



The Parish of St Margaret, Holyrood, Prestwich

St. Margaret's, Prestwich & St. George's, Simister

Sunday 22nd November – Christ The King

Collect

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel.

Thus, says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken. **34.11–16, 20–24**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians. J Evans

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. **1.15–23**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.' **25.31–46**

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Notices:

A reminder that from August 8th it is mandatory to wear a mask in places of worship.

1. On-going, on-line service services: Sunday 9.45am, Wednesday 10.00am, Peregrini morning prayer 8.30am daily, Compline 8.15pm daily. Church open for private prayer Mondays 9.30-10.30am, Thursday's 9.30-10.30am

<https://www.facebook.com/StMaggieP/>

Recorded services go out on many different platforms, including:

<https://www.facebook.com/StMaggieP/>

<https://stmargaretsprestwich.com/blog/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Deborah-says-Hello-754066195096001/>

2. **Wholeness & Wellbeing Service** will be on-line on Sunday 22nd November at 4.00pm. Thank You Carol.

4. Not too late to sign up for the **Bible Course** on, an 8-week series to learn more about the Bible. Anyone and everyone is welcome, whether you know very little about the Bible, are puzzled by some of the things in it, or are very familiar with it and would enjoy both a good debate. There is video input, with times for discussion about how and why the different books of the Bible were written, and what impact reading the Bible can have on your life. The course will be a resource, but won't be prescriptive - everyone's opinion will be heard and respected. Mondays at 7 pm or Tuesdays at 2.30. Contact Rev Sue for the zoom details.

5. **Porch Boxes:** As per last Lockdown, the porch at St Margaret's Church will be open between 9.30 and 11am on Thursday's for the Porch Box Donations. Many Thanks for your continued support.

6. **PCC meeting on Wednesday 25th November at 7.30pm (Zoom)**

7. **Our Christingle service will be Sun 6th Dec.** Peter North will be sending information out about collecting for the Children's Society.

8. If anyone wants to give gifts for the **toy service**, they need to be new and unwrapped this year.

9. **Sponsored Walk/Jog LE to JOG**

There is a sponsorship form that can be used when we return to church if anyone wants to sponsor me.

Alternatively,

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/DeborahSandercoc>
kCRUK The money raised is going to cancer research UK.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

With regards to the Government's new COVID National Lockdown, we are back to offering the Church services on-line, as last time. Private prayer is again allowed and will be offered in church Thursdays 9.30-10.30am and Mondays 6.30-7.30pm starting on Thursday 12th November. We must adhere to all COVID -19 regulations. Face Coverings must be worn at all times whilst in Church. Please observe the 2-metre rule at all times and do not engage in any social gathering either inside or outside of church. Hand sanitise on entering & leaving church. PLEASE, DO NOT ATTEND if you feel UNWELL or HAVE EXPERIENCED ANY OF THE COVID SYMPTOMS in the past seven days. THANK YOU.

Please Pray For:



The Sick

Nigel Birtwistle, Paul Burgess, Barbara Bushell, Joyce Danso, Andrew Ginn, Joan Horgan, Sally Johnson, Maureen Jones, Claire Kelly, David Latham, Lisa, Darren Leadbetter, Robert Lyne, Millie Meeley, Alex Orr, Nicola Palliser, Musa Rashid, Brian Robinson, Leslie Sharpe, Richard Simmons, Maude Warren, Yvette Wilton.

Ongoing Prayers for Healing & Wholeness

Elizabeth Ann Beck, Barbara Cass, Laraine Darlington, Philip Dawson, Marion Dixon, Rita Evans, The Gittins Family, Becky Ginn, Audrey Handley, Bob Hardy, Mary & Colin Hargreaves, Peter Henry, Rev Paul Joyce, Joan Knight, Matilda, Martine Rammell, Barbara Peeling, Tom Porter, Bill Potts, Joyce Roebuck, Susan Rowan, Alice White, Rev Pauline Whitmarsh, Rev Deborah.

Recently departed

Anniversaries of Death

Irene Baxter, Wilfred Gale, Edna Gorman, Hayley Green, Reginald Holland, David Roebuck, Veron Wain, Victor Webb, Dora Whitwham.

Columbarium Flowers

Wilfred Gale	Nov 23rd
Pauline O'Connor	Nov 25th
George Smethurst	Nov 25th

Hymns

Int 104- Christ Triumphant

Grad 436- Majesty

Off 195- From Heav'n You Came

Comm Print- In Christ Alone

Rec 54- At the Name of Jesus

IF YOU NEED ANY HELP OR SUPPORT PLEASE CONTACT REVD DEBORAH ON 01617732698 OR REVD SUE 07761565428 OR VIA ST. MARGARET'S WEBSITE

All notices for next week's Service Sheet to be sent to **David McConville** no later than Tuesday please send to mconvillefamily@uwclub.net

Thanks from Porch Box.

We have recently received a number of financial donations from members of your congregation at St Margaret's Prestwich and St Georges Simister. Many of these cannot be individually acknowledged either because the donations are anonymous or there are no contact details. May I on behalf of Porch Boxes ask you to extend a huge thank you to those providing financial support towards the work of our charity. It is really appreciated. Stay safe in these extraordinary times.

Regard Michael Perrin, Treasurer Porch Boxes