



St. Wilfrid's Weekly



The 5th Sunday of Lent

The Epistle - Romans 8.6-11

⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law – indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Gospel - John 11.1-45

¹A certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. ³So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' ⁴But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' ⁵Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. ⁷Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' ⁸The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' ⁹Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. ¹⁰But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' ¹¹After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' ¹²The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' ¹³Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' ¹⁶Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.' ¹⁷When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' ²³Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' ²⁴Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' ²⁵Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' ²⁷She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.' ²⁸When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' ²⁹And when she heard it, she got up

quickly and went to him. ³⁰Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' ³⁷But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' ³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.' ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' ⁴¹So they



took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.' ⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Today's Psalm (Evensong) - 30

I will magnify thee O Lord for thou hast / set me / up : and not made my / foes to / triumph / over me.
 O Lord my God I cried / unto / thee : and / thou hast / heal-ed / me.
 Thou Lord hast brought my soul / out of / hell : thou hast kept my life from / them that go / down to the / pit.
 Sing praises unto the Lord O ye / saints of / his : and give thanks unto him, for a re/membrance / of his / holiness.
 For his wrath endureth but the twinkling of an eye, and in his / pleasure is / life : heaviness may endure for a night, but joy / cometh / in the / morning.
 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never / be re/moved : thou Lord of thy goodness hast / made my / hill so / strong.
 Thou didst turn thy / face / from me : and / I / was / troubled.
 Then cried I unto / thee O / Lord : and gat me / to my / Lord right / humbly.
 What profit is there / in my / blood : when I go / down / to the / pit?
 Shall the dust give thanks / unto / thee : or / shall it de/clare thy / truth?
 Hear O Lord and have / mercy up/on me : Lord be / thou / my / helper.
 Thou hast turned my heaviness / into / joy : thou hast put off my sackcloth and / girded / me with / gladness.
 Therefore shall every good man sing of thy praise with/out / ceasing : O my God, I will give thanks / unto / thee for / ever.

This Week @ St. Wilfrid's

There is no 10.00 a.m. service today (22nd) due to the Wilmslow Half Marathon.

Thank you to Jean, Linda and Philippa for helping to arrange the lovely Parish Lunch on Tuesday. It was much appreciated.

Throughout Lent there will be a service of Morning Prayer at The Beacon each weekday morning at 9.00 a.m. and a service of Compline each Wednesday evening at 7.00 p.m.

The church Electoral Roll is being revised prior to our Annual Parochial Church Meeting on the 26th April. If any of your details changed in the last year please let Linda, our Electoral Roll Officer, know.

Our Church Spring Clean will take place this Saturday, 28th March, from 10.00 a.m. Do come and join in.

Don't forget the clocks go forward next Sunday morning.

Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently: Barbara Pegg, Len Mason, Alison Barton, Alan Simcock, Peter Gleave, Mary Shaw, Audrey Chadderton, Pamela Britland and Patricia 'Paddy' Swan.

Year's Mind (2015+)	Doris Nixon Cliff Wilding	James Cartner Brenda Cragg
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This Week's Calendar: Week beginning the 22nd March

Sun.	<u>The 5th Sunday of Lent</u>		
	8.30 a.m.	Said Holy Communion	Church
	10.00 a.m.	NO SERVICE	Church
	6.30 p.m.	Choral Evensong	Church
Mon.	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	The Beacon
	10.00 a.m.	Parents & Tots	The Beacon
Tue.	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	The Beacon
Wed.	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	The Beacon
	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	The Beacon
	10.30 a.m.	Coffee Morning	The Beacon
	1.30 p.m.	Wednesday Matinee	The Beacon
	7.00 p.m.	Compline	Church
Thu.	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	The Beacon
	7.45 p.m.	Doorway	The Beacon
Fri.	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	The Beacon
	6.00 p.m.	Youth Club	The Beacon
Sat.	10.00 a.m.	Drop-In	The Beacon
	10.00 a.m.	Church Spring Clean	Church
Sun.	<u>Palm Sunday</u>		
	8.30 a.m.	Said Holy Communion	Church
	10.00 a.m.	Choral Matins	Church
	6.30 p.m.	Sung Holy Communion	Church



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This Sunday's Readings - The 5th Sunday of Lent

8.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
Romans 8:6-11 John 11:1-45	Psalm 30 Lamentations 3:19-33 Matthew 20:17-end

Next Sunday's Readings - Palm Sunday

8.30 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 21:1-11	Isaiah 5:1-7 Matthew 21:33-end

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