THE PARISH OF PARKS AND WALCOT

working with Holy Family RC Church as 'the Church in Parks and Walcot'

PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

Sun 18th February – 1st Sunday of lent Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Holy Communion with Baptism @ St John's led by Linda
 Morning Worship @ St Andrew's led by Janet

Today's Bible Readings 1 Pet 3:18-end & Mk 1:9-15 ---000---

If you'd like someone to pray with you after the service, please find a member of our prayer team. ---000---

Prayer chains - if you'd like a group of church members to pray confidentially or immediately about something, please phone & speak to one of our 'prayer chain' coordinators:

for St John's – Brenda Allen 2 642352 for St Andrew's – Margaret Golledge 2 526760 ---000---

<u>Prayer crosses</u> – if you'd like a prayer request included in the public prayers at church, please use the 'prayer cross' at the back of church.

This Week

Every Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri during school terms: `Tea & Toast', 9-9.30am @ St John's

Mon 19 th 10am	`What's it all about' @ St John's
Tues 20 th 10.30am	Women's World Day of prayer rehearsal @ St John's
2pm	Lent group @ St Andrew's
Wed 21 st 10am 12 noon	Holy Communion @ St John's Lent Lunches @ St Andrew's
Thurs 22 nd 10am	Cuppa & Chat @ St Andrew's
Sun 25 th 10am 10am 3.30pm	Holy Communion @ St Andrew's Morning Worship @ St John's Messy Church @ St John's 000

'Baptism' – Sunday 18th at St John's

Today we have a baptism and a re-affirmation of baptismal vows taking place during our service.Debbie will be being baptized and her daughter Kerrie is wanting to re-affirm her baptismal vows. It will be lovely to welcome Mum, Daughter and their wider family. Please pray for them all.

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Messy Church

Our next Messy church is on Sunday 25th February at 3.30pm St Johns. Please let Teresa know of you are able to help and donations of party food are welcome --000---

'Lent Lunches'

Held every Wednesday leading up to Easter. Lunch will consist of soup, bread/cheese & drink and will be served between 12 noon – 1:30pm. Donations of £2.50.
All proceeds will be donated to Christian Aid.

Please come along and enjoy fellowshipping with each other over some lovely homemade soup! If you would like to make some soup for one of the lunches or help on the day please speak to Betty. ---oOo---

'Lent group' 2018

Do you like chocolate? Do you prefer milk or plain? Come along to our Lent course on <u>Tuesdays 2-3.30pm at St Andrews Church</u> <u>starting on 20 February</u>. We will be looking at the Oscar nominated film 'Chocolat' and through it explore questions about God, the world, and what it means to be as truly human as God intended. In five group sessions, 'Christ and the Chocolaterie' opens up the themes of the life changing opportunities that Lent presents to the Christian through a better understanding and application of the Bible. Each week we'll begin with drinks and cakes/chocolate and then open for discussion. Please come along and 'taste and see' - all welcome.

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'Update on Hall Manager Recruitment'

We will be interviewing candidates on Wednesday 21st February, please do pray for all involved in the selection process and that God's will be done.

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'Whitbourne House'

We will visit there for Songs of praise this month on Wednesday 28th February. We meet at the front door as usual at 2.20pm. --000---

'Spring clean for Lent'

Do you have a feather duster or a broom and would like to come and help with our spring clean at St Andrews? Then please come on <u>Saturday 24th Feb from 9-3pm.</u> Don't worry if you haven't any cleaning materials as we'll provide them or just come for the tea and cakes anyway.

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