

ST PAUL's Church, New England weekly Newsletter

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MOTHERING SUNDAY

Christ has come, He has come indeed! Alleluia!

We are open for worship & prayer every Sunday & Wednesday at 10.30am

Welcome to all. If you are a visitor please give your name/contact details to the Welcomer. We feel it is right to still respect social distancing & wearing of a facemask by some. Hand gel is available. At the Peace we 'wave' to one another rather than shake hands.

Please help all to observe these safety guidelines. Thank you.

This Sunday's Bible Reading: Luke ch2 v33-35 page 1028. John ch19 v25b-27 Page 1088 of Pew Bible

Reflection: ' Mary, the mother of Jesus'

COLLECT for this week: Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you: when sin spoils our lives & overshadows our hearts, come to our aid & turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We always pray for those not able to be here to worship and for our community in New England. **Please keep the Newsheet and use the information on it as part of your daily prayer time. Val's BLOG is also helpful.**

Before the service: Please put any donations /offertory in the basket as you arrive or use the Card Reader please.

Items for the Community Foodbank can be put in box provided. After the PEACE all gifts and donations are brought up to be blessed.

All baptised into the Christian faith are welcome to receive at the Eucharist. We offer gluten free wafers & non alcoholic wine if preferred. If you are not baptised you are welcome to have a Prayer of Blessing –take a service book when you go forward to Rev Ron.

WELCOMERS today are Tennyson and Elisabeth

TOILETS: Located in our Church Hall-please speak to Welcomers.

TEA/COFFEE after the service: Gizzel and Laurynas are serving. Do please stay on if you can.

ST PAUL'S VISION PRAYER

We would like to see this lovely church go on for many more years to come, filled with people of all ages; a church that is vibrant & growing in strength & faith; a busy church; a church that people will be proud to call their own; a cornerstone of New England. Amen.

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY: Every Sunday, except last Sunday of each month, all children welcome to join in sitting at tables in South Aisle for teaching & craft.
Pray that we are faithful in prayer to God for all in need of God's healing touch including those mentioned: Tony Busby; Diana Ward ; Lynda Barton; Val Watkinson; Cheryl & Bob Quinton; Sally Rose; Edna Hall ; Michael & Linda Clark; Mary Campbell; Sam Pearson; Joan Hemmaway; Jenny Baxter; Trevor Bentham; Sheila Onyskiw.
Also: Dawn Dawes; Betty, Tennyson's Mum in law; Sue, mum of ZigZag manager; Lynda's son, Sam; Anthony Currie; Jonathan Dale's parents; Michael Cooper; Don, father of Helen Busby-Maison; Rita's sister, Maureen; Diana, sister of Brian Rosam.; Maureen Bedford. Also for all suffering from mental health issues incl young people (Inform Val to add someone on for prayer) **The Bereaved: All we know. May they be comforted by God.**

DATES AND EVENTS AHEAD

22 Weds: 10.30am Eucharist service.

🕒 **CLOCKS GO FORWARD 1HR Sat. Midnight.**

26 Sun: 10.30am Eucharist. 4pm 'T@4' CHURCH-all ages welcome & especially suitable for those with young children. Meet in Church.Tea @ 5pm. PICK UP a new DIARY DATES SHEET for more *Forward events*.

Keep Sat 22 April free for St Paul's VISION DAY (10.15am-3.30pm tbc) This is for all who want to seek God's vision for St Paul's & how we can grow spiritually & numerically. Venue: St Mary's, Boongate.

REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL-from 26 March-23 April. This is only for those **NOT** on the Roll but who are eligible to be on. Further details from Val Watkinson. Being on the Roll is an indication of wanting to be involved as fully as you can and the commitment that you have to St Paul's.

Call Rev Ron or Val on 314117 for general enquiries on the Christian faith; baptism; weddings, funerals, etc. Val is Safeguarding Officer - Email stpaulslpm@gmail.com (GDPR Consent required from you to receive emails from us such as the weekly Newsheet & BLOG –which helps keep you in touch)