

## NOTICES AND FUTURE EVENTS

### INTERCESSIONS

#### Please pray for:-

- **the sick**, including Paul Brearley and Reg Harrison, that they may receive healing and comfort;
- **our Confirmation candidates** - Mikey Abbott, Julie Shelton and Helen Welford;
- **those who have lit candles and those for whom candles have been lit**;
- **those who have recently died**, including Heather Barker, Robert Edward Handson, Madeleine Bancroft and Margaret Rose White
- **those whose anniversary of death falls at this time**, including Albert Crompton, Jean Myers, Ethel Waite and Florence Barry

**Pam and family would like to thank everyone for the love and support given at this sad time. A special 'thank you' to Steve, the choir and the bellringers**

#### Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> February – Shrove Tuesday

A Shrove Tuesday Concert will be held in the Parish Hall, Hallgarth on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at 7.30pm. Musical entertainment will be provided by local group "Reflections". Tickets £3 - to include a glass of wine and light supper at the interval, available from Pat Stockley and Val Batchelor.

#### Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> March - Women's World Day of Prayer

Service at 2.00 p.m. in United Reform Church.

*Choir Rehearsal* - Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> February, at 2.00 p.m.

*Full Rehearsal* - Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, at 2.00 p.m.

Please see Valerie for further details.

#### Volunteer needed !!

Pickering Fairtrade Committee would like a volunteer from St.Peter and St.Paul to serve on this committee, please.

#### Website

It is very important that our website is kept up-to-date. For the time being, details of future events or reports of past events can be channelled through Hazel Page (Tel No. and email address below).

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**Until further notice the compilation of this pew sheet will be co-ordinated by Valerie Batchelor (Tel.475758) and Hazel Page (Tel.476915 : email [dunvicaring@btinternet.com](mailto:dunvicaring@btinternet.com) ). Please let one of them have any notices for insertion by Wednesday of each week**

THE PARISH CHURCH OF  
ST PETER & ST PAUL, PICKERING  
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Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2010  
The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

At 8am the Collect, Epistle and Gospel for Septuagesima will be found in the Prayer Book . At 10am we use the printed Order of Service with the following Prayers, Psalm & Readings.

### SERVICES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

#### Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> January *The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany*

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
10.00 a.m.	Sung Eucharist
6.00 p.m.	Evensong

#### Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February

10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2)
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**Confirmation Service**  
**Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00 p.m.**

***Please note that this is a Deanery Service but the only candidates are from this church, so please come and support them and their families. It is also the first visit of the new Bishop of Whitby to the Deanery***

#### Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> February *The Second Sunday before Lent*

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
10.00 a.m.	Sung Eucharist
10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion <i>at Lockton</i>
6.00 p.m.	Evensong

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***All our visitors are warmly invited to join the regular congregation for coffee after the 10 o'clock service***

## Collect

God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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**

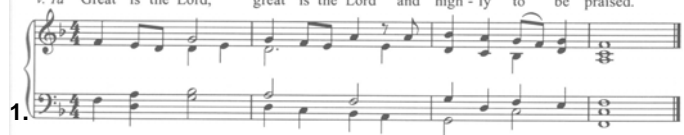
## First Reading: Ezekiel 43: 27 – 44:4

The Lord said to Ezekiel: 'When these days are over, then from the eighth day onward the priests shall offer upon the altar your burnt offerings and your offerings of well-being; and I will accept you, says the Lord GOD.' Then he brought me back to the outer gate of the sanctuary, which faces east: and it was shut. The Lord said to me: This gate shall remain shut: it shall not be opened, and no one shall enter by it; for the Lord, the God of Israel, has entered by it; therefore it shall remain shut. Only the prince, because he is a prince, may sit in it to eat food before the Lord: he shall enter by way of the vestibule of the gate and shall go out by the same way. Then he brought me by way of the north gate to the front of the temple; and I looked, and lo! the glory of the Lord filled the temple of the Lord: and I fell upon my face.

## Psalm 48

Richard Lloyd

*v. Ja* Great is the Lord, great is the Lord and high-ly to be praised.



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**Response: 'Great is the Lord, great is the Lord and highly to be praised.'**

1. Great is the Lord and highly to be praised, in the city | of our God. His holy mountain is fair and lifted high, the joy of | all the earth. On Mount Zion, the divine dwelling place, stands the city of | the great king. In her palaces God has shown himself to be | a sure refuge. **R**
2. For behold, the kings of the earth assembled and swept for | ward together. They saw, and were dumbfounded; dismayed, they | fled in terror. Trembling seized them there; they writhed like a wo | man in labour, as when the east wind shatters the | ships of Tarshish. **R**
3. As we had heard, so | have we seen in the city of the | Lord of hosts, the city | of our God: God has established | her for ever. **R**
4. We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God, in the midst | of your temple. As with your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends | of the earth; your right hand is | full of justice. Let Mount Zion rejoice and the daughters of Judah be glad, because of your judge | ments, O Lord. **R**
5. Walk about Zion and go round about her; count | all her towers; consider well her bulwarks; pass | through her citadels, That you may tell those who come after that such is our God for e | ver and ever. It is he that shall be our guide for | evermore. **R**

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians Ch 13: 1 - 13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

## Gospel: Luke 1: 22 - 40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

## Post Communion Prayer

Generous Lord, in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love: help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

