



The old English word 'Lenten' describes the lengthening of the days at this time of year. As they lengthen, nature is renewed and plants grow. For us too Lent can be a time for spiritual growth and renewal. Make time for personal prayer or Bible reading on your own. Look at the cross above. It's shaped like a maze. It's a maze with no dead ends to catch you out, but it does take some determination to reach the true cross at the centre!

Lent starts on **Ash Wednesday, Feb 22nd** with a short Eucharist at 12.30 pm at St Mary's and a Sung Eucharist at 8 pm at All Saints'. Both will contain the traditional 'imposition of ashes'.

The Parish of Putney offers daily opportunities to strengthen your relationship with God throughout Lent and in both churches.

All Saints' Daily morning prayer 9.15-9.40am A quiet and peaceful way to start the day

St Mary's: Wednesday: Eucharist at 12.30—12.55pm.

All Saints': Wednesday: 29th Feb, 7th, 14th & 21st March Contemplative Eucharist 8.30 pm

This service is designed for those who want some quiet and contemplative time at the end of the day. Lasting for 45 minutes, the Eucharist will be informal, quiet and prayerful with a short led meditation.

All Saints': 10.00am Thursday. Parent, Carer and Toddler Holy Communion followed by Playgroup.

During Lent this informal Communion service is followed by an opportunity for those who wish, to meet together and think. This year we will be using a series of short films to help us consider our journey through life and faith. There will be refreshments and snacks. All are welcome.

Led Meditation and Compline (Night Prayer) in the St Mary's Godly Play room: Thursdays 8.30-9.30pm: 1st - 29th .March. Our perspectives on the temptations of Jesus in the Wilderness. The meditations can also be done in your own time & will be on the web-site. Some hard copies will be available in each Church.



PUTNEY LENT BOOK

'The Barefoot Disciple'

by Stephen Cherry



"it is those with a humble attitude to life who will not be as damaged by failure as those arrogant enough to believe that they are invincible."

The subject of 'The Barefoot Disciple' is humility - Even to presume to talk about humility seems a little arrogant. And yet, in our very avoidance of the subject, in our dance of 'I won't presume' and 'don't look at me', we betray a deep misunderstanding of what humility really is. Humility is not the same thing as humiliation; in fact, humility is something deeply to be desired. How is it possible for us to grow in humility? Stephen Cherry approaches that question by challenging some of our preconceptions about humility. He shows us that humility helps us to achieve more because it helps us be resilient and bounce back to try again after a setback

'The Barefoot Disciple' is a book that contains surprises - it doesn't tell you the same old things you expect to hear about humility, instead it guides the reader to look at a too-often-disregarded virtue in a new way. Reading it won't make you humble, but it will help you find ways to open up your heart and your life to make a space for a different way of thinking.

Lent Book group discussion groups.

A limited number of the book will be available at church & at some of the group meetings at a cost of £6.99 per copy; it is also available on Amazon at £6.99.

3 Opportunities to meet together informally to discuss 'The Barefoot Disciple'
Always with refreshments and snacks.

Tuesday 7.30-9pm Feb 28th 3 Wharf Terrace, (On Deodar Road) SW15 2JZ

Tuesdays 7.30-9pm Mar 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th 115 Felsham Road, SW15 1BA

Sundays at St Mary's 11.15-12.15 pm, Feb 26th, 4th, 11th & 18th March.

An informal chance to discuss the book over coffee following the main Sunday Eucharist in the Library.

Mondays: February 27th, March 5th, 19th, March at
'Theology in the Pub' 8pm The Bricklayers' Arms
Mondays 12th & 26th March Discussion of the Sunday Caritas Sermon.

Visiting Preachers on a Sunday in Lent.

St Mary's Caritas preaching series on 'the poorest he that is in England has a life to live as the greatest he'.

11th March: 6.00pm Caritas. The Rt Hon Frank Field MP
Poverty and Life chances for children

25th March: 6.00pm Caritas. Sir Peter Bottomley MP.
Faith and families. Faith in families.

All Saints'

4th March. 10.30 All Saints' The Rev'd Alison Warner.
Conflict in Zimbabwe

11th March 10.30 All Saints' Dr Richard Ghail .
Conflict between science and religion.

The Lent Discussions:

Churches Together in Putney & Roehampton—Thursday evenings in Lent, venues and timings TBC.

Lent Lunches: *To help raise funds for The Bishops Lent Appeal*

All Saints: Sunday March 11th

Early Spring BBQ with Bacon Butties and Hot Chocolate.

St Mary's: Sunday March 25th

Hot Dogs and a Hearty Soup.

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Both after the main morning service. For further details see the church notice board or web site.



The Parish of Putney



Holy Week.

Palm Sunday April 1st: 10.00am Gather at **All Saints'** for the procession with Donkey and Palms to **St Mary's** for the **Palm Sunday Eucharist at 10.30am**

7.00pm. All Saints' Music and readings for Palm Sunday and Passiontide.

This beautiful act of Worship will include a selection of music and dramatic readings for the season. The Radio 4 People's Passion will be sung alongside Churches and choirs up and down the land.

Monday April 2nd
8pm

Compline with short address: **All Saints'**

Tuesday April 3rd
8pm

Compline with short address: **All Saints'**

Wednesday April 4th
8pm

Stations of the Cross: **St Mary's**

Maundy Thursday April 5th
8pm

Traditional Sung Eucharist Maundy Thursday
With foot washing and watch until Midnight
The choir will sing the Eucharist. **All Saints'**

Good Friday. April 6th
12pm
4pm

The Liturgy of the Cross: **St Mary's**
Children's Service for Good Friday: **St Mary's**

Holy Saturday April 7th
10.30

Building the Easter Garden: **All Saints'**

Easter Day April 8th
5.30am

The Mass of Easter Dawn and the lighting of the Easter fire: **St Mary's** followed by Breakfast

8.30 am
10.00am
10.30am

BCP Holy Communion **All Saints'**
All Age Communion for Easter Day: **St Mary's**
All Age Communion for Easter Day: **All Saints'**