

Lent Lunches

Simple soup, bread and cheese with a donation plate.
A big Thank You to Bridget and Stuart for their kind hospitality, and to Harriet Reed for sharing her experience of humanitarian aid in Northern France.



Next lunch: Tues 24 March 12.30

at Frederick House Graffham

Amanda Bronkhorst to speak about her charity 'Just One Tree'. Please telephone Ann Brown

on 01798 867561 if you would like to come.



FOODBANK—PLASE READ

Time & again over the past decade, food banks across the UK have stepped up to protect people on the lowest incomes in our communities. But with the spread of coronavirus...it is possible that food banks will face increased demand as people lose income, at the same time as food donations drop or staff and volunteers are unavailable, due to measures rightly put in place to slow the spread of infection. All of this comes when food banks are already dealing with a record level of need for emergency food. We're working with our network on how best to support people as the situation unfolds. Wherever possible, food banks will continue to provide the lifeline of emergency food to people unable to afford the essentials and we encourage the public to continue donating after checking with their local food bank what items are most needed."

Emma Revie Chief Exec. Trussell Trust

THIS AGILE SHEET IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE HOMEPAGE OF OUR WEBSITE

www.stgilesgraffham.org

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...Agile at St Giles

St Giles' Church and All Saints' Chapel Graffham

SUNDAY 15 MARCH 2020 LENT 3

PARISH EUCHARIST 10.30am

President and Preacher: Revd Vivien Turner

Taize at All Saints Chapel 6pm



IMPORTANT NOTICES CONCERNING CORONAVIRUS

Our church is placing the highest priority on safety to retain confidence that the church is as safe as possible during the present time to continue to worship in confidence here.

The following measures have been taken to enable this.

Following current advice, we ask you to wash your hands with soap and hot water before and after attending church.

THANK YOU for your co-operation in collecting your own hymn

books, service booklets and Agile sheets and making any offering you wish via the collection plate **on entry to church**.

NB The text of service booklets and the Agile sheet is available on our website early each Sunday morning if you prefer to download your own. Handshaking is discontinued at the

exchange of peace and Holy Communion to be received in one kind only, still considered a full participation in this sacrament.

Please **remain standing** at the communion rail for this.

We ask you to return your hymn books etc to the bookshelf at the end of the service. No refreshments will be served after the service for the time being.

Please pray regularly for all those affected by coronavirus Covid 19, all healthcare professionals and those in authority making difficult decisions, in this country and abroad.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 17 March Pilgrims Lent course 10am

Weds 18 March Morning Prayer All Saints Chapel 9.30am

& PCC meeting Rectory 7pm

Thurs 19 March

Baptism & Confirmation Group 7.30pm

Saturday 21 March Tea in the Cathedral

4.30pm & Choral Evensong 5.30pm with prayers

for our parish.



NEXT SUNDAY 22 March St Giles Church Lent 4

Parish Eucharist for Mothering Sunday 10.30am

Evensong at All Saints Chapel 6pm

LOOKING AHEAD

Tues 24 March Lent Lunch Frederick House Graffham 12.30

Sunday 31 March Annual Vestry Meeting & APCM 11.30am

following 10.30am Parish Eucharist



Please bring crisp packets & milk bottle tops to church for Midhurst Brownies & Chestnut Tree Hospice & food for Petworth Food Bank. We are also collecting **old mobile phones**

(without SIM cards) for refugees. Please wrap and post through the Rectory door.



Visit to the Stations of the Cross at Wintershall
Mon 6 April am.

During Holy Week We are planning to visit the Wintershall Estate to follow the Stations of the Cross there.

Please let Revd Vivien know if you are interested in participating in this visit. All welcome.

PSALM 46

**God is our refuge and strength,
A very present help in trouble.**

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
And though the mountains tremble in the heart of the sea;

**Though the waters rage and swell,
And though the mountains quake at the towering seas.**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
The holy place of the dwelling of the Most High.

**God is in the midst of her;
Therefore shall she not be removed;
God shall help her at the break of day.**

The nations are in uproar and the kingdoms are shaken,
But God utters his voice and the earth shall melt away.

**The Lord of hosts is with us;
The God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

Come and behold the works of the Lord,
What destruction he has wrought upon the earth.

**He makes wars to cease in all the world;
He shatters the bow and snaps the spear
And burns the chariots in the fire.**

'Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth.'

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WARNING: Do not leave valuables in your car during services