

**PILGRIM COURSE** The course on the Eucharist led by John Fuller, breaks this week for Ash Wednesday and resumes on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at John and Jill Fuller's house. Any queries do phone John on 01747 850079

**SHROVE TUESDAY FEBRUARY 13TH - 6.00 PM** - Pancake Party in the church. As there are no cooking facilities in the church I am looking for people to prepare a batch (about 10) of pancakes in advance. Please sign the notice in church, or let me know if you are able to help in this way. Those attending the party will bring their own fillings. Gill Hunt (853707)

A delightful **opportunity for people living with Dementia** and their carers. Please let anyone living locally with Dementia, and their carers know about the informal Concert which the Mayor is hosting especially for them. Tea will be served and some of the music will be to sing along to, (we know that singing is good for the brain.) The concert will be on Sunday 11th February, at 3 p.m. in the Town Hall. The cost is an optional donation. To book, phone the Town Hall on 852420. We are grateful to the mayor for his kindness. Jill Sellgren.

**WELDMAR SNOWDROP MEMORIAL SERVICE** is on Monday 12 February, Bell Street, 3 pm

**CHRISTIAN AID LENT LUNCHESS IN THE TOWN HALL** - these begin on Friday 16th February from 12 noon until 1.30 p.m. The last one is on Friday 23rd March.

**LENT GROUPS** The list of Lent groups is displayed at the back of the church(es). **It is not too late to sign up to a group but please let Elizabeth know if you wish to do so - 01747 850654 or lizziepreston1@gmail.com** as numbers in some groups are limited. Some groups have been amalgamated to make them more viable. Books will be available at the first session during the week beginning 19th Feb, but if you have given me your address I will try to deliver a copy to you beforehand.

**TEAM SERVICE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY** at Motcombe, 7pm Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February.

**HAROLD JACKSON** is leaving us, for personal reasons, his last Sunday with us will be on February 24<sup>th</sup> and there is a collection being taken for a farewell gift if anyone would like to contribute.

**WHY NOT JOIN THE OTHER 84?** We now have 84 Children's Society home collection boxes in circulation, almost all among members of St Peter's. If you keep the box at home for a year and feed it with some small change we will be able to send well in excess of £1,000 annually to help with the Society's work with disadvantaged children. If you would like to help, please contact either Keith Milburn (852929) or Chris Jones (850791). It's all so easy and contributes so much to a first rate charity.

# THE SHAFTESBURY TEAM

St Peter's Church, Shaftesbury

## Notice Sheet

Worshipping Christ with others, Taking Christ to others,  
Serving Christ in others, Bringing others to Christ



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### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February – Next before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion BCP

9.30am Parish Communion

Readings: 2 Kings 2.1-12 2 Corinthians 4.3-6 Mark 9.2-9

Readers: Sam Skey and Sarah Potts Intercessor: Mindy Bennett

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February – First Sunday of Lent

9.30am Parish Communion

Readings: Genesis 9.8-17 1 Peter 3.18-22 Mark 1.9-15

Readers: David and Margaret Pearson Intercessor: Ann Dennis

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Second Sunday of Lent

9.30am Parish Communion

Readings: Genesis 17.1-7,15,16 Romans 4.13-25 Mark 8.31-38

Readers: Sarah and Gill Hunt Intercessor: David DePledge

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If you are new to St Peter's or visiting today, please make yourself known to one of our team so that we might get to know you better

**The Diary** Please see our calendar on our website [ShaftesburyCofE.org.uk/stpeters](http://ShaftesburyCofE.org.uk/stpeters)

Mon - Fri	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion

### FEBRUARY

Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Funeral of Kathleen Parker
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Pancake Party
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	12noon	Funeral of Marion Purser
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Doughnut Time
Thu 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Little Fishes
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	3.00pm	Baptism Service (Lily Streets)

**Team Office is open Monday – Friday 9.00am - 12.00pm**

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**Please email items for the notice sheet to the office by 12noon Thursday**

## Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## First Reading 2 Kings 2.1-12

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.'

Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.'

Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

## Second Reading 2 Corinthians 4.3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus

Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

## Gospel Reading Mark 9.2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

## Post Communion Prayer

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**For the sick:** Janet Grant, Derek Brown; for all residents in our local care and nursing homes and for the staff there who care for them.

**For those who have died.** Marion Purser. Kathleen Parker.

**For our community.**

**For the world:** For all places where there is conflict and in particular for Syria, Turkey, Iraq, and the Middle East for peace and concern for all people.

**For the Contact of St Peter's & St James' Churches** with the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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