

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS PRAYER

GROUP: Wednesdays- 2.30pm -Addison Room
Bangladesh: Pray for Open Doors' projects and training programmes aimed at strengthening the Bangladeshi church in 2017. Pray for guidance, protection & good health for staff, & sustainable partnerships with local churches and for peace and stability in the country.

LENT QUIET DAY: "Journey to the Cross".
Will be held on Tuesday 4th April at Brathay Centre, details to follow

LENT PROJECT: This year we are supporting Community Action Nepal and Open Doors. See noticeboard in the North Aisle for details.

PRAYER CARDS: There is a new selection of Lent Prayer Cards on the chest, in the North Aisle available to purchase.

Praying and Learning Together in Lent:
We shall meet on Wednesdays at 11.15am and 7pm throughout Lent to Reflect on "Being Disciples" & reading the recent book of the same name by Archbishop Rowan.

PIANO RECITAL: On Sunday 26th March at 2-30pm in Ings Church Philip Burton is returning to the concert platform to do a **piano recital** called *The Rustle of Spring!* He'll be playing music by Mompou, Mozart, Philip Glass, Handel, Scarlatti, Baber and Sinding. Tickets are £5 and some of the money raised will go to the Trussle Trust to support Windermere Food Bank.

This Week:

Enquiries: (Tel: 44596) The Parish Office is open Monday to Wednesday 9.00am-3.30pm
E-Mail: office@stmaryswindermere.co.uk

MORNING PRAYER: This week will be at 8.00am Monday–Thursday.
A quiet and helpful way to begin the day.

Monday 13th March

10.00am A.E. Continuation Italian Upper Rm.
4.30pm Rainbows/Brownies/Guides
7.00pm Mission Steering Gp – Carver URC

Tuesday 14th March

9.30am Clergy Chapter - Bowness
10.00am Little Pips
5.30pm Quiet Space

Wednesday 15th March

10.00am Holy Communion & Coffee Time
11.15am REFRESH: Lent Group
2.30pm Persecuted Christians Prayer Time
7.00pm REFRESH: Lent Group

This week you are invited to pray for:

- Those who live in College Rd & Elleray Gdns
- The Doctors' surgery
- Our Clergy and Lay Ministers

The Word... ...This Week

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Welcome:

Second Sunday in Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am Matins (BCP)
at Jesus Church Troutbeck
11.00am Sunday Celebration followed by short PCC Meeting

Today's Music:

Introit	104	Christ triumphant
Gradual	519	O my saviour, lifted
Offertory	303	I cannot tell
Communion	417	Lord of our life
Recessional	695	To God be the glory
Organist		Philip Burton

If you are a visitor to Windermere or this is the first time you have worshipped with us, do make yourself known to one of the Sidesmen. We hope you will find this worship helpful and enjoyable and that you will join us again. You are warmly invited to join us for Coffee etc. after the 11.00am Service.

Gluten Free Wafers are available – please see Wardens & Sidesmen if this would be helpful.

Our Purpose:

We are here to help everyone to know and grow in the love of God through prayer, worship, teaching and service.

Our Vision:

A thriving, growing Christian community.

Next Sunday: 19th March

Third Sunday in Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am Holy Communion (CW)
at Jesus Church. Troutbeck
11.00am Sunday Celebration
6.00pm Evensong

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The First Reading

Genesis 11.27-12.11

A reading from the book of Genesis

Now these are the descendants of Terah. Terah was the father of Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran was the father of Lot. 28 Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his birth, in Ur of the Chaldeans. 29 Abram and Nahor took wives; the name of Abram's wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor's wife was Milcah. She was the daughter of Haran the father of Milcah and Iscah. 30 Now Sarai was barren; she had no child.

31 Terah took his son Abram and his grandson Lot son of Haran, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, his son Abram's wife, and they went out together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go into the land of Canaan; but when they came to Haran, they settled there. 32 The days of Terah were two hundred and five years; and Terah died in Haran.

12 Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 2 I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. 5 Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, 6 Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. 7 Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, 'To your offspring I will give this land.' So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. 8 From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. 9 And Abram journeyed on by stages towards the Negeb.

A Lent Prose

RESPONSE:

**Hear us, O Lord,
have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.**

1. To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory: lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings : listen, O Jesu, to our supplications. **R/**
2. O thou chief Corner-stone, Right Hand of the Father : Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial : cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement. **R/**

3. God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated : bow down and hearken to thy weeping children : pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses. **R/**
4. Sins oft committed now we lay before thee : with true contrition, now no more we veil them : grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution. **R/**
5. Innocent, captive, taken unresisting : falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced, save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer. **R/**

The Gospel Reading

John 3:1-17 p 111

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' ³Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' ⁴Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' ⁵Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' ⁹Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' ¹⁰Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

From our Book of Remembrance:

This week we remember: Olive Wright, Arthur Johnstone, Mary Dawes, Megan Turner, Simon McEvoy, Frank Park, M.J. Brierley, Sheila Backhouse, Katherine Gilliat, George Jenkinson, Harvey Legh and Desmond Rodway.