



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

We pray for;

Our Parish Administrator, Caroline
Queenscourt Hospice – Blue envelope appeal

Banns; Adam Gerrard & Lisa Fletcher

Rhys Evans & Rebecca Gibney

Adam Watkin & Louise Broad

For the residents of; Barkfield Avenue, The
Copse and The Birches

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

For the recently departed; Sheila Gilligan,
Helen Garmon-Jones, Barbara Mayer and
those whose anniversary of death falls at this
time.

Parish of St Peter, Formby

2nd Sunday of Lent

5th March 2023

Service for Today:

8.30am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club

This service will be live streamed

Prelude: Handel *Sarabanda*

Gathering

595 Be thou my vision

Gradual

791 omit vs 2-7 The God of Abraham praise

Offertory

510 Will you come and follow me

Motet: Stainer *God so loved the world*

Post Communion

827 Ye servants of God

Organ: Byrd *The Earl of Salisbury's Pavan & Galiard*

6.30pm Choral Evensong

This service will be live streamed.

Prelude: Handel *Minuetto I & II*

Introit: Tallis *If ye love me*

Hymns:

676 Immortal invisible

709 Light of the minds that know you

652 Guide me O thou great Redeemer

Motets: Goss *God so loved the world*

Psalm 1 & 15, page 144 and 155

Readings: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-13 / Acts 20:28-35

Readers: Herbert Blundell / Wendy Thorpe

Voluntary: Handel *Sonata*

The March 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, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Our reading today is read by;

Isabella Medley

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Gospel Reading; John 3:1-17

David Poole

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the

serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Intercessions

Ted Woods



Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

The Parish Office is closed this week but the phone and email will be checked.

Monday 6th March –

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
10.30am	Bacon barm & banter	Bier House

Tuesday 7th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
10.00am	Bible Study with Ken Ward	Bier House
11.00am	Woodlands Eucharist	Woodlands

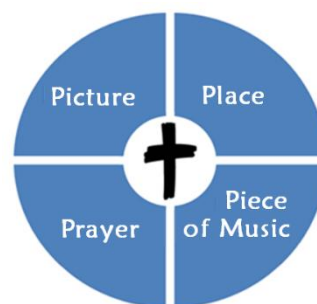


Wednesday 8th

11.00am	Eucharist followed by refreshments	Church
7.30pm	Lent Talks – see notice	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 12th 3rd Sunday of Lent

8.30am	Eucharist (BCP)	Church
10.00am	Parish Eucharist followed by refreshments	Church
	Preacher – Rev Sheilagh Williamson from our project in Kalule, Uganda	Kalule, Uganda
6.30pm	Choral Evensong	Church



REFUGEE SUPPORT GROUP Our first WELCOME DAY is the 15th March when we will be able to take any of your contributions of items of good quality men's & women's clothes (good condition bedding - duvets and blankets) to Asylum Link Merseyside. We are told they are particularly keen to receive men's trainers. If you are able to provide any of these, please bring them to the Church Porch and to contact Peter Paine on 07722 127791 or email peterspaine@gmail.com. Many thanks.

Updated Food Appeal from - THE FOODBANK

The Church Porch is open everyday from 10am to 5pm for donations. The items particularly needed are now: tinned fruit, tinned meat e.g, corned beef, ham. tinned tomatoes, jam, longlife milk & juice, cereal. Sauces e.g, ketchup, mayonnaise, toilet roll and deodorant. Many thanks for your donations.

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.



This Year's Lent Talks in St Peter's

We have an interesting programme for Lent 2023 as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter. The talks are at 7.30pm in The Bier House

8th March - Picture: The Mission Rev Ted Woods

15th March - A Piece of Music: The Stabat Mater Rev Gordon MacLeod

22nd March - Place of Pilgrimage - Taizé Rev Anne Taylor

29th March - Prayer - A Journey Rev Jane Morgan

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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.

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