

SERMON NOTES

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PRAYER DIARY

Monday 6th May

Pray that as those undeserving of a place at God's great heavenly banquet, we humbly invite others to accept Jesus' invitation (Luke 14v15-24).

Tuesday 7th May

Pray for all those who live on Gosforth Road. Pray they have an opportunity to hear the gospel and respond. Pray for believers to come alongside them to show them Jesus.

Wednesday 8th May

Pray for Coffee & Chat today. Pray more people hear about it and want to come along. Give thanks for the good conversation, pray it will be used to gently speak of Jesus and the hope he brings to life.

Thursday 9th May

Pray for Wellfield Church, Leyland. Pray people will be encouraged in the faith and grow in holiness and faithfulness. Pray they continue to reach out to those around them with the truth of the Gospel.

Friday 10th May

Pray for all those who have been on the Christianity Explored or Hope Explored course and decided to not accept Jesus as Lord. Pray they remember all they have heard, and their hearts soften. Pray they take another look at Jesus and turn to him as Lord.

Saturday 11th May

Pray for the ladies Graze evening tonight. Pray invited friends come along and enjoy making new friends. Pray everyone is relaxed and conversation glorifies God. Pray it is a stepping stone to Hope Explored to find out more about Jesus.

Sunday 12th May

Pray for those who are unable to come to church due to ill health, working patterns, infirmity, or anxiety. Pray they can watch online and continue to grow in their relationship with God. Pray for people to be in their lives who can encourage them in their faith.

ST SIMON
& ST JUDE
WITH ALL SOULS

W E L C O M E

SUNDAY 5TH MAY 2024

BIBLE READING: LUKE 14:12-24

“COME DINE WITH ME”

9.15AM COMMUNION SERVICE

11.00AM SERVICE - WITH GROUPS FOR 0-16S

Thank you for coming
- we're delighted to have you with us!

We would love you to stay around for tea and coffee, served at the back of the church (9.15am) or in the hall (11am).

Our 11am service is livestreamed for those who cannot make it in-person due to ill health etc. Search for @stsimonandstjudewithallsouls on YouTube.

We have weekly church activities for all ages. To be kept up to date, please pick up and fill in a blue welcome card, which can be found in the entrance hall.

OUR VISION STATEMENT

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APCM UPDATE

At this year's Vision Sunday, we considered what it will mean for us to be a church that grows in dependence upon God, living out the apostles' focus on "prayer and ministry of the word" (Acts 6:4).

In the afternoon, we appointed Keith Knapton and Rob Johnson to serve their second year as wardens. Also, Penny Edge, Lorna Norcross, Julie Rowlandson and Tom Rowe were elected to the PCC to serve until 2027.

During the afternoon we were delighted to announce the part-time employment of Poppy Norcross as Children's and Families worker. This is a training post that will begin in mid-June, initially for 3.5 days a week.

We also heard about some provisions the St Simon's PCC have requested in light of the current debates about marriage and sexuality in the Church of England. Alternative spiritual oversight and use of the Ephesian Fund has been requested through the Church of England Evangelical Council. More details of what these are can be found at: www.ceec.info or, alternatively, speak to Andy or one of the Wardens.

CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY

The Church Weekend Away is happening **15th 17th September** at the Quinta Centre in Shropshire.

Thank you to all those who have booked on to the weekend. If you've not yet done so and would like to come, please pick up a form and return it as soon as possible.

NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY 12TH MAY 2024 – LUKE 14:25-35

9.15AM COMMUNION SERVICE

11.00AM SERVICE - WITH GROUPS FOR 0-16s

CHURCH PRAYER MEETING – TONIGHT

A chance to gather together to sing and pray for the work God is calling us to at St Simon's. This evening, we'll be particularly praying in light of the vision focus and the APCM.

Arrive for a hot drink at 6.45pm, with the prayer meeting starting at 7pm and finishing by 8pm.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sun 5th May Church Prayer Meeting

6.45-8.00pm

Wed 8th May Coffee & Chat – Over 60s

10.30-11.45am

Wed 15th May Community Lunch

12.15-2.00pm

Thu 16th May PCC Meeting

7.30-9.30pm

Wed 29th May Monthly Maintenance Meeting

7.00-9.00pm

Here for the first time?

Hello & welcome!
Thank you so much for joining us.

Need anything?

Ask our welcome team who will be happy to help.

Children & Teens

Junior church groups for 3-5s, 5-7s, 8-11s & 12-16s run during the 11am service. Kids leave for their groups after about 15mins. We also have a supervised creche for our 0-3s.

Hearing difficulties?

A hearing loop is installed.

Livestream

Please note that anyone appearing at the front of church will be seen on the livestream.