

	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
	Lent 3 12th March	Mothering Sunday 19th March
11.00am Celebrant Readings	Holy Communion Fr Andrew Exodus 17:1-7 John 4:5-42	Messy Eucharist Fr Andrew Luke 2:33-35
Reader Prayers	Alan Roadley Adrian Norris	Sunday School Carol Pike
6.00pm		Choral Evensong
Wednesday	10.30am Midweek Communion	10.30am Midweek Communion
Thursday	10.00am Lent Group 11.00am Lunch Club	10.00am Lent Group

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VISITOR INFORMATION

We are here to welcome everyone and we want to help those who have dementia to feel safe and help them to worship with us.

Hearing loop: If you are wearing a hearing aid, turn the control to T.

If you wish to make a donation to St Peter's and you are a taxpayer, please remember that donations can be "gift aided" by completing one of the envelopes available by the door.

Should the fire alarm sound whenever you are in church this will be for real. You should immediately leave church by either the main door, the fire door on the north side or through the choir vestry and await further instructions by the war memorial. Church members who are responsible for the event should supervise the evacuation.



Please hold in your prayers: Brenda Rochester, Malcolm Maciver, Susan Smith, Jane Pike, Jacqueline Flood, Susie Johnson, Barbara Marshall, Annabel Dance, Jane Chamberlain, Alice Binns, Julie Wilson, Joshua Chapman, Pat Brereton, Joanne Creighton.

Those listed in the memorial book: Robinson Batey, Muriel Alice Lovgreen, Bertha Barlow Hadfield, Ethel M Tomblin, Reginald Edmondson, Susannah Duerden, George Altham, Kai L Lovgreen.

Prayer Requests: If you have any prayer requests please contact Alan and have your request added to the daily prayers or the WhatsApp group. The WhatsApp group is available to anyone with a smartphone.



St Peter's Church Burnley

Lent 3

12th March 2023



Wednesday Prayer Meetings will take place once a fortnight from 9.30am before the Holy Communion service, starting 15th March. All welcome to pray together.

Lent Group is on Thursday, 9.30am refreshments, 10am discussion. All welcome.

Lunch Club is on Thursday. £7, tea and coffee served from 11am, lunch at 12 noon.

Easter Eggs If you would like to give a donation towards buying Easter Eggs for Sunday School and the Young Singers, please see Meena. Thank you.

Confirmation Bishop Philip will be coming for a benefice confirmation service at St Peter's on 26th November at 10.30am. This is good news as we celebrate Christ the King on that Sunday. On that day there will be one service at St Peter's.

There are a number of candidates already and we would like to include any Yr 6 children from our schools who wish to be confirmed. We will be running two preparation days in late summer/early autumn. These will be interactive and fun! This is a great opportunity for us to welcome our children and of course any adults who wish to make for themselves the promises made at baptism to follow Jesus.

If you or someone you know is interested in being prepared for confirmation, please contact Fr Andrew.

100 Club - Existing and New Members

Heather Slater has run the 100 Club at St Peter's for many years, and we are very grateful to her and for the very welcome addition provided to church funds over many years. Heather has now decided to step down from the post and I have picked up the baton.

Existing members will be contacted shortly and asked to renew.

We have plenty of vacant numbers and so anyone wishing to become a member should contact me on 07565 347524 or email andrewmbuchanan@hotmail.co.uk and I will send out the forms.

The fee for the year remains at £26 and for that, there will be a draw on Easter Sunday and Christmas Day for £100 each and in the other ten months of the year a draw of £10 on the last Sunday of the month.

Please sign up by 2 April 2023 ahead of the first draw on 9 April 2023.

So for 50p a week you have the chance to win £300 and help church funds. Please sign up! - *Andrew Buchanan PCC Secretary.*

Collect

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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

First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. **2** The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' **3** But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' **4** So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' **5** The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. **6** I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. **7** He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and

tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Second Reading: John 4:5-42

5 So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. **6** Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' **8** (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) **9** The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) **10** Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' **11** The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?' **12** Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' **13** Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, **14** but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' **15** The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

16 Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' **17** The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; **18**

for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' **19** The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. **20** Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' **21** Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. **22** You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. **23** But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. **24** God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' **25** The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' **26** Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

27 Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' **28** Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, **29** 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' **30** They left the city and were on their way to him.

31 Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' **32** But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' **33** So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely

no one has brought him something to eat?' **34** Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. **35** Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. **36** The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. **37** For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." **38** I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

39 Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' **40** So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. **41** And many more believed because of his word. **42** They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

Post Communion

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Today's Hymns

81 Brother, sister, let me serve you
704 We love the place, O God
319 In the Cross of Christ I glory
552 Praise the Lord, ye heavens,
adore him