



## **Pray for our Parish ~ April 2019**

### **Robert & Carole**

- Please pray for physical, mental and spiritual refreshment for them both as they have a week away at the beginning of April and a few days immediately after Easter
- Give thanks for a spiritually uplifting time at the New Wine Regional Leadership Conference last month
- Please pray for Robert as he plans for the various Easter services and for the APCM
- Give thanks that the Wedding plans (church and reception) have now been confirmed for their son Tim and his fiancée Caitlin for 21<sup>st</sup> September in Derby

### **Jim & Brenda**

- Please pray for Jim in his ministry both in the church and in the Fire Brigade where he has the role of Chaplain
- Pray for Brenda in her constant support for Jim, and her ministry within the church

### **Churchwardens, PCC Members, Church Administrator (and PCC Secretary), PCC Treasurer & Verger**

- Please continue to pray for a new Churchwarden to work alongside Paul after the APCM and for all those considering standing for PCC or Deanery Synod
- Please continue to pray for healing for Rachel (our Church Administrator, PCC Secretary and Verger) as she continues to receive treatment on her foot, neck and back, especially with all the extra PCC work that she has to do in the lead up to the APCM on 28th April
- Please continue to pray for Paul and Caroline, Rachel and the remaining deputy warden Angela and all members of the Deanery Synod and PCC
- Please pray for Wendy our Electoral Roll officer as she collates a brand new Roll this year

### **Finance**

- Please pray for Kelly Willcox our Independent Examiner as she reviews the 2018 accounts
- Please continue to pray for Tina Lewis as she continues to learn more about the accounting as she prepares to take over as Treasurer at the APCM. Please pray for a seamless handover

### **Youth & Children's Work**

- Please pray earnestly for godly wisdom and discernment regarding our future work with children and young people. Pray about how we could work collaboratively with neighbouring parishes
- Sadly, the PCC has decided that we are not financially able to recruit a Children's and Families Worker at this time. Please pray that the funds soon become available and pray for our wonderful team of volunteers who faithfully continue
- Please continue to pray for our "TotZone" toddler group and for our schools' work, giving thanks that Robert was recently invited into the Infant school to share the Easter Assembly with 4 different classes
- Please pray for the brand new "Lighthouse" Holiday Club taking place in Langley from 5th to 9th August and our involvement as a church in that

### **Fabric**

- Please pray for the Fabric Committee as they meet together on 2<sup>nd</sup> April to work and prioritise on the numerous tasks to be carried out
- Give thanks for the few people who helped at the Churchyard morning at St Peter's at the end of March and pray for good attendance for the Churchyard work morning at St Leonard's on 13<sup>th</sup> April

## **IET**

- Please continue to pray for wisdom, energy and unity for the Trustees; Paul Rawlings, Caroline Press, Graham Blinco and Robert Gooding and for Rachel, the Administrator
- Continue to pray that the appropriate funding/grants can be obtained to freshen up the building and install appropriate and modern technology
- Give thanks that a new tenant has been found for the Upper Room

## **Mission**

- The Mission Focus for April is David and Joy James working for InnerCHANGE. They live in a multicultural area in the East End of London, reaching out to their community with the gospel

## **Pastoral Concerns**

- Please pray for those who have been bereaved recently. Also, for those when anniversaries and birthdays are difficult times
- We continue to pray for those who experience loneliness, help us to keep in contact and visit where possible
- There are many members of our parish who are unwell – please pray for God's comfort and peace for them

## **Sarah Smith and Carole Gooding**

- Give thanks for the recent "Silent" weekend retreat
- Please pray for them as they work hard on their "year-end" Self Assessment

## **Thanksgiving and Future Events**

Please give thanks for:

- A very successful, sold out Animals Quiz on 2<sup>nd</sup> March with £690 raised for general church funds
- A good day at the Walk Through the Bible – New Testament on 16<sup>th</sup> March

Please pray for:

- Cameo on 6<sup>th</sup> April
- Tea, Chat & Company on 9<sup>th</sup> April
- Our Easter services and outreach over Easter
- The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on 28<sup>th</sup> April