



PEAR TREE PRAYER TREE

Today, as part of our cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who live in Braeside Road and Bridge Road; our friends in Mawundo; all Lay Pastors.

In your prayers today, please remember the bereaved and the housebound, all those known to you who may be ill at home or in hospital and all those who care for them.

In particular, please continue to pray for the Ockelford family, Marie Warr, Les Beard, Dave and Joanne Isaacs, Win Stead, Mary Stone, Rosemary Nutburn, Arthur Collins, Mary Hallerton, John Burrows, Bethany Mullen, Jenna Harmer, Jim Inglis, Bill Kerr, Lewis Joy, John and Pauline Hodgson, Alan and Margaret Harding and Teri Delves.

PARISH MAGAZINE

The deadline for our April/May (Easter) edition is today, Sunday 5th March. If you have any items you would like to include, please leave on the church table or e-mail Doris Pratt at dmpratt@btopenworld.com.

CAN YOU HELP?

If you shop in Sainsbury's, please remember to save the Active Kids vouchers which are being collected again this year by 2nd Pear Tree Guides and can be left in the special box on the table just inside the Church Hall. Thank you.

~~ COMING SOON ~~

Saturday 11th March Indoor Car Boot Sale, 10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m., Woolston Methodist Church, Manor Road North. Lunches available. To book a table call (80448981).

Sunday 19th March Worship Together service at 11.00 a.m. at St. Mark's Church, Woolston, followed by a Lent Lunch in Woolston Community Centre. **If you would like to attend the lunch, please add your name to the list on the notice board.**

Friday 24th March Band Concert with the Lockerley Silver Band, 7.30 p.m., Woolston Methodist Church, Manor Road North. Adults £5, children £3. Pay on the door.

Friday 31st March Family Fun Night in the Church Hall, 6.00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. A family fun night for parents and children up to 11-12 years with activities, games, and music. Light refreshments provided. Free entry. No unaccompanied children. All welcome.



AT PEAR TREE CHURCH WE AIM TO LOVE GOD AND OUR NEIGHBOURS

The Purpose of the Church in Pear Tree is to provide a place of worship where all people are welcome and encouraged to experience God's love in faith and prayer; where we will reach out as witnesses to discover the needs of the local and wider communities using our gifts and resources and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit

**SUNDAY
5th
MARCH
2017**

**1st Sunday
of Lent**

Priest-in-Charge - Revd Miles Newton, 117 Swift Road, Woolston SO19 9ER
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**10.00 a.m. PARISH COMMUNION
- Revd Miles Newton**

Hymns: MP 51, 132, 160, 563
Communion: MP 372
Readings: Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11
See overleaf



**11.15 a.m. Mawundo Mission Table in the Church Hall
11.30 a.m. Buildings Committee meeting in the Hall**

INTRODUCTORY SENTENCE

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" (Matthew 4:4)

COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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.**

POST COMMUNION

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



PLEASE JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS IN THE CHURCH HALL AFTER THE 10.00 a.m. SERVICE



Romans 5:12-19

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, in this way death came to all people, because all sinned.

To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you,
and they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."

Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."

Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'"

Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

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Don't forget to visit the Mission Table in the Church Hall after the 10.00 a.m. service, when cakes, books, craft items, etc., will be on sale in aid of our friends in Mawundo.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

- MON 6 MAR** 10.00 a.m. Crafty Coffee Morning in the Church Hall - all welcome
- TUE 7 MAR** 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome  
7.30 p.m. Order of Night Service (Compline) in the Church - all welcome
- WED 8 MAR** 7.30 p.m. Joint Lent Course in Woolston Community Centre - all welcome
- SUN 12 MAR** **2ND SUNDAY OF LENT**  
10.00 a.m. Parish Communion

You are invited to join us for our monthly **ORDER OF NIGHT SERVICE (COMPLINE)** to be held in the Church at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 7th March. This is a short 30 minute service for the end of the day, including a hymn, psalm and prayer. All are welcome.

**Also ....** It is hoped to hold a special joint worship Fathers' Day service on June 18th, possibly aimed at being accessible to people who may not come to Church regularly. If you are interested in taking part in making this happen, there will be a planning meeting after Compline. Please contact Vanessa Wilkinson (80441442) if you are interested in helping but cannot come to the planning meeting.

During Lent, a joint five week Lent Course will be held on Wednesday evenings commencing at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 8th March in Woolston Community Centre, Weston Grove Road. This will be led by Carolyn Jennings and will follow a course entitled "Decisions, Decisions!" Please try and join us.



**It would be appreciated if those with cars could offer lifts to those**