

COLLECT

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Exodus 24.12-18

A reading from the book of Exodus.

12 The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' 13 So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. 14 To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.' 15 Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. 16 The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. 17 Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. 18 Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

This is the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

PSALM Psalm 2



Response: The Lord is the strength of his people, a safe refuge for his anointed

Why are the nations in tumult, and why do the peoples devise a vain plot? The kings of the earth rise up, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against his anointed: "Let us break their bonds asunder and cast away their cords from us." **Response**

He who dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn; the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak to them in his wrath and terrify them in his fury: "Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion." **Response** I will proclaim the decree of the Lord; he said to me: "You are my Son; this day have I begotten you. "Ask of me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession. "You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel." **Response**

Now therefore be wise, O kings; be prudent, you judges of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear, and with trembling kiss his feet, lest he be angry and you perish from the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Happy are all they who take refuge in him. **Response**

SECOND READING 2 Peter 1.16-21

A reading from the second letter of Peter.

16 We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. 17 For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' 18 We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. 19 So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. 20 First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, 21 because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

This is the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

GOSPEL Matthew 17:1-9

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

GLORY TO YOU O LORD

1 Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. 2 And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. 3 Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. 4 Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here,

one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' 5 While he was still speaking, sudden-

ly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' 6 When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. 7 But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' 8 And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

This is the gospel of the Lord. **PRAISE TO YOU O CHRIST**

POST COMMUNION

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**



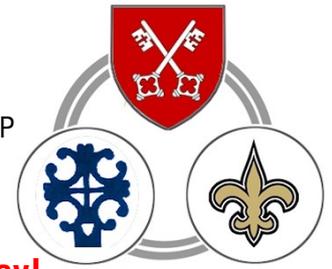
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Welcome to church today.....Get your copy of Lent Extra today!

Worship in the Benefice today-Sunday before Lent

0830 **Souldrop** Holy Communion BCP

0930 **Sharnbrook** Parish Communion & R'nS

1100 **Felmersham** Choral Matins

1800 **Sharnbrook** Benefice Evensong

Monday—flesser Festival -George Herbert, Priest, Poet, 1633

0800 **Morning Prayer** at Sharnbrook

1145 **Messy Church** at Sharnbrook

1400 **St Peter's Guild** in SPR

2000 **Christian Meditation Group** in SPR

Tuesday—feria—SHROVE TUESDAY

0800 **Morning Prayer** at Sharnbrook

0930 **Holy Communion (CW)** at Felmersham

1600 **Childrens Pancakes in SPR**

1930 **Adults Pancake Party in SPR**

Wednesday—Holy Day ASH WEDNESDAY

0800 **Morning Prayer** at Sharnbrook (NB no 0930 communion)

1930 **Benefice Sung Communion** with Ashing and Litany

Thursday—Lesser Festival-Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, Missionary, 672

0800 **Morning Prayer** at Sharnbrook

2000 **Compline** at Felmersham

Friday—feria

0800 **Morning Prayer** at Sharnbrook

1700-1900 **Reconciliation** in Lady Chapel St Peter's

1900 **Holy Hour** of silent prayer

before the Blessed Sacrament in Lady Chapel St Peter's

2000 **Compline** in Sharnbrook

Saturday—feria

0800 **Morning Prayer** at Sharnbrook

0930-1700 Sharnbrook **"One Jesus ? Quiet day"**

1800 **Compline** at Souldrop followed by social at pub

Next Sunday—1st Sunday Lent

0930 **Sharnbrook** Parish Communion & R'nS

1100 **Felmersham** Parish Communion

1500 **Souldrop** Holy Communion

1800 **Sharnbrook** Benefice Evensong

Items for inclusion should be sent to sharnbrookbenefice@gmail.com by 0900 on Wednesdays.

APCM & AGM Dates

St Peters Wed 15 March 7:30pm St Peters Room (no compline)

St Mary's Sat 8 April 2:30pm Committee Room

All Saints Thurs 27 April 7:30pm Village Hall



Christian Meditation Group meets on Mondays at 8pm in St Peter's Room—all welcome!

Intercessions

The sick and in need: Jean, Ann, Marjorie, Ron, Connie, Mary, Paul, Pat, Rex, Margaret, Michael

The Departed: David Folbigg, Ivy Ashton

Send the names of people who have asked to be remembered in our parish intercessions to the Rector

Pray for preparations for the SCT Lent Groups & other Lent activities

Pray for people to stand for our PCCs and vacant posts

Pray for people recovering from operations & hospital treatment

"HOLLYWOOD COMES TO SHARNBROOK

The Great Gatsby

starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Cary Mulligan showing at **Sharnbrook Village Hall** on Saturday 25 March

Doors open 7pm (film at 7.30pm) Refreshments avail
Tickets £5 (to include free popcorn) from Ian (781721)

Proceeds to Friends of St Peter's

Sat 4 March **"One Jesus ? A day with Mark's Gospel"**—See posters in churches

A day with the text of Mark's Gospel, with prayer together, individually and renewal of our spirits as we dwell in the scriptures. 9:30-5pm £15 including breakfast, lunch and tea with cake

LENT begins on Wednesday this week

Ash Wednesday Benefice Sung Communion with Litany and Ashing 7:30pm at St Peters



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