

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS PRAYER

GROUP: Wednesdays- 2.30pm in the Addison Room. Afghanistan is No. 3 on the world watch list 2017. The Islamic Republic of Afghanistan does not allow conversion from Islam. It is considered apostasy, bringing shame on the family. Pray for a change in outlook.

FAIRTRADE CHURCH: We are now a registered Fairtrade place of worship. Thanks to all who organise and man our regular stands.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT: 27th Feb to 12th March. There will be a Fairtrade Stall in church on Sunday 26th February and 5th March.

REVISION OF ELECTORAL ROLL:- will take place between 5th-26th February.

Do add your name to our Church Electoral Roll Complete a form- available in the North Aisle and return it to the Office. Thank you.

Shrove Tuesday 28th February at 7pm A Puddings Evening at St. Mary`s including an audio-visual presentation of the Vicar (& Margaret`s) recent visit to Nepal. Sign-up sheet- North Aisle.

Ash Wednesday 1st March (10.00am & 7.00pm) Beginning lent Together in Worship.

LENT QUIET DAY: on Tuesday 4th April at Brathay Centre, Ambleside. Details to follow

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. See sheet in North Aisle.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Please hand your boxes into the Parish Office or contact Fred Parker Tel: 015394 88067 who will arrange collection.

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.

Tuesday 21st

1.30pm MU Meeting – Harrison Room

5.30pm Quiet Space

Wednesday 22nd

10.00am Holy Communion (By Ext.)
& Coffee Time

2.30pm Persecuted Christians Prayer Time

7.00pm Refresh – Upper Room

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The Word... ...This Week

**19th
Feb
2017**



Welcome:

Epiphany 7

8.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW) at Jesus Church Troutbeck
11.00am	Sunday Celebration
12.45pm	Friendship Lunch
6.00pm	Evensong

Today's Music:

Introit	19	All my hope on God is founded
Gradual	88	Brother, sister let me serve you
Offertory	392	Let us with a gladsome mind
Communion	590	Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
Recessional	186	For the healing of the nations
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: 26th February

Last Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am	Matins (BCP) at Jesus Church. Troutbeck
11.00am	Sunday Celebration

The First Reading

1 Corinthians 3.10-11,16-23 p77

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

10 According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. 11 For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. 16 Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? 17 If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple. 18 Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. 19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, 'He catches the wise in their craftiness', 20 and again, 'The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.' 21 So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, 22 whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all belong to you, 23 and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

Psalm 1

**Response: The Lord watch-es o-ver
the way of the right – eous.**

Hap | py are those
who do not follow the advice | of the wicked,
or take the path that | sinners tread,
or sit in the | seat of scoffers;
but their delight is in the law | of the LORD,
and on his law they meditate | day and night.

**The Lord watch-es o-ver
the way of the right – eous.**

They | are like trees
planted by | streams of water,
which yield their fruit | in its season,
and their leaves | do not wither.
In all that they | do, they prosper.

The wicked | are not so,
**The Lord watch-es o-ver
the way of the right – eous.**

They | are like chaff that the wind drives away.
Therefore the wicked will not stand |
in the judgement, nor sinners in
the congregation | of the righteous;
for the LORD watches over the way |
of the righteous, but the way of the
wick | ed will perish.

**The Lord watch-es o-ver
the way of the right – eous.**

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 5.38-48 p 78

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew*

38 'You have heard that it was said, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." 39 But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; 40 and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; 41 and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. 42 Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you. 43 'You have heard that it was said, "You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy." 44 But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? 48 Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Intercessions Response

O Lord hear my prayer
O Lord hear my prayer
When I call, answer me

**All O Lord hear my prayer
O Lord hear my prayer
Come and listen to me**

This week you are invited to pray for:

- Those who live in St. Mary's Park
- Our Mothers' Union
- Those who lead and organise Quiet Space each Tuesday evening.

From our Book of Remembrance:

This week we remember: Albert Barber, Brian Blezard, Mabel Coutts Wright, Harry and Clara Woodhouse, Ralph Ashton, Bill Hicks, Gwendoline Platts, Richard Chapman, Barney Highton, Harold Wilson, Pamela Whittaker, William Jones and Robert Bateson.

PALM CROSSES: Please bring your Palm Crosses to the Office for turning into Ash. Or place in the basket on the entrance table. Thank you.