

PEAR TREE PRAYER TREE

Today, as part of our cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who live in Pear Tree Close and Pear Tree Road; the Friends of Pear Tree Green.



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, Les Beard, Dave and Joanne Isaacs, Win Stead, Mary Stone, Rosemary Nutburn, Arthur Collins, Mary Hallerton, John Burrows, Bethany Mullen, Bill Kerr, John and Pauline Hodgson, Alan and Margaret Harding, Jenny Wetherell, and baby Leo.

Please also pray for the family and friends of Mr Thomas Wallace, whose ashes are to be interred in the Garden of Remembrance this week.

YOU ARE INVITED

..... to a public exhibition being held by the Friends of Pear Tree Green from 4.30 to 7.30 p.m. on Friday 28th July in Pear Tree Church Hall when plans will be available for the Local Nature Reserve Status (LNRS) for the Green.

PARISH MAGAZINE

The August/September edition is now available on the table. Please help yourself to a copy.

St. Mark's and Pear Tree Church invite you and your family to a morning of fun, friendship and MESS, with craft, song and celebration

10.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

**Friday 4th August
in the Church Hall**

Refreshments provided,
free entry, but
donations appreciated.

Contact Anne Gerrard
(80433820) to book



Pear Tree Church

JUMBLE SALE

10.30 a.m.

Saturday 29th July
in the Church Hall

*Offers of help from 9.00 a.m.
would be appreciated*

***Please take a poster for
your window***

CHURCH FLOWERS

If you would like to make a donation towards flowers in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special occasion, please contact Liz Spencer-Fleet (80560055).



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
23rd
JULY
2017

**6th Sunday
after Trinity**

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

Hymns: MP 37, 152, 3, 254

Readings: Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

See overleaf

3.00 p.m. Charity Come-Unity Tea and Concert in the Hall

INTRODUCTORY SENTENCE

"The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil." (Matthew 13:41)

COLLECT

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.**



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



Romans 8:12-25

Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation, but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs, heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared.

"The owner's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?'

"An enemy did this,' he replied.

"The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?'

"No,' he answered, 'because while you are pulling the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field."

He answered, "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the people of the kingdom. The weeds are the people of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them

is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels.

"As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears, let them hear."

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Don't forget that the Charity Come-Unity Tea and Concert, raising funds for WaterAid, will be held today 3.00-5.00 p.m. in the Church Hall. This includes afternoon tea and entertainment from Delicious Sounds Choir, led by Fiona Funnell, and Southampton Brass Ensemble.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- TUE 25 JULY** 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome
- WED 26 JULY** 1.00-4.00 pm OPEN CHURCH
7.15 p.m. Pastoral Prayer meeting in the Church
- FRI 28 JULY** 11.00 a.m. Interment of the ashes of Mr Thomas Wallace in the Garden of Remembrance
- SAT 29 JULY** 10.30 a.m. Jumble Sale in the Church Hall
- SUN 30 JULY** **7TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**
10.00 a.m. Parish Communion (by extension)
2.00 p.m. Baptism in the Church
3.00 p.m. CTI Open Air Service on Pear Tree Green followed by refreshments in Pear Tree Green United Reformed Church Hall. If wet, the service will be held in Pear Tree Green URC - all welcome