



# This † Week

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## 6<sup>th</sup> April – Fifth Sunday In 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.**

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6 <sup>th</sup> April	10.30am	<b>Holy Communion</b> – Readings: Isaiah 43.16-21; Philippians 3.4b-14 (BS) John 12.1-8 (Lay Ass ... BS)
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday In	12.15pm	<b>Baptism</b> of Scarlett Richardson
Lent (Purple)	6.30pm	<b>BCP Evening Prayer</b> - Readings: Hebrews 9; 11-15; John 8; 46-end (Pg94) Psalm 516 (Pg126)
Tuesday	10.30-12	<b>Coffee &amp; Conversation</b> (Ainsworth Church & Community Hall)
	7.00pm	<b>Lent Reflection</b>
Wednesday	2.30-3pm	<b>Mission Community Lent Service</b>
13 <sup>th</sup> April	8.00am	<b>BCP Communion</b> – Readings: Philippians 2; 5-11; Matthew 27; 1-54 (Pg 96)
Palm Sunday (Purple)	10.30am	<b>Palm Sunday Procession</b> (with donkeys!) Joint service with Ainsworth Methodists, meeting at Ainsworth Methodist Chapel then processing to Christ Church for All Age Service followed by refreshments.

### **Please hold in your prayers:**

**Our Local Community:** Residents of Starmount Villa & Starmount Close.

**The sick:** All who are ill; John Maudsley, Moira Gilmore, Archdeacon Rachel, Pope Francis, 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.

**We remember with thanks, the lives of those recorded in our Book Of Remembrance, whose anniversary falls within the coming week:** Trevor Taylor (Ben) – 06/04/1995; Percy Barker – 07/04/2003; Frank Lord Hampson – 08/04/1996; Frederick Isherwood – 10/04/1997; Margaret Patricia Ashford – 12/04/2023.

**“The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.” (James 5:16)**

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### 6<sup>th</sup> April

- **Coffee & Conversation** – Our monthly gathering for over 50’s will be held this Tuesday (8<sup>th</sup> April) 10.30 – 12 noon in Ainsworth Church & Community Hall.
- **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, Radcliffe are hosting their Service on Tues 8<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm; Christ Church Ainsworth our hosting our Service on Weds 9<sup>th</sup> April at 2.30pm. Everyone welcome!
- **Myanmar Earthquake Appeal** – We will be holding a bucket collection after the 10.30am Service this coming Sunday (6<sup>th</sup> April) to support the Christian Aid response to this disaster; please give as you are able to help support those who have been affected.

## **Christ Church Ainsworth**

**‘Celebrating, encouraging, proclaiming and supporting faith, hope and love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord...’**

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- **Prayer Tree** - Prayer is an integral part of Christianity; it isn't a magic formula for getting what we want, and it isn't reserved for 'holy' people, or for special times or places. Prayer is talking to God. Did you know that we have a Prayer Tree in Church? Please feel free to write a short prayer on one of the paper leaves you'll find in church, then hang your leaf on our Prayer Tree.
- **BRF Ministries** - offers a wide variety of books and resources, plus a great range of Easter cards. For more information visit [brfonline.org.uk](http://brfonline.org.uk)
- **Bible Study Notes** - BRF Ministries also produce a range of daily Bible Study notes & reflections which are suitable for all; these booklets are produced 3 times a year & typically cost around £5-00. If you would like to know more or would be interested in receiving a set of notes, please contact Alison on 07952-709041.
- **Christ Church Ainsworth 50:50 Lucky Lotto** – The April Lucky Lotto will be drawn in Church following the morning Service on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> April; £1 / entry, payment by cash or bank transfer, for more info contact [ainsworthparishinfo@gmail.com](mailto:ainsworthparishinfo@gmail.com) & remember – you have to be in it to win it!!
- **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>
- **Used Stamps** – A big thank you to everyone who collects used stamps to support the Bone Cancer Research Trust; in 2024 their Stamp Appeal raised £11,188! Please continue to put used stamps in the box in the Church Porch to help to support this worthy cause.
- **APCM & Vestry Meeting** – This will be held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April in Church, following on from the 10.30am Service. At this meeting we elect our Churchwardens and also report on the activities of our Church over the past 12 months. All parishioners are encouraged to attend this meeting.

**Praying Together:** Each week, all the Churches within our Mission Community will pray for our future together; in the coming week we will be:

- Praying for those who are lonely, vulnerable, socially isolated or unwell.
- Praying for and giving thanks for all those within our Churches, who are involved in the pastoral support of those who are most vulnerable; pastoral visiting teams, Anna Chaplains and Anna Friends.
- Praying for inspiration and guidance from the Holy Spirit as we look for new ways to support those who are in need within our local communities, and across our wider Mission Community.
- Praying that others within our individual Churches may feel called to offer their time and talents to support those who are in need.
- 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, Radcliffe & Christ Church Ainsworth, as they host our Mission Community Lent Services.

*If you would like to include a notice on the pew sheet about your organisation or a specific event that's happening, please email [ainsworthnewsletter2023@gmail.com](mailto:ainsworthnewsletter2023@gmail.com)*

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