

Lent 2024

Winterborne Valley and Milton Abbas Benefice

This year our journey through Lent offers three options which you warmly invited to.

1. Ash Wednesday Service at St Mary's Turnworth

Wednesday 14th February at 7pm

2. The Chosen

The Chosen is a groundbreaking historical drama based on the life of Jesus, seen through the eyes of those who knew him. Set against the backdrop of Roman oppression in first-century Israel, the series shares an authentic and intimate look at Jesus' revolutionary life and teachings. In Lent there will be an opportunity together to watch some episodes together and to chat about what we have seen. These opportunities will take place within one of our House Groups and also at the Rectory

Kelsall's (Milton Abbas) Tuesday Evenings 20/2, 27/2, 5/3, 12/3, 19/3, 26/3 at 7.30pm-8:30pm

Pearson's (Winterborne Stickland) - Sunday Evenings 18/2, 25/2, 3/3, 10/3, 17/3, 24/3 at 7pm-8:30pm

Please register an interest with Jennifer (wvmabenefice@gmail.com) or via sign up sheets in church.

3. Hear the word of our Lord: Mark

The Gospel readings for 2024 come mainly from the book of Mark. Mark's Gospel stresses the deeds, strength, and determination of Jesus in overcoming evil forces and defying the power of imperial Rome. Mark also emphasises the Passion, predicting it as early as chapter 8 and devoting the final third of his Gospel (11–16) to the last week of Jesus' life.

During Lent, we will repeating last year's reading of the Gospel in one session, much as the early Christians would have done. It will take place in the Old School Room, Winterborne Whitechurch on Saturday 24th February at 11.00am. Lunch will be provided and we aim to finish by 2pm at the latest. Generally believed to be the first Gospel written, it is the shortest, being only 16 chapters. If you would like to take part and read one of the chapters, please enter your name [here](#) (it updates automatically with no need to save anything). Or if you wish to come along and just listen, you are very welcome. It would be helpful though to know numbers for catering purposes.