**CHURCH SERVICES**

**Sundays**

8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) 1st & 3rd Sunday

 Morning Prayer ( Book of Common Prayer ) 2nd & 4th Sunday

10.30am Sung Eucharist ( Common Worship) 1st ,3rd & 4th Sunday

 Morning Worship (Service of the Word) 2nd Sunday

with Sunday Club (followed by tea or coffee fellowship)

Services on the 5th Sunday as announced

**Healing**

A Healing Service will be held on the 3rd Sunday of each month during the 8.00am communion service and also at 10.30am. Unless otherwise announced.

**Baptisms**

Baptisms will take place (by prior arrangement) at 12.15 pm, 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month, except during Lent. The November service is held on the third Sunday only To arrange a Baptism see Mr. Keith Houghton MBE after the 10:30 am service (approx 11:45am) ( 01942 797838).

**Arrangements for Weddings**

For weddings, parishioners should see Rev. Martin Cox at the Vicarage. Please telephone and make an appointment in advance (01942 883313) .

**Pastoral Needs and Visits**

Parishioners with pastoral needs (requests for counselling, personal problems or advising of illness) or any request of an urgent nature should contact the vicarage direct on telephone 01942 883313.

Housebound sick communions can also be undertaken and any parishioner not presently on the sick communion list, who wishes to be considered to receive such a visit, should advise clergy accordingly.

***Martin, our Team Rector, has a rest day towards the end of each week. Please make contact with him as you need to on 01942 883313 and he will respond to you as speedily as he can.***

**St. George’s Church**

We now have a website for you to use, with lots of up to date and interesting information. We welcome your feedback.

http://www.tyldesleystgeorge.co.uk

**The Parish Church of**

**St. George, Tyldesley.**

**May 2019**



Parish News

**OFFICIALS**

**Team Rector: Rev. Martin B Cox**

7 Holbeck Astley M29 7NL

***01942 883313***

**Team Vicar: Rev. Julian Hartley**

St. John’s Vicarage, Mosley Common

 ***0161 790 2957***

**Ordained Local Rev. Angela J Dand**

**Minister: *01942 879608***

**Reader : Mr. David Kerfoot**

 ***01942 870736***

**Churchwarden: Mr. Iain Hodcroft**

 **07976 314012**

**Treasurer**

**“Together in worship, love and service”**

**May Edition 2019**

**April 2019 Reflection**

One day recently, I was walking through Victoria Station in Manchester to board a tram. As I approached the top of the ramp I was stopped by a young man dressed over all in red who asked me if I had time to talk to him while he asked me some questions. I knew straight away from past experience that he was a ‘salesman’ after money for a charity. As an ex salesman myself I gave him the chance to question me – the charity in question was one of the national ones that cares for homeless people.

I politely listened to his spiel for a few minutes and when I could eventually get a word in I turned the conversation round and asked him some questions instead. It turned out that apart from his knowledge of how to ask for financial support, he knew very little about the charity which he represented, and when I told him about the local homeless charities that St. Stephens Men`s Group support, principally Barnabus in Manchester itself, he admitted that he had never heard of them, even though I have since found out that Barnabus work in conjunction with the charity which he was selling. As a result of this the young man did not get any money from me.

As I waited on the platform for my tram, I began to think about the message that we Christians try to get through to people that we, as representatives of God`s church, meet in our daily lives. Are we as ‘keyed up’ as we should be to adequately talk to folk about the church and the saving grace of Jesus Christ? Do we know enough about our own faith to be faithful and knowledgeable witnesses for God?

Perhaps these weeks of the Easter season are a good time to sort out our own thoughts and beliefs on what Christ means to us, so that by the time that Pentecost comes around, we, like St. Peter, will be better able to address those who we meet.

Keith Revill.

**From the Registers March 2019**

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| **Date Service Communicants Children Adults**

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| 3rd  | Holy Communion | 8 |   | 8 |
|   | Morning Praise |   | 7 | 37 |
| 6th  | Team Eucharist | 34  | 1  | 33 |
| 10th  | Morning Praise  |   |   | 7 |
|   |  Sung Eucharist | 33 | 6 | 36 |
| 17th  |  Holy Communion | 6 |   | 6 |
|   | Sung Eucharist  | 33 | 8 | 35 |
| 21st  | Shoe Box Service |   | 25  | 40  |
| 24th  | Team Holy Comm | 8  |   | 8  |
| 31st  | Morning Prayer  |   |   | 2  |
|   | Sung Eucharist  | 35  | 9  | 58  |
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**Collection Totals March 2019**

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| **Cash Cash GA Planned Giving GA Planned giving**£343.60 £60.00 £800.00 £421.42**Regular anonymous gift to the Restoration Fund** £10-00 / per week**Donations** £20.00 **Organ** £20.00 **Com. Fund** £16.00 |

**Welcome to the Family**

Piper Lee Womesley

*Newly Baptised*

**Consolation**

To the family of

Rhona Bowker

*May she rest in peace and rise in glory*

**Congratulations to**

Phil Vella & Natalie Blackshaw

*Joined in Holy Matrimony*

Our most grateful thanks go to the Friends of St. George’s for the donation of £100.00 from the Easter grave pots, also for all their dedication and hard work put in, to keep the Church looking beautiful over the Easter period.

Our thanks go to the Staff and Children of St. George’s Central School for the lovely service held last Tuesday to dedicate the School’s 20th Anniversary.

KATH & IAIN

**Easter Greetings**

The Rev’ds John Daulman and Chris Straton and Mrs Elizabeth Straton would like to wish all their friends at St. George’s a joyous and blessed Easter.



**May Flower List**

'We thank the following members of our congregation

for Altar flowers in May”

 5th May. “Open for Offers”

 12th May. Mrs D Harrison

 19th May. “Open for Offers”

 26th May. Mrs Jean Pearson

Thank you to Margaret Connor, Stuart and Beatrice for additional flowers in Loving Memory of her dear husband Dave on 14th April.

Our thanks to Margaret, Geoff and Kath for additional flowers in Loving Memory of Margaret and Clive Alliband on 21st April

Also on that date, flowers were displayed in the Memorial Chapel in Loving Memory of Mr and Mrs T.A. Leonard with our grateful thanks for his kind Donation to church funds.

Many thanks to John & Audrey Hayes and family for additional flowers, in Loving Memory of John and Irene Hayes.

Thank you to everyone who bought our Easter Pots....we were able to give £100 to church funds.

We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the cost of the Easter flowers and thank everyone who helped to decorate the church.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Flower Fund during April.

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**Red Box Project, Leigh**

Since Cath Eccles, Ordinand, joined us at St George’s in Tyldesley she has begun to raise our awareness of the ‘Red Box Project’. At the beginning of March the Red Box Project, Leigh shared the following:

*“10 Boxes in local primary schools!! But we need your help to get boxes in more local primary schools. A Red Box for a primary school contains period pads and briefs and because briefs are more costly to buy we don't get as many donated as we need. We are now on a drive to cover all the primary schools in Leigh, Atherton, Tyldesley, Astley, Lowton and Golborne! This is a lot of schools, please donate girls briefs age 9 upwards at our donations points around the area”*



We are putting a box in St George’s for donations; if anyone in St John’s and St Stephen’s want to help you can donate directly to any of the donation points – alternatively we will arrange to collect from your church and add to the St George’s box.

Contact Susie on atmcteamclerk@gmail.com or 07873149627 for further information or to arrange collection of donations. Thank you!

**Results from 2019 APCM:**

**Churchwarden:** Iain Hodcroft

**Deanery Synod:** Susie Mallon

**Sidespersons:** Kath Topping

 Alf Osborne

 Margaret Hook

 Ruth Kerfoot

 Geoff Hilton

 John Lemon

**PCC Members:** Alan Murgatroyd

 Kath Topping

 Libby Brundrett

 Audrey Hayes

 Christine Howell

 Sue Hulme

 Amy Farrer

 Susie Mallon

 David Kerfoot

 Michael McAlpine