this, please do pass the message on!

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 17th February. There will be a said celebration of the Eucharist at noon, and a sung Eucharist at 7pm, either of which is an opportunity to make a good start to Lent. There will be (optional) imposition of ashes at both services, and Holy Communion.

Your friend and Parish Priest  
Russell Dewhurst

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### SUNDAY AT ST MARY'S

#### 0800 HOLY COMMUNION

#### 0930 SUNG EUCHARIST

The Wayfarers and the Sunday School meet in conjunction with this service, and there is a Creche provided in church.

There is coffee in the church hall between the 9.30 and 11 o'clock services on Sunday mornings, to which all are welcome, and especially newcomers and visitors.

#### 1100 MATTINS

(Usually replaced on the third Sunday in each month by a Sung Eucharist using the Book of Common Prayer)

#### 1730 EVENING PRAYER

Usually a simple said service, but sometimes Choral Evensong.

Occasionally there are variations from this pattern; details are given in this paper, on the Notice Board or on the Weekly Notes available on Sundays.

### ON WEEKDAYS

Morning and Evening Prayer are *usually* said at 9 am and 5 pm Mondays-Thursdays, in church. See the Weekly notes or phone ahead to make sure. The Eucharist is celebrated on Tuesdays at 10 am, in the Parish Room (entry through the door on the Church Street side of the Church).

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St Mary's Church is in London Road, Ewell, and the Parish Office is in the Sacristy on the south side of the church.

The Office hours are normally 9.30-12.00 Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri, but please check before visiting as appointments are usually needed.

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# “OH TO BE IN ENGLAND.....”

The road to 10 Downing Street is paved with good intentions which the Devil and other politicians are determined to thwart.

Because of The British Empire and Two World Wars, the White Anglo-Saxon Protestant (WASP) effect still permeates much political life.

Jews, Roman Catholics, Non-Conformists, non-whites, seek to forward their place. In ideological-aware Russia and China they don't get very far; the caste, communal and criminal complications of India and Brazil sideline them; Sunni-Shia battles exclude them in several countries. Only in the 'western democracies' do they get a look-in.

Far from religion being the opiate of the electorate, it is more often the galvaniser, with pollsters, like all middlemen, cashing in on likely outcomes.

In almost all election fever, the key element is overlooked – “A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump”! That “creative minority” identified by Toynbee and exemplified by Churchill, operates a reality that can never be counted (or discounted).

Whatever happens at our General Election this year, the cumulative effect of prayers and actions of a creative minority of Christians, will influence our country's future more sensibly than all the bread and circuses of self-seek-

ers. And here a point. Protestants are very free in any vote. Others, consciously or unconsciously, may glance towards Rome, Jerusalem, Mecca, Delhi. The idea of St. Mary's folk glancing towards Lambeth or Canterbury is hilarious.

Yet the point needs to be made and taken seriously. We do well to remember that Mohandas Gandhi failed to persuade his own people to give up either their caste system or their Muslim-Hindu hatred, expert politician though he was. The complications here are immense but the basic points plain – a Protestant is a free voter.

Which is why the Mother of Parliaments is far too important to be left out of our prayers.

There is not much harm in letting those on the road to 10 Downing St. imagine that they run things. But there would

be great harm if we did not lay it on the line that Simple Honesty for them and their bankers is what will secure our futures.

We already hear the defeated ones – “Ah! If it were only that simple!”

It is that simple. And the creative minority need to say so. Otherwise the yeast will not rise.



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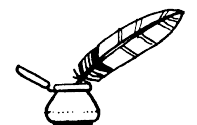
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## THE DEMOLITION OF THE OLD PARISH CHURCH OF EWELL

The two main reasons for building the new church of St. Mary's in Ewell in 1848 were the cost of maintaining the old church (built in about 13th century) and the lack of space for the growing congregation. These two points are clearly brought out in the excerpts from the Vestry minutes of 1769-1866, painstakingly copied out from the original minutes by the late Phyllis Davies, a member of the NAS Documentary Group. In Victorian times families tended to be large and the servants of the wealthy were expected to attend church services, which increased the number of seats required.

*1780* It was decided to build a gallery on the south side of the church. It was built by Henry Kitchen Jnr, a local builder, and it was agreed that he would pay for this work and recoup the cost by selling the extra pews to those parishioners willing to purchase them.

*1810* Alterations were carried out to the chancel and 3/4 inch deal floor laid down.

*1811* It was reported by the churchwardens that repairs to the tower and other parts of the church were needed at a cost not exceeding £20 (About £1,000 in today's money)

*1814* The organist complained that the bellows needed repair and that he would not be able to play the organ unless they were mended speedily.

*1823* The side gallery was rebuilt and the organ gallery and the seats under the gallery were altered. The existing number of 422 seats were augmented by a further 153 seats when this work was completed. A grant of £50 was received from the Society for Promoting the Enlargement of Building of Churches and Chapels and a further £40 was given by three local benefactors - Sir Lewen Powell Glyn gave £20 and Thomas Reid (Ewell Grove) and Thomas Calverley (Ewell Castle) gave £10 each.

*1831* The 4th bell was recast and the 2nd bell was

repaired.

*1832* It was decided to erect a gallery over the Vestry at a cost not exceeding £100 (About £8,000 in today's money). Five wealthy parishioners paid for this work and because of their generosity the extra seats were allotted to their families. The benefactors were Edward Northey, Samuel Farmer, Sir John Rae Reid, William Lempriere and Edward Tyrrell.

In addition to these major works there were a great many minor expenses including cleaning the clock, providing oil for the bells, tuning the organ, supplying candles, painting the church doors, repairing the wall around the churchyard and buying a brush and broom. Some of these expenses would, of course, be incurred in the new church in due time.

In *1847* it was decided at a Vestry meeting that it was necessary to build a new church. The vicar, Sir George Glyn, was prepared to offer an acre of ground on a new site nearby. When the new church was completed the 6 bells were transferred and various furnishings and memorials were also removed into the new building. The tower was allowed to remain to be used as a mortuary chapel. It is now empty, is looked after by a Trust and is opened to the public occasionally. The surveyor employed by Sir George Glyn to examine the old church had been very unimpressed and a Surrey newspaper at the time of the consecration of the new church stated that 'the old church was in a hopeless state of decay.'

The foundation stone of the new church was laid in June *1847* and the consecration service was on 24 August, *1848*. It is clear that the demolition of the old church was a sensible decision, although not all agreed with it at the time, and the people of Ewell are left with an interesting old tower and an attractive church.

*Barbara Abdy*

## VICARS AND VICARAGES IN EWELL

In the latest Epsom & Ewell History & Archaeology Society Occasional Paper (No.49) from Charles Abdy's prolific pen, readers are given the opportunity of sharing the results of his research into the lives of some of the most important personages among the residents of Ewell village - namely, the vicars of the church of St. Mary the Virgin; and the kind of dwellings in which they were accommodated. This gives insight into the kind of men who provided spiritual guidance to the churchgoers of Ewell and the role which they played in the local community.

Extracts from a wide range of documents, including those in local record offices, the parish magazine and personal letters and diaries have been interestingly selected and quoted providing evidence of the sad poverty of a vicar in the 17th century as compared with the apparent wealth of one in the 19th century who funded the building

of the church hall and, on retirement, went on to live in a large house in Betchworth where he kept two carriages, a coachman and three hunters'. Several of these extracts contain very amusing stories.

Illustrations such as two maps of Ewell (1866 and 1894), photographs of the vicarages built in 1884 and 1936 and the sketch map of the area showing the situation of the 'new' vicarage add to the presentation of the text.

This Occasional Paper is clearly going to be a useful reference document as well as a readable study for those who would like to know more about the village in which they live.

Copies of Occasional Paper No.49 are available from Bourne Hall Museum shop.

*Eve Myatt-Price*

## SUGGESTED PRAYERS

"Let me put right before interest. Let me put others before self. Let me put the things of the spirit before the things of the body. Let me put the attainment of noble ends above the enjoyment of present pleasures. Let me put principle above reputation. Let me put Thee before all else."

*John Baillie*

May the strength of God pilot us,  
 May the power of God preserve us,  
 May the wisdom of God instruct us,  
 May the way of God direct us,  
 May the shield of God defend us,  
 May the host of God guard us against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world.

May Christ be with us,  
 Christ before us,  
 Christ in us,  
 Christ over us.

*St Patrick*

O thou who Gamest from above,  
 The pure celestial fire to impart,  
 Kindle a flame of sacred love  
 On the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for thy glory burn  
 With inextinguishable blaze,  
 And trembling to its source return  
 In humble prayer, and fervent praise

*Charles Wesley*

O Holy Child who came to birth  
 To heal the hates of all the earth,  
 Shatter our poor selective care  
 With love for all men everywhere.

*Bremer Hofmeyr*

Lord Jesus Christ  
 Thou wast poor and in misery, a captive and forsaken as I am.  
 Thou knowest all man's distress;  
 Thou abidest with me when all others have deserted me;  
 Thou doest not forget me, but seekest me.  
 Thou wilt that I should know thee and turn to thee.  
 Lord, I hear thy call and follow thee;  
 Do thou help me.

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

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# 1st Ewell Village (St Mary's ) Guides

Wow - what an amazing year we have had! Here is a quick whistlestop tour of 2009.....

We started the year with a Valentine's themed residential at the Old Pheasantry in Kingswood. The girls worked on valentine's crafts and went on a romantic meal and walk on the North Downs, as well as a visit from a strange Polish girl!

We took part in the Epsom Division Guide netball rally in March and both teams did very well, coming third and fourth in their different age groups.

Spring Downs District Funday took place in March at Ewell Castle School, where the girls took part in crafts and activities on a World Book Day theme.

The unit went on their annual Ice Skating trip to the Guildford Spectrum in March and had a great time.

During meetings the girls took their First Aid badge – this included learning how to do CPR on resuscitation dolls. I was very impressed with their commitment to come to meetings during those four weeks. The girls also did a Ready Steady Cook challenge in their patrols with some interesting results!!



The girls also managed to raise £100 for Wateraid as part of Girlguiding's initiative to "Change the World".

During the summer term the girls did the Right to Learn and Walking badges at guides. This involved going for a walk and a scavenger hunt around Ewell Village to see what they could find. The girls also had a Chill Out evening in the middle of exam time, wearing pyjamas to guides and having an opportunity to just chat.

In July some of the girls took part in "Summer Fun at the Campsite" at our local campsite, Little Acres, together with the Brownies and Rainbows. They played a wide game, followed by a barbeque and camp fire sing.

Also in July three teams took part in the Division Scout and Guide Cooking Competition at Charlotte Hill and Holly Burgess's team won – well done!! It's the first time that 1<sup>st</sup> Ewell Village Guides has won this trophy.

The girls supported the Ewell Village Fair again this

year, helping out with our usual range of stalls and raising an impressive amount of money for the church.

We finished the Summer Term with a trip to Charrington Bowl at Tolworth which the girls and leaders thoroughly enjoyed.

Our summer camp this year took place at Park Farm in Banstead with the theme of Pirates of the Caribbean. Twelve girls took part and thoroughly enjoyed themselves



with activities such as back to basics camping, tie dying and a walk on Banstead Common. They also planned, shopped for and cooked their own two course meal in their patrols. We also welcomed Emily Herbert as a lone guide – her grandmother used to run the unit and now lives in Somerset, but still joins us for camps!

In September we kicked off the Girlguiding Centenary in style with a Launch party at Lingfield Racecourse. The theme was all the fun of the fair and the girls had the opportunity to go on fun fair rides, have a go at crafts and other activities and also watched a parade of old uniforms, a campfire and finished off with a spectacular fireworks display!



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In October the fun continued with the Brownie and Guide Adventure Day at Walton Firs where the girls took part in adventurous activities such as climbing and archery. A group of girls also took part in a very wet Mug Tree Challenge in October on Epsom Common.

The highlight of the year was the Big Gig at Wembley Arena! The demand for tickets was so great, Girlguiding would have been able to sell each seat twice over – so we were lucky to get tickets to this amazing concert. We joined with 12<sup>th</sup> Epsom Guides to watch JLS, Alexandra Burke, Pixie Lott, Noisettes, Chipmunk, Alphabeat, Taio Cruz, The Saturdays and Scouting for Girls and everyone had a fantastic time!

Also in October Dorking guides invited us to join them at the Capital Jig in London. We had a great time visiting lots of sites and joining up with guides in four other capital cities in Europe to celebrate the Centenary.

The Guides also took part in Church Parades for Mother's Day, Harvest and Remembrance. We held a dedicated Thinking Day Service in February to celebrate the unit's 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday and lay up our old standard (flag) in the church. A few of the Guides were also privileged to meet the Archbishop of Canterbury when Rev Hanford retired in January this year. We were also invited to meet the new vicar – Russell – and watch his induction into St Mary's in October.

During the autumn term meetings the girls did their "Right to be Me" badge, held an X Factor evening, knitted 209 hats for smoothie bottles and packed 29 shoeboxes with presents for our soldiers! We are now waiting to hear where they have gone to.

On the subject of fundraising – the girls did an excellent job bag packing at Sainsbury's in November - raising £622 for the unit towards the cost of Centenary Events and camping equipment. Well done to those who took part!

We also welcomed Lauren Crick to the team as an Assistant Leader this year and she is currently doing her Adult Leadership Qualification. Lou-Lou Deadman has also joined us as a young leader.

## Looking forward to 2010:

We will be celebrating the Centenary with Division and County Camps at Walton Firs and Foxlease in Hampshire. I am also planning a joint residential to take place at Faurefold with a Dorking Guide Unit in March 2010 – details to come in January! We will also continue to work on the "Adventure 100" badge which also celebrates the Centenary year.

We have five girls that are taking their Baden Powell Challenge Badge (Lizzie, Ruth, Melody, Robyn and Louise) – very good luck to them all!!

## We have said hello this year to:

Emily Barnes, Alicia Bossey, Emma Brash, Georgia Bur-

gess, Jenny Foster, Jasmine Garrod, Gina Gravenell, Helena Lane, Kia Leon, Holly Mumford, Maisy Tyne-Gray, Danielle Wilkinson, Nairne Wilkinson.

## We have said good bye to:

Laura McCormick, Laura Gravenell, Jenny Lavington, Sarah Perks, Ashleigh Burgess, Charlotte Hill (now a Rainbow Young Leader), Amy Evans, Morgan Hawley, Lou-Lou Deadman (now a Guide Young Leader), Maisy Tyne-Gray and Alicia Bossey.

*I would personally like to say on behalf of the girls - a MASSIVE "thank you" to Theresa, Lauren, Becca, Emma, Miki and Lou-Lou for their help, not to mention the Brownie leaders too – Jill, Eloise, Suki, Jo-Ann, Bugs and Tink – I could not have put on all these activities this year without you all!*

Tracey

## RECITALS 2010

St Mary's, Ewell is delighted to announce details of the 2010 series of recitals to be held in church.

- 6 Feb Piano Duet Concert in aid of Mayor of Epsom & Ewell's charity (Rural Dean, Revd Stuart Thomas and Lourenco Cesar Finatti)
- 6 Mar Choir Recital – John Rutter's "Requiem"
- 17 Apr Organ Recital - Jonathan Holmes
- 22 May Choir Recital – Mozart's "Requiem"
- 26 June Organ Recital - Simon Gregory (Emanuel School)
- 10 July Organ Recital - Michael Bonaventure (All Saints, Blackheath)
- 11 Sept Organ Recital - Jonathan Holmes
- 9 Oct Local Schools Concert
- 13 Nov Organ Recital - Charles Andrews (St John's, Hyde Park and Royal College of Music)

We'd be delighted to give you advance information about our musical events here at St Mary's. If you'd like to take us up on our offer, please send us an Email to [events@stmarysewell.com](mailto:events@stmarysewell.com) and we'll add you to our contacts list.

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All recitals are on Saturdays and start at 7.30 pm with the exception of that on 9 October which has a 7.00pm start.

## LENT PROJECT 2010

With so many deserving causes, deciding upon the charity for the Lent Project is always a difficult decision for the External Affairs Committee to make. Last year, contributing to the Bishop of Guildford's Lent Appeal was a choice made with the Diocese's continuing involvement in the interregnum very much in mind. This year we again needed a focus and a need, and that is why we have decided to support Jeel al Amal, the home and school for needy boys in Bethany on the West Bank in Palestine. As a Church we do not directly support designated personnel in the mission field. However, Jeel was identified a number of years ago as a worthy cause for the Parish, and a number of our congregation have been to Bethany to visit and talk to the founders.

Due to administrative problems at Jeel, the funds collected from the Wednesday Coffee Club have not been able to be sent to Jeel for the past two years. In addition we learned recently that Jeel was suffering from a serious financial crisis, having experienced a decline in donations, and they have sent out a Call for Support. We consider this a good cause for the Lent Project, especially as we now have remittance details, and the administrative problems at Jeel seem to have been resolved.

Lent lunches will be arranged in the Church Hall for the 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th of March 2010, and it is hoped many of the congregation will be able to attend. Full details will be published next month, and at the present time we are in need of volunteers to undertake one or possibly two of the lunches on the designated dates. (Do not be dissuaded by the term "lunch"! - it is usually french bread and cheese, soup, followed by tea or coffee). In addition, Alan Anderson, Director of the charity Lazarus Home for girls in Bethany (a sister home to Jeel) will be giving an update presentation about Jeel on Wednesday 10th March at 11.00 am., before the Lent lunch."

JS

## FROM THE PARISH RECORDS

### HOLY BAPTISM

A member of Christ, the child of God  
(BCP Baptism rite)

10 January Amelie Althea Leffler

### FUNERALS

In sure and certain hope (BCP Burial rite)

23 December Donald Jump, aged 80  
29 December David Michael Pearson,  
aged 76  
2010  
15 January Marjorie Agnes Smith,  
aged 90

## LENT COURSE "WHAT IS AN ANGLICAN?"

*Tuesday evenings (23rd February till 23rd March inclusive) at 8.15pm in the Church Hall*

This year's course will be led by the Vicar, the Revd Russell Dewhurst and will include dialogue and debate on "What is an Anglican?"

The news is full of stories about the Anglican Communion: who can be a Bishop, people considering conversion to the Roman Catholic Church because they don't like the direction the Church of England seems to be going, and more. So 2010 seems a good time to look at the question, "What is an Anglican?" We will look at the history, establishment, ecumenical relationships, and the worldwide Anglican Communion, all to help us look at the question of how the Church of England, and the Anglican Communion, make decisions and what effect this has on our Christian lives. Each speaker will give a talk, and there will be plenty of time for questions and discussion.

Coffee will be available from 8.00 pm onwards, we will finish by 9.15.

- 23rd February - The Story of the Church of England: 304 to 2010 - The Vicar
- 2nd March - Establishment of the Church, from Parliament to parish - The Vicar
- 9th March - Sudan and Egypt: Two case studies from the Anglican Communion - The Revd Andrew Wheeler, Diocesan Mission Advisor
- 16th March - Anglicans and Ecumenical Relations - Canon Hugh Wybrew, expert on the Eastern Churches
- 23rd March - How does our Church make decisions? - The Vicar

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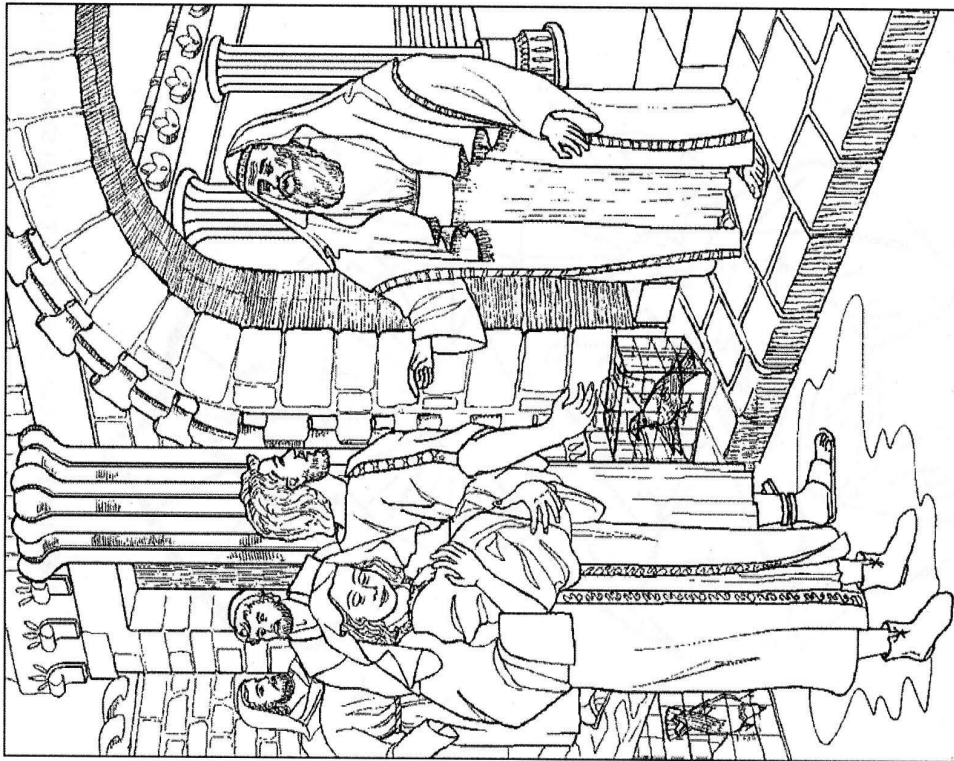
In the presence of Councillor Jan Mason,  
Mayor of Epsom & Ewell

*Refreshments in aid of St Mary's Music Fund*

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# Young Church Mag

31 January 2010, the Fourth Sunday of Epiphany; Luke 2:22-40

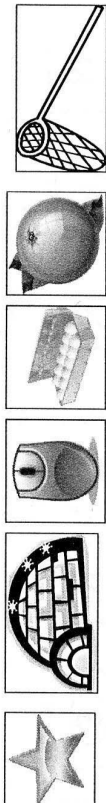


Jesus is presented in the Temple

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Who did they meet at the Temple?

Write the first letter of each picture to find out



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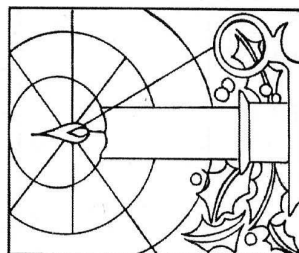
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### Simeon's prayer

Now, Lord, you have kept your promise,  
 And you may let your servant go in peace.  
 With my own eyes I have seen your salvation,  
 Which you have prepared in the presence of all  
 peoples:  
 A light to reveal your will to the Gentiles  
 And bring glory to your people of Israel.



Simeon's prayer, the Nunc Dimittis  
*Nunc Dimittis is Latin and means "now you can go"*

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February 2<sup>nd</sup> is the day that commemorates the Presentation of the baby Jesus in the temple. It is also called Candlemas because it was the day on which all the candles that were going to be used in the church during the coming year were blessed.

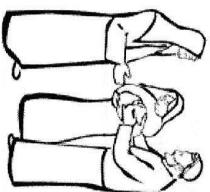
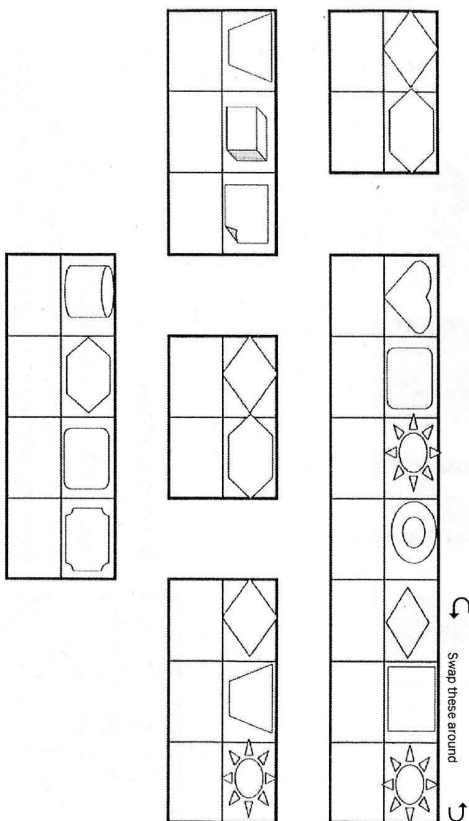
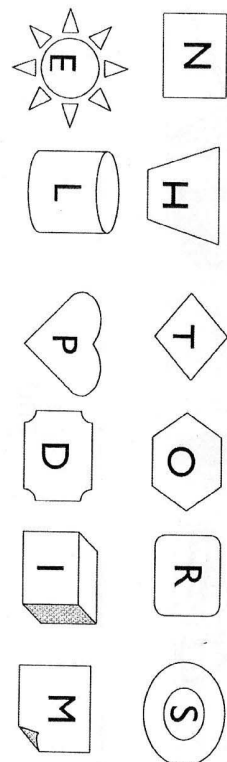
Join the dots from 1 to 17 and see what you get.



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Why did Mary and Joseph take baby Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem?

Fit the shapes into the puzzle below to find out



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# Calendar for February



- M 1 2000 Meeting of Pro Musica in the Parish Room
- T 2 **The Presentation of Christ**  
1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Parish Room
- W 3 2000 Meeting of the Parochial Church Council in the Parish Room
- S 6 1930 Piano Duet Recital
- S 7 **SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1100 Choral Mattins  
1730 Choral Evensong
- T 9 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Parish Room
- S 14 **SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1100 Choral Mattins for Valentines Day  
1730 Evening Prayer
- T 16 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Parish Room
- W 17 **ASH WEDNESDAY**  
1200 Holy Communion  
1900 Sung Eucharist
- S 21 **FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**  
0800 Holy Communion 1662 Rite  
0930 Holy Communion *Congregational*  
1100 Holy Communion 1662 Rite *Congregational*  
1730 Evening Prayer
- M 22 2000 Meeting of the Social Committee
- T 23 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Parish Room  
2015 Lent Course, Church Hall: *The Story of the Church of England: 304 to 2010*
- S 28 **SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1100 Choral Mattins  
1730 Evening Prayer



## COFFEE MORNINGS

**WE MEET EVERY WEDNESDAY  
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**SPECIAL LENT PROJECT  
PRESENTATION**

Alan Anderson, Building Coordinator for Lazarus Girls Home in Bethany, for which we raised £890 in 2009, is coming from Whitley Bay to brief us on Wednesday 10 March. (Please see Lent Project 2010 on page 8)

Tea or coffee will be served from 10.30 - 11.00 when the presentation begins.

DON'T FORGET

# Shrove Saturday

Saturday, 13 February 2010



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