



Newsletter

(05) Sunday 17 to Saturday 30 April 2016

Our aim is to *KNOW* God through Jesus,
GROW in faith, and *SHOW* God's love in our community



Canon Noel Proctor writes on Luke Chapter 2 verse 43:

"After the feast was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it."

How terrible to lose Jesus!!

Often, when we think Jesus is with us we get busy, caught up in our jobs and go on our way not realising that he is no longer with us. Like Mary and Joseph we can lose Jesus in Jerusalem. We think when we are among Christians working for the Church, assembled for worship, that the very environment will keep Jesus with us. However, when we look for him we find he has gone.

Relationships take years to build, but they can shatter in a moment. Trust based on a long period of shared experiences can be snapped by one foolish or unfaithful act. Christian experience, nurtured on the study of the bible, prayer and witness can leak away in front of the television set or iPad – Jesus can be lost!

The good news is, Jesus can be found again, like Mary and Joseph did. We must seek him earnestly with determination, even with tears, seek him regretting our foolishness and unfaithfulness. We will find him where they found him in 'His Father's House' the place of God's will.

I WAS LOST
BUT NOW I'M FOUND

REGULAR SERVICES

Sundays:	St Paul's	10am
	St Andrew's	11am
Wednesdays:	St Paul's	10am
	St Andrew's	2pm
Mondays:	Prayers, St Paul's, 9.05am	

Bible Readings

17 April

Acts 9:36 to end & John 10:22-30.

24 April

Acts 11:1-18 & John 13:31-35

DIARY DATES

Wednesday, 27 April 7.30 to 9.30pm
Flourish Planning at P'wich Methodist Ch.

Wednesday 4th May: 'Pathways into Prayer' course starts at Katherine House, 7-9pm. Costs £30.00 for the six sessions. To book ring 0161 708 9744 or consult www.katherinehouse.org

St. Paul's Spring Fair

Saturday, 7 May, 11am-12.30pm Please give Marion items for raffle prizes, £1 bags, cakes, bric-a-brac, books, toys etc. and offers of help. She will be grateful!

Norma Mackinnon writes: Having recently changed my Dell printer I have brand new **ink cartridges** worth >£150 to sell as a package for £50, proceeds to the Church, if you can use them. They are 3 Black HD Series 9 MK992; 3 Colour Standard capacity Series 9 MK991/3, & 2 Photo Series 9 MK995. Church. See footer for contact details.

FUTURE DATES AND NOTICES

It's CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15- 21 MAY. Can you help? Could you deliver and collect Christian Aid Envelopes to help the poorest of the world's poor? Please contact Maureen: 792 4873 or e-mail: rober382@talktalk.net THANK YOU!

QUIET AWAY DAY organised for Pentecost by the GROW group SATURDAY 21ST MAY, 10am to 3.30pm Venue still tbc. If you feel you need some quiet and guidance in your life please talk to Eileen and Beryl to book a place. The retreat-giver will be Canon Alison Hardy of All Saints Church, Stand.

EVANGELISM

Thy Kingdom Come



The Archbishops have written to every serving parish priest in the Church of England expressing their longing "to see a great wave of prayer across the land for the evangelisation of the nation" from 8-15 May.

For more details see www.thykingdom.co.uk

ARCHDEACON'S VISITATIONS

All Lay Assistants, Sidespeople, PCC members, Clergy & Churchwardens are invited to attend a 2016 annual 'Archdeacons' Visitation' (see below). Please attend Salford Deanery's if you can. **SALFORD DEANERY Thursday 26 May, 7.30pm** The Ascension, (with Bp. David) **ECCLES DEANERY Tues 17 May, 7.30pm**, St Paul's Church, Peel **MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL Monday 23 May** at 7.30pm

Wednesday 11 May following the morning service from 11am there will be a Coffee Morning in aid of Christian Aid with a raffle and bring and buy etc. any

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donations will be gratefully received by Maureen.

Don't Forget Parish Retreat

Friday to Sunday, 16-18 SEPTEMBER

Join us in Thornleigh Christian Hotel, Grange-over-Sands, for some 'Resonate' teaching led by Revd Lisa, Full Board from Friday dinner to Sunday lunch, £140.00. All rooms en suite. Lift to all floors. Book with Maureen 792 4873 rober382@talktalk.net

Community Mentors are needed to offer a positive relationship and support to build self-esteem and positive choices in a young person for one hr/wk, term-time. Expenses paid. To help please contact joshuacunliffe@oasismediacityuk.org

Can you help? Could you volunteer to bring fresh bread to St Paul's each Sunday when it is Holy Communion?



Same-sex relationships

We pray for the whole Church as General Synod prepares to enter into Shared Conversations on this important issue.

Spirit of the living God, conceiver and shaper of the world: throughout this year enliven our minds, inspire our debates, inform our decisions and rule our hearts. When choices are made that we neither anticipate nor desire, increase our faith and dispel our fears, that we may continue to work together as one body in Christ; to the glory of the Father and the building of your kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

Hall Bookings: St Paul's or St Andrew's: 792 3877

Emergency prayer chain: ring Maureen 792 4873 or email rober382@talktalk.net

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