

PRESCOT PARISH NEWSLETTER



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. SHARING THE LOVE & LIGHT OF CHRIST IN PRESCOT, THROUGH WORD & ACTION .

Sunday 1 May 2022—Third Sunday of Easter



‘ WORTHY IS THE LAMB THAT WAS
SLAUGHTERED TO RECEIVE POWER AND
WEALTH AND WISDOM AND MIGHT AND
HONOUR AND GLORY AND BLESSING! ’

Preacher

Revd Karen Beck

Hymns

- 573 Praise to the Lord, the
almighty
37 Angel voices, ever singing
303 I cannot tell
756 Ye servants of God

Readings

- New Testament Acts 9.1-20
New Testament Revelation 5.11-
14
Gospel John 21.1-19

Readers

Canon Geoff Almond
Marjorie Robinson

Intercessions

Val Sugden

Collect

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.

For your prayers:

- ◆ Departed: Colin King
- ◆ Anniversaries: Mary Moore, May Skeath, John Lund
- ◆ Baptisms: Ruben Partington, Roman Costello, Fraser Glover

Psalm 30

Response: O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you for ever.

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. **R**

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger is but for a moment; his favour is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning. **R**

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you for ever. **R**

NOTICES

THE NEXT PCC MEETING is this Thursday, 5 May, at 7pm at St Paul's.

PRESCOT ELIZABETHAN FAYRE takes place in and around Church Street, Market Place and Eccleston Street on Saturday 7 (11am-7pm) and Sunday 8 May (11am-4pm), offering free family fun and entertainment to celebrate the town's history.

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING (parish AGM) is at 7.30pm on Wednesday 11 May in the Parish Centre. All are welcome to attend, and everyone on the parish electoral roll (not to be confused with the electoral register).

ON SUNDAY 22 MAY we will be joining our friends at Prescott Methodist Church on Atherton Street for worship at 10.30am. The occasion is Aldersgate Day, when Methodists celebrate the conversion of their founder, John Wesley. A spoken service of Holy Communion will take place at St Mary's at the earlier time of 9am.

MOTHERS' UNION continues to meet on the last Friday of each month at 1.30pm in the Parish Centre.

ADVANCE NOTICE: Prescott Parish Church will be closed from Monday 18 July to Wednesday 3 August for essential electrical work. Our Sung Eucharist will therefore take place at St Paul's, Bryer Road, on Sundays 24 and 31 July. Baptisms will be unaffected.

DEMAND FOR FOODBANK is especially high, and we depend on your generosity to provide help to people in a crisis. We know that everyone is feeling the pinch, with household bills and the cost of groceries on the rise, but please consider putting just a few items aside each week if you are able. At the moment, we particularly need the following tinned foods: MEAT, FISH, FRUIT, POTATOES and VEG. Donations can be left in the



marked bins inside the entrance to Prescot Tesco Extra, at the Big Help charity shop in the Prescot Centre, or at the Salvation Army on the corner of Warrington Road and Ash Grove. FoodBank takes place there between 12pm and 2pm every Wednesday.

THE 18TH ANNUAL PRESCOT FESTIVAL OF MUSIC & THE ARTS takes place from Friday 17 to Sunday 26 June 2022. Highlights include Dr Jazz & the Cheshire Cats, Come & Sing Handel's Messiah (highlights), Foden's Band and the Liverpool Bach Collective. Tickets go on sale on 1 May only at Poco Coffee on Eccleston Street (cash only) or online at prescoffestival.co.uk. Booking fees apply to online sales. Flyers are now available—please take a few and pass them around to friends, family and neighbours.

RAFFLE PRIZES: If you can donate quality, unused items suitable for raffle prizes for this year's Prescot Festival, please pass on your donation to Rob or Laura.

GEOFF ALMOND has a Parish Pass for Westminster Abbey, which allows up to 4 adults and children over 5 to visit the abbey free of charge. Please ask him if you would like to borrow it.

HUYTON DEANERY has several courses and events coming up for members of parishes in the deanery. They include a dementia and mental health awareness session (Saturday 7 May) as well as online webinars on topics such as digital communication, financial stewardship and fundraising, plus a summer conference on working with children and young people. Download the full prospectus from huytondeanery.org, email karen.harrison@huytondeanery.org or call her on 0151 480 5864 with any queries or to book a place.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK between the church and the Parish Centre unless you need to for access, eg, if you have a disability or are elderly and infirm. The increased number of vehicles makes it less safe for your fellow parishioners and hinders access to those who need it most.

THE PRAYER LIST for those who are sick is updated at the beginning of each month. See Norine if you'd like your name or that of a loved one to go on the next month's list, but please only add names to the list with the person's express permission.

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LISTENING EAR—SOMEONE TO TALK TO: If you're struggling with any of the following issues and feel you need to talk to a professional counsellor, Listening Ear can help. The service covers such issues as bereavement, separation, depression, anxiety, loneliness, phobias, panic attacks, stress, low self-esteem, health anxiety, domestic abuse and financial worries. Call 0151 488 6648 in confidence, and leave your name and number, and say you found out about the service through a parish in the Huyton Deanery. They'll call back to arrange an appointment. Visit www.listening-ear.co.uk to find out more.