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Newsletter for the week commencing 23rd/24th February 2019 7th Sunday of the Year

First Reading: Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 David has the opportunity to kill Saul but he resists the temptation and does not harm the Lord's anointed. This is despite the fact that Saul is seeking to kill David **Psalm response:** The Lord is compassion and love.

Second Reading: First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:45-49 In this passage Paul makes a comparison between the first man Adam and the last man Christ. Just as Christians share the likeness of Adam, so they shall bear the likeness of Christ

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38 This part of the sermon deals with people-to people relationship. It plunges straight into the duty to love one's enemies. Compassion is another virtue that the disciples should cultivate.

Father John writes:

Congratulations to Laura and Adam Jackson who celebrated their marriage here at St Andrews this Saturday. It is not too late to join us **next** Sunday for our 'shared lunch' in our Parish Centre – sign up today! Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday (6th March) and the beginning of Lent. Have you thought what you are going to do this year for Lent in preparation for the great Feast of Easter? For parents, I have a supply of leaflets (some for infants, and some for juniors) with attractive little topics focussing on Lent, so that you can help your children to understand what Lent is all about. The little booklets are in the church porch -take them home with you.

Your Prayers are asked for:

Those recently deceased:

Those ill or infirm: Alan Davis, Ellie Lawrence, Anne Bryant, Eric Booth and Patricia Hook **Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:** Edmund Staples, Charles ad Nellie Lawrence, Clifford Crofton, Delia Pearson, Pat Baker and Mary Bridgeman.

This week's events

Would those parents who have children of 7 or above and would like them to make their **First Holy Communion** this year please see Fr. John after Mass for a form to complete in order to enrol them. Thank you.

World Day of Prayer, organised by Tenterden Churches, will be held at **Tenterden Methodist Church on Friday** 1st March 2019 at 2pm. It is open to all – prayer is a powerful force. There will be refreshments.

There will be a second collection on 3rd March for Poor Parishes.

Day/time - Weekly Meetings	Group	<u>Place</u>
Tuesday 4.30pm	Mothers Prayers Group	Parish Room
Wednesday 7.00pm	Choir practice	Church

Pilgrim Path New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week. The Liturgical Season of Ordinary Time counts the time between Christmas Season and Lent, and between Easter Season and Advent. Ordinary Time readings, liturgy and prayer can be a rich time to reflect upon our relationship with God, our relationships with each other and to grow in depth on many levels. Creighton University Online Ministries has a huge variety of helpful resources for prayer in Ordinary Time, which you can access at www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

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This week's services

Day	Date	Feast	Time/Detail	
Saturday	23 rd February	St Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr	6:00pm Vigil Mass of Sunday	
Sunday	24 th February	7 th Sunday of the Year	8:30am Mass <i>People of the parish</i> 10:30am Mass <i>welfare of Caroline</i> <i>Bennet</i>	
Monday	25 th February	Feria	10:00am Mass private intention	
Tuesday	26 th February	Feria	10:00am Mass Rev F Harrington RIP	
Wednesday	27 th February	Feria	10:00am Mass followed by Adoration	
Thursday	28 th February	Feria	9:00am Mass Canon J Bailey RIP	
Friday	1 st March	St David, Bishop (Wales)	10:00am Mass followed by Adoration	
Saturday	2 nd March	Feria	10:00 to 10:45 Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass	
Sunday	3 rd March	Second collection for Poor Parishes	8:30am Mass 10:30am Mass <i>Mary Wilkinson RIP</i> (<i>Taylor</i>)	

Next week's responsibilities

	6:00pm Saturday	8:30am Sunday	10:30am Sunday			
Reader	Roger Styles	Peter Lawrence	Kevin Titus			
Extra-ordinary Ministers		Louise Carter	Rani Thomas			
		Elena Peck	Kathleen Bishop			
Flowers	St David's Day - Frances	Cleaners	-			

Forthcoming events

Oberammergau Passion Play 2020 & the Austrian Tyrol: 7 days £1299, departing 31st May 2020. This Play is only performed every 10 years. If you are interested, please **let Deacon Jolyon know ASAP**.

The next Christian Breakfast Meeting will be on Saturday, 16th March from 8.30 to 10.30 at St Mildred's Church Hall. Alex Bienfait will be talking about his recent sabbatical in Sri Lanka. Cost £10 including a full English breakfast! All are welcome.

1/2 Days of Recollection for Readers and Extra-ordinary Ministers (Maidstone Deanery)

Saturday 27th April (repeat session of this cycle) 13:00 to 16:00 in Saint Andrew's Tenterden, led by our Dean, Father Peter Soper

This month's coffee Morning will be on Thursday 7th March. Another sparkling talk by our organist, Andrew Butler. **11.30** as usual and **ALL are welcome**.

April's coffee morning will be on Thursday 4th. Another interesting talk on Unknown Tenterdenby Jack Gillitt, Archivist, assisted by Alan in charge of slides.