

What we would like to achieve in 2019

**Week of Creation – How can we be more Eco-Friendly
In Church
In the Community**

Harvest Weekend – Celebrating Creation

**Lent Course
Based on creation & our environment**

ACTIONS:

- ...eco award by April 2019 and make progress towards the silver award by the end of the year.
- During Lent 2019 we will be focusing on the environment – with services/sermons based around that and having eco challenges rather than giving up something.
- A family film night during Lent
- Ongoing communication of eco awareness through weekly eco tips on our pew sheet, monthly articles in our magazine and we hope to have an eco-speaker.
- We will have an eco-week in September 2019 which will culminate in Harvest Festival. The local school will be invited and there will be evening events and displays.
- In the week of creation meet in a variety of venues
- Special eco related services – world environment day, pet service etc. Our retreat at Parcevall will have an eco-theme.
- Share good practice with other churches (in the deanery) and local community.

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Year of Creation 2019



*Happy are they who delight in the Lord ... They are like trees
planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season.*

Psalm 1:2-3

Saying thank you

The first thing we want to say is 'Thank you!'

Thank you for your involvement in and commitment to the life of this parish.

We know that many of you find it supportive, rewarding and enjoyable to be part of a loving community of faith. There are so many encouraging signs and there is so much to be thankful for in the life of our church.

Thank you for all the time and energy and skill you give to our churches. In 2017 (Spiritual Growth) we began knitting Prayer Blankets for our congregation and the wider community. This has developed into quite a little industry and we have given out approx. 350 blankets to date. So, a big thank you to all who have contributed in any way.

We thank God for your faith, love and service.

*Gracious God,
share with us
your heart for creation.
That we may cherish all life,
working together to heal
the damage we have done.
Knowing that in all our
struggles
you are beside us,
to inspire, strengthen
and transform us. Amen*



Get involved

What's already happening in the Parish?

- A wide variety of worship including both traditional services, Messy Church, Wholeness & Wellbeing, Espresso Church
- Reviewed and enhanced Pastoral Care
- Bible Fellowship
- Peregrini Prayer & Meditation & a Daily Prayer Leaflet
- Staycation – a week of events in and around the area.
- A wide variety of fellowship events provided by Events Committee, Social Circle and Mothers' Union
- Vicarage Social Events
- Lent and Harvest Lunches on behalf of Christian Aid
- Macmillan Coffee Morning

We provide

- A friendly welcome to all and a place where we meet with Christ through the Sacraments and in prayer with varying styles of worship, catering for people of all ages
- A place for baptisms, marriages and funerals
- Links with St. Margaret's, Heaton Park and Parrenthorn schools
- A strong Pastoral Care support and outreach to people who are unable to come to church because of infirmity.
- Opportunities for fellowship including the Mother's Union, Social Circle, Teapot Time, Whist Drives, Craft Activities, Retreats and Quiet Days
- Church House, St. Margaret's Community Centre and Lady Wilton Hall which are all used for a variety of church and community activities.
- Support for children and young people including Sunday School and Messy Church.
- Links with other churches through the Prestwich Mission Partnership, the Prestwich & Radcliffe Deanery and Churches Together.
- Support for local, national and international charities

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