

Books for Lent 2015

Lent is a good time to put a bit of time aside and do some spiritual reading. I have selected some books that have come out for this Lent, in the hope that you might be tempted to buy one!

I have put prices against each book and they can be bought through Amazon.co.uk/books. Alternatively, if you wish me to purchase a copy for you, then please let me know and sign the sheet in the back of your church. Jane Kenchington

1. **The Lent Factor – Forty Companions for the Forty days of Lent** compiled by Graham James who is Bishop of Norwich *Price: £9.99; Kindle/e-book: £5.99*

This book contains a different reading for each day of Lent. The readings are by a variety of people like Edith Cavell, Eva Peron, Charles Wesley, Rabbi Hugo Gryn.

2. **Stations of the Cross** by Timothy Radcliffe, OP. *Price: £7.99; Kindle/e-book: £5.99*
This is a slim volume with a thoughtful meditation on each of the 14 Stations of the Cross. The text is accompanied by stunning art commissioned by award-winning liturgical artist Martin Erspamer, OSB.

3. **Seeing Jesus and being seen by him** by Christopher Cocksworth, Bishop of Coventry. *Price: £8.99; Kindle/e-book: £5.39*

“This profound, gently challenging book focuses grippingly on the face of Jesus. What does it mean and feel like to see Jesus and be seen by him? It is a question that leads the reader through the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus and into...the deep, inexhaustible simplicity of being loved by Jesus and loving Jesus...” so writes Professor David Ford in the Foreword of the book.

4. **Two books on Mark’s Gospel – which is the Gospel we’ll be following on Sundays through this year:**

Embodying Mark by Meda Stamper. *Price: £8.99; Kindle/e-book: £5.39*

This book invites you on a journey through the gospel, each chapter guiding you through key episodes, supplemented by related readings, a passage for prayer, words for contemplation and a range of fresh and imaginative exercises to help you respond, pray and live faithfully as a follower of Jesus.

Meeting God in Mark by (former Archbishop) Rowan Williams. *Price: £6.29; Kindle/e-book: £5.39*

The Gospel of Mark is the shortest of the four Gospels and Rowan Williams attempts to present it in such a way that its clear and vivid style is accessible to everyone.

“There could be no better introduction to this enigmatic but profound Gospel ” - writes Professor Morna Hooker, a scholar of Mark’s Gospel.