



PEAR TREE PRAYER TREE

Today, as part of our cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who live outside the parish;
St. James' Shelter; Churches Together in Itchen.

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, Aimee, Edith, Ron and Billie Smith, John Allen, David Stovell, Jim Inglis, Lucas, Gordon Jewell, Dave Anderson, Diana Firmin, Diane, Keith Sydenham and Ebo.

Please also pray for the family and friends of Mrs Sheila Meech, whose ashes are to be interred in the Garden of Remembrance on Monday.

QUIZ NIGHT

*with Fish and Chip Supper
and Silent Auction*

**7.00 p.m. Saturday 28th March
in the Church Hall
(food served 7.30 p.m.)**

Tickets £7 available from Liz and Peter
Spencer-Fleet (80560055).
Tea and coffee available or bring your
own refreshments.

PARISH MAGAZINE

The deadline for the April/
May edition is today,
Sunday 1st March. Please
leave any items on the
church table or email Doris Pratt at
dmpratt@btoopenworld.com.



Southampton Deanery Choir Evensong

**6.30 p.m. Sunday 29th March
in the church**

All interested singers welcome.
Rehearsal 5.15 p.m.
Full details on the notice board.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

11.30 a.m. Sunday 5th 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).



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
1st
MARCH
2020**

**Sunday next
before Lent**

Priest-in-Charge - Revd Miles Newton, 117 Swift Road, Woolston SO19 9ER
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Church Website: <http://www.pear treechurch.org.uk> Facebook: Pear Tree Church

10.00 a.m.

PARISH COMMUNION

- Revd Miles Newton

Hymns: BBC 136, 72, 285, 287

Communion: BBC 325

Readings: Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

See overleaf



COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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 God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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



Romans 5:12-19

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned.

To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you,
and they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."

Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."

Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'"

Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- MON 2 MAR**
 - 10.00 a.m. Crafty Coffee Morning in the Church Hall - all welcome
 - 11.00 a.m. Interment of the ashes of Mrs Sheila Meech in the Garden of Remembrance
- TUE 3 MAR**
 - 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Church - all welcome
 - 7.30 p.m. Compline in the Church - all welcome
- THU 5 MAR**
 - 7.30 p.m. CTI Forum meeting in Woolston Community Centre - all welcome
- FRI 6 MAR**
 - 2.00 p.m. World Day of Prayer Service in the Church - all welcome
- SUN 8 MAR** **2ND SUNDAY OF LENT**
 - 11.00 a.m. Worship Together Service at St. Mark's Church, Woolston, followed by a Lent lunch
NO SERVICE IN PEAR TREE
- TUE 10 MAR**
 - 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
- FRI 13 MAR**
 - 6.00 p.m. Family Fun Evening in the Church Hall
- SUN 15 MAR** **3RD SUNDAY OF LENT**
 - 10.00 a.m. Worship Together service at Pear Tree
 - 12.30 p.m. Baptisms in the Church
 - 3.00 p.m. Baptism in the Church

NEXT SUNDAY 8th March
 Please note that there will be **NO** 10.00 a.m. service at Pear Tree. Instead we are invited to join our friends at St. Mark's Church, Weston Grove Road, Woolston for a Worship Together service at **11.00 a.m., followed by a Lent lunch.**
 It would be appreciated if those with cars would be aware of those without transport and offer lifts to St. Mark's.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT
6.00 - 7.30 p.m.
Friday 13th March in the Hall
 A family fun night for parents and children up to 12 years with activities, games and music. Light refreshments provided. Free entry. No unaccompanied children.