

groups make their plans. The end result for us is that on **Friday, 1st March at 12:00pm**, people will gather at the **United Reformed Church in Burnham** to celebrate a service prepared by women in Slovenia. This is such a wonderful opportunity to show witness and support one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe and pray about the issues of our day.

♦ **South Side Roof and Wall Restoration Appeal:**

- ♦ **Taplow Christmas Card:** In the weeks between now and Easter, we are invited to start taking pictures (or look through ones from past years) which might be suitable for our Christmas Cards. General shots of Taplow in winter may be as popular as ones of St Nicolas itself. Fuller details of this project are on the website.
- ♦ **Sue Blore's Legendary Sunday Lunches:** The next ones are planned for 17th February and 17th March—both at 1:00pm (minimum donation £10). Contact Sue on 01628 661815 to book in.
- ♦ **Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme:** Phil has been successful in applying for funding from this scheme which involves Tesco customers voting for which of three projects should get the most funding: top votes get £4K, second £2K and the third £1K. Voting will take place in Tesco stores in March and April. More information nearer the time but if we can mobilise the whole community to vote for us (every time they buy things), we could raise £4000 for our appeal!



Services/Events next Week

Wednesday, 13th February: 12:00 to 3:00pm—Open Wednesday with a Service at 12:30 followed by Ploughman's Lunch.

Sunday, 17th February:

9:15—Holy Communion at St Anne's Church, Dropmore
 10:45—Parish Communion at St Nicolas Church, Taplow
 12:30 (to 5:00pm) - Marriage Preparation at St Nicolas Church

Further information on **St Nicolas Church Website:** <http://st-nicolas-taplow.org>
 If you need to **contact the Vicar**, you can ring her on 01628 661182 or email her: janecresswell523@gmail.com
Notices in the Pew Leaflet: If you have a notice or news for the *Pew Leaflet*, please email it to [Jim Oliver \(oliverjim1@sky.com\)](mailto:oliverjim1@sky.com) by the end of the Wednesday preceding the Sunday date you want it in.



We are part of

St Anne's Church, Littleworth Common

St Nicolas' Church, Taplow

4th Sunday before Lent

10th February, 2019



Faithful to God Caring for each other Serving the Community

Welcome to this morning's Service. At St Nicolas, children are invited to our Sunday School at the end of the first hymn.

Collect (or Prayer for Today)

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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.

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 *A Vision of God in the Temple*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 *Jesus Calls the First Disciples*

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.



Anthem: *Day by Day* Martin How

Post Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

This Week's News and Notices

- ◆ **Sunday School Cake Sale** (for our South Side Appeal): Cakes are on sale today after the service at St Nicolas Church. Enjoy!
- ◆ **PCC Meeting:** Last Sunday after the service, the PCC met briefly to deal with immediate issues. The treasurer reported that it looks likely that our budget will be in deficit by in excess of £10K at the end of the financial year. The importance of the new Parish Giving scheme for stewardship was highlighted and arrangements to promote this both within and beyond our congregations are being made. The PCC approved the first stage of building repair work on the South Side of St Nicolas Church and also approved an annual contribution to Churches in Burnham and Taplow. The next full meeting is scheduled for **19th March** and the **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** is scheduled for **Sunday, 7th April**.
- ◆ **Electoral Roll:** Every six years, all parishes are required to re-create their Electoral Roll. This year, it is our turn to do this. Everyone who feels that St Nicolas Church is 'their' church—whether they live in the parish or not and whether they attend regularly or not—should be on the electoral roll to provide an indication of the real membership and strength of our church. Those on the list are qualified to attend and to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. **Please fill in the form (with this pew sheet) and put it in the box at the back of church.**
- ◆ **Oasis:** The session scheduled for next Wednesday has had to be postponed due to the presenter being ill.
- ◆ **World Day of Prayer:** This is an international, inter-church initiative

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which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world: their hopes, concerns and prayers. The preparation for the day is vast. An international committee is based in New York and there are national committees in each participating country. Regional conferences meet to consider the service and then local