

# Weekly Link

**Sunday 15th March: Third of Lent**  
*Sharing the love of Jesus with All*

## Mothering Sunday

Josie Long will give a short presentation about the work of the Mother's Union and half of the loose plate collection will be donated to the Mother's Union.

## Giving Envelopes

Giving envelopes and thank you letters are now available at the back of each church, please collect them.

## St Paul's Pantry Update

February saw with 68 parcels going out, feeding 169 people with 1,521 meals. More families needed help, possibly because it was half-term. Please keep donating tinned fruit and vegetables including potatoes, rice puddings, micro-rice, long-life sponge puddings, long grain rice and sweet and savoury snacks. Your support is of such great value to us, thank you so much.

**Sight-Loss Friendly Church Workshop:** Saturday 28th March 10-12noon @ New Life Community Church, Crewe. Led by Torch Trust; serving churches to see people living with sight loss grow in faith, be included and thrive in Christian community. See leaflets for further details.

## Parish Prayer

Lord Jesus, Herod threatened your life but you were not deterred from your goal of bringing healing and hope to a needy world.

Give us that same determination to work towards a better life for all. Help us not to rest until all vulnerable children and old people have the opportunity to flourish and thrive. Keep us going when in despair, knowing that you will bring all things to fruition. In your name we pray. Amen

## Parish Prayers:

**Monday:** Those on our prayer chain and those who care for them

**Tuesday:** Christian Aid 'Count your blessings' Lent Appeal

**Wednesday:** Our health care workers, Health Centres and Hospitals

**Thursday:** Those living in Richardson Close and Rope Lane

**Friday:** First day of spring. Farmers and other producers of food.

**Saturday:** Downs Syndrome Day, helping people, education, advocacy, research and medical care.

**Sunday:** the joy of flowers in our gardens this Mothering Sunday.

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## Services today:

All Saints'	11am	Holy Communion
St Mark's	8am	BCP Holy Communion
	9:30am	Morning Praise

## This week

### Monday 16th March

⇒ 9am @ All Saints' Hall Edward Bear Club

### Tuesday 17th March

⇒ 8:50am @ St Mark's Catch Up for Coffee

⇒ 1-2pm @ St Mark's Sanctuary Guild: members and anyone interested in joining the team keeping the church clean welcome!

⇒ 1:30pm @ St Mark's Toddler Group

⇒ 7:30pm @ St Mark's SAS

### Wednesday 18th March

⇒ 9:05am @ The Vicarage Morning Prayer

⇒ 2pm @ St Mark's Mothers' Union

⇒ 7:30pm @ The Vicarage PCC Meeting

### Thursday 19th March

⇒ 1:30pm @ St Mark's Craft & Chatter

## Future Events:

**Sat. 28th Mar. 10-3pm @ St Mark's: 2nd Hand Book Fair.**

## Covid-19

The Church of England has updated its guidance to churches in light of the continuing spread of coronavirus (Covid-19). Therefore, along with the measures we have already put in place concerning the distribution of Communion in only one kind, and refraining from shaking hands during the Peace, with immediate effect, the following will also apply:

- ⇒ Please wash your hands or use antibacterial gel when you arrive at church.
- ⇒ Tea and coffee will not be served after services.
- ⇒ Lunches (Friendship, Village and Lent) are cancelled until further notice, as are coffee mornings.
- ⇒ Refreshments will not be served at Edward Bear or Glow but these groups will continue to meet.

If you, or someone you know, needs to self-isolate, please let Rachael know and do not hesitate to speak to her if you have any questions regarding this.

## Readings for next Sunday

Exodus 1:22-2:10      Psalm 34:11-20      Luke 2:33-35

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	11am	Morning Praise with Baptism
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