



Newsletter

(07) Sunday 13 to Saturday 26 May 2018

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



LOSING JESUS

Mary and Joseph supposing Jesus to have been in the company went a day's journey without him. Luke chapter 2 verse 44.

How many of us want to crown Jesus King of our lives, but like Mary and Joseph we have lost him. They were distracted by their company. What about us, how can we lose the Saviour? Are we too busy to feel our spiritual needs by prayer and bible reading, do we spend too much time watching TV or playing with our mobiles or perhaps our circumstances has hindered our relationship with Jesus.

Could it be the loss of a loved one, or difficulties at work, at home or at church has left us spiritually low and depressed. The joy you had in the fellowship with Jesus has gone and like Mary and Joseph you experienced emptiness.

Mary and Joseph left their companions and went to seek him. The bible says "*If you seek me, you will find me, if you seek me with all your heart*". They must have spoken to many people on their journey, and perhaps you need to get someone to support and pray with you as you try to rediscover your relationship with Jesus.

They found Jesus where they had left him, he was talking to the people as *Revelations 3/20* says. He is still at our hearts door, desiring to come with us on our journey. What does this say to each of us? If Jesus is neglected and not crowned King of my life, he will find someone else to reach out to. So don't suppose he is there – know he is crowned King of your life.

Canon Noel Proctor

REGULAR SERVICES

Sundays: St Paul's 10am (HC 20 May) St Andrew's 11am (HC 13 May)
Christian Meditation: 7.30-8.30pm (details 792-1098)
Morning Prayers: Mon; Tues (9am); Weds (9.15am)
Night Prayers Tues: 8.45pm (details from 798 6917)
Wednesdays: St Paul's 10am Holy Communion St Andrew's 2pm Prayers

Bible Readings

13 May St Paul's: Jeremiah 19:10-14; St Andrew's: Acts 1:15-17, 21-end & John 17: 6-19.
16 May Acts 20: 28 to end & John 17: 11-19.
20 May Acts 2: 1-21 & John 15: 26-27 16:4b-15. (Psalm 104:26-36).
23 May Psalm 49: 1-10 & Mark 9:38-40.

DIARY DATES

St. Paul's and St Andrew's BIG CHRISTIAN AID BREAKFAST and Church Service with a Difference, Sunday 13 May at 10 am, St. Paul's Church. This year, at the start of Christian Aid week, we are holding a special 'breakfast service' run by our young people where we will talk, pray, sing and eat bacon/egg/sausage barm's followed by Danish pastries and tea/coffee. The cost will be £5 which includes a donation to Christian Aid. You are welcome to donate more if you wish. Please join us for this special event, and let us thank the Lord that we have never had to 'go without.'

May 14 GROW meeting group meeting
7.30pm at 5 Moorside Road.

Archdeacons' Visitations. All churchwardens for 2018/19, PCC members, assistant wardens and sidespeople are invited to attend one of the three Archdeacon's Visitation Services for Salford Archdeaconry. They are all at 7.30pm as follows. 15 May St. Stephen's Astley; 29 May St. John's Pendlebury. Please try to attend one of these services. Churchwardens should attend.

Sun 20 May Pentecost Sunday

10 am Revd Bryan Corke guest preacher at St Paul's; 3-4 pm **Memorial Service** at St Paul's for those who have recently died and whose anniversaries we remember with love and thanks.

Sun 20 May Prestwich Clough Day with stall by Churches Together in Prestwich & Kersal.

Mon 21 May SHOW group meeting 7.30pm at St. Paul's in Harrison Room.

Tues 22 May SPACE meeting at 7 pm in St. Paul's Office. Update on current graveyard policies and practices, discussion on ECO church graveyard initiative.

Fri 25 May Manchester Cathedral 10am to 4 pm **Interfaith Meditation for Peace day.** Places need to be booked in advance (contact details on notice board). Bring a packed lunch or use local cafes. Jean and Mike Dyson are going so can offer lifts.

FUTURE DATES AND NOTICES

Thur 31 May 7.30 pm Charity Concert at St Paul's to raise funds for Nick Williams' trip to Africa.

Sat 2 June 1.30pm wedding of Chris Beck and Katie Eyton at St Paul's

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Sat 2 June 2.30 pm Last Messy Church of the season at St Andrew's- celebration of Pentecost, the birthday of the church.

Mon 4 June at 6-45pm Espresso Church Prestwich at Costa Coffee Unit 4 Radius, Longfield Centre, Fairfield Rd. Prestwich. Revd. Jeremy Law, Chaplain at Greater Manchester Mental Hospital based in Prestwich: how we (God's people) can help others with mental health issues.

Sun 10 Jun Strawberry Cream Tea at St. Andrew's. Please can you help donating items for the fair? Collection box at the rear of both churches on the following dates: Sun 13 May **TOILETRIES**/Sun 20 May **CHOCOLATE**/ Sun 27 May **RAFFLE** prizes. All proceeds to Parish funds. Thank you for your continued support. Any queries contact KathW/Val Cope at St. Andrew's and Anthea at St. Paul's.

HOLIDAY AT HOME - St Paul's Church
Monday 30th July and Tuesday 31st July
More details later ... keep the dates free!

Hillary and Andy are being ordained Deacons in the Cathedral on 1 July. Andy's leaving party is on Sat 2 June at 6pm, and Hilary's ordination party on Sun 1 July 1 pm both at St. Paul's. All invited!

Please pray for persecuted Christians supported by Open Doors: In Pakistan, where up to five million Christians have no church to go to and are being targeted for their faith, on the streets and in the law courts. Recently it was decided that those who apply for certain jobs have to declare under oath that Muhammed was the final prophet. Also..... In North Korea, the most dangerous place in the world to be a Christian, pray that the Lord would comfort and strengthen His followers, especially those who suffer in prisons, labour camps and remote areas, that He would speak to Kim Jong - un, giving him a revelation of Jesus, the servant King. Thank You Everyone Maureen.

Hall Bookings: St Paul's and St. Andrew's 792 3877;

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