

This † Week



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15th March – Mothering Sunday; Fourth 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.

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

15th March Mothering Sunday (Purple)	10.30am	Holy Communion – Readings: Exodus 2.1-10; 2 Corinthians 1.3-7 (EH); Luke 2.33-35 (Lay Ass ... BC; Prayers ... AL)
Tuesday	7.15pm	Lent Reflection
Wednesday	2.30-4pm	Time To Reflect – Church open for quiet prayer
	6.30pm	MidWeek Praise
22nd March Fifth Sunday In Lent (Purple)	8.00am	BCP Communion – Readings: Hebrews 9; 11-15; John 8; 46-end (Pg 94)
	10.30am	Holy Communion – Readings: Ezekiel 37.1-14; Romans 8.6-11 (DH) John 11.1-45 Lay Ass & Prayers ... DH)

Please hold in your prayers:

Our Local Community: Residents of Metcalfe Terrace.

The sick: All who are unwell; Roy Turner, Moira Gilmore, John Lloyd, Margaret Coupe, Gana Mee, members of our families, our congregation, and our wider community.

The bereaved: All who have lost loved ones, praying especially for the family & friends of Marion Perrin; 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 weeks: Doris Isabel Foster – 16/03/2010; Marion Lomax – 18/03/1982.

“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 <http://www.ainsworthparish.org.uk/pewsheets.html>

15th March

- **Lent Reflections** – Join us in Church each Tuesday throughout Lent at 7.15pm for a short time of prayer & reflection – everyone welcome.
- **Bee Joyful** – This is the Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community’s Spring worship event, which will be held at Christ Church Ainsworth on Monday 20th April at 7.30pm. This will be a Songs of Praise style Service, with each Church invited to choose 1 of the hymns, which should reflect the theme of joy in some way. PCC members have put together a short list of hymns & we’d really appreciate it if you could let us know which you prefer; simply mark your choice on 1 of the slips at the back of Church & place it in the white envelope before Sunday 22nd of March.
- **The Big Spring Clean** – Will be held in Church on Saturday 28th March from 10 – 12 noon. Why not join us as we come together to prepare our beautiful Church for our Easter Services & celebrations. Help us to dust, polish, clean & sweep those tricky & hard to reach areas, that can’t be cleaned on a regular basis. Everyone welcome, refreshments available. No need to book, just turn up!

Christ Church Ainsworth

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

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- **CCA Quiz Sheet Quiz League** – Don't forget to pick up a copy of the March CCA Quiz League Quiz Sheet; £1 / copy, all proceeds to Church funds.
- **The Lord's Prayer Tour** - A special evening of prayer and reflection at Manchester Cathedral on Thursday 19th March, led by the Archbishop of York. This inspiring gathering will focus on the Lord's Prayer, bringing together people from across the diocese to explore its meaning in our lives today. For more information or to book tickets visit [Lord's Prayer Evening with Archbishop of York Tickets, Thu, Mar 19, 2026 at 6:45 PM | Eventbrite](#)
- **Volunteers Needed** – As part of celebrating the work of our Church & promoting the things that we do beyond our existing congregation, the Generosity & Thankfulness group have collated a leaflet which they are hoping to mail drop throughout the parish & beyond in the coming weeks – if you are able & willing to be out and about delivering leaflets we would really appreciate your help. The leaflets are at the back of Church, bundled up into streets or groups of streets; if you are able to, please take a bundle of leaflets to deliver on your street (or 1 nearby if someone else has already done yours) – many hands make light work! Thanking you in advance!
- **Earth Hour** – Is an unmissable global reminder of the importance of our planet, the need to protect it, and how little time we have to do so. Why not join with millions around the globe & switch your lights off for 1 hour on Saturday 28th March 8.30 – 9.30pm.
- **Candle Recycling** – The Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community are now recycling candles, tapers & tealights as part of the Diocesan Candle Recycling scheme. If you have any part used or unwanted candles / tealights for recycling, please leave them in the box in the Church porch.
- **Christ Church Ainsworth 50:50 Lucky Lotto** – The March Lucky Lotto will be drawn in Church following BCP Evensong on Sunday 29th March; £1 / entry, payment by cash or bank transfer, for more info contact ainsworthparishinfo@gmail.com
- **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; in the coming week we will be:

- Giving thanks for the changing seasons & God's wonderful world.
- Praying for all the Churches within our Mission Community that have already begun their EcoChurch journey and giving thanks for the progress they have made.
- Praying for inspiration from the Holy Spirit as we seek new ways to use our green spaces in our quest to grow, nurture, and serve our congregations, and engage with different sections of our local communities.
- Praying that we would be good guardians of our green spaces, so that future generations will be able to enjoy them as we do.

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

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.