

### **Collect for 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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**

### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of our mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **Blackburn Diocesan Prayer**

Heavenly Father, we embrace your call for us to make disciples, to be witnesses and to grow leaders. Give us the eyes to see your vision, ears to hear the prompting of your Spirit and courage to follow in the footsteps of your Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ **Amen**

### **Please remember also in your prayers**

Churches Together- Pauline Embley is our participant.  
Anyone serving in the Armed Forces  
Our partner parish of Ohlendorf-Mahner in Germany

### **Those who live on...**

Byron Square Calder Place Cambridge Street  
Cattle Street

### **Those who have asked for our prayers.....**

Andrew, Rosemary Smith Stuart Jackson Julie  
Sheila Ward Malou Morton Ann Coates Jamie  
Jean Sue Penfold Joan Bartram Mary Baron

### **Those who need our continuing prayers.....**

Hazel Burks Chris Baron Wilf Walker  
Graham Paul & Claire Nedwell Peter Edge

### **For those who are in care or housebound.....**

Vera Grimes Sylvia Henderson Hilda Nuttall  
Mabel Heap Andrew Baird Noleen Walker  
Joan Taylor David Chadwick Joyce Costello

### **For the recently bereaved families of.....**

Nola Kilsby Betty Pye

### **From the Book of Remembrance**

Clarence Rothwell Kathleen Owen Paul Haworth  
Sarah Cross Glenys Driver

## **Parish of Great Harwood St Bartholomew and St John Working within *Great Harwood Ecumenical Partnership***

**21st February 2021**

**1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

### **SERVICES THIS WEEK**

**All Church Services have been suspended  
for the time being due to local Health  
Advice and the current increase in  
+ve Covid cases.**

**The Church will be open  
for private prayer between**

**10.00am & 11.00am each  
Sunday & Wednesday**

***FACE COVERING MUST BE WORN IN  
CHURCH , exceptions for medical  
conditions***

## **READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY**

Old Testament	Genesis	9	8-17
New Testament	1 Peter	3	18-end
Gospel	Mark	1	9-15

## **IF YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS SICK**

At home or in hospital please ring

Rev Graham Tel: 01254 801374 or  
Margaret Ogden Tel: 01254 883134

## **FOR ANYONE NEEDING PRAYER**

or wishing to put themselves, or others, on the Prayer for Healing & Wholeness list, would you please contact Margaret Ogden Tel: 01254 883134

## **CHURCH CLOSED FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP**

**We have taken the difficult decision to close the Church for public worship for the time-being, following advice from public Health in Lancashire and the recent increase in +ve Covid tests in the area. The Church building will be open for private prayer between 10.00am & 11.00am each Sunday & Wednesday.**

## **THE CHURCH'S WEB SITE**

**We are now updating the website with more information. Why don't you have a browse. The site is: [www.stbartschurch.org.uk](http://www.stbartschurch.org.uk)**

**You will find on the website a weekly video reflection from the Vicar each Sunday and on Wednesday there will be a weekly video Service of Morning Prayer, with readings, prayers and intercessions.**

## **DURING LENT BY VIDEO LINK**

**Each Wednesday during Lent Rev Graham will be taking a Compline service at 7.00pm by video link**

## **FOOD BANK**

Due to an unprecedented demand from our Food Bank we are running very low on the food that we give out to families in our local area. There is a list below of the items that we need most and if you are able to give a little we will be very grateful on behalf of our clients. **Cereals, UHT milk, Coffee, Pasta sauce (we are desperate for these)** Tinned fish - tuna, sardines, mackerel, salmon Tinned vegetables (carrots, peas, tomatoes, sweetcorn, green beans) Tinned potatoes (or dried potatoes) Tinned fruit, Pasta, Curry type sauces suitable for giving out with rice Toilet rolls Washing up liquid Shampoo Size 4, and size 5, nappies Nappy wipes