

St Lawrence's Church

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Notices for the week starting 13th March 2011

Today	Standing & Finance Committee	12 noon
Monday	Funeral of Neville Wade	1:00 pm
Wednesday	Holy Communion ~ Pendle House	2:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
	DCT Lent Course ~ Denton Methodist	7:30 pm
Thursday	Holy Communion	9:00 am
	PCC Meeting	7:30 pm
Next Sunday 20th March	Holy Communion	10:45 am
	Baptism ~ Isabella and Summer	12:45 pm

☺ Last week there was **£47.50** in the **Pink Envelopes** for the renovation fund. Many thanks for this.

☺ **Church Repairs / Cleaning** – The removal of the organ and pipes is **complete**. **A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone for** cleaning up in Church and also giving the Hall a thorough spring clean.



☺ **Gorton Voices Community Choir** – Saturday March 26th 7:30 pm in Church. Tickets available priced £5 including refreshments



Experience Easter is going mobile for the day.

Wednesday 23rd March Experience Easter will be in **Linden Road School** as part of their Religious Education day. We would **appreciate volunteers to prepare** materials for some of the stations and **to help** on each of the stations explaining the Easter

message to the children. Please speak to Elizabeth or Sheila if you can spare some time.

Family Service of Morning Prayer

First Sunday of Lent

36 And can it be

Reading: Romans 5: 12-19 (page 1132)

237 God forgave my sin

Reading: Matthew 4: 1-11 (page 967)

498 Majesty

556 O Jesus I have promised

(During this hymn a collection will be taken)

Collect

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,
you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;
by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,
and enable us to live by every word
that proceeds from out of your mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Forthcoming Events

March 23rd	Experience Easter at Linden Road School	
March 26th	Concert by Gorton Voices Community Choir	7:30 pm
April 10th	Fellowship Breakfast	9:00 am
April 10th	Annual Church Meeting	12 noon
April 10th	Set up for Experience Easter	
April 11th – 17th	Experience Easter	

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be held on 10th April 2011 in Church after the morning service.

For you 'to have a voice' at the meeting or to be eligible to be elected to an office you need to be on the church's **Electoral Roll** (not to be confused with the Parliamentary Electoral Roll). Each year the Electoral Roll needs to be revised ahead of the meeting. **A copy of the current Electoral Roll is in the baptistery.**

If you are already on the Roll please **check the details** of your entry and note any changes in the comment column, in particular your **Postcode**.

You qualify to be on the Electoral Roll if you are

- aged 16 years or over
- baptised
- a lay member of the Church of England
- either resident in the parish or habitually attend public worship in the parish

For further information or a form to join the Electoral Roll please speak to Sheila Cant, Electoral Roll Officer.



We also require nominations for Church Warden, PCC Members and Deanery Synod representatives, please speak to Gillian Mellish PCC Secretary



Lent is a time of preparation for Easter, ending in Holy Week. During the 40 days of Lent, we remember the time when Jesus went into the desert to fast and pray before beginning his work for God.

During the following weeks there is an opportunity to meet together with people from others Churches in Denton through the

Denton Churches Together Lent Course.

The course is entitled '**Rich Inheritance - Jesus' Legacy of Love**'. All meetings will commence at 7:30 pm and will be led by the clergy of that Church. Everyone is welcome to attend

Date	Venue	Topic
16th March	Denton Methodist	'An Empty Tomb'
23rd March	Hope URC	'A Group of People'
30th March	St. Mary's Denton	'A Story'
6th April	St. Lawrence's	'A Power'
13th April	St. Anne's	'A Meal'
22nd April	Good Friday – 7:00 pm Christ Church Denton	Led by Rev. Dr. Keith Davies



Churches will be collecting prayer requests and offering to pray for people on Ash Wednesday and throughout Lent.

'Say one for me' is a great way to let people know that their church is available to offer support and

prayer, not just during Lent but at any time.

Prayer requests can be written on cards available at the back of Church or prayers can be submitted directly onto the 'Say One for Me' website www.sayoneforme.com during Lent. Why not take some cards and pass them to friends, neighbours, and work colleagues and then pray their prayers for them.