



BROMLEY AND SHEPPARD'S COLLEGES WEEKLY HERALD



7 FEBRUARY 2021

2ND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Fantasy is a necessary ingredient in living; it's a way of looking at life through the wrong end of a telescope.

Dr Seuss



Weekly diary

When	Service	President	Reader	Intercessor
Sun 7 Feb	10am	Valerie Pearce	Andrew Grant	David Darling

Please follow communion protocols – there is a laminated sheet for ministers. We hold each other in our prayers: worshipping online, in person or quietly alone. Please bring Picture above to service.

Chaplain's notes

Books for Sale

Dorothy Nicholson (17) has offered to organise the sale of books. All we need to do is give our books to her and she will do the rest! They do not have to be pristine but better to be unmarked. It may be a way to raise money for the Colleges, but certainly a great way to make space on the bookcase – for more books.....!



The final tableau marks the end of Christmas. The infant Christ is brought to the Temple at Candlemas. The moveable crib will rest now until Holy Week! The tree has gone, but the quad lights will stay to cheer up the dark days of Winter!

TQM

The Trustees' Quarterly Meeting was held on Thursday 4 February. Collegians will be receiving a summary of key points.

Cecil

A big thank you to everyone who has prayed, sent cards, gifts and offered practical help. Cecil is recovering well, and we are very grateful for all the support. Best wishes, Janet

Great Big Art Exhibition

A nationwide people's art project! The idea came from Firstsite, a visual arts organisation in Colchester, Essex, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary.



“The doors to our collections and galleries might be shut but our imaginations are forever open. Making, showing, and experiencing art has created so much joy, connection and solace for many thousands of people,” Sally Shaw – Firstsite – the organisers. Sonia Boyce (featured) follows Anthony Gormley and “dogs”. Her theme is “Portraits”. Remember – anything goes!

Ivy clearance



Essential stripping by our resident super-clearance expert! Walls are being rescued from Ivy encroachment. But don't worry, there is plenty of Winter feeding and habitats left for our wildlife.

Trustees

Over the next few weeks, the Trustees will be setting up Zoom calls with you. A leaflet will go out next week for your bookings!

Be colourful, be patient, be safe! Chaplain

Covid lockdown

Most Collegians have been vaccinated with the first dose and the smell of freedom is in the air!

As the days get longer and the air warms up we are looking forward to socially distanced coffee on the quad lawns.

HANDS	Wash hands regularly and for 20 seconds.
FACE	Wear face covering inside. Open windows!
SPACE	Keep 2m apart or 1m with face-covering and ventilation

Vehicular access BR1 1PG

Vehicular access postcode for guests and delivery people.

Fire alarm testing

Monday mornings – the 1st and 3rd of the month – at 10am. Please do not evacuate the building unless the alarm goes on for more than 30 seconds. If it does the threat is real – so evacuate!

Foodbank

Is now open and ready to receive your contributions!

Prayer for the Nation – 6pm daily in February

Gracious God,
as we remember before you the thousands who have died,
surround us and all who mourn with your strong compassion.
Be gentle with us in our grief,
protect us from despair,
and give us grace to persevere
and face the future with hope
in Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

Resources here:

www.churchofengland.org/resources/prayer-nation



Brandy's Big Birthday
cards. THANK YOU!

2nd Sunday Before Lent

Collect

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever. **Amen**

Scripture

Proverbs 8.1:22-31

Colossians 1:15-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Psalm 104.26-end

John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayer list

Anglican Cycle	The Anglican Church of Burundi
Rochester cycle	Mpwapwa, Tanzania Diocese of Mpwapwa: The Rt Rev Jacob Chimeledya, Bishop
College	Paula Dudley
Community	The Royal School of Church Music Music Therapists
Collegians who have moved away	David and Diane Cossar, Frank and Yvonne Gough, Charles Potter, Pam Dawson, Sarah Grove John and Joyce Ilson, Mary Watts, and Ken Hewitt
Those who are sick or have asked us to pray	Jenny Balmer, June Dakin, Ron Emmett, Charlotte Gould, John Harris, Cecil Heatley (recuperating), Geoffrey Howard, Stuart Leck, Margaret Mankey, Nigel McDougall, Aaron Roddan, Vic Shaw, Anne Townsend, Jo Walton, Liz Whiting, Julian White, Matthew Coxen
Years Mind Anniversary	Robert Crane, Raymond Lewis, Norah Brown and Paul Hardy
Those who have died	Sister Frances CSC and Mary Roberts

Please ask for copy of complete prayer booklet. Please let Jo or the Chaplain know when to take someone off the prayer list.