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# 10th March - Fourth Sunday Of Lent

A very warm welcome to everyone joining in worship.

Large print versions of the Order of Service are available at the back of church.

A loop system is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. Please switch it to 'T'. Please switch off mobile phones.

10 <sup>th</sup> March Mothering	8.00am	<b>BCP Communion</b> Readings: Galatians 4; 21-end; John 6; 1-14 (Pg 92)
Sunday	10.30am	<b>Holy Communion</b> Readings: Exodus 2.1-10; 2 Corinthians 1.3-7 (SJ) Luke 2.33-35
(Purple)	12.15pm	Baptism of Toby Lomax
Monday	7.00pm	Lent Prayer & Reflection
Tuesday	10.30am	Coffee & Conversation – Ainsworth Church & Community Hall
Wednesday	2.30-4pm	Church Open for quiet prayer
	6.30pm	MidWeek Praise
17 <sup>th</sup> March 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of	10.30am	<b>Holy Communion</b> Readings: Jeremiah 31.31-34; Hebrews 5.5-10 (PH) John 12.20-33 - <i>Followed by refreshments</i>
Lent (Purple)		

#### Please hold in your prayers:

Our Local Community: Residents of Kentsford Drive.

**The sick**: All who are ill; Father Chaminda and Mr. Fernando; members of our families, our congregation and our wider community.

**The bereaved:** All who have lost loved ones; may they find healing, peace, strength, and courage to face the future.

#### "The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." (James 5:16)

If you wish to receive the Pew Sheet by e-mail, send an e-mail to ainsworthnewsletter2023@gmail.com with 'send pew sheet' in the subject; otherwise download from <a href="http://www.ainsworthparish.org.uk/pewsheets.html">http://www.ainsworthparish.org.uk/pewsheets.html</a>

### 10<sup>th</sup> March

- Coffee & Conversation our monthly gathering for retirees will take place in Ainsworth Church & Community Hall from 10.30 12 noon, this coming Tuesday (12<sup>th</sup> March).
- Lent Reflections Lent is traditionally a time of reflection, repentance, and prayer; a time to re-evaluate and re-focus. Why not join us for a short, reflective time of prayer, each Monday throughout Lent at 7pm in Church everyone welcome.
- Mission Community Lent Prayer Services During Lent, each Church within our Mission Community will be hosting a short Lenten Prayer Service, to which members of every Church in our Mission Community are invited. St. Andrew's, Hillock are hosting a Taize Lent Service on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March from 7.30 8.30pm, refreshments will be available from 7pm everyone welcome!
- Parish Mission Action Plan (M.A.P.) Following the really useful discussion held in Church on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, it would be great to have a few people willing to be part of a M.A.P. task group, to consider how to take some of the suggestions and ideas forward. Interested? Contact Alison / Chris (Churchwardens) or why not speak to Revd Debra or Revd Elaine next time you're in Church.

## **Christ Church Ainsworth**

'Celebrating, encouraging, proclaiming and supporting faith, hope and love in Jesus Christ our Lord...'

# This † Week



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- Green Lent Challenge each week during Lent, we'll be challenging you to improve your 'Green credentials' – in week 4 we're encouraging you to sign up to the 'Big Plastic Count', which runs from 11-17<sup>th</sup> March; for further info or to sign up, visit <u>www.thebigplasticcount.com</u>
- **Palm Sunday** Is fast approaching; don't miss the opportunity to catch up with our Palm Sunday donkeys! Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am.
- Spring Bingo, Quiz & Hotpot Supper Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 6.30pm at Ainsworth Methodist Church Hall. Adults £7, Children £3; for more info / tickets contact 07771-538230 or visit <u>ainsworthnews@hotmail.com</u>
- Christ Church Ainsworth 50/50 Lucky Lotto Raising funds for our Church! Tickets cost £1 each you can buy as many as you like! To enter simply fill in a 50/50 Lucky Lotto slip and place it in the box at the back of church. The next draw will be Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March; remember you have to be in it to win it! If you would prefer to pay by monthly standing order to enter the Lucky Lotto please email <a href="mainto:ainsworthparishinfo@gmail.com">ainsworthparishinfo@gmail.com</a>
- Quiz Night Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April is Quiz Night at Ainsworth Church & Community Hall!! £7 / person, includes hotpot supper; teams of up to 6 people; 6.30pm for a 7pm start. For tickets / more info contact Jan on 07950-960468.
- Manchester Diocese General Lay Training Courses These are easy access courses open to any lay person wanting to develop their calling and gifting. For more info visit <a href="https://www.manchester.anglican.org/development-and-training/general-lay-courses/">https://www.manchester.anglican.org/development-and-training/general-lay-courses/</a>
- Candlelight Prayer is an oasis of calm at the end of a busy week. Why not join us for 10 minutes of quiet prayer and reflection each Friday at 8pm on Zoom. Simply click the link below to join in, or for more info contact Alison on 07952-709041
   https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88510585974?pwd=QUdYYjN6bDFoakxpZnBoY2ZDMUFoZz09

Praying Together: Each week, all the Churches within our Mission Community will pray for

our future together; this week we will be:

- Praying for all those who are involved with our Mission Community 'Growing, Nurturing & Serving' task groups.
- Giving thanks for the things that these task groups have achieved so far.
- Giving thanks for this opportunity for our Churches to work together and to share knowledge, experience and talents.
- Praying that the Holy Spirit will guide and inspire all those who are involved in the task group meeting this coming week.
- Praying that there will be someone from each Church that feels called to be a part of these groups.
- Praying that these individuals will become 'Champions' within their own Churches, as we explore new opportunities for growing, nurturing and serving.
- Giving thanks for the many Lent Services and study groups which are being held within our individual Churches and across our wider Mission Community. Praying especially this week for those at St. Andrew's, Hillock, as they host our Mission Community Lent Service.

If you would like to include a notice on the pew sheet about your organisation or a specific event that's happening, please email <u>ainsworthnewsletter2023@gmail.com</u>

If you pay tax, please Gift Aid your offering(s). This enables us to claim back the tax paid on offerings. Envelopes for occasional givers are in the pews and forms for regular givers are in the porch. The only details that need to be given, are your full name, address and post code and an acknowledgement that you pay tax to the value of the amount to be claimed. Bank Standing Order forms are also available in the Church porch. Completed forms can be put on the collection plate with your offering.

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