

PEAR TREE PRAYER TREE

Today, as part of our cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who live in Langbar Close and Laurel Close; Southampton Unemployed Centre; all Prayer Groups.



We also 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, Ian Fry, Aimee, Fred and Edith, Googie Diaper.

Please also pray for the family and friends of Miss Betty Davidson, whose funeral will be held in the church on 23rd January.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Friday 19th January

6.00-7.30 p.m. in the Church Hall.
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.



THANK YOU

... to all those who helped with and supported our Jumble Sale in the Church Hall yesterday.

SIDESPERSIONS

For those not on e-mail, the new rota is now available on the table.

BASICS BANK

Donations of tinned goods are always appreciated by Basics Bank. Please leave your contributions in the special box. Thank you.

FOR ENQUIRIES ABOUT BAPTISMS IN PEAR TREE CHURCH

please contact Pam West (80448256)
or e-mail thepamelawest@yahoo.co.uk.

FOR ENQUIRIES ABOUT WEDDINGS AND PUBLICATION OF BANNS OF MARRIAGE AT ST MARK'S CHURCH AND PEAR TREE CHURCH:

please contact Pat Hawkins (80438103)
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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
14th
JANUARY
2017**

**2nd Sunday
of Epiphany**

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

Hymns: MP 529, 624, 266, 506
Readings: Revelation 5:1-10
John 1:43-51
See overleaf

5.00 p.m. AGM of Churches Together in Itchen
at St. Patrick's Church Hall, Woolston

INTRODUCTORY SENTENCE

He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."
(John 1:51)

COLLECT

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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



Revelation 5:1-10

Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the centre of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people. And they sang a new song, saying:

"You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth."

John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."

Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

"Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked.

"Come and see," said Philip.

When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit."

"How do you know me?" Nathanael asked.

Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you."

Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel."

Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

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the AGM of Churches Together in Itchen will be held at 5.00 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church Hall, Woolston.

All are welcome

THE WEEK AHEAD

TUE 16 JAN 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome
7.30 p.m. PCC meeting in the Church Hall

THU 18 JAN **Start of Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

FRI 19 JAN 6.00 p.m. Family Fun Night in the Church Hall

SUN 21 JAN **3RD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**
10.00 a.m. Worship Together Service at St. Mark's Church
NO SERVICE AT PEAR TREE
12.30 p.m. Baptism in the Church

TUE 23 JAN 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome
2.00 p.m. Funeral of Miss Betty Davidson in the Church

WED 24 JAN 7.30 p.m. Pear Tree 400 Committee meeting in the Hall
Committee Room

FRI 26 JAN 7.00 p.m. Pear Tree Quilters in the Church Hall

SUN 28 JAN **4TH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY - Homeless Sunday**
10.00 a.m. Parish Worship

NEXT SUNDAY

Please note that there will be **NO** 10.00 a.m. service at Pear Tree. Instead, we are invited to Worship Together with our friends at St. Mark's Church, Woolston. It would be appreciated if those with cars would be aware of those without transport and offer lifts to St. Mark's. Alternatively, contact Stephen Boulain-Gerrey, our Transport Co-ordinator. Thank you.