



Welcome to St. Peter's Green Lane, Formby L37 7DL

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PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

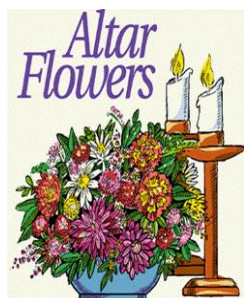
We pray for;

Rev Sheilagh Williamson as she visits Kalule, Uganda – praying for wisdom, safety & health
The Lighthouse Church (formerly Elim)

For the residents of; Byron Close, Graburn Road and Formby Mews

For the sick; Barbara, David, Glynn, Graham, Gwyneth, Joyce, Kate, Malcolm, Trevor those in hospital and our parishioners who are housebound or living in Care Homes

For the recently departed; Beryl Edwards, Ron Daniels, Ann Spiers, Ann Eastell and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time remembering especially Sheena Hastie and Bob and Betty Swearman.



Altar flowers are sponsored by Ian & Sue Robertson in loving memory of Bob & Betty Swearman.

Altar flowers are also sponsored by Mike Hastie in loving memory of Sheena Hastie who died on the 5th February 2022.

Parish of St Peter, Formby

3rd Sunday before Lent
5th February 2023

Service for Today:

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Parish Eucharist

This service will be live streamed

Prelude: Healey Willan *Prelude on 'Sandy' Gathering*

486 omit vs 2, 3 & 6

Christ is the king! O friends rejoice

Gradual

156 We sing the praise of him who died

Offertory

488 Church of God, elect and glorious

Motet: Attwood *Teach me, O Lord*

Post Communion

710 omit vs 4&5

Light's abode, celestial Salem

Organ: Bach *Herr Christ, der ein'ge Gottes Sohn*

6.30pm Choral Evensong

This service will be live streamed

Prelude: Healey Willan *Prelude on Eventide'*

Introit: Arensky *Bow down thine ear, O Lord*

Hymns:

644 God is Love: let heav'n adore him

649 God of mercy, God of grace

809 Thou art the Way: by thee alone

Psalm 4, page 145

Choir Anthem: Weldon *O praise God in his holiness*

Readings: Amos 2:4-16 / Ephesians 4:17-32

Readers: Sarah Reed and Les Hannah

Voluntary: Healey Willan *Prelude on 'St James'*

The February issue of the Parish Magazine is available – please take a copy.

Children's Puzzle Sheets, books and activity bags are available

Please help yourself or ask the welcome team for help.

The Collect;

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word;

Epistle Reading; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Our reading today is read by;

Richard Edwards

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, 'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him'— these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Gospel Reading; Matthew 5:13-20

Shena Edwards

Jesus went up the mountain and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to teach them: 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Intercessions

Paul McHenry

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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Donations via Card Machine, Yellow Envelopes, QR or on the Plate

For card payments, a contactless card-reader is situated near the main door.

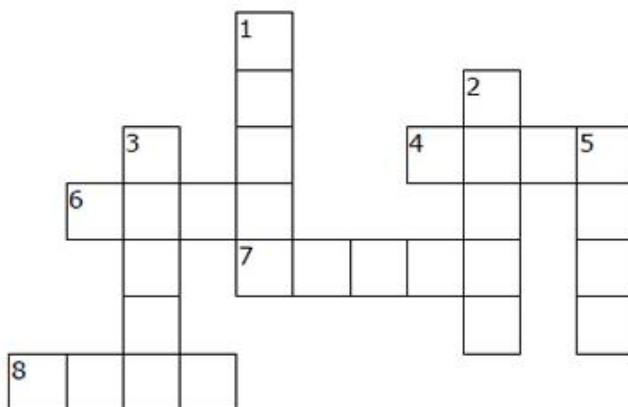
For cash donations, there is a plate near the main door.

If you are a taxpayer, please use a yellow envelope and complete the Gift Aid declaration. (This increases the value of your donation by 25%). Or you may want to use the QR code to make a donation. Thank you for your gifts.



Bacon Barms and Banter Join us for Bacon Barms and Banter, on the 1st Monday of the month, (except bank holidays) in the Bier House 10.30-12 noon. Vegetarian option available, free event, supported by Abbeyfield Neighbourhood Project. Everyone Welcome especially carers and their loved ones. .

Crossword



ACROSS

4. A dish that is used for holding fruit or liquids or for serving food
6. An elevated area of land smaller than a mountain
7. The performance of good acts
8. A large urban area where many people live

DOWN

1. All of the living human inhabitants of the earth
2. A place where families live
3. Any device serving as a source of illumination
5. A piece of furniture holding one or more electric light bulbs

DEEDS BOWL	HILL CITY	LIGHT LAMP	WORLD HOUSE
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DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 6th February

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
10.30am	Bacon Barms and Banter (see notice)	Bier House

Tuesday 7th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
10.00am	Bible Study with Ken Ward	Bier House
11.00am	Woodlands Care Home Eucharist	Woodlands C.H

Wednesday 8th

11.00am	Eucharist followed by refreshments	
7.30pm	Bible Study with Ted Woods	



Church
Bier House

Thursday 9th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
2.00pm	Singing for Fun	Church Hall

Friday 10th

9.30am	Little Fishes Toddler Group	Church Hall
2.00pm	Bible Study with Peter Paine	Bier House

Saturday 11th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
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Sunday 5th The 2nd Sunday before Lent

8.30am	Eucharist (CW)	Church
10.00am	Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club followed by refreshments	Church
6.30pm	Choral Evensong	Church

THE FOODBANK The Church Porch is open everyday from 10am to 4pm for donations. The items particularly needed are: tinned tomatoes, tinned fish, pasta sauce, cordial & longlife juice, mayonnaise, tomato sauce, shampoo, washing up liquid. Many thanks.

Daily Bible Readings - Have you thought about daily Bible reading? If you are interested, please see Marilyn Siddons-Smith (01704 576164) for information about regular Bible reading and BRF's Bible reading notes.

USED STAMPS - Please continue to save any **used stamps** for the Bone Cancer Research Trust box in the porch, remembering to leave a 1cm border. Many thanks for your support. For information about BCRT visit the website:- <https://www.bcrt.org.uk/>

IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH WE WELCOME YOU.

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