STUDY GROUP for LENT

Continues on Thur. April 3rd &10th at 2.30 - 4pm in the Lounge.

LIVING HOPE

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 this season of Lent.



FOODBANK please 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. 52071665



April 17th at 6.30pm.

You will need to book your meal with Helen (533530)

Tickets: £20 (incl. drinks)



thanks to all who donated so generously to the recent Building Project. We have sent £2, 751.50



Kanzi-Kibera Friends

Don't miss the Bus on April 24th!!



Book your trip out to Lytham Hall with Lesley (Coach £20) Coach departs at 10a.m. from Church car-park



Donations for **EASTER FLOWERS** in Church can be given (and even Gift Aided) in memory of loved ones. Please use an envelope and put your name on it, giving it to Helen Lloyd by <u>13th April</u>. Easter Sat. morning help would be welcome.

BIBLE VERSE for 2025

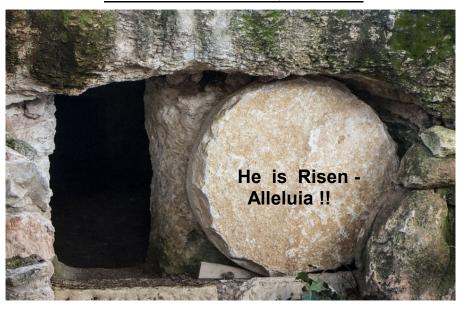
Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer

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

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

All Saints Parish Church

BULLETIN for APRIL 2025



SUNDAY SERVICES

April 6th 10am Morning Worship followed by Annual Church Meeting

" 13th 10am Palm Sunday Holy Communion - Canon Rod

" 20th 10am Easter Holy Communion - Canon Rod Garner

" 27th 10am Morning Worship

WEDNESDAYS

9.30am - BCP Communion (lounge)

ADDITIONAL SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK

Mon. 14th Apr. 7.30pm Quiet service of Communion - Canon Rod Thur. 17th 6.30pm Supper with Friends Agape (Hall) [see back page] Good Friday 2pm -3pm An Hour at the Cross

DEAR FRIENDS,

The equinox has come and gone and for the next six months light will begin to shine more brightly in our world. In April, optimism will begin to rise, and in church circles we prepare to be reminded once again of the central tenets of our faith - death and resurrection. In Jesus we have a model of life as it can be if we dare to love our neighbour as ourselves, smiling at those whom we pass on our trip to the shops, our walk round the park or whatever; the hope of better days to come is in the air.

Yes, for many of us in the northern hemisphere, April is an optimistic month, Wordsworth's daffodils are "fluttering and dancing in the breeze", birds are tweeting and calling as they dart among budding branches, building their nests to raise the next generation that will bring song and colour to our world - and all of this mirrors the Christian faith in Jesus who said, to his Father, "let me go there" and who brought with Him hope for us all.

The church is nothing if it isn't local; people who, week by week, gather round Word and Sacrament to keep the gospel alive in churches like All Saints.

No wonder our Easter song is "Alleluia! Christ is risen"!

Canon Roger Wikeley

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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 APRIL

Thur. 3&10 2.30-4pm Lent Study Group (lounge)

Fri. 4th 8.45-9.45 Prayer Breakfast

10 - noon Coffee & Cake morning (lounge)

Sun.6th 11am Annual Church Meeting (Hall) Thur.17th 6.30pm Maundy Thursday Meal (p.t.o.)

Good Friday 8.45-9.45 Prayer Breakfast

Easter Sat. 10 - 11am Church floral decorating

Thur. 24th Coach trip to Lytham (Book with Lesley)





After careful prayer, thought and discussion, the PCC has chosen 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 & Diocesan Bishop.

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 new active responsibilities on the Church Council.

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