

**HT 9.00am Early Service at Holy Trinity**

**SJ 9.30am Parish Eucharist at St John's**

*Hymn Numbers* 145, 172, 124

**HT 10.00am Parish Eucharist at Holy Trinity**

**CC 11.15am Parish Eucharist at Christ Church**

*Hymn Numbers* 190, 343, 221, 150, 165

**SJ 6.00pm Evening Service in Lent: *Silence and Presence*  
at St John's**

**Collect for the First Sunday of Lent:**

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,  
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:  
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;  
and, as you know our weakness,  
so may we know your power to save;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

If you wish to follow them, the set Bible readings for today are Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5: 12-19; Matthew 4: 1-11

**Mission Statement**

**Faithful** to God ~ **Sharing** with those in need ~ **Caring** for one another

# The Week Ahead

**Monday 23 February** – *Polycarp, bishop, martyr, c. 155*

10.45am – 1pm Mencap Café at Holy Trinity

**Tuesday 24 February**

9.45am T3 (Trinity, Tots & Toys) at Holy Trinity

**Wednesday 25 February**

9.45am Eucharist at St John's

10.30am Lent Group at St John's

10.45am – 1pm Mencap Café at Holy Trinity

4.00pm Prayer Group at Christ Church

6.00pm Meditation Group at Christ Church

**Thursday 26 February**

12.15pm Eucharist at Holy Trinity

12.45pm Lent Lunch at Holy Trinity

7.30pm Lent Group at Holy Trinity

**Friday 27 February** – *George Herbert, priest, poet, 1633*

**Saturday 28 February**

**Sunday 1 March – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion at Christ Church

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St John's

10.00am All Age Eucharist with Healing at Holy Trinity

11.15am All Age Eucharist at Christ Church

6.00pm Evening Service in Lent: *Darkness* at St John's

7.30pm God in the Pub at The Sultan, Norman Road

**Eco-Friendly Tip:** Invest in reusable boxes for food storage instead of using cling-film or foil.

## Notices

**All** We extend our **warmest congratulations** to Mary and Kai on their recent engagement. Please continue to hold them in your prayers as they enter this next stage of their life together.

**All** We keep **Nequela Whittaker** in our prayers as she begins her youth work in both the Wimbledon and Merton Priory Teams this month.

**All** The next **God in the Pub** is on Sunday 1 March at 7.30pm in The Sultan. Mary will lead the discussion on “What is Trauma? How can we be a trauma-informed church?” – all welcome.

**All** Many thanks to all who came to **the panto** – we had over 250 seeing the show. The money raised will support LEAH ([www.leah.org.uk](http://www.leah.org.uk)). We’re already planning next year’s show – if you’d like to be involved speak to Ann Roberts, Bruce Warman or email [mp3players@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mp3players@hotmail.co.uk)

**All Confirmation:** calling any secondary-age children and adults who might be interested in exploring this next step in their faith this year. Have a chat to Mark or Mary to find out more.

**All** Please keep the **recruitment process** to find our new Team Vicar for Christ Church in your prayers. The prospective candidate will be interviewed on 26 Feb. Please pray for all those involved in the interview and for the candidate. Please also pray for the continuation of ministry at St John’s as Mission Action Plan options are explored.

**All Lent** - there are sign-up sheets in the churches for this year's study groups – Wednesday 10.30am / Thursday 7.30pm. Both groups will be using ‘Dancing to the Heartbeat of God’ by the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally.

**All** There will be **Lent lunches** on Thursdays at Holy Trinity, following the 12.15 Eucharist; do sign up at Holy Trinity if you can make the soup one week.

**All Spiritual Conversation** – if you would like to talk about faith, prayer life and your spiritual journey or you have any questions about God and Christianity, please reach out to Mark ([rector@ht-sw.org.uk](mailto:rector@ht-sw.org.uk)) or Mary ([curate@ht-sw.org.uk](mailto:curate@ht-sw.org.uk)).

**All** If you would like to make a **confession**, please ask Mark. He can also direct you to the right person if you wish to make confession outside of the parish.

**All** The **World Day of Prayer** takes place on Friday 6 March. In Merton, a service prepared by the Women of Nigeria will take place at St John Fisher Church, 207 Cannon Hill Lane SW20 9DB (Bus 164 to St James’ Church) at 10.30am. Refreshments will be available after the service to which all are welcome.

**AI** Bishop Christopher has written to Parishes (<https://tinyurl.com/mu4kcdda>) after the latest **House of Bishops' message confirming a pause on LLF** till a new Synod, when proposals for clergy in same-sex civil marriages and for standalone services of blessing will be brought forward again. Bishop Christopher is showing a way forward for Southwark continuing to be a place of welcome, safety and good pastoral care, things we want to be too.

**AI** **Bishop Martin** has sent a Lent letter (on display in all the churches and in the eNotices) in which he asks what do we need to recommit ourselves to at this present moment? He also commends Joshua Rey's book – *A Season of Silence: Deep Listening in a Noisy World* – as his Lent book. More information about the book can be found at [www.seasonofsilence.org](http://www.seasonofsilence.org)

**AI** We have received a letter from Bishop Christopher thanking us for our continued generosity to the **Parish Support Fund (PSF)**. For more info about the PSF, please look here: <https://southwark.anglican.org/giving/parish-support-fund/>

**AI** On 7 March, the Academy Choir Wimbledon along with the Academy Baroque Players are performing **Magnificat: settings by JS Bach, CPE Bach and Buxtehude** – 7pm at St John's Spencer Hill. tickets are £35/£25/£20 (£5 for U18 & students) and can be purchased from [www.academychoirwimbledon.co.uk](http://www.academychoirwimbledon.co.uk).

## Merton Priory Team Ministry

Christ Church Colliers Wood, Holy Trinity & St Peter South Wimbledon, & St John the Divine Merton  
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