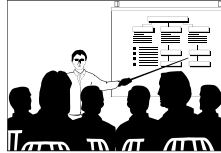


ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

11.30 a.m. Sunday 29th April in the Church Hall

At this meeting officers and a new Parochial Church Council will be elected for the coming year. The PCC needs people who are willing to become involved in the day to day running of the Church. A nomination form is available on the Church notice board.



Please sign up if you would like to stand for election.

Please note - to stand (or to vote at the meeting), you must be on the Electoral Roll of the Church. For further information, please speak to Jean Inglis, our Electoral Roll Officer (tel. 80252292).

Also If you have been asked to provide a report for the Annual Report, it would be appreciated if you would give this to Doris Pratt as soon as possible. Thank you.

PARISH MAGAZINE

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

BASICS BANK

Don't forget that tinned goods for Basics Bank are always needed and appreciated. Please leave your donations in the special box on the table.

JUMBLE SALE

10.30 a.m.
Saturday 28th April
in the Church Hall

Volunteers would be appreciated from 9.00 a.m. to set up and clear away afterwards

OPEN CHURCH

..will commence again
1.00-4.00 p.m. every
Wednesday from the
beginning of May.

If you would like to join the rota, please contact Jim or Jean Inglis (80252292).

~ ~ A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY ~ ~

RIGHT ROYAL TEA PARTY
to celebrate

Harry and Meghan's wedding
3.30 p.m. Sunday 20th May
on Pear Tree Green or in the
Church Hall if wet
Bring a cake to share
Come dressed as a prince or
princess - all welcome

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) or e-mail cecillittlenanna@gmail.com



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
8th
APRIL
2018

2nd Sunday
of Easter

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

10.00 a.m. PARISH COMMUNION
- Revd John Hodgson

Hymns: BBC 160, 82, 342, 347
Readings: Acts 4:32-35
John 20:19-31
See overleaf

INTRODUCTORY SENTENCE

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."
(John 20:29)

COLLECT

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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 our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



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



Acts 4:32-35

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

John 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- TUE 10 APR** 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome
- FRI 13 APR** 10.30 a.m. Messy Church in the Church Hall
- SAT 14 APR** 7.00 for Quiz Night with Fish and Chip Supper in the Church Hall
7.30 p.m.
- SUN 15 APR** **3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER**
10.00 a.m. Worship Together with St. Mark's Church at Pear Tree Church
12.30 p.m. Baptism in the Church



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 13TH APRIL
in the Church Hall
Refreshments provided, free entry, but donations appreciated.
Contact Anne Gerrard (80433820)

QUIZ NIGHT
with Fish and Chip Supper
7.00 p.m. for a 7.30 p.m. start
Saturday 14th April
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

PEAR TREE PRAYER TREE
Today, as part of our cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who live in Chine Avenue and Cornel Road;
Pear Tree House Rehabilitation Centre; Messy Church



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, Ian Fry, Aimee, Fred and Edith, Emily Thomas, Dylan Hunt and Joan Dunnings.