

This week ...

Mon 6th		Bank Holiday
Tues 7th	10.30am	Shoppers Service, 40 mins of reflective worship
	6.30pm	Firm Roots Cancer Support, Church Hall
Weds 8th	9.30am	Little Lambs, Church Hall
	7.30pm	Start! 5, 11 Liverpool Road North
	8pm	The Space —a quiet, reflective service focussing on wholeness and well being
Thurs 9th	7.30am	Prayer meeting. Contact the Rimmers 893056
	10am	NCompass
	5pm	Elevation dance group, Church
Fri 10th	6.30pm	SOS, Church Hall
Sat 11th	2pm	ACTS group, Church Hall
Sun 12th	12.30pm	Lunch Aid at the home of Katie & Richard Whitehead 5 Stop Lock Court Tarleton

Jam Jars for loose change are available in the West End all proceeds gratefully received - they will go towards our Uganda 2020 fund.



Half Term Fun Morning

Volunteers Needed for a possible Fun Morning Weds 29th May. Can you help from 9.30am -12.30pm? If you are free and willing to be part of a morning of craft, games and fun for primary aged children please see Christine Mansfield or contact her on 07809436984.

St Andrew's, Crabtree

Further to the report to the PCC at their last meeting, it was agreed that the floor at Crabtree Mission would need to be removed and replaced. The work will commence on Monday 29th April and the Mission will be closed for six weeks. During the closure services will be held in St John's Church on Sunday afternoons at 3.30pm and everyone is welcome. The Mission will re-open on Sunday 9th June with a service of Holy Communion, and we hope this will be well supported. Brian Disley

Coming Up....

Christian Aid Week Sunday 12th May to Sunday 19th May

Thank you for your generosity in supporting Christian Aid each year- it is very much appreciated. Your donations are helping to change the world for some of the poorest and most vulnerable communities in the world. 'Where charity and love are- God is there'. This year we will once again have buckets in the West End of Church for donations. If you are a taxpayer, it is really good to 'Gift Aid' any donation you make by completing all the details requested on the Christian Aid Gift Aid envelopes that will be located next to the bucket. Gift Aid does not cost you but means that tax you have already paid is refunded to Christian Aid.

There will be a 'Big Brekkie' from 9.30am to 12noon on Saturday 18th May 2019 with bacon barm available for a small donation- pencil it into your diary now!

For further information see Diane Edwards



The Burscough Litter Pickers...

...the next organised date is Sunday 19th May, meeting at the Stanley Club car park. We would like people to come to church first if they plan to go, as a way of showing we are from St Johns. If you are planning to go please let Mel Critchley know at the Parish Office so she can whatsapp the group on the morning to find out where they will be when church finishes.

Volunteers needed...

... for the tea/coffee rota at the 11am service. If you think you can help please contact Mel Critchley in the Parish Office.



Skelmersdale and District Foodbank-can you help?

Please find a list of items on the noticeboard in the West End that are currently needed to help people in crisis. Collection points are in the West End or in the Church Hall. Thank you

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Our love and prayers go to all who have recently lost loved ones, especially the family and friends of Peter Jackson and Joyce Jones.



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

Email — office@stjohns-burscough.org

For any diary dates or notices that you wish to be included, by **Weds 12 noon please.**

CONTACT US:

Parish Office (in the Church Hall,)
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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 5th May

3rd Sunday after Easter

*Welcome to our services today

@ St John the Baptist

9am Holy Communion
11am Holy Communion
7pm Evening Service

@ St Andrew's, Crabtree

3.30pm BCP Evening Prayer
@ St Johns

Theme: Resurrection: the Lakeside

Bible reading : John 21 v 1-9
(page 1090 in the pew bibles)

A special welcome to Jill and John Pickup, their family and friends. Jill and John are celebrating their Ruby wedding, having been married at St John's 40 years ago.



***How is our WELCOME today?**

Have you spoken to someone whose name you don't know?

St Andrew's Crabtree @3.30pm

The fellowship at St Andrew's Crabtree will be worshipping at 3.30pm at St John's whilst St Andrew's is having some repair and maintenance work done, specifically to the floor. All are welcome to come along to the service each Sunday at 3.30pm followed by refreshments. If you have never been to a Book of Common Prayer (BCP) service, then why not come along to experience and participate in the prayers and worship which have been said faithfully for many generations.