



FOODBANK

please continue support by leaving items, in the porch basket. NO fresh goods, please.

Southport Foodbank is now at Victoria Centre, 197a Sussex Road, PR8 6DG

If you wish to support financially, please send cheques to the above address, or Online to Sort-code:40-42-30 A/c no. 42087391

<https://southport.foodbank.org.uk/>

A really big **THANK YOU**

from the Shewsy for the most delightful gifts from All Saints congregation which helped make Christmas a special time for all the youngsters who attended their two parties just before Christmas.



OUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!

Several areas of service are VACANT within our church family -- maybe YOU have some skills to share ??

STUDY GROUP for LENT

Starting on Thurs. Feb. 27th from 2.30 to 4pm. Please do consider giving time to faith building during this special period before Holy Week and Easter.

Lively discussion and fellowship are on offer to ALL during the season of Lent. A Booklet will be available which will help us through the 5-6 week study.



All Saints Parish Church

BULLETIN for FEBRUARY 2025



FOOD FUNDS FAILURES
is for FEBRUARY
FELLOWSHIP FARTHING
FRIENDS FAITH FIELDS

feet FOLLOWERS faithful FLOWERS
FUN flexible foot FRUIT FEELINGS
FORGIVEN FINANCES FEW FOREVER
FINDING FATHER FEAR FOREIGN
FORWARD 5,000 fed FISHERMEN
FAMILY FEEDING fasting FEVER

. Are YOU on the ELECTORAL ROLL at All Saints?

In 2025 there has to be a complete revision by the end of February, so everyone will need to complete a form to register membership of the church and be able to vote at the Annual Meeting.

More info and forms from Carol Hosker , our Electoral Roll Officer.

BIBLE VERSE for 2025

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer

Share with the Lord's people who are in need.

Practice hospitality. [from Romans 12 : 12-13]

SUNDAY SERVICES

Feb.2nd 10am Holy Communion - Archdeacon Pete Spiers
Feb.9th 10am Morning Worship
Feb.16th 10am Holy Communion - Canon Roger Wikeley
Feb. 23rd 10am Morning Worship

WEDNESDAYS

9.30am BCP Communion (lounge)

DEAR FRIENDS,

Candlemas, or the Feast of the Purification, commemorates the presentation of Jesus at the Temple by Joseph and Mary. It is celebrated on 2nd February. It is nominally 40 days after Christmas and marks the end of the season of Epiphany and is followed, until Ash Wednesday, by a period of Ordinary Time which sounds a bit - well - boring.

Ordinary Time celebrates Jesus' teaching and ministry. It gives us time to reflect on how we live as Christians - to 'order' our lives while we focus on a particular Gospel. We are presently Luke (Year C,) In a three-year cycle.

A line from a well-known hymn makes the point: "...and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace".

I commend to all the need for Prayer and God's guidance for the future of All Saints, hence the coming together for Prayer Breakfasts and the Lent Course... see elsewhere in this Bulletin.

John

These words from my Reader-colleague, John, are a timely reminder to us that, although we may feel very 'ordinary' much of the time, each one of us is special in God's sight, as these words from two of the prophets from the Old Testament testify: 'You are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you' *Isaiah 43v4* and 'I have loved you with an everlasting love' *Jeremiah 31v3*. This everlasting love is, of course, exemplified in the most amazing way through the incarnation, life, death and resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

In this world which seems increasingly disordered, may God grant us 'ordered lives' that do indeed confess the beauty of God's peace.

Steve

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N.B. The ministry team are always available to offer private prayer, particularly in cases of illness or times of distress.

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WHAT'S ON IN FEBRUARY



Thurs.6th 2pm Bereavement Group (lounge)
Fri. 7th 8.45-9.45 Prayer Breakfast
10 -11.30 Coffee & Cake in the Lounge
Fri. 21st 8.45-9.45 Prayer Breakfast
Thurs.27th 2.30-4pm Lent Study Group - (lounge)

ADVANCE NOTICE :

March 4th : Shrove Tuesday Beetle Drive & Pancake afternoon

March 5th : Ash Wednesday Communion in Church



After careful prayer, thought and discussion, the PCC plans to continue our regular Prayer-time on Fridays twice a month, starting with a short slot for Tea/Coffee/Juice and Toast. Prayer is an essential part in everyone's faith journey, so if you are unable to be physically present, do join us 'in spirit' to pray for the needs of our church, the world and those we know and love, who need the Lord's peace and strength in their lives.

Pray for our King Charles III, Queen Camilla and all members of the royal family, may God grant them wisdom and strength.

Pray for our bishops that they be faithful in their calling, with wisdom and integrity; for the process of appointing a new Archbishop.

Pray for our Prime Minister and government as they seek solutions for peace in Israel and Ukraine, and how to deal with the cost of living crisis.

Pray for our CMS Mission Partners, Marc, Helen & family, in North Africa, and for the Wilson family in Ethiopia, also for the work of Kanzi Kibera Friends in Nairobi's slums.

Remember those amongst our families and friends undergoing medical treatment.... Also pray for medical staff working under pressure.

Those who are housebound and their carers, and those being cared for in residential homes.

For recently bereaved families and friends as they face a future without their loved ones.

For our church leadership as they seek God's plan for the way forward for the Church during the Interregnum, seeking to support the congregation at present and develop opportunities for mission; and for other church members to take up active responsibilities.

(Lots of little jobs need willing hands...speak to the Wardens - join the crew!)