

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS PRAYER

GROUP: Wednesdays- 2.30pm -Addison Room Pakistan is No. 4 on the world watch list 2017. Please pray that the Pakistani Government will pass laws that uphold religious freedom & protect religious minorities in its country.

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.

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.

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

LENT QUIET DAY: Will be held on Tuesday 4th April at Brathay Centre, etails 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. **THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY:** Please hand your boxes into the Parish Office or contact Fred Parker Tel: 015394 88067

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 27th Febrary

- 9.00am PCC Standing Committee Meeting
- 10.00am A.E. Continuation Italian – Upper Rm.
- 11.15am Finance Management Meeting
- 11.00am FUNERAL Margaret Leviston RIP
- 1.30pm MU Choir Rehearsal – Addison Rm.
- 4.30pm Rainbows/Brownies/Guides
- 7.00pm Deanery Synod - Allithwaite

Shrove Tuesday 28th February

- 10.00am Little Pips
- 5.30pm Quiet Space
- 7.00pm Puddings Evening

Ash Wednesday 1st March

- 10.00am Holy Communion & Coffee Time
- 2.30pm Persecuted Christians Prayer Time
- 7.00pm Ash Wednesday Holy Communion

Saturday 4th March

- 11.00am Marriage Service
Alex Hurst & Tania Hedley

The Word... ...This Week

26th
Feb
2017



Welcome:

Last Sunday before Lent

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

Today's Music:

- Introit 105 Christ whose glory fills the skies
- Gradual 379 Lead us Heavenly Father lead us
- Offertory 295 Our God reigns
- Communion 299 I am the bread of life
- Recessional 582 Restore O Lord
- Organist Denis Aldersea

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: 5th March

First Sunday in Lent

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

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The First Reading

2 Peter 1.16-21 page 92

A reading from the second letter of Peter

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Psalm 30

R: I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up.

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up and have not let my foes triumph over me. O Lord my God, I cried out to you and you have healed me. You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored me to life from among those that go down to the Pit.

R: I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up.

Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks to his holy name. For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favour for a lifetime. Heaviness may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning. In my prosperity I said, 'I shall never be moved. You, Lord, of your goodness, have made my hill so strong.'

R: I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up.

Then you hid your face from me and I was utterly dismayed. To you, O Lord, I cried; to the Lord I made my supplication:

R: I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up.

'What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness? 'Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper.'

R: I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up.

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness; Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

R: I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 17.1-9 page 92

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

From our Book of Remembrance:

This week we remember: Harry White, Colin Stables, Reginald Tugman, Elsie Slater, Pat Johnson, Lucy Airey, Robert Thompson Noble, Ada Dobson, Mabel Owen, Renee Thompson, Helen Dobson, Ian Gillies and Evelyn Vaughan.

This week you are invited to pray for:

- Those who live in Birthwaite Flats
- Our Deanery Synod
- Carers and Community Health Staff

PALM CROSSES. If you would like to return your Palm Cross so that it can be used to create the ashes for Ash Wednesday, please pass it to the Office this week. Thank you