



PEAR TREE PRAYER TREE

Today, as part of our cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who live in Seaward Road and Sholing Road; Churches Together in Itchen; 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, Win Stead, Mary Stone, Aimee, Fred and Edith, and Emily Thomas.

Please also pray for the family and friends of Mr Russell Leppitt, one of our church members, whose funeral will be held in the church on Wednesday.

PARISH MAGAZINE

The June/July Parish Magazine is now available on the table. Please help yourself to a copy. If you would like a regular copy delivered to your door, please contact Doris Pratt (80435602) to arrange delivery.



~~ DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ~~

Friday 1st June Family Beetle Drive in Woolston Methodist Church Hall, 7.30 p.m. Adults £3, children £1. All welcome.

Wednesday 6th June ... The Friends of Pear Tree Green AGM, 7.30 - 9.00 p.m. in the Pear Tree Pub, Pear Tree Road. All welcome.

Saturday 16th June The Friends of Pear Tree Green Bioblitz, 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m., including three guided walks: 11.00 a.m. Flowers, 12.30 p.m. Birds and Butterflies, 2.30 p.m. Invertebrates. Free event, meet by the children's playground. All welcome.

Friday 29th June Family Fun Night, 6.00-7.30 p.m. in the Church Hall. Light refreshments, free entry, all welcome.

PLEASE NOTE the interior of the church is being re-painted from 14th June to the second week of July. During this time no services or other activities will be held in the Church. Our Sunday 10.00 a.m. services will be held in the Church Hall.



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
27th
MAY
2018

Trinity
Sunday

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: To be advised
Reading: John 3:1-17
See overleaf



11.30 a.m. Meeting of Fundraising/Events Committee
in the Church Hall

12.30 p.m. Baptism in the Church
3.00 p.m. Baptism in the Church
4.00 p.m. Baptism in the Church

INTRODUCTORY SENTENCE

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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



John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him."

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again."

"How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!"

Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

"How can this be?" Nicodemus asked.

"You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven, the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him."

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

~~ TODAY ~~

We extend a warm welcome to the families and friends of Bradley Smith, George Perry and Sky Barrow, who are to be baptised in our church this afternoon.

Also ... there will be a meeting of the Fundraising/Events Committee in the Church Hall after the 10.00 a.m. service to discuss arrangements for the Summer Fete. If you are not on this committee but would like to be involved in planning for the Fete, please come along.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- TUE 29 MAY** 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome
- WED 30 MAY** 11.15 a.m. Funeral of Mr Russ Leppitt in the Church
1.00 -
4.00 p.m. OPEN CHURCH
- FRI 1 JUNE** 10.00 a.m. Messy Church in the Church Hall
7.00 p.m. Pear Tree Quilters in the Church Hall
- SAT 2 JUNE** from 9.30 am Church clear-out in readiness for re-painting
- SUN 3 JUNE** **1ST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**
10.00 a.m. Parish Communion
11.30 a.m. Meeting of Pear Tree 400 in the Hall



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 1ST JUNE
in the Church Hall**

Refreshments provided, free entry, but donations appreciated.
Contact Anne Gerrard (80433820) to book

~~ THANK YOU ~~

- ◆ to all those who made donations to our Christian Aid Appeal on 13th May.
 - ◆ to all those who supported the Mission Table on 13th May, when £55.34 was raised.
 - ◆ to Pat, Doreen, Angela and all their helpers who worked so hard in the preparation and organising of the Right Royal Tea Party held on the Green last Sunday.
- Thank you to all those who came along and supported us in this very enjoyable event.