

Worship at St. Nicholas, Sutton
for Mothering Sunday, 4th Sunday of Lent, 14 March 2021
Readings

A reading from the Book of Exodus, chapter 2, beginning at the first verse.

¹Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. ²The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. ³When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ⁴His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

⁵The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it.

⁶When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. ⁷Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' ⁸Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. ⁹Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. ¹⁰When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses,* 'because', she said, 'I drew him out*' of the water.'

This is the word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *John*.
All Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' ²⁷Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymns

Opening Hymn *Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy*

Hymn *Jesus, good above all other*

Song *Give me joy in my heart*

I encourage you to make a habit of daily prayer, whether *A Way of Daily Prayer* (attached, or on website under Useful Information-Service Sheets); Common Worship *Daily Prayer* <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>; or *Book of Common Prayer*.

Bible readings for Morning and Evening Prayer:

Sunday 14 March 4th Sunday of Lent

MP 1 Samuel 16.1-13, John 9.1-25

EP Exodus 6.2-13, Romans 5.1-11

Monday 15 March

MP Jeremiah 17.5-18, John 9.18-end

EP Exodus 2.11-22, Hebrews 9.1-14

Tuesday 16 March

MP Jeremiah 18.1-12, John 10.1-10

EP Exodus 2.23-3.20, Hebrews 9.15-end

Wednesday 17 March *Patrick, bishop, missionary, patron of Ireland, c.460*

MP Jeremiah 18.13-end, John 10.11-21

EP Exodus 4.1-23, Hebrews 10.1-18

Thursday 18 March

MP Jeremiah 19.1-13, John 10.22-end

EP Exodus 4.27-6.1, Hebrews 10.19-25

Friday 19 March *Joseph of Nazareth*

MP Isaiah 11.1-10, Matthew 13.54-end

EP Genesis 50.22-end, Matthew 2.13-end

Saturday 20 March *Cuthbert, bishop, missionary, 687*

MP Jeremiah 20.7-end, John 11.17-27

EP Exodus 7.8-end, Hebrews 11.1-16