

# THE PARISH OF THAMES

*Welcomes you to*

## ST GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

*Sunday 10th March, 2019*

*First Sunday In Lent*

### **Call to Worship**

Grace and peace to you from God

**God fill you with Truth and Joy**

The Lord be with you

**The Lord bless you**

This is the day which the Lord has made

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it**

**Opening Hymn:** Blessed Are The Pure In Heart

### **Collect For Purity**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known  
and from whom no secrets are hidden, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you  
and worthily praise your Holy Name; through our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.

### **Prayer of Confession**

*Please sit or kneel*

Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said,  
in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.

**We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness:**

**we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.**

**We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.**

**Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake and renew our lives  
to the glory of your name, Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you,  
pardon you and set you free.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal, Amen.

### **Sentence of the Day**

Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.

*Luke 4:8*

### **Collect of the Day**

**Hear us, Jesus Christ, when we ask for help to recognise  
temptation, for honesty to face it, for strength to resist it  
and humility to give God the glory.**

**Hear this prayer for your love's sake.**

**Amen**

**1st Reading:- Old Testament:** Deut 26:1-11

Alan Hartley

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church ... **Thanks be to God**

**Psalm:** 91:1-2, 9-16

1 You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

**2 will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."**

9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place,

**10 no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.**

11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

**12 On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.**

13 You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

**14 Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.**

15 When they call to me, I will answer them; I will rescue them and honour them.

**16 With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.**

***Glorify to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen***

**2nd Reading: - The Epistle/N T:** Rom 10:8b-13

Stephen Williams

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church ... **Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Hymn:** He Came Singing Love

**3rd Reading: The Gospel:** Luke 4:1-13 ... **Praise and glory to God** Diana Maher

This is the Gospel of Christ ... **Praise to Christ, the Word**

**Sermon:**

The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

**Intercessions:**

Denise Norris

Then turn to service page 418 in your NZ prayer book

*(Prayer is available by the High Alter during communion)*

**Offertory Hymn:** Jesus Is Lord

**Closing Hymn:** O Worship The Lord

**Sending Forth:** Go now to love and serve the Lord; go now in peace.

**Amen. We go in the name of Christ.**

## 1 Blessed Are The Pure

Blest are the pure in heart,  
for they shall see our God;  
the secret of the Lord is theirs,  
their soul is Christ's abode.

The Lord, who left the heavens  
our life and peace to bring,  
to dwell in lowliness with men,  
their pattern and their King;

Still to the lowly soul  
He doth Himself impart,  
and for His dwelling and His throne  
chooseth the pure in heart.

Lord, we Thy presence seek;  
may ours this blessing be;  
give us a pure and lowly heart,  
a temple meet for Thee.

*John Keble and others*

*A & M 238*

## 2 He Came Singing Love

He came singing love and He lived singing  
love;  
He died singing love. He arose in silence.  
For the love to go on we must make it our  
song; you and I be the singers.

He came singing faith and He lived singing  
faith;  
He died singing faith. He arose in silence.  
For the faith to go on we must make it our  
song; you and I be the singers.

He came singing hope and He lived  
singing hope; He died singing hope.  
He arose in silence.  
For the hope to go on we must make it  
our song; you and I be the singers.

He came singing peace and He lived  
singing peace;  
He died singing peace. He arose in silence.  
For the peace to go on we must make it  
our song;  
you and I be the singers.

*Colin Gibson*

*AA59*

## 4 O Worship The King

O worship the King all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing of His power and His love:  
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of  
Days,  
Pavilioned in splendour and girded with  
praise

O tell of His might and sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy  
space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds  
form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of the  
storm.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills,  
It descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In You do we trust, nor find You to fail.  
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the  
end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might, unchangeable Love,  
Whom angels delight to worship above!  
Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze,  
In true adoration shall sing to Your praise!

*Robert Grant (1779-1838 Psalm 104)*

*A & M 101*

## 3 Jesus Is Lord!

Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it,  
for by His pow'r each tree and flow'r was  
planned and made.

Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it;  
sun, moon and stars in heaven cry:  
Jesus is Lord!

### Refrain:

Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!  
Praise Him with alleluias, for Jesus is Lord!

Jesus is Lord! Yet from His throne eternal  
in flesh He came to die in pain on Calv'ry's  
tree.

Jesus is Lord! From Him all life proceeding,  
yet gave His life as ransom thus setting us  
free.

Jesus is Lord! O'er sin the mighty conqu'ror,  
from death He rose and all his foes  
shall own His name.

Jesus is Lord! God sends His Holy Spirit  
to show by works of power that  
Jesus is Lord.

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## Ministry Team

**Liturgist:** Sue Lewis-O'Halloran **Server:** Leslie Wilkinson  
**Intercessor/Prayers:** Denise Norris **Organist:** Lynne Mounsey  
**President:** The Rev'd David Cooper **Preacher:** The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson  
**Welcome Team:** Christina Philip, Leslie Wilkinson, Kate Jones  
**Morning Tea:** Denise and Kate

## Parish Community News

**Thank you** to the ladies who provided the pancakes and sumptuous toppings on Shrove Tuesday. It was an evening of good fellowship and everyone seemed to have enjoyed it.

**The first of the 5 messages in the Lent series** given by Rev'd Brendon will begin today titled "Life Without The Holy Spirit."

**Selwyn Group:** Help would be very much appreciated to provide a plate for morning tea on a 5/week roster for this group. Please see either Judy, Robbie or Margaret in the Selwyn Group, or leave details in the Office.

**Financial AGM: 17th March after the service. Please stay on and attend.**

**Classes held in the Church hall:** There are several classes being held each week in the church hall which help to raise finances for the church and are excellent places to attend for exercise and physical wellbeing. Anybody is welcome.

**Aerobics:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30-10:15 and Wednesday evenings 5:30-6:30.

**Yoga:** Tuesday evenings, 5:30-6:30.

**Pilates:** Thursday evenings 5-6.

For further information please contact the Church Office.

## Prayer Needs

*"Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you." Philippians 3:1.*

Please remember to lift before the Throne of Grace our clergy, all our parishioners and especially those who have lost loved ones.

## This week 10th-17th March 2019

**Wed:** Selwyn Group, 9:30-12:00

**Thurs:** Service at 10am Holy Communion (1662), St George's Chapel

## Sunday 17th March

**First Reading:** Gen 15:1-12,17-18

Allan Judd

**Psalm:** 27

**2nd Reading:** Phil 3:17-4:1

Kate Jones

**3rd Reading:** Luke 13:31-35

Paul Jennings

**Presider & Preacher:**

The Rev'd Brendon Wilkinson

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**Server:**

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**Intercessions:**

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**Morning Tea:**

Lynn and Ien

**Welcome Team:**

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