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THE NEWSLETTER OF ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH
WATERLOO, BELGIUM

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SERVING THE GREATER BRUSSELS AREA

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The Anglican Communion, of which we are a part, is a worldwide family of 38 churches representing 70 million people in 164 countries. Each national church is independent in its government and liturgical life.

Located near Waterloo, Belgium, All Saints' Church extends an invitation to people of all faiths to join our common life and worship. Established in October 1979, All Saints' is affiliated with the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe.

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THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVING BELGIUM

The Mission of All Saints' Church

We welcome all with joy to our spiritual home.

We seek to share and to deepen our faith and our love of God through Anglican worship, pastoral care, Christian nurture, and vibrant community life.

The Mission of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe

The Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe is a welcoming community that knows God loves all people – no exceptions. We celebrate our diversity of languages, cultures and nations. Worshipping together, we rejoice in reaching out to the world and becoming One in Christ.

The Five Marks of Mission of the Anglican Communion

To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom.

To teach, baptize, and nurture new believers.

To respond to human need by loving service.

To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind, and to pursue peace and reconciliation.

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

PRAYER FOR THE CONVOCATION:

O God, we pray for the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe as we discern and elect a Bishop to serve your people, build up your Church and proclaim boldly the Gospel to the world. Send us, we pray, an Apostle who is a wise counsellor, a merciful pastor, filled with your joy and grace. May your servant have the abundant gifts needed to lead your flock and the strength and courage to administer them. And may we renew and rededicate our lives to your will and service. All this we pray in the Name of our Great High Priest and Servant of the servants of God, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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From the Rector: Lent continues

Like most Episcopal Churches, All Saints' offers its building to host Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. It is important to be a welcoming place for this valuable resource for recovery and spiritual healing. Because it does provide anonymity as part of what makes it successful, I try to keep out of the way of meetings, so I do know when participants are likely to be around the Community Entrance of the church.

One of the things I've notice over the years is that the church parking lot is always more full on AA nights in January, as people are trying to keep New Year's resolutions. But by February, the number of cars has gone back down. Unfortunately, the original enthusiasm for change and self-improvement wears off.

This same pattern happens to many of us with our Lenten resolutions. On the first Sunday in Lent, those many petitions of the Great Litany reminded us how much we need to resolve to be faithful this season. But gradually, other involvements take us from our resolutions. Or maybe, we got part-way into Lent and never really had resolutions this year anyway ... the season snuck up (or sneaked if you prefer) on us, because Epiphany was so short this year.

The wonderful thing about The Church is that it anticipates our lapses. And it counts on God being a God of continual renewal. So it's not really about what we do, or don't do. It's about what God does, in transforming us – patiently! And in Holy Week, ultimately, we remember it is all about what Jesus does for us, not what we do.

If we have not been keeping a Holy Lent can start NOW. Today! This moment. Pray: "God, there are things I've done I shouldn't have. And there are things I haven't done that I should have. Help me right now to begin anew, and walk with me to and through Holy Week."

(The Rev) Sunny Hallanan+

Links for Keeping Lent:

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ecumenical-lenten-reflections>

<http://www.episcopalrelief.org/press-and-resources/press-releases/2018-press-releases/episcopal-relief-and-developments-2018-lenten-meditations-offer-a-special-focus-on-children>

<https://www.ssje.org/meetingjesusinjohn/>

<http://www.lentmadness.org/about/>

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STEWARDS OF CREATION: LENT after-worship series



Lent 3 (4 March): we'll hear of Jesus displaying righteous anger at our human actions. It's the day of our Annual General Meeting, and we'll spend a little time discussing if or how All Saints' has a role in caring for creation as a parish.

Lent 4 (11 March): has a reading which could be seen as God sending illness and good health as punishment and a sign. What is our theology of healthcare?

Lent 5 (18 March): Jesus talks of seeds and life, and we will take on the question of how our food choices affect the world. One suggestion is that we should eat things not normally in our local diet to save the earth.

An Invitation: Renewal of vows

On 7 April 2018, in the afternoon, we are going to be celebrating 10 years of marriage by renewing our vows in the Church and thanking the Lord for having carried us this far. We'd like to extend an invitation to the entire congregation to join us for the service, cake, and a drink afterwards.

Olivia and Gabrielle Conforti-Quinet

On Thursday, 22 February, Bob DeWitt's mother Sally died suddenly. Our prayers are with him, and the rest of her family.

May the soul of Sara S. DeWitt and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

RESERVE 18-21 OCTOBER FOR CONVOCATION CONVENTION!

We need **EVERYONE at All Saints'** to join in the fun and help us host this special event (when our next bishop will be elected). A **sign-up sheet** has been put out in the café detailing where help is needed.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, 4 March at 12.30

The purpose of an AGM is to elect the Vestry, inform the congregation of the state of the parish (including budget), and build up the community of the faithful.

VESTRY MEMBER EXPECTATIONS

- A. Attendance at worship regularly
Have a faith commitment to God / Jesus Christ
- B. Regular Vestry meeting attendance – meetings are usually the 3rd Monday of each month, and quorum is needed.
When members are absent their input is missed.
If a member must miss a meeting, it is important to take the initiative to find out what was discussed so the whole Vestry does not have to repeat matters already covered.
- C. Workshops / Retreats
There is an important All-Vestry Retreat on Saturday, 13 April.
- D. Attendance / support of parish functions.
- E. Personal commitment of time / talent / treasure.
- F. Committee Responsibilities
Each Vestry member is liaison to one committee, to support, help lead, and report back to the Vestry regularly. The committees are decided at the annual Vestry retreat.
- G. Reporting
Regularly prepare and deliver a timely monthly committee report to Vestry.
Prepare and deliver an annual report outlining efforts of Committee and any future plans committee has to offer the parish for inclusion in the Annual General Meeting Report
- H. Be a constructive team player: have a positive attitude and desire to be a part of the solution.
- I. Have an understanding of church and traditions.
- J. Be committed to the future growth of All Saints' as a parish community.
- K. Have a commitment to confidentiality

Concert in aid of



Joëlle Vanopbroeke
Piano

Saturday March 24th at 20:00

All Saints' Episcopal Church
Chaussée de Charleroi 2,
1420 Braine l'Alleud

L. V. Beethoven
Sonata «The Tempest» Op. 31 No.2

F. Chopin
Andante Spianato et Grande Polonaise Brillante Op 22

F. Schubert
Impromptu Op 142 N°1

Cl. Debussy
Préludes -Les collines d' Anacapri
-La fille aux cheveux de lin
-Minstrels

F. Liszt
Après une lecture du Dante
Fantasia quasi Sonata

The concert will be followed by a reception

Tickets :

18€ in advance
20€ on the day
Over 65s and under 18s : 12,50€ in advance

Tickets and more information

Contact : +32 479 11 03 77
E-mail : concert24mars@proximus.be



March 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 Lent 2 11:00 Holy Eucharist 12:00 Caring for Creation	26 18:00 Beavers 18:00 Cubs 19:30 Scouts & Explorers	27 George Herbert 20:00 AA (French)	28 Anna Julia Haywood Cooper 16:00 Brownies only - no Rainbows 18:00 Guides	1 David of Wales 10:00 Quilters' Workshop 20:00 AA (French)	2 rector's day off Chad of Lichfield 10:30 World Day of Prayer	3 John & Charles Wesley
4 Lent 3 11:00 Holy Eucharist 12:30 2018 Annual General Meeting	5 18:00 Beavers 18:00 Cubs 19:30 Scouts & Explorers	6 20:00 AA (French)	7 Perpetua & her Companions 14:00 Wednesday Club 16:00 Brownies only - no Rainbows 18:00 Guides	8 20:00 AA (French)	9 rector's day off Gregory of Nyssa	10
11 Lent 4: Mothering Sunday 11:00 Holy Eucharist 12:00 Caring for Creation	12 Gregory the Great 18:00 Beavers 18:00 Cubs 19:30 Scouts & Explorers 19:30 Vestry	13 James Theodore Holly 20:00 AA (French)	14 16:00 Brownies only - no Rainbows 18:00 Guides	15 19:45 Scouts - Executive committee meeting (library/ cafe) 20:00 AA (French)	16 rector's day off	17 Patrick
18 Cyril Lent 5 11:00 Holy Eucharist 12:00 Caring for Creation	19 Saint Joseph 18:00 Beavers 18:00 Cubs 19:30 Scouts & Explorers	20 Cuthbert 20:00 AA (French)	21 Thomas Ken 14:00 Wednesday Club 16:00 Brownies only - no Rainbows 18:00 Guides	22 James De Koven 20:00 AA (French)	23 rector's day off Gregory the Illuminator 19:30 Scouts sleepover	24 Oscar Romero ... Scouts sleepover 19:00 Piano concert by Joëlle Vanopbroeke
25 Palm Sunday clocks change Heure d'été 11:00 Palms, Passion & Holy Eucharist 12:00 Caring for Creation	26 18:00 Beavers 18:00 Cubs 19:30 Scouts & Explorers	27 Charles Henry Brent 20:00 AA (French)	28 16:00 Brownies only - no Rainbows 18:00 Guides	29 Maundy Thursday John Keble 19:30 Maundy Thursday Eucharist 20:00 AA (French)	30 Good Friday 19:30 Good Friday service with Our Lady of Mercy	31 John Donne Holy Saturday 19:30 Easter Vigil Service

LECTIONARY AND ROSTER FOR MARCH 2018

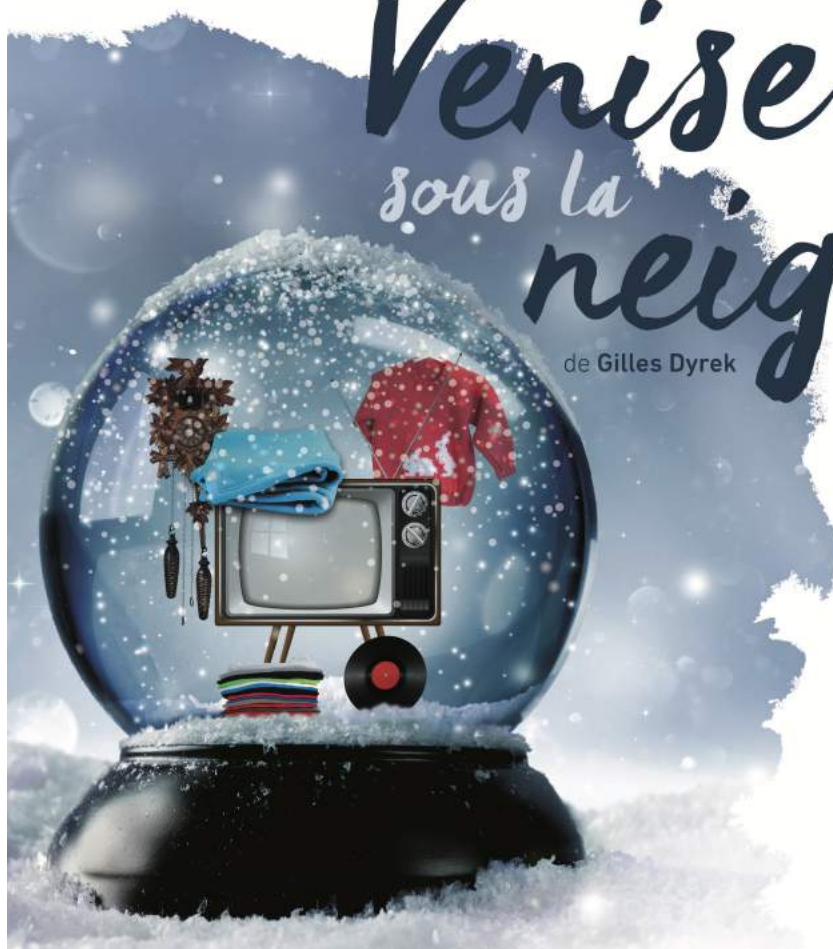
Date	Lectionary Psalm / Hebrew Scripture	Apostolic Scripture / Gospel	Lay Assistants	Ushers	Lesson Readers	Prayer
4 March: Third Sunday in Lent	Psalm 19 Exodus 20:1-7	1 Corinthians 1:18-25 John 2:13-22	M. Tolley	A. White	Old Testament B. Nahimana New Testament N. Fern	A. White
11 March: Fourth Sunday in Lent	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 Numbers 21:4-9	Ephesians 2:1-10 John 3:14-21	M. Smets	M. Breton	Old Testament D.-H. Lemaire New Testament B. DeWitt	J. Leigh
18 March: Fifth Sunday in Lent	Psalm 51:1-13 Jeremiah 31:31-34	Hebrews 5:5-10 John 12:20-33	B. Bythell	R. & E. Abbott	Old Testament Ph. Marchandise New Testament F. White	B. Bythell
25 March: Palm Sunday	Liturgy of the Palms	Philippians 2:5-11 Passion Gospel according to Mark	B. Nahimana	N. Fern	(Philippians) O. Quinet Narrators: M. Breton and H. Pandian	C. Ducastel

If you are on the roster and are unable to be in church, please arrange a swap with someone else.

La Philantroupe
présente

Venise sous la neige

de Gilles Dyrek



LE 16 MARS 2018 | 20h00

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Je suis chez moi

Domisum strives to make it possible for 6 highly dependent young adults to live in their own home regardless of their diagnosis. We want to ensure that each person will make the house his or her own. The housemates will be able to choose whom to live with, who provides needed support, what activities and routines to follow, and how they will contribute to the community.

If you would like more information about our project visit our website at <http://domisum.webflow.io>, or ask Sylvette Norré.

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Report from the Convocation Bishop Search & Nomination Committee

As of Friday, 23 February, over 8,600 people have looked at the Bishop Search website and applications were coming in. Please take a moment to look at it yourself and encourage any clergy you know to do the same, and quickly, please. Applications must be received by 2 March.

Visit the Bishop Search Website



The Application Period for Bishop in Charge is open!

The special Bishop Search Website was launched in early February

This website is the "go to" place for all information for the Bishop Search, Nomination, and the Transition processes.

This site includes:

- **The Convocation Profile**, which was developed by the Bishop Search and Nomination Committee, both in an on-line and a downloadable form.
- It also includes the link to be used for **applications** for the position of Bishop in Charge.
- When the list of candidates has been finalized, **biographical and other information** about the candidates will be posted.
- It will also include **other information** about the Convocation, which will assist persons who are interested in the bishop search process, including a description of the Convocation Parishes and Missions.

The URL is: www.europebishopsearch.org

Applications for the position of Bishop in Charge will be received until March 2, 2018.

Note: Our representative on this committee is Carole Ducastel

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Summary of the Vestry meeting of 15 January 2018

1. Michael Smets-Tolley opened the meeting with a **prayer**.
2. **Vestry check-in:** Michael posed the question: How did we all end up at All Saints? A wide variety of stories were shared.
3. **Finance & property**
 - a. Mike Breton reported that it is not possible to set up a second signatory for the US bank account without them appearing at the bank in person.
 - b. €841,342 is outstanding on the building loan. The lender has made suggestions as it cannot continue indefinitely. We currently do not have a way to pay it off more quickly (€45-50 000/year) so we may need to look at alternatives. (It is not possible for the church building to be used as security.)
 - c. New president of the Fabrique: Alasdair White is happy to replace Mark Barwick.
 - d. Replacing the church van: we need something similar to what we have now, a petrol or hybrid which can carry 6 passengers. The budget can be €5-10,000.

Formation

- a. Michael met with Katie Osweiler and agreed to continue to center the Sunday School (SS) lessons around the weekly Gospel readings. Katie will meet with SS once a month.
- b. All the teachers are doing a wonderful job but more are still needed.
- c. In an effort to involve the children more with worship, a gong bowl is rung by one of the children at the start of services.

Convention 2018

- a. Volunteers have begun to sign up to help during Convention. More are needed.
- b. Bill is continuing to negotiate with venues for the Bishop's Banquet.

Fellowship

- a. Laura Atlee reported that Mardi Gras is the next fellowship event. Laura will purchase the necessary food but is unable to be there herself.

Outreach

- a. Katie reported that there was a good turnout for the recent open meeting after church. Many suggestions were put forward including supporting a week for children in the summer and LGBT ministries for 18-20 year olds.
- b. She had a positive meeting with Brenda Barleycorn.

4. Other business:

The AGM will be held on 4 March, after worship. Plans were made for presentations and discussion at the AGM, and nominees for new Vestry members.

3. Curate's report

Katie reported that things are going very well. She's learning more about the church and helping with Outreach and Formation.

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4. Rector's report

Sunny said that Pledge Sunday will take place this year in late February.

We have a short Epiphany this year but attendance so far has been quite good. Most of the Christmas services went well. The 11 am (4 Advent) on the 24th was surprisingly well attended, as was the 5 pm service on Christmas Eve. However, only eight people came to the 11 pm service on Christmas Eve. We keep Arend van der Toorn in prayers as he recovers.

The Convocation Council of Advice (of which our rector is president) will be in town, 25-28 January. Their first meeting of the year is always at the venue for that year's Convention, which helps to plan the meetings having seen the space available.

There were only eight people in the congregation at Charleroi yesterday. Many of them are not well at the moment but they're hanging in there.

The Bishop will confirm two people at Mons on his first visitation there, on 28 January.

5. Michael read a **closing prayer** and the meeting ended at 21.10.



MONS: BISHOP'S VISITATION

Bishop Whalon led worship with our new Episcopal congregation on 28 January.

Scholastique Nsabimpa and Emilienne Nizigama were received into the Episcopal Church. You probably recognize Schola and Emilienne, as they've been worshipping with us at All Saints' for a while now, making the long commute from Mons with the Nahimana family. They are part of the core leadership for the new congregation. Bishop Whalon explained how Mons can apply for official "Mission" status with the Convocation, and that process is now beginning. You are welcome to attend our next service there, at 15h30 on 25 March.

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