



Welcome to St. Peter's
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PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

We pray for;

St Joseph's Day Care and Residential Centre
The Whitechapel Centre

Baptisms today:

George Collingwood Rumph & Iona
Collingwood Rumph and Mia Hope
O'Donoghue

For the residents of; St Anne's Road,
St Anne's Path, Brewery Lane.

For the sick; Ann & Kevin, Barbara,
Catherine, Jane, Jim, Margaret, Mike, Penny,
Rosemary, those in hospital and our
parishioners who are housebound or living in
Nursing Homes.

For the recently departed; and those whose
anniversary of death falls at this time



Altar flowers sponsored by
David Bell
in memory of George Bell
and Arthur Worthington

Parish of St Peter, Formby
The 2nd Sunday of Advent
5th December 2021

Services for Today:

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club

This service will be live streamed

Prelude Guilmant *Or nous dites Marie*

Gathering

There's a light upon the mountains- words inside

Gradual

320 The great forerunner

Offertory

46 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Motet Wood *O thou the central orb*

Post Communion

51 The Lord will come and not be slow

Organ Guilmant *Offertoire No2 sure les Noëls*

12noon Service of Baptism

6.30pm Compline

Prelude Lloyd-Webber *Coventry Carol*

Introit Besançon Melody *People, look east!*

44 O Child of promise

52 The people that in darkness sat

Anthem Walford-Davies *Hark! the glad sound*

Reading: Mark 13:32-37

read by Herbert Blundell

Organ Daquin *Noel in G*

Blue Envelope Advent Collection

**Advent Collection is in support of
The Whitechapel Centre**

The Whitechapel Centre is the leading homeless
and housing charity for the Liverpool region. They
work with people who are sleeping rough, living in
hostels or struggling to manage their
accommodation.

www.whitechapelcentre.co.uk

The Gathering Hymn

1 There's a light upon the mountains; and
the day is at the spring,
When our eyes shall see the beauty and
the glory of the King;
Weary was our heart with waiting, and
the night-watch seemed so long;
But his triumph-day is breaking, and we
hail it with a song.

2 There's a hush of expectation, and a
quiet in the air;
And the breath of God is moving in the
fervent breath of prayer:
Forth the suffering, dying Jesus is the
Christ upon the throne,
And the travail of our spirit is the travail
of his own

3 He is breaking down the barriers, he is
casting up the way;
He is calling for his angels to build up
the gates of day:
But his angels here are human, not the
shining hosts above;
For the drum-beats of his army are the
heart-beats of our love.

4 Hark! We hear a distant music, and it
comes with fuller swell;
'Tis the triumph song of Jesus, of our
King, Immanuel:
Zion, go ye forth to meet him; and, my
soul, be swift to bring
All thy finest and thy noblest for the
triumph of our King!

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The Advent Wreath

The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent, and one candle is lit each Sunday. Three of the candles are purple because the colour violet is a liturgical colour that signifies a time of prayer and preparation. The third candle, which is pink, symbolizes joy. In the centre of the circle is a fifth candle, the Christ Candle, which is lit on Christmas Day.

Minister: Lord Jesus, Light of the world,
born like him to be a king:
Be born in our hearts at Christmas,
be king of our lives today.

The 2nd candle of the Advent Wreath is lit as the following verse is sung:

**Come and light the candles on the Advent ring
scattering the darkness till the world shall sing.
We are all God's people, waiting in this place
Hoping that in Jesus we shall see God's face.**

Minister: In our watching and waiting
All: **Come Lord Jesus**
Minister: In our hopes and in our fears

All: **Come Lord Jesus**
Minister: In our homes and in our world
All: **Come Lord Jesus**
Minister: Come, Lord Jesus, bless us and surprise us.
All: **AMEN**



The Collect;

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word;

Epistle Reading; Philippians 1:3-11

Our reading today is read by;

Fiona Martin

Paul's Prayer for the Philippians

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Gospel Reading; Luke 3:1-6

Rev Simon Macaulay

The Proclamation of John the Baptist

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

Intercessions

Post Communion Prayer

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please take home a free copy of our December / January magazine.

Saturday Crew will be having a pop up stall in the Bier House after Church Parade next Sunday 12th selling Christmas gifts, decorations and having a Lucky Dip. All proceeds will be going towards the purchase of Shoebox items for 2022. Please come along.

THE FOODBANK The Church Porch is open everyday from 10am to 4pm for donations. The items particularly needed are: tinned custard, UHT milk, Tea (80 bag packs), tinned fruit, crackers, pot noodles, brown sauce, tomato sauce, tinned meat, cereal, toilet rolls (4 packs), laundry tabs (small packs). Many thanks

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 6th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Church
8.00pm	Time Out (Men, Beer & Topics) 'People Seeking Asylum'	Bier House

Tuesday 7th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Church
10.00am	Bible Study Group – Ken Ward	Bier House
11.00am	Woodlands Care Home Eucharist	Woodlands
6.00pm	Ted's Book Launch by Bishop Paul Bayes	Church



Wednesday 8th

11.00am	Eucharist with the Yr 4 children of TSP followed by refreshments	Church
7.30pm	Bible Study Group with Ted Woods	Bier House

Thursday 9th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Church
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Friday 10th

9.30am	Little Fishes pre-school Group	Parish Hall
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Saturday 11th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Church
10.00am	The Saturday Crew (all things crafty!)	Bier House
11.00am	Formby Village Nativity	Pool Gardens

Sunday 12th **The 3rd Sunday of Advent**

8.30am	Eucharist (CW)	Church
10.00am	All Age Parade Service	Church
12noon	Service of Baptism	Church
6.30pm	Bereavement Service	Church

Help with Christmas Card Deliveries Around The Parish - Thank you to all who have signed up to deliver cards – your bundles will be in the porch later this week.

We need some new volunteers to deliver unclaimed bundles.

If you can sign the sheet in the porch for the unclaimed areas it would be appreciated. Gores Lane (Massams Ln to Piercefield Rd), Gores Lane (Piercefield Rd to Dobbs Gutter), Dobbs Drive/The Hamptons, Smithy Green, Church Road area, Fallowfield Close; Kenyons Lane, Bull Cop, Freshfield Road area. Many thanks to you all.



MINCE PIE APPEAL – we are asking for donations of boxes of mince pies for the Carol Service. Please bring to church or drop into the Parish Office before 17th December.