

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD

24th FEBRUARY 2019 – SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

TODAY

Holy Communion: Communicant members of all Christian Churches are welcome to receive the bread and wine. If you would prefer a prayer of blessing, please hold your service card in your hands as you kneel at the rail.

8.00am Holy Communion

president: The Rector
preacher: The Rector
readings: Genesis 1:1 – 2:3
Matthew 6:25-34

10.30am Holy Communion

president: The Rector
preacher: The Rector
readings: Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-25
Luke 8:22-25

The Prayer Ministry Team is available at this service

10.30am Sunday Special (in the hall)

leader: Melanie Dallas

After the services you are invited to come into the hall for refreshments and a chat.

12.30pm Baptisms

We welcome Phoebe Lilly and Ola Wells

4.30pm Evening Prayer

preacher: The Rector
readings: Genesis 1:1 – 2:3
Matthew 6:25-34

THIS WEEK

Mo 25	8.30am	Morning Prayer (said)
Tu 26	8.30am	Morning Prayer (said)
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer (said)
We 27	9.30am	Children-in-Church
	10.00am	Holy Communion
Th 28	8.30am	Morning Prayer (said)
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer (said)
Fr 1	8.30am	Morning Prayer (said)
	12.30pm	Chelmsford Cathedral Lunchtime Concert – organ recital by David Price (Portsmouth Cathedral)
Sa 2	9.30am	(to noon) Please come and help to tidy up the churchyard
	12 noon	Luncheon Club

Su 3 SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

8.00am Holy Communion

president: The Revd Dan Pierce
preacher: Pat Otter

10.30am Worship Together

preacher: The Curate

4.30pm Evening Prayer

preacher: Pat Otter

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For your prayers:

Those who are unwell: Edward Thorn, Ron and Rose Smith, Martin Dunn, Patricia Lisk, Louisa M, Jonathan Thompson, Sally Random, Julie Swash, Jill Wakefield and Iris Rudd.

Those who have been bereaved: The families and friends of Janet de Wyche, Avril Coward, Basil Hutchinson and Peter Eves.

From the Christians Together in Chelmsford Prayer Rota: we pray for St. Andrew's Church, Sandon and the Revd Terry Brown.

Electoral Roll Renewal: Please look for your Renewal forms on the table in the porch and return them to me by March 31st at the latest. Failure to do so means you will no longer be on the Roll as the current one will no longer be valid. Thank you very much.

Janet Shilling – Electoral Roll Officer

George Herbert: The Church remembers George Herbert, priest and poet, on Wednesday. If we were to name someone prominent from the 17th century, we might mention Rembrandt or Shakespeare. It is unlikely we would remember George Herbert. However, he was a prolific writer, a gifted speaker and musician. His hymns are still sung today.

By the age of 23, Herbert had graduated with two degrees. He was fluent in Latin and Greek and in 1620 was elected as the University's Public Orator. He held this position for seven years, and for a short time was MP in his home town in Wales.

Although Herbert was securing an illustrious future and his speeches had gained the attention of King James I, he was restless. He felt God was calling him to the priesthood and much of Herbert's poetry expressed his inner spiritual conflicts.

Herbert was born into a wealthy family in Mid-Wales on 3rd April 1593. His father was a Member of Parliament who died when Herbert was 3 years old. In 1609, Herbert left home to be a student at Trinity College, Cambridge. He responded to God's call on his life and gave up his secular ambitions. He married in 1629, and became a priest in a small Anglican church in Wiltshire. Here he found inner peace at last, serving God in the local community. His poetic talent continued to flourish along with his musicianship as a skilled lutenist. After only three years as a priest, he died of tuberculosis on 1st March 1633. He was 39.

Some ninety of Herbert's poems have been set to music by such composers as Ralph Vaughan Williams and Benjamin Britten. His most well-known hymns are *Teach me my God and King*, *Let all the world in every corner sing* and *King of glory, king of peace*.