

**St Andrew's Church, Ferring**  
**The Fifth Sunday of Lent - 18th March 2018**



8.00am Holy Communion.

9.30am Family Service

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## Collect

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Hymns

- 507 Meekness and Majesty  
364 It is a thing most wonderful  
327 I cannot tell  
174 Father of Heaven, whose love profound  
747 There's a wideness in God's mercy

## Readings

Jeremiah 31.31-35

Hebrews 5.5-10

John 12.20-33

**Readers:** 8.00am Mary Fitcher. 9.30am Anne Gore.

**Intercessor** at 9.30am Roger Stevens.

## Traidcraft

I have a few Fair Trade Easter Eggs left, so if you would like one, please see me after today's Service. Anne



## **Please include those who are unwell in your prayers**

Val Baker, Barbara, Joan Carriett, Marilyn Catterill, Peter Chapman, Connor, Darcy and her family, Rosie Geddes, Alison Gompertz, Nick Keenan, Ken Lumley, Pam Masterman, Jim Menary, Dawn Nutley, Jack Oliver, Mike Tanner, Bob Tyson, Betty Watts and Jo Young.

## **And pray for those who have died and those who mourn**

Josephine Sharp, Ruby Ross, Margaret Birchall, Celia Snell and Chase Johnstone.

"Unless a kernel of wheat falls  
to the ground and dies,  
it remains only a single seed.

## GOSPEL

John 12.20-33



But if it dies, it produces  
many seeds." (John 12:24, NIV)

20 Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup>Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

27 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' <sup>29</sup>The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people\* to myself.' <sup>33</sup>He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

## CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation is the rite by which individuals take on for themselves the promises made on their behalves by parents and godparents at their baptism. They confirm that they are Christians, and the Bishop confirms the blessings of the Holy Spirit. Classes will begin after Easter. If you are interested, please have a word with the vicar. Confirmation date: 17th June, 6.00pm at St Matthew's, Worthing.

# Diary for week 19th to 25th March 2018

## Monday

11.45am PCC in the Church Centre.

## Wednesday

8.00am Holy Communion.

12.30pm Lunch Club

## Thursday

10.30am Holy Communion.

## Sunday 25th March - Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Communion, starting at the Little Twitten.



*Please send copy for next Pew sheet to Julia Ball by 10.00am Wednesday. Thank you.*

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