

# HOLYWOOD PARISH

Sunday 22nd February 2026

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Dear friends

'Lent does not have to be lonely'. I shared this simple idea at our Ash Wednesday service. A penitential season can lead us to deep introspection, to soul searching and, I hope, to liberating personal discovery. There is a place for setting aside time for reading and private worship. Fasting can be a helpful aspect of the devotional rhythms of this season- but there are also many ways in which we can encourage and support one another.

I value the opportunity to sit in the pews as well as at the prayer desk- to be blessed by being fully part of a worshipping community.

I am heartened by meeting with people to pray daily and weekly in the routines of parish life; there really is something happening every day of the year at 71 Church Road- I would love to welcome you.

And where you may be unable to join us in person during the week or on Sundays there are other ways in which we can connect with one another. I was delighted to meet someone recently from the far side of the country who regularly joins us for worship in our streamed services- there are people on distant continents who do the same- but we are also keen to visit our church family at home- just let us know if that would be helpful.

A verse for this week:

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." (1 Thess 5:11)

Yours in Christ, Gareth





## General Vestry Register Review

The general vestry register comprises 250–300 names, It should be much larger. Parishioners and those who attend worship from outside the parish should (over 18yrs old) and contributing to parish funds should seek out a form from the wardens or office and submit it before 23rd February.

Prayers for Hollywood meets on the last Monday of each month. This month's gathering of members of churches from across Hollywood is on Monday 23rd at 8.00pm. It is hosted by Christian Fellowship Church on High Street.

## PRAYERS FOR HOLLYWOOD



## Tuesday Evening Lent Services

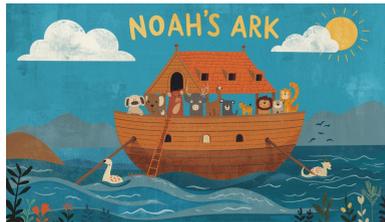
Starting at 7.00pm each evening up until Holy Week we will have a 30 minute service in the parish church. The theme this year centres on the idea of 'Crying Out to the Lord.'



## Friday 27th February

### 2.00pm Parish Centre

Crafts, snacks, actions songs, stories and more. Speak to Emily Parker to sign up.



## Summer Madness 26th–30th June

Young people are encouraged to talk to Lorcan now about Summer Madness '26. Savings can be made by booking early.



## PrayerLine

We have a group of intercessors which faithfully prays (in confidence) for issues brought to them. If you would like them to pray for you please contact the clergy or the parish office. Updates to prayer requests are particularly welcome too.



## Praying Together

Monday–Saturday 7.30am–7.45am Morning Prayer

Monday Evenings 7.00pm

Friday Mornings 8.45am

# Sunday and Midweek Services

## Sunday 22nd February First Sunday in Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion Form 1
9.45am	Morning Worship
11.30am	Morning Prayer
5.30pm	Holy Communion Form 1
7.00pm	Holy Communion at Evening Worship

## Sunday 1st March Second Sunday in Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion Form 1
9.45am	Holy Communion at Morning Worship
11.30am	Holy Communion Form 2
5.30pm	Choral Evensong
7.00pm	Evening Worship

### Parish Magazine

Pick up a parish magazine in church or contact the office for an online copy.

Subscription and postal charges apply for printed copies.



**Midweek Communion: Wednesday Mornings at 10.30am**

Service recordings on downtoearth tv [here](#)

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# Volunteer Opportunities

Please contact the parish office

<b>Pre-School Praise</b>	PSP needs helpers to support their work with toddlers and families. If you don't mind getting your hands covered in paint please speak to Bridget or Emily
<b>Sound and Visuals</b>	If you would like to be trained in operating the church's AV setup- please speak to Simon or visit the folks at the desk on a Sunday.
<b>Sunday Morning Tea and Coffee</b>	Can you help us by preparing tea and coffee or assisting with clear up afterwards. Just let us know in the office.

Thank you for your financial support to the parish. If you like to discuss financial matters- standing orders, Gift Aid etc. please contact our Honorary Treasurer, Brian Beatty, through the parish office (details below).

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## Contact Us

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