

PEAR TREE PRAYER TREE

Today, as part of our cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who live in Wharncliffe Road and Wodehouse Road; the work of the Salvation Army; all our 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, Google Diaper and Jane McGill.

PARISH MAGAZINE

The February/March edition covering all our Lent and Easter services is now available on the table. Please help yourself to a copy.



BASICS BANK

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

CHURCH STEWARDSHIP

If you would like to join our envelope or Gift Aid Scheme, please contact Pam West (80448256) for further details.

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).

~~ COMING SOON ~~

Friday/Saturday 2nd/3rd February The Players Theatre production of "The Legend of King Arthur", 7.00 p.m. in the Church Hall. Full details on page 19 of the parish magazine.

Tuesday 13th February ... Messy Church, 10.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. in the Church Hall. Light lunch provided. Free entry, but donations appreciated. Contact Anne Gerrard (80433820) to book.

Friday 16th February ... Family Beetle Drive, 7.30 p.m. Woolston Methodist Church, Manor Road North. Adults £3, children £1. All welcome.

Friday 16th February ... St. Mark's Church £1 a bag Jumble, 10.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. in St. Mark's Institute, Victoria Road, Woolston. Entry 30p.



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
28th
JANUARY
2018

4th Sunday
of Epiphany

Priest-in-Charge - Revd Miles Newton, 117 Swift Road, Woolston SO19 9ER
☎ 023 80441124

10.00 a.m. PARISH WORSHIP
- Pat Hawkins

Hymns: BBC 327, 287, 370, 139
Reading: Mark 1:21-28
See overleaf

HOMELESS



SUNDAY

INTRODUCTORY SENTENCE

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COLLECT

God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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**



Mark 1:21-28

They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law. Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, "What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God!" "Be quiet!" said Jesus sternly. "Come out of him!" The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek. The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, "What is this? A new teaching, and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him." News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

~~ TODAY ~~

We extend a warm welcome to Major Mike Smith from the Salvation Army, who, on Homeless Sunday, will be talking to us about human trafficking and modern slavery.

Through prayer and reflection, Homeless Sunday offers an opportunity to listen to what God has to say about homelessness, and to consider what action we are being called to take.

Homeless Sunday brings together thousands of churches from across the whole of the UK. It has the support of all the main denominations and is celebrated in a wide range of congregations taking part.

~~ THANK YOU ~~

- ♦ to all those who supported our Mission Table on 7th January, when £28.50 was raised.
- ♦ to those who organised and supported the Jumble Sale on 13th January, when £150 was raised for Church Funds.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- MON 29 JAN** 10.00 a.m. Crafty Coffee Morning in the Church Hall - all welcome
- TUE 30 JAN** 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome
- WED 31 JAN** 7.15 p.m. Pastoral Prayer Evening in the Church - all welcome
- SUN 4 FEB** **2ND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
 - 10.00 a.m. Parish Communion
 - 11.15 a.m. Mission Table in the Church Hall

PEAR TREE PASTORAL CARE
7.15 p.m.

Wednesday 31st January
Please join us for our monthly hour of prayer and reflection in the church.

Pastoral Care

- ❖ a time to share
- ❖ a time to care
- ❖ a time to listen
- ❖ a time to pray

Don't forget to visit the
MISSION TABLE

in the Church Hall next Sunday after the 10.00 a.m. service, when cakes, books, DVDs, bric-a-brac, etc., will be on sale.
Donations of items to sell would be appreciated.

NEWS FROM
THE FRIENDS OF PEAR TREE GREEN

Pear Tree Green Winter Tree Walk
10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Saturday 3rd February



Join us for this winter walk and learn how to identify trees and shrubs.

This is a joint event with Southampton Natural History Society and will be led by ecologist, Phil Budd.

Free! Dress for the weather in waterproofs and sturdy footwear. Meet at the children's play area. All welcome.