

**Pew Sheet for Shiplake-with-Dunsden**  
**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**  
**Sunday Next Before Lent**

**Readings Today:**

**Exodus: 34.29-end**

<sup>29</sup> Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God.

<sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.

<sup>33</sup>When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup>the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

**2 Corinthians: 3.12-4.2**

<sup>12</sup> Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup> not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. <sup>14</sup> But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup> but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

<sup>4</sup> Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup> We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

## **Luke 9.28-36-43a**

28 Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup>They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen. <sup>37</sup> On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. <sup>38</sup>Just then a man from the crowd shouted, 'Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. <sup>39</sup>Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It throws him into convulsions until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. <sup>40</sup>I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.' <sup>41</sup>Jesus answered, 'You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.' <sup>42</sup>While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. <sup>43</sup>And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

### **Next Week's Readings:**

**Deuteronomy 26.1-11   Romans 10.8b-13   Luke 4.1-13**

### **Prayers this week:**

Amongst our friends, and in this united Benefice we pray for Karen Drakeford – Lewis, Philip Bowcock, Irene Howard, Bill Willatt, Pam Bessell, Jamie Hayward, Peter Saint, Mike and Angela Aires, Eileen Gough, Mandy Tomkinson.

We give thanks to our healing God for Christine Harvey's recovery and we continue to pray that this will carry on.

## Diary for March:

<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Sunday Next Before Lent</b>	
9.30am	Harpsden	Sung Eucharist with Sunday School
11.00am	Dunsden	Sung Eucharist
11.00am	Shiplake	Sung Eucharist
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	
10.00am	Shiplake	Morning Prayers
10.30am – 12noon	The Ark, Shiplake	Boys' Brunch
6.00pm	Harpsden	PCC
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	
10.00am	Harpsden	Prayer Group, St Peters Vestry
<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	
9.30am	Harpsden	Eucharist with imposition of Ashes with Wholeness and Healing
7.30pm	Shiplake	Eucharist with imposition of Ashes
<b>7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday</b>	
2.00pm	Phone 0118 940 1580 for venue	Prayer Group
<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Lent 1</b>	
9.30am	Harpsden	Sung Eucharist
11.00am	Dunsden	Sung Eucharist
11.00am	Shiplake	Sung Eucharist
<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	
10.00am	Shiplake	Morning Prayers
<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	
9.30am	Harpsden	Eucharist
<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Lent 2</b>	
9.30am	Harpsden	Sung Eucharist with Sunday School
11.00am	Dunsden	Sung Eucharist
11.00am	Shiplake	Sung Eucharist
<b>18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	
10am	Shiplake	Eucharist
<b>20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	
9.30am	Harpsden	Eucharist

## Parish Notice:

### Benefice Lent Course

Through the season of Lent and continuing after Easter we hope you will join us to think about how we can be fruitful on our frontlines, how we can show and share Christ's wisdom and love with the people we meet in the places we usually find ourselves - the shops, the school run, the dog walks. There are daytime and evening sessions, both preceded by refreshments, with film, bible study, prayer and discussion. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please see the website for details: [www.shiplakedunsdenharpsden.org.uk](http://www.shiplakedunsdenharpsden.org.uk)

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