

17th March 2019

**Please join us after the service
for coffee/ tea/ toast in the Lounge**

Services this week:

Today	5.00pm	Reflective Evensong – Praying for Growth
Tuesday	9.15am	Morning Prayer
	7.00pm	Lent Study Eucharist
Wednesday	9.15am	Morning Prayer
Thursday	10.00am	Morning. Prayer followed by coffee
Friday	9.15am	Morning Prayer & Eucharist



**Friendly
Friday Café**
Every Friday
11am – 2pm
In the Lounge

NEXT SUNDAY: 3rd in Lent

10am Eucharist 4pm Catechism

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Sick and Those in Need:

MON Oakley Cutajar, Michael Nenes, Martin & Marilyn Wall, Sarah Hollender, Sheila & Charlie Rooke, Susan Davies, Corinna Nichols, David & Anne Gadd, Evelyn Fulford

TUE Mary and Robert Dunbar, Janet Coleman, Emma Hollis, Joanne Orchison, Jacqueline & Peter Roberts, Adrian Roberts, Julie Hope

WED Peter Conabeer, Natasha Ridgeway, Adrian & Jayne Middleton, Tracy Weir, Mark Smith, Gina Yates, Vera Lines, Narindra Singh, Liz Hinett, Inis Ridgeway

THUR Sue Kyte, Pat Evans, June Ramsay, Marion and Chelsea Townsend, Ruby Matthews, Shirley Woodley, Robert Taylor, Linda Hope, Terry Baxter

FRI Dorothy Lawrence, Janet Jarrett, Justine Hatfield, Alice O'Toole, Samantha Clarkson, Karen Smith, Hettie Kerr, Keith Breakwell, Tony Pickard

SAT Jane Backhouse, Ann Ryan, Beryl Murray, Pat Buffery, Andrew & Gail and Robin, Diane Brownhill, Bill Joyce, Pam & Bill.

The Departed Sam Dolphin, Doreen Watson, Paul Lightfoot

New Electoral Roll This year EVERYBODY needs to re-enroll.
Please complete a form and return it to Ann Harrison **BY 7 APRIL.**

Meetings

Fabric & Finance Wed. 27 Mar. 5.30

PCC 3 April (not this week)

Lent Course on the Gospels Tuesday evenings: 19th
(Matthew) & 26th (Luke). Plus Saturday morning 30th March. The evening sessions will be 7pm -8.30pm and will include the Eucharist. It will help of you have read through some or all of the Gospel for the

week, if you can (but we will do a recap for those who can't).

Confirmation 2019 Corpus Christi, Thur. 20 June at 7.30pm. Now's the time to be enquiring if you are an adult or young person (10+) interested in Confirmation (including Baptism for those who need it.) See Fr. Adam or call him on 07913891221.

Adult Preparation Sessions - fortnightly, 4-5pm.

Parish Easter Cards Cards are available from TODAY and we'd like to deliver them before Mothering Sun. (31st). More help always needed ...

Remember CLOCKS forward Mothering Sun. 31 March

Parish Annual Meeting Sunday 28 April, after church.
This year we are compiling a booklet of brief individual reports on all aspects of our Parish life. Reports to Ann Harrison please by 24 March.

Stations of the Cross It would be good to do this devotion in Lent, perhaps at a time we haven't tried before? If you'd like to suggest a time that would work for you, and perhaps others, please let the Vicar know by phone or e-mail.

Children's Society Boxes The Children's Society is the C. of E's principal charity helping families in trouble. Many of us support it by having a collecting box through the year. If you'd like a box, please see Lal. If you already have a box, please return it to Lal to be emptied. Thank you.

Food Bank – Thanks for donations & keep them coming!

They especially need long life milk, sugar, tinned meats and toiletries.

“Embrace the Middle East” Another charity that St Matthew's has supported for many years, thanks to the Sunday School, which committed itself to give £20 a month for a “sponsored child” in the Bethlehem area. This work goes on and it is all the more important that we continue our support, in these troubled times for the Middle East. Please give donations to Janet Cook, to sustain our monthly commitment.