



Welcome

to the Parish Church of St. John the Evangelist, Farncombe

Sunday 22nd February 2026 – First Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Readings Romans 5.12-19 Matthew 4.1-11

Hymns 190 582 (omit v.4) 165 343 503

Introit: He shall call upon me, and I will hearken to him; I will deliver him and bring him to honour; with length of days will I satisfy him.(Psalm 91)

Collect (Prayer for the Day): Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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.

Post Communion Prayer: Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sunday 1st March 2026 – Second Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.00am Sunday Space

6.30pm Sung Eucharist

Readings Genesis 12.1-4a John 3.1-17

Hymns 65 241 70 Choir 306

Next: Sunday Space: Sunday 1st March 10am
Coffee Morning: Saturday 7th March, 10am
Board Games afternoon: Sunday 8th March, 4pm
Compline: Sunday 8th March, 7.30pm
Messy Church: Saturday 14th March, 3pm
Forest Church: Sunday 26th April, 4pm

Prayer Suggestions

The World: The wars in Ukraine, Sudan, Yemen, & Congo; the Gaza ceasefire; elections in Laos

The Global Church: The Church of Ireland, and John McDowell the Archbishop of Armagh

The Diocese: The Mission Enabling Department

The Deanery: The parish of Compton and Sally Buddle, the priest-in-charge

The Parish: Carers and District Nurses

Those who are sick or in need of prayer

Peter Wilson Bishop Andrew

Anniversaries of death

Horace Hammond Elizabeth Hobden Sheila Carter

Within the Parish

Sunday Molyneux Road

Monday More Circle

Tuesday More Road

Wednesday Nightingale Road

Thursday Northbourne

Friday North Street

Saturday Nursery Road

Church Calendar this week

S	22	LENT 1
M	23	St Polycarp, bishop, martyr, c.155
T	24	
W	25	Ember Day
T	26	
F	27	Ember Day; Bd George Herbert, priest & writer, 1633
S	28	Ember Day
Mar S	1	LENT 2; St David of Wales, archbishop, c.601

This Week

		Starts @	
Monday 23rd	Organ practice	8.15am & 10.30am	Church
	St Edmund's Toddler Group	10.30am	Church Room
Tuesday 24th	Slimming World	9.30am, 5.30 & 7pm	Church Room
	Midweek Eucharist	10.30am	Lady Chapel
Wednesday 25th	Organ practice	8.15am	Church
	Pilates	10.00am	Church Room
	Balance Class	11.15am	Church Room
	Church Club	3.15pm	Infants School
	Pilates	6.30pm	Church Room
Thursday 26th	Charterhouse Concert	1.15pm	Church
	Guildford Young Farmers	6.00pm	Church Room
Friday 27 th	St John's Toddler Group	10.30am	Church Room
	Toddler Praise	11.45am	Church
	Prayer for the Church	5.00pm	Lady Chapel
Saturday 28th	Organ practice	9.15am	Church
	Quiet Garden Working Party	9.30am	Churchyard
	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Church Room

NOTICEBOARD—DATES & INFORMATION

- This Thursday it's the next **Charterhouse Lunchtime Concert** – the music starts at 1.15pm. Entry is free, but donations will be split between the church and the Cheryl King Trust.

At 11.15am on Thursday 5th March our former organist Jozef Gaszka will perform a **Coffee Concert at the Cathedral** where he is Organ Scholar, playing a variety of music from opera to jazz. Again, the concert is free.

Finally students from Godalming College will perform at the Dan **Eley Foundation Benefit Concert** at the United Church, 7pm Wednesday 25th March. Tickets are £10 from the College:
https://www.godalming.ac.uk/spring-benefit-concert_2026.html

- The first trial **Board Games afternoon** was very worthwhile and the team will be offering another gathering on **March 8th** and every second Sunday afterwards.
- **The Spring Fair!** Jane Jopson writes:
“It's hard to imagine, looking out at the constant rain and grey sky that in three months' time the Spring Fair will be here! Hopefully it will be drier and brighter by then! Things are proceeding well and we have stalls from many associations joining us. However, as usual, I am looking for people to help run the church stalls - if you would like to help and haven't yet been asked please let me know!” – Jane
- **Walking for Tables!** “A huge thank you to everyone who sponsored me last week - everyone has been very generous and we are well on our way to buying the tables we need for the Spring Fair. If you haven't yet sponsored me - there are sponsor forms in the Narthex and the Room. Thank you!” - Jane
- After the Archdeacon's Visitation on the 3rd Feb the final draft of the 2026 **Church Development Plan** is now on the website – you can find a link on the 'About' page under the 'Church Principles' box. This time the Plan mainly involves setting up small teams of people to think through what we might do in various respects (music, for instance). Do have a look before the Plan goes to the PCC on March 17th and then the APCM on Low Sunday.

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The Parish Office is being staffed on Mondays at the moment but calls and emails are always monitored and will be replied to as soon as possible: 01483 426353

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