Our regular services on Sundays are:

8am Holy Communion9.30am Morning Praise11am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evening Service, which changes

with each week in the month: 1st Sunday: Choral Evensong

2nd Sunday: No service 3rd Sunday: No service 4th Sunday: No service 5th Sunday: No service

Please check the porch for timely details.

We also have:

Mondays 9.30 – 10am Prayer

Wednesdays at 10am: Holy Communion Morning Prayer is at 8am - Monday to Friday Evening Prayer: 5pm - Monday to Thursday There are no services on secular Bank

Holidays.

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1st March 2020



St Peter and St Paul's Church exists:
To celebrate God in worship, to love one another and to serve the wider community

Welcome to our services today.

We hope that you will find warmth and friendship in this place and God's blessing and peace as we worship.

At our communion services, everyone is invited to come forward and receive bread and wine or a blessing (please bring your service sheet or this pew sheet with you if you'd like a blessing). If you need a gluten free wafer, please tell the Welcomer before the service.

There is a space for young children to draw or read at the back of the Church. In term time during the 9.30am service, all children are welcome to join Junior Church which meets in the Church Hall.

Tea and Coffee are served after the 9.30am service in the Church Hall. Please join in this post-service fellowship and take the opportunity to make some new friends.

LENT 1

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the
powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in
wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN

Our Readings

<u>Lent 1</u> Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7 Roman 5.12-19 Matthew 4.1-11

NOTICES

Forthcoming dates for your diary: MARCH

1st - Choral Evensong - 18:30

7th - Lent Lunch – 12:00

8th - Holy Communion – 08:00 Morning Praise – 09:30 Holy Communion – 11:00

13th - Funeral - 12:00

14th - Lent Lunch - 12:00

15th - Holy Communion – 08:00 Morning Praise with HC – 09:30 Holy Communion – 11:00

PORCH PANTRY

Thank you so much for your donations.

Shopping bags and shopping lists are available near the

To help keep the Porch Pantry going, please consider donating via

www.justgiving.com/campaign/merseaislandporchpan try

ELECTORAL ROLL

We are updating the electoral roll ready for the upcoming APCM on 5th April at 11:30am. If you would like your name added to the list; which will give you the opportunity to vote at the APCM, please request a form from the Churchwardens.

CHORAL EVENSONG

There will be Choral Evensong this evening. The Mersea Island Choir will be holding a special Passiontide service with readings and music on Sunday 29th March at 18:30.

LENT LUNCHES

We will be having Lent Lunches on Saturday's 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th March from 12:00 – 13:30 in the Church Hall. Money raised will be sent to Christian Aid. Come along and bring your friends!

LENT COURSE

The House Group that meets on Tuesday morning is studying 'The Journey to the Cross', as our Lent course. This challenges us to follow in Jesus' footsteps and meet the people he met, in the context of the modern Middle East. We meet on Tuesdays at 10am in the Upper Room, and the study will begin on 3rd March. If you are interested please contact Barbra Peter 383948

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED!

Are you interested in learning the basics of our Faith, a bit of a refresher, or being confirmed?

We're thinking of running a course. If you would like to know more, contact David Willey on 07752 597391 or willeydavidg@gmail.com

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

PRAYER FOR A NEW RECTOR

Almighty God, our heavenly Father and giver of every good gift; Be pleased to hear our prayers, and send to us as rector of this parish a priest who will faithfully and wisely work for the cure of souls; to the good of your Church and the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Lent 2 Genesis 12.1-4a Romans 4.1-5, 13-17 John 3.1-17