



## Monthly Prayer Meeting

This month's prayer meeting is in the Clulow Room on Wednesday 26th February at 7pm . The theme is Paul the Evangelist. Come and join together in praise, thanksgiving and supplication to our God.

## World day of prayer

We at St. George's are hosting the annual World Day of Prayer service this year. It will be held at 2pm on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March . We will be serving drinks and cakes for those who attend in the Clulow Room after the service. We would be most grateful to anyone who is prepared to provide a cake and/or might be able to help on the day. If you would like to help, please speak to Ros or Karen. Thank you.

## Ash Wednesday

The season of Lent is fast approaching and our services for Ash Wednesday will be at 10am & 7:30pm on Wednesday 5th March at St George's. Come along to begin Lent by sharing in worship together.

## Eugene's News

Rev Eugene is on a phased return to work following his recent ill health. Therefore, please note that at the moment his working days are Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Do continue to pray for Eugene and his family as he continues to recover.

## Wednesday Mornings:

10.00 am            **Holy Communion** in the Lady Chapel  
10.00—11.30 am   **Norton Coffee Shop** in the Clulow Room

Next week's readings for 2nd before Lent are Revelation 4 & Luke 8:22-25

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Please submit notices by Wednesday for inclusion in the next pew sheet .

St George

St Nicholas

# Norton Parish pew sheet

## 3rd before Lent

Sunday 16th February 2025 9.30am

### HYMNS (NEH)

Entrance	114	Now is eternal life
Offertory	375	I danced in the morning
Communion	342	Breathe on me, breath of God
Final	467	Through all the changing scenes of life

## Reading

## 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

## Gospel

**Luke 6:17-26**

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

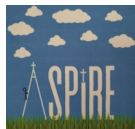
'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

## Aspire group (For 10s-14s)



There will be no meetings in February, then Sundays 2nd & 16th March (3pm to 5pm), with our last meeting before Easter on Good Friday 18th April from 7pm to 9pm.

Please contact Angie ([amcaldwe@yahoo.com](mailto:amcaldwe@yahoo.com)) or Liz

([lizbeardmore53@gmail.com](mailto:lizbeardmore53@gmail.com)) for more details

**Recycling collection:** Please support Aspire by bringing items for recycling with Terracycle. Biscuit, cracker and cake wrappers, tea and coffee flexible packaging. Pick up a leaflet from church, if you don't yet have one. Thank you!

## Next Week - Coffee in the hall

Coffee will be served in the hall next week (23rd) between the 9:30 and 11:15 services.



## Messy Church

Our next Messy Church will be on **Thursday 20th February**, 10am - 12.30pm at Norton Methodist Church, North Avenue, Letchworth, SG6 1DH. We look forward to seeing you then. Register at: [messychurchnorton@btinternet.com](mailto:messychurchnorton@btinternet.com)

## Foodbank

Thank you to those who give to the foodbank. This month they have a special need for the following:

**Sponge Puddings**

**Tinned Fish**

**Tinned Fruit**

**Tinned Rice Pudding**

**Cereals**

**Jam**

**Tinned Custard**

**Tinned Tomatoes**

**Washing Up Liquid**

**Shaving Foam**

**Disposable Razors**

**Bags for life**

## Fundraising Group

We would like to thank the people who have volunteered to join the fundraising team & we will start putting together a list of ideas and a rough schedule for them to run throughout the year. We would ask that if you have any ideas that we could use to raise funds from ideally people outside of the church please write them down on suggestion slips which will be placed in both churches over the next couple of weeks. Any and all ideas are welcome and then the team will sort out the ones that are easy quick wins and others which may need some organisation.

## The 100 Club

Our first draw was held on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January and drawn by Rev. Anthony; the first prize was number 264 - Carol Greatorex and the second prize was number 207 - Michael Greatorex. The next draw will be held on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

## Next week - Dragons



Next week (23rd) Dragons meet at 9:15am in the Church Hall. The theme is I am the Vine. Come along for all our regular activities, action song and food craft.