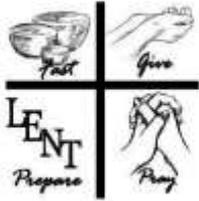


St. Peter's Church, Swettenham



NOTICE SHEET EVENSONG SUNDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2016 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

A very warm welcome to the community here at St. Peter's where worship has been offered on this site since Saxon times. The present Church building has its origins in the late 13th Century and has been the place of worship for the village of Swettenham since then. An induction loop system operates here. If you make use of a hearing aid please switch to "T" for enhanced sound.

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Our special thanks To Revd John Varty for taking the service this evening.

Our Hymns for today:

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 180 Thou whose almighty word
PSALM 63:1-9
OFFICE HYMN: 122 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
OFFERTORY HYMN: 208 O happy band of pilgrims
RECESSIONAL HYMN: 117 Praise to the holiest

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: 1 Corinthians 10.1-13

Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; And did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. But with

many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.

Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for examples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

GOSPEL Luke 13.1-9

There were present at that season some that told him of the Galilaeans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans, because they suffered such things? I tell you, nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

He spake also this parable; A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none. Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground? And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: And if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down.

Psalm 130 A Song of Ascents.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that

you may be revered. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

ADDRESS **Revd John Varty**

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 2nd 7.30 pm W.I. meet at The Swettenham Club

Next Week at St. Peter's

11.15 am Family service for Mothering Sunday



Mother's Day
Family Service
Mothering Sunday
March 6th
11.15am



Palm Sunday
Sunday March 20th
11.15 am Family Service



Easter Day at St. Peter's
11.15 am
Family Communion with
Holy Baptism
Sunday March 27th

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Holy Week & Easter Services

Palm Sunday March 20th

11.15 am Family Communion
(to include dramatic reading of the Passion)

Good Friday March 25th

11.30 am Devotional Service

Easter Day Sunday March 27th

11.15 am Family Communion

6.30 pm Evensong

Petertide Festival

Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd July

St. Peter's Church, Swettenham

Exhibition of



Christening Gowns

through the years

together with photos



Saturday 2nd July



7.30pm

Concert with



The Kingsfield Singers