

### This week ...

Mon 28th	1-3pm	Wool n' Chat in the Church Hall
	7pm	Prayer meeting in Church
	8pm	BSL Choir - Church Hall
Tues 29th	10.30am	Shoppers Service, 40 mins of reflective worship
Weds 30th	9.30am	Little Lambs in the Church Hall
	12noon	'Time for Us' see notice
Thurs 31st	7.30am	Prayer meeting. Contact the Rimmers 893056
Sat 2nd	7pm	Faith and Film 'The Greatest Showman' Cert PG

### Time for Us – next meeting details

Are you or have you cared for someone with Dementia? Come and join others who understand, for lunch on the last Weds of the month, 12-2pm, at the Lathom Slipway. Ring Diane Edwards on 896831 for more details.

The next meeting will be the last Weds in January – 30th.



**Volunteers Needed:** We are hoping to run another Fun Morning in the February half term on the morning of Weds 20th February. In order to do this we need some volunteers. If you are free to help or would like more information about volunteering for this event please contact Christine Mansfield (Spencer) 07809436984 or

[christine.spencer@stjohns-burscough.org](mailto:christine.spencer@stjohns-burscough.org)

**Do you have.... ?** Christine is wanting to borrow a chocolate fountain or two for the February fun morning. Please contact her if you have one we could borrow.



**Thank you** for your generosity in donating food on a regular basis to Skelmersdale and District Foodbank. Items such as tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, rice pudding, UHT milk, jam, pasta, cereals and unused toiletries can be placed in the plastic box by the bookstall in the West End of Church. Thank you.



### Looking ahead, opportunities to invite.....

Sat 2nd Feb	7pm	Faith and Film 'The Greatest Showman' Cert PG
Sat 9th Feb	TBC	Men's Activity Day

### Faith and Film—Saturday 2nd February 7pm

'The Greatest Showman' in the Parish Hall, followed by a short discussion. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

All welcome. Cert PG



### Gifts to Sponsored Children

From Joanna... As you may know we will be heading out to Uganda in a few weeks. If you sponsor a child in Uganda and would like to send a small package out we are happy to take it for you and try to see your child in school. There are many of you sponsoring children now through St John's so we have to limit what we can take. Please can you put your gifts in an A4 plastic wallet. There are some in the office if you need one. You should be able to get a t-shirt/dress/bit of stationary/sticker book/photos etc in this and as it will be flat we should be able to get plenty of them in each suitcase. **PLEASE** do not send anything bigger than this as we will not have capacity.

I will need them **at the latest** by **Weds 30 January**.

### 'St John's Parish News'

If you have any diary dates or notices that you wish to be included, email [noticesheet@stjohns-burscough.org](mailto:noticesheet@stjohns-burscough.org) by Wednesday 12 noon please.

### Bereavement

Our love and prayers go to all who have recently lost loved ones, especially the family and friends of Jean Pemberton whose funeral is Tuesday 29th January at 11.30am at West Lancs Crematorium and the family and friends of David Guest whose funeral will take place on Tuesday 29th January at 2pm at St John's.

'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.' Matt 5 v 4



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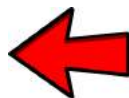
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**HYGIENE**  
Many rely on improvised solutions like rags, leaves, or pieces of foam mattress. These are **ineffective, uncomfortable and unhygienic** and can lead to health complications and discomfort.

**EMPOWERMENT**  
Women are **stuck at home** when they would rather go to work or do daily activities.

**EDUCATION**  
**MANY** girls skip school during menstruation or drop out entirely. This increases the chance of **early child marriage and teenage pregnancy.**

Uganda trip  
2019  
See front  
page for  
how to help



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Church is open for refreshments or quiet prayer Mon - Fri 10 - 11.30am



# St. John's Parish News

'Knowing, Growing in and Sharing Jesus' Love  
in Burscough and Beyond.'

Sunday 27th January

Epiphany 4

## Welcome to our services today

@ St John the Baptist

9am Holy Communion  
11am Contemporary Worship  
7pm Evening service

@ St Andrew's, Crabtree

6.30pm Evening Prayer

A special welcome to Annabelle-Rose and her family and friends, Annabelle-Rose will be baptised this morning.

Theme: People who met Jesus — The woman at the well. Bible reading : John 4:1-26 (p1066 in the pew bibles)



## Uganda trip 2019

Part of the work we will be facilitating on this year's visit is to improve things for young women and school children who are unable to work/ attend school when they have their period. **See the information diagram on the back page.** During our visit to Uganda we will be distributing special reusable sanitary towels to the girls and women in the schools and villages we visit. For £5 we can purchase a pack from a social enterprise called Afripads based in Kampala <https://www.afripads.com/> or find them on face book.)

If you would like to support this project you can do so **TODAY** only!

Please see Joanna Marshall/Wendy Dixon if you would like donate or to find out more about this project. Or see any other member of the 2019 team today if you would like to make a £5 donation.

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