

## PEAR TREE PRAYER TREE

Today, as part of our cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who live in Braeside Close and Braeside Crescent; Ludlow Infants School; our friends in Mawundo.



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, Alan and Margaret Harding, baby Leo, and Ian Fry.

### PARISH MAGAZINE

The deadline for our Christmas (December/January) edition is today, Sunday, 5th November. Please leave any items on the Church table or e-mail Doris Pratt at [dmpratt@btopenworld.com](mailto:dmpratt@btopenworld.com). Thank you.

### A REMINDER...

We will be collecting donations of **unwrapped** toys suitable for girls and toys aged 0-17 at our Toy Service on Sunday 26th November in aid of the SCRATCH Christmas Complete project. Full details can be found on page 5 of our current parish magazine.

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR Saturday 18th November 2.00 p.m. in the Church Hall

Interested in helping?

Then please contact Pat Hawkins (80438103) or Doreen Carter (80443520).

As usual, contributions of all kinds of handicrafts, toys, books, puzzles, games, cakes, plants, bric-a-brac, toiletries, raffle prizes would be appreciated. Tombola and bottle stall items are also needed.

Please leave in the church.

**Posters are now available. Please take one for your window.**

## SUNDAY THOUGHT

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

And if we know that he hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have what we asked of him.

1 John 5:14-15



## 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  
NOVEMBER  
2017**

**4th Sunday  
before  
Advent**

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:** BBC 238, 386, 212, 114  
**Communion:** BBC 303  
**Readings:** 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13  
Matthew 24:1-14  
See overleaf

**11.15 a.m. Mawundo Mission Table in the Church Hall**

### INTRODUCTORY SENTENCE

*"Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved." (Matthew 24:12)*

### COLLECT

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; 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 of heaven, in this Eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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



### 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

Surely you remember, brothers and sisters, our toil and hardship; we worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while we preached the gospel of God to you. You are witnesses, and so is God, of how holy, righteous and blameless we were among you who believed. For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.

And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is indeed at work in you who believe.

### Matthew 24:1-14

Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. "Do you see all these things?" he asked. "Truly I tell you, not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down."

As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Messiah,' and will deceive many. You will hear of wars and rumours of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains.

"Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come."

### ~~~ TODAY ~~~

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 NOV** 10.00 a.m. Crafty Coffee Morning in the Church Hall - all welcome
- TUE 7 NOV** 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome  
7.00 p.m. Standing Committee meeting in the Hall Committee Room  
8.00 p.m. Joint Standing Committee meeting in the Hall Committee Room  
**NO COMPLINE THIS EVENING**
- WED 8 NOV** 9.30 a.m. Ludlow Infants School in the Church
- SAT 11 NOV** 7.00 p.m. for Quiz Night with Fish and Chip Supper in the Church Hall  
7.30 p.m.
- SUN 12 NOV** **3RD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**  
**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**  
10.00 a.m. Parish Communion, including a special Act of Remembrance



## QUIZ NIGHT

with Fish and Chip Supper

7.00 p.m. for a 7.30 p.m. start

Saturday 11th November Pear Tree Church Hall

Tickets £6 available from Liz and Peter Spencer-Fleet (80560055)

Tea and coffee available or bring your own refreshments

Remember to book your Fish and Chip Supper before the Quiz



### ~~~ THANK YOU ~~~

... to Craig Lawton, the choir, organist, and all those involved in the organisation of such an enjoyable Southampton Deanery Choir Evensong last Sunday. Thank you also to Pat and Joyce, who provided the refreshments.

.... to those who organised the Family Fireworks Fun Night in the Church Hall on Friday and those who made donations towards the fireworks.