



# 26 MARCH 2023

LENT 5

9.30 am BCP Communion  
11.00am All Age Morning Worship

SERMON SERIES: BORDERS & BELONGING, Ruth 4

*With children's activity table*

## ST BARNABAS CLAPHAM COMMON

CHURCH FOR ALL - INCLUDING YOU



ECOCHURCH

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### WORSHIP

#### COMING UP

Palm Sunday 02 Apr	9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion
Maundy Thursday 06 Apr	14.30 BCP Communion 20.00 Vigil, As Night Falls
Good Friday 07 Apr	10.30 Walk of Witness (meet at Cobham Close) 14.00 An hour at the cross
Easter Sunday 09 Apr	05.30 Sunrise Service 11.00 Family Communion
16 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 Holy Communion
23 <sup>rd</sup>	11.00 AGM Sunday, Morning Worship
30 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 BCP Communion 11.00 All Age Morning Service (with eco church litter-pick at 10.00am)

#### CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Family Service	02 Apr, 9.30am
Splash [Reception to Yr 6]	23 Apr, 11am
Eco Youth [Yrs 7 to 12]	23 Apr, 11am
All Age Morning Worship	30 Apr, 11am

#### MIDWEEK

**Daily Prayers** Monday to Thursday, 12- 1.00pm  
Daily Prayers will continue during holy week but will break for Easter week (10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> April)  
**Taize Communion** Thursday 20 Apr, 12.15pm

### GROUPS

#### BARNEY'S TODDLER GROUP

Monday and Wednesday mornings (9.30-11.00) for mums, dads, grand-parents and their little ones.

#### SENIORS' ACTIVITIES

**Lunches:** 02 Mar, 16 Mar, 30 Mar at 1pm  
**Thursday Activities:** 09 Mar & 23 Mar at 1pm  
**Keep on Moving classes:** 07, 14, 21, 28 Mar, 2pm

### NOTICES

#### NIGHTSHELTER SEASON 2022/2023

Last Thursday was our last week of the nightshelter season. Big thanks to Monica who brilliantly co-ordinated a rota of more than 30 volunteers; also to our top chefs - Chris, Mike and Nick - and their teams; and to all the volunteers involved with setting-up, serving and providing the dessert.

#### ECO CHURCH CELEBRATION: SAT 22 APRIL, 10.00-14.00

A time to celebrate the progress made across the Diocese and to share best practice with each other. Featuring workshops from A Rocha, prayers with +Martin, and a free lunch for all attendees, you can sign up via the link on the Eco Church page on our website.

#### PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

Safeguarding ensures that our church is a safe place for all. It is everyone's responsibility but Parish Safeguarding Officers are the key points of contact and provide a link between the parish and the diocese. Sandrine is our current PSO and we would like her to be joined by another PSO to create a balanced binome. Speak to Sandrine if you would like to know more.

#### ELECTORAL ROLL AND ANNUAL MEETINGS

Our APCM and AGM (Parochial Church and General Meetings) will be on Sunday 23 April during which representatives to the Deanery Synod and Church Council will be elected. We are also revising the Church Electoral. Please see Sandrine to be added.

#### SAFEGUARDING

If you have concerns about someone being at risk or causing a risk, please speak in confidence to Sandrine, the Parish Safeguarding Officer. A *Safe Church* which details safeguarding procedures is available for reference at the back of the worship area.

#### GIVING TO CHURCH

Your donations enable everything we do. On Sundays, there are two collection plates on your way out, one for cash and one for cards. For cash, please put your donation in a blue envelope to enable us to claim gift aid on it. For regular giving, or to fill in a regular giving gift aid form, please visit our giving page by clicking on the QR code or speak to Sosy or Sandrine.



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# THE BIBLE READING

## Ruth 4 (NRSVA)

4 No sooner had Boaz gone up to the gate and sat down there than the next-of-kin, of whom Boaz had spoken, came passing by. So Boaz said, 'Come over, friend; sit down here.' And he went over and sat down. <sup>2</sup>Then Boaz took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, 'Sit down here'; so they sat down. <sup>3</sup>He then said to the next-of-kin, 'Naomi, who has come back from the country of Moab, is selling the parcel of land that belonged to our kinsman Elimelech. <sup>4</sup>So I thought I would tell you of it, and say: Buy it in the presence of those sitting here, and in the presence of the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, redeem it; but if you will not, tell me, so that I may know; for there is no one prior to you to redeem it, and I come after you.' So he said, 'I will redeem it.' <sup>5</sup>Then Boaz said, 'The day you acquire the field from the hand of Naomi, you are also acquiring Ruth the Moabite, the widow of the dead man, to maintain the dead man's name on his inheritance.' <sup>6</sup>At this, the next-of-kin said, 'I cannot redeem it for myself without damaging my own inheritance. Take my right of redemption yourself, for I cannot redeem it.'

<sup>7</sup>Now this was the custom in former times in Israel concerning redeeming and exchanging: to confirm a transaction, one party took off a sandal and gave it to the other; this was the manner of attesting in Israel. <sup>8</sup>So when the next-of-kin<sup>13</sup> said to Boaz, 'Acquire it for yourself', he took off his sandal. <sup>9</sup>Then Boaz said to the elders and all the people, 'Today you are witnesses that I have acquired from the hand of Naomi all that belonged to Elimelech and all that belonged to Chilion and Mahlon. <sup>10</sup>I have also acquired Ruth the Moabite, the wife of Mahlon, to be my wife, to maintain the dead man's name on his inheritance, in order that

the name of the dead may not be cut off from his kindred and from the gate of his native place; today you are witnesses.' <sup>11</sup>Then all the people who were at the gate, along with the elders, said, 'We are witnesses. May the LORD make the woman who is coming into your house like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the house of Israel. May you produce children in Ephrathah and bestow a name in Bethlehem; <sup>12</sup>and, through the children that the LORD will give you by this young woman, may your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah.'

<sup>13</sup>So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the LORD made her conceive, and she bore a son. <sup>14</sup>Then the women said to Naomi, 'Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin;<sup>14</sup> and may his name be renowned in Israel! <sup>15</sup>He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.' <sup>16</sup>Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. <sup>17</sup>The women of the neighbourhood gave him a name, saying, 'A son has been born to Naomi.' They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

<sup>18</sup>Now these are the descendants of Perez: Perez became the father of Hezron, <sup>19</sup>Hezron of Ram, Ram of Amminadab, <sup>20</sup>Amminadab of Nahshon, Nahshon of Salmon, <sup>21</sup>Salmon of Boaz, Boaz of Obed, <sup>22</sup>Obed of Jesse, and Jesse of David.

This is the Word of the Lord:

**ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD**

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### OPERATIONS

Enabling the church's mission and ministry

### WORSHIP & PRAYER

Spiritual growth through active involvement

### MISSION & EVANGELISM

Faith in action that makes a difference to others

### FINANCE

Investing in God's plan for St Barnabas

**ST BARNABAS' MISSION ACTION PLAN**