

Mothering Sunday 14th March

Mothering Sunday forms part of our Church Calendar to remind us of the need to return to “Mother Church” for the comfort and care we need.

We give our mothers flowers to thank them for what they do for us. As we remember this day today, let us not lose sight of the love God has for us as summed up in the Catechism definition of God’s GRACE (love).

Grace is God’s favour towards us unearned and undeserved.

Fun 4 Fundraising

Our first morning last month went very well and we are hoping to build on this on Saturday 20th (next week). The children’s room will have a few more events and there will be a Tombola in the main hall as well as the Bake Sale, Traidcraft table and Book Stall and Card Stall.

We are looking for donations towards the Tombola and homemade cakes. These can be brought into the Parish Office during the week.

There are still places available for the 100 Club which will have its first draw on Easter Monday at the Eggstra Special Egg Event at 2.00 – 4.00 pm.

Blessings Wayne Lautenbach

Daily Bible Readings for Morning Prayer

Monday 15 th	Psalm 77	Hebrews 9.1-14
Tuesday 16 th	Psalm 79	Hebrews 9.15-end
Wednesday 17 th	Psalm 90	Hebrews 10.1-18
Thursday 18 th	Psalm 86	Hebrews 10.19-25
Friday 19 th	Psalm 25	Matthew 13.54-end
	<i>St Joseph of Nazareth</i>	
Saturday 20 th	Psalm 32	Hebrews 11.1-16

THE TRAIDCRAFT TABLE is at the back of church each Sunday.

Parish Contacts

The Parish Office is open Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 12.30 pm

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We Commit to Worship, Share and Care

Today’s Services for Fourth of Lent

MOTHERING SUNDAY

9.15am	Parade & Morning Worship
11.00am	Parish Communion
6.30pm	Holy Communion

Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:

strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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**

Readings

9.15am	Luke 2: 33-35 (p971)	
11.00am	Col 3:12-17 (p1119)	Luke 2:33-35 (p971)
6.30pm	2 Cor 1: 3-7 (p1094)	John 19: 25b-27 (p1027)

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. **2 Cor 1: 3,4**

Gift Aid If you are donating any money to the church, no matter how small the amount, and you pay standard rate income tax, please complete a form. This means we can claim back tax on your donation. E.g. money for flowers.



We pray for: Adam Jon Mountford and Vicki Louise Kendrick to be married next Saturday 20th March

Sick If anyone knows that a member of the congregation is ill or in hospital, please contact the Parish Office.

The Parish of Prenton
The Congregation of St Stephen & St Alban

Mothing Sunday 14th March 2010

Welcome to you all on this special day and especially to all mothers. Today is a special day when we remember the role of Mother's in the whole family setup and in society. It is a day when we remember too, the role that the Church plays in our lives as our Mother.

We are now halfway through the season of Lent and Easter is only a few weeks away. The Services for the next few weeks including our A.P.C.M. Holy Week to Easter are as follows:

Sunday 21st March 5th of Lent PASSION SUNDAY

10.00am Combined All Age Communion followed by the A.P.C.M.

6.30pm B.C.P. Evensong

PALM SUNDAY 28th March

9.15 am Morning Worship

11.00 am Parish Communion *followed by*

Walk of witness from Prenton Methodist at 11.30 to St Stephen's C-of-E at 11.45 to Prenton URC at 12 noon ending at St Joseph's RC at 12.15.

6.30 pm Churches Together Service at Prenton U.R.C.

MAUNDY THURSDAY 1st April

8.00 pm Eucharistic Service of the Last Supper & Foot washing *followed by silent Vigil until midnight – starts again at 7.00 am*

GOOD FRIDAY 2nd April

9.15 am "Veneration of the cross & Reproaches"

10.30 am Churches Together Walk of Witness in Birkenhead

2.00 – 3.00 pm Stations of the Cross

EASTER DAY 4th April

8.00 am B.C.P. Holy Communion

9.15 am All Age Easter Communion

11.00 am Parish Communion

6.30 pm Easter Praise

Diary.

Mon -Fri 8.30-9.00am **Morning Prayer** in the Ladychapel

Tues 16th 8.00pm P.C.C. Meeting in the Noble Room

Wed 17th 10.30am Holy Communion followed by Coffee Morning

8.00pm Compline and Parish Prayers in church

Sunday 21st March fifth of Lent PASSION SUNDAY

10.00am Parish Communion 1 Cor 11:23-26 John 6:51-58

6.30pm Holy Communion 2 Chron 35: 1-6, 10-16 Luke 2: 1-13

For Our Prayers:-

The Parish:

We pray this week for the people of :- **Shipton Close** and **Rothesay Gardens**

Those On Our Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick, including: Fay White; Andrew;

Kate Edwards; Elizabeth Lautenbach.

Please also continue to pray for: Tony Martin; Morgan Gilbert; Barbara Francis;

Richard Martin; Jean Jordan; Ivan Thomason; Doris Griffiths;

Dorothy Cheesley; Bob Hawkins Snr.

Prayer for 14th

from St Stephen's Prayer Diary...

The preaching, teaching and worship of the Church We pray that God would inspire all those who preach and teach in our church with his Holy Spirit. We pray that God would build us up in truth, faith, love and understanding.

From Chester Diocese Cycle of Prayer

Province of the Indian Ocean Archbishop The Most Revd Gerald Ernest, Bishop of Mauritius

Thorn Cross Young Offenders Institution—Shawn Verhey, Marilyn Martin.

Parish Funerals and Memorials:

We remember before God the family and friends of:- **Barbara Baldwin**

Notices:-

Altar Flowers

There is a box at the back of church for Easter Flower Donations.

Lent Study Course 'People on the edge of Pain' Thursday 18th March.

Please join us in the church halls on NEXT Saturday 20th March for :-

'FUN for FUNDRAISING'

from 10.30-1.00pm for refreshments, stalls, children's room, raffle, tombola, lunch.. Donations of cakes (especially home-made), items for Tombola and books welcome.

Sainsbury & Tesco vouchers Please give to Brenda Tollady or the Parish Office for our uniformed organisations. Thank you.

Coach Trip to Oswaldtwistle Mill.

This will take place on Saturday 27th March leaving Church at 10.00 am and leaving the Mill at 4.00 pm. Bookings can be made through Mrs June Foster.

Please 'phone June on 608 9176

Wednesday Lunchtimes in Lent 12.15pm @ St Nick's at the Pier Head

17th Mar The Archbishop of Liverpool