

# ST PETER'S PARKSTONE



**FOCUSED ON GOD - SPEAKING OF JESUS - CARING ABOUT PEOPLE**

## **Sunday 24th January - Third Sunday of Epiphany**

10.00am Parish Eucharist on YouTube and Facebook

11.15am Coffee over Zoom

## **Monday 25th January - Conversion of Paul**

10.00am Pray 4 the Week at home

## **Sunday 31st January - Fourth Sunday of Epiphany**

9.30am Breakfast Worship online

10.00am Parish Eucharist on YouTube and Facebook

11.15am Coffee over Zoom

Click to join "Coffee over Zoom" Meeting

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### **Please remember in your prayers this week:**

**Mission Prayer:** Heavenly Father as we enter this New Year once again in a Lockdown situation, while we are limited in our movements help each of us to seek to spend more time listening to you. We pray for the NHS and all workers involved in the care of patients and in the roll out of the vaccine, give us all patience as we wait for the call from our health care providers, and we pray for an improvement in the suffering of others.

**All those in need at this time, including** Alice, Dexter, Nancy, Erik, Carol, Betty, Beverley, Bidy, Iris, Carlo, Natalia, Josie, Erica, Pat, Deborah, Pat, Ione, Muriel, Valerie and family, Eileen, Julie, Margaret.

**Those who have died:** John Dewdney, Ian Andrews, Bob Garrett.

**Anniversaries of death:** Frank Cartwright, Colin Hodge (priest), Bob Guy, Lilian Morris, Colin Walker, Bernard Ewart, Patrick O'Hara.

**The Residents and Staff of** Ashley Court, Alexandra House, Hillsdon Nursing Home and Regency Manor and also those at Homelake House.

### **Collect for the Third Sunday of Epiphany**

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## **“Praying and Fasting for Climate Justice on the First Day of Each Month”**

With our churches closed, please, set aside midday on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> February, to be with The Climate Justice Prayer Group in spirit to pray for those around God’s world whose lives are being wrecked by bereavement, loss of homes and livelihood, all caused by the destructive effects of climate change: flooding, drought, uncontrollable fires, cyclones, tsunami, and rising sea levels.

We’ll be praying for people on the Tonga Pacific Islands where there’s been no rain for six months, and fresh water supplies are being brought by an Australian tanker to relieve this dire situation. By contrast, we’ll continue to pray for those threatened by rising sea levels in many other Pacific islands, like The Maldives, where homes and businesses may soon be swamped, making these islands uninhabitable. Here, in the UK, we’ll pray for families in Bedfordshire, Glamorgan and Herefordshire who had to be evacuated from the homes on Christmas Day when they were flooded after Storm Bella’s torrential rains.

Let’s remember also the people of Guatemala hit by Storm Eta on 7<sup>th</sup> November with winds of 140 mph with torrential rains causing massive landslides covering many houses, killing over 200 people and destroying homes, roads and businesses; and the three million who had to be evacuated in The Philippines on 31<sup>st</sup> October when hit by Typhoon Goni; and then by Typhoon Vamco on 13<sup>th</sup> November which, killed 53 people.

Bring to mind and pray for any people you may have heard about in the news whose lives have been badly affected by severe weather conditions.

Understandably, the Coronavirus pandemic still dominates the news, so we may not hear about many around the world who are suffering from the effects of climate change.

Let’s pray also for our national and international leaders who have the power to make decisions to reduce the human causes of climate change, especially those planning at this critical time for the Glasgow Climate Change Summit in November 2021; Pray, too, for yourself that you will be guided by God to do all you can to care for the wonderful gift of creation; and help reduce the human causes of global warming.

In light of the current Lockdown rules in England, the **Poole Committee of World Day of Prayer** regret that they feel it is not possible to hold the annual services in Poole on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Instead there will be a service on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 10.30am at Salvation Army, New Orchard, Poole BH15 1LY** to share in the postponed service composed by the women of Vanuatu.