

United Benefice of Sissinghurst with Frittenden

4th February – 2nd Sunday before Lent

11:15am Holy COMMUNION [B.C.P.] at St Mary's

After our first hymn, we begin on **page 1** of the blue booklets.

COLLECT:

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

THE EPISTLE: Colossians 1:15-20 (pg 1182)

after: Here endeth the Epistle

WE STAND FOR THE GOSPEL READING: Mark 14:27-31 (pg 1020)

...beginning at the 27th verse. **Glory be to thee, O Lord**

At the end: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to thee, O Christ**

- O worship the king, all glorious above (754)
- Rock of ages cleft for me (772)
- At the name of Jesus (593)

NEXT SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY

10:00 MORNING WORSHIP at St Mary's, coffee & chat after

10:00 HOLY COMMUNION at Trinity with Primary & Preschool groups

Do pray for Irene Winter along with Chris' family as they prepare for his funeral - 1pm Mon 19th Feb in Frittenden Church - all warmly welcome.



PRAYER FOR ALPHA - THIS WEEK:

Wed 7th Feb 1:45-3pm in Frittenden Memorial Hall, looking at 'Who is Jesus?'

Thursday 8th 7:45-9pm Trinity Parish Rooms, looking at How can I have faith?'

For regular emails with prayer requests email emma@sissandfritt.org

JOIN US FOR ASH WEDNESDAY 14TH FEB!

7:30-8:30pm at Frittenden Church. Mark the beginning of Lent at our Special Communion Service for both parishes, all welcome!

LARGE PRINT SERVICE BOOKLET: *Please ask at the door if needed*

GIVING: *There's a collection plate near the door, or ask about the Parish Giving Scheme*

WEEKLY EMAILS: *Subscribe via our church websites, tells you upcoming services/events.*

Sissinghurst & Frittenden Churches Prayer Diary - February 2024

Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the centre of your life. Phil 4:6-7 [The Message]

Monthly focus - All attending our Evening and Daytime Alpha Courses, to be deeply engaged, inspired and drawn closer to Jesus and His people

Sunday – Christian sisters & brothers meeting today to worship, for joy and life-changing encounters with the Risen Lord Jesus. Remember those experiencing persecution, or who are unable to meet because they are imprisoned for their faith.

Monday – Those serving faithfully at Little Lambs & Trinity Tots, Sissinghurst's Coffee Mornings & Trinity Café, and Frittenden's CAMEO. That from the youngest, those who attend are drawn to the light and life Jesus offers, and fully put their trust in him.

Tuesday – Give thanks for this special part of God's creation we are blessed to call home. Pray for God's blessing on a local business or organisation, and that they would operate in God's ways. Ask God to help us together care for his creation well, and to live humble, generous, sacrificial lives pointing others to Jesus in every way.

Wednesday – Thank God for Alpha, our Bible Studies, and Wednesday S.P.A.C.E. reflective Communion. Pray that God's Word dwells richly among us, that all would know the Spirit's transformation as we spur each other to *Walk by faith, not by sight*.

Thursday – Pray for strengthening links between our churches, and the governors, staff, pupils and all connected with Sissinghurst Primary and Learning Tree, and Frittenden Primary and Preschool. Pray for the *Open the Book* Team as they serve.

Friday – Pray for those who are struggling with their health - remembering the often unseen area of mental health - financial difficulties, or the challenges of old age. Who could you reach out to with a phonecall, a card or an invitation this week?

Saturday – Pray for those who preach and lead, those on our PCCs, our Wardens and Deputy Wardens, for Pete and Claire, and all serve in so many ways in our churches. Pray that they would do so with joy, in God's strength and to his greater glory alone.

COME AND PRAY - ALOUD OR SILENTLY - ALL WELCOME!

Mondays 9-9:30am Moving Mountains prayer meeting
in the Upper Room at Frittenden Church (during termtime)

First Saturday of every month 8:30-9:30am (alternating between the churches)
Monthly Prayer Breakfast, **March 2nd** in Sissinghurst Parish Rooms