

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

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PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

We pray for;

Queenscourt Hospice – Blue envelope appeal

Baptism; William Thomas Gerrard

Weddings; Adam Gerrard & Lisa Fletcher

Rhys Evans & Rebecca Gibney

For the residents of; Montagu Road,

Stanlawe Road and Fisherman's Close

For the sick; David, Glynn, Graham,

Gwyneth, Hollick, Joyce, Kate, Malcolm,

Maureen, Simon, Trevor and those in hospital and our parishioners who are housebound or

living in Care Homes

For the recently departed; Rosie Walker, Sheila Gilligan, Helen Garmon-Jones, Margaret Gillbanks and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.



This Sunday's altar flowers have been sponsored by Les & Angie Hannah in loving memory of their mothers Tina Hannah & Dacia Brown.

Parish of St Peter, Formby

4th Sunday of Lent / Mothering Sunday 19th March 2023

Services for Today:

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Mothering Sunday Booklet

This service will be live streamed

Prelude - Byrd Sellenger's Round

Booklet Mothering Sunday

Hymns and readings are inside this bulletin

Organ - Mendelssohn War March of the Priests

1.00pm Wedding of Adam & Lisa and Baptism of William Thomas Gerrard

6.30pm Service of Wholeness St Joseph of Nazareth

This service will be live streamed.

Prelude: Handel <u>Gavotta con Variazioni</u> Introit: Arcadelt O Lord, my God, to thee

Gathering

503 Send O God your Holy Spirit

Gradual

298 For all your saints O Lord

Offertory

Bread of heaven in thee we feed

Motets: Purcell Hear my prayer

Post Communion

297 For all your saints who showed your

love

Readings: Romans 4:13-18 / Matthew 1:18-25

Readers: Sue Parkes / Ken Ward

Organ: Purcell Suite I

Opening Hymn Our Father God in heaven (138)

- Our Father God in heaven on whom our world depends, to you let praise be given for families and friends; for parents, sisters, brothers, a home where love belongs, but on this day for mothers we bring our thankful songs.
- 2 What wealth of God's bestowing for all the world to share! what strength of heart outgoing to children everywhere! Our deepest joys and sorrows a mother's path must trace, and earth's unknown tomorrows are held in her embrace.

Tune: Ellacombe

- How well we know the story that tells of Jesus' birth, the Lord of heaven's glory become a child of earth; a helpless infant sleeping, yet King of realms above, to finds in Mary's keeping the warmth of human love.
- 4 Our Father God in heaven.
 to you we lift our prayer,
 that every child be given
 such tenderness and care,
 where life is all for others,
 where love your love displays:
 for God's good gift of mothers
 Let earth unite in praise!

The Collect;

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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**

Sunday

The Liturgy of the Word

Epistle Reading;

Galatians 5:22-26

Our Epistle reading today is read by;

Joseph Edwards, Cub Scout

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have controlled the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn God of Eve and God of Mary (137) Tune: Love Divine

- I God of Eve and God of Mary, God of love and mother-earth, thank you for the ones who with us shared their life and gave us birth.
- As you came to earth in Jesus, so you come to us today; you are present in the caring that prepares us for life's way.



- 3 Thank you that the Church, our Mother, gives us bread and fills our cup, and the comfort of the Spirit warms our hearts and lifts us up.
- 4 Thank you for belonging, shelter, bonds of friendship, ties of blood, and for those who have no children, yet are parents under God.
- 5 God of Eve and God of Mary, Christ our brother, human Son, Spirit, caring like a Mother, take our love and make us one!

Gospel Reading - Luke 2.33-40

Keith Millington

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

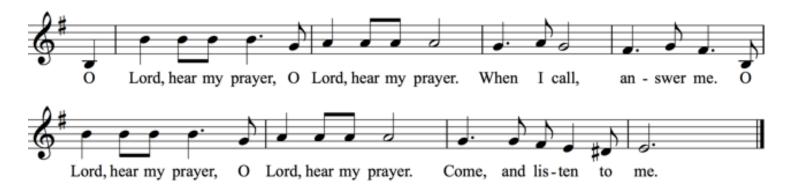
There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Sermon

The Creed - page 5

Intercessions; our prayers are led by the Cubs and Scouts



During Communion;

The Choir will sing

Rutter For the beauty of the earth Mendelssohn Lift thine eyes

The Distribution of Posies

Offertory Hymn - there will be a plate collection during this hymn

Lord of the home

- 1 Lord of the home, your only Son received a mother's tender love, and from an earthly father won his vision of your home above.
- Help us, O Lord, our homes to make your Holy Spirit's dwelling place; our hands and hearts' devotion take to be the servants of your grace.

Tune: Warrington

- 3 May we with joy our homes prepare that, were our Lord a child once more, he might be glad our hearth to share, and find a welcome at our door.
- 4 Lord, may your Spirit sanctify each household duty we fulfil; may we our Master glorify in glad obedience to your will

Post Communion Prayer;

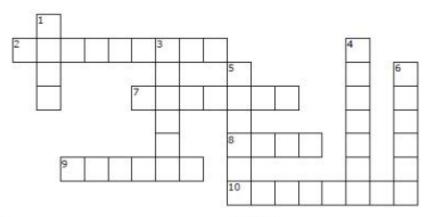
Loving God, as a parent feeds their child you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Hymn (136) Fathers and mothers

- 1 Fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, all those who love us, for whom we care: help and befriend them, keep and defend them, Jesus our Saviour this is our prayer.
- And for those others, fathers and mothers, children who hunger, they must be fed: we would be caring, readily sharing, one with another our daily bread.

3 Sisters and brothers, fathers and mothers, we who together offer our praise: hear our thanksgiving, God ever living, may we walk with you all of our days.





ACROSS

- Deliverance from the penalty of sin
- Something you said that you would do
- The organs for seeing in the faces of humans and animals
- A building dedicated to religious ceremonies or worship
- The town where Mary, Joseph, and Jesus lived

DOWN

- 1. The mother of Jesus
- The homeland of the Jewish people
- 4. A person who is not Jewish
- The man who was promised he would not die until he had seen the Messiah
- The earthly father of Jesus

TEMPLE	SALVATION	MARY	NAZARETH	ISRAEL
SIMEON	JOSEPH	GENTILE	PROMISE	EYES

DIARY DATES Monday 20th March 9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House 3.00pm Funeral of Helen Garmon-Jones Church Tuesday 21st 9.00am Paintings Bier House Morning Prayer Person Bible Study with Ken Ward 10.00am Bier House Wednesday 22nd **Pieces** 11.00am Eucharist followed by refreshments Church Poem of Music Funeral of Margaret Gillbanks 12.30pm Church 7.30pm Lent Talks – see notice below Bier House Thursday 23rd 9.00am Bier House Morning Prayer 2.00pm Chaos Fun Choir Church Hall Friday 24th Little Fishes Toddler Group 9.30am Church Hall Wedding of Rebecca Gibney & Rhys Evans 3.00pm Church Saturday 25th 9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

Eucharist & Baptism of Theo Gee followed by refreshments

The Cross of Christ – a special service for Passion Sunday

'The Inside Story of a Radiographer' Speaker – Gill Holroyd

Wednesday 29th

9.30am

8.30am

6.30pm

7.30pm

10.00am

12.00 noon

Monday 27th

Sunday 26th

11.00am Eucharist followed by refreshments2.30pm W.O.W Children's Service

Eucharist (CW)

Children's Haribo Service

7.30pm Lent Talks – see notice below

Thursday 30th

9.20am Trinity St Peter's School Easter Service for KS1 Church
12noon Memorial Service for Jim Dixon & Interment Church

Churches Together Quiet Morning

Timeout – Men, Beer & Topics –

5th Sunday of Lent / Passion Sunday

Friday 31st

9.20am Trinity St Peter's School Easter Service for KS2 Church

Saturday Ist April

9.00amBreakfast ChurchBier House10.00amSaturday Crew Craft GroupBier House



This Year's Lent Talks in St Peter's

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Bier House

Bier House

We have an interesting programme for Lent as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter. The talks are at 7.30pm in The Bier House

22nd March - Place of Pilgrimage - Taizé Rev Anne Taylor
 29th March - Prayer - A Journey Rev Jane Morgan

IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH WE WELCOME YOU.

If you would like our magazine delivered, or have recently moved to the parish or changed your address, would like added to the email list or would like a parish visit, will you please hand this slip to the Clergy or Churchwardens. Thank You.

Please circle: PARISH MAGAZINE NEW ADDRESS

NEW RESIDENT VISIT BY THE CLERGY EMAIL DIRECTORY

Name

Address

Tel: Email

THE FOODBANK The items needed are: pasta sauce, tinned meat e.g. corned beef, ham, tinned fruit, jams, longlife juice and cordial, instant coffee, sauces e.g. ketchup, mayonnaise, instant noodles, toothpaste & toothbrushes, shampoo & conditioner.

Church Porch is open 10am to 5pm each day. Many thanks for your help.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE – if you are interested in being confirmed this year (and as a young person having first communion) will you please talk to the clergy. The Confirmation Service is in St Peter's, with Bishop John, at 4pm on Sunday 18th June. The service in future years will be in other churches in the deanery.

THE FOODBANK needs Cereal, Tea bags & Instant Coffee, Crackers, UHT Milk, Long life Fruit Juice & Cordial, Tinned Meat, Tinned Fruit, Shampoo, Deodorant and Nappies (size 5 and over).

The Church Porch is open everyday from 10am to 5pm for your donations.

The Numbered Weekly Envelopes – for members of the Stewardship Scheme, the boxes of the weekly envelopes are now available for collection. The boxes will be at the back of church. Many thanks, Caroline.

Delivery of Easter Cards – The Easter Card bundles should be available in the church porch ready to be delivered. Please take your bundle for delivery. Many thanks. We have areas not yet covered if you can spare some time to deliver cards it would be very much appreciated.

Help with the Church Brass Cleaning –The brass cleaning team is hoping to recruit some new members. If you can spare an hour a couple of times in one month, April or July are vacant! All materials provided. Please contact Monica Jones, 873703

Recycled Wax Candles for Sale – Mark Andrews has been doing a fantastic job in recycling St Peter's candles. The candles will be on sale in the Bier House after the Parade Service today. All proceeds from the sale of these candles will be going to the St Peter's Church Roof Fund. Many thanks for your support.

Women in the Bible

Sarah Salome Ruth Rebekah Rachael Priscilla Naomi Ester Elizabeth Deborah Abigail Eve Mary Miriam Ana

Sunday 26th March

30pm

THE CROSS OF CHRIST

The story of Christ's Passion told through readings, hymns and anthems

