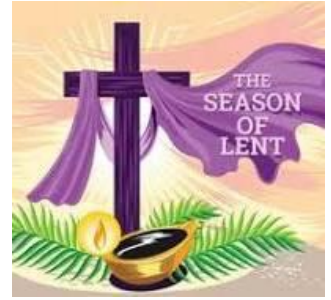


ST AUBIN METHODIST CHURCH

DIARY DATES - MARCH 2025

Please note these dates
and come along whenever you can,
- a warm welcome awaits you.



Sunday 23rd February – 10.30am – Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Peter Goodhall

TUESDAY, 25th FEBRUARY -- Exploring the Bible – 2.30pm to 4.00ish with Dr Nola Webster. All welcome!

Sunday 2nd March – 10.30am – Morning worship led by Mr Stephen Higginson

WEDNESDAY 5th MARCH – 11.00am – ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE AT GEORGETOWN with Rev Keith Sandow

Friday 7th March – Lent lunches begin at St Brelade Parish Hall. See details and further dates overleaf.

Sunday 9th March – 10.30am – Morning worship led by Rev Dawn Saunders, with friends from St Ouen MC

TUESDAY 11th MARCH – 2.30PM – CIRCUIT LENT COURSE BEGINS. See details and further dates overleaf.

THURSDAY 13th MARCH – 12 NOON – A SHORT ACT OF WORSHIP AT THE END OF COFFEE MORNING. All very welcome.

Sunday 16th March – 10.30am – Morning worship led by Mrs Helen Higginson

TUESDAY 18th MARCH – 10.30am PASTORAL MEETING - in the church lounge.

TUESDAY 18th MARCH – 7.30pm – LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING – in the church lounge.

Sunday 23rd March – 10.30am – Morning worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Peter Goodhall, with

friends from St Ouen

TUESDAY 25th MARCH – 7.30pm CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING. All members of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

This is a meeting when we find out about things that are happening and plan for the future.

Sunday 30th March – 10.30am – All Age Worship led by Mrs Lorraine Wheeler

Sunday 6th April – 10.30am – Morning Worship led by Rev Dawn Saunders, with friends from St Ouen MC

TUESDAY 8th APRIL – 2.30pm – EXPLORING THE BIBLE – 2.30pm to 4.00ish with Dr Nola Webster. All welcome!

OTHER DATES

Lots going on around the Circuit so please remember to check out the Circuit website

<https://www.jerseymethodist.org.uk/>

or take a look at the Circuit Newsletter – there are always copies in the church vestibule.

One special extra -

St Ouen are holding Lent Lunches on Thursdays 6th, & 20th March and 3rd and 17th April. The St Ouen Methodists are organising the one on 3rd April at St Ouen's Parish Hall between 12 noon and 2pm.

Further details on the noticeboard.

MORE NEWS FROM RUTH SMITH

Ruth and David will soon be back in the island having spent time in Kenya at their Malindi Bright Future Academy. Ruth writes that if anyone is able to support their work (no pressure) she is brimful of ideas. Might you consider –

- Buying a desk or two for the school;
 - Donating towards some books;
 - Donating towards general running expenses;
 - Sponsoring a very poor child?
- Speak with Ruth when she is back and she'll explain all the options. Website - <https://malindibrightfuture.org/our-story/>

PRAYER CORNER

Father, we are glad that you offer us times to stop and think. As Lent returns we pause in our journey and thank you for your costly commitment to us in Jesus; for the gospel stories that declare your love; for opportunities of talking together about our faith. As we discover more about your love, help us to show our thankfulness by putting that same love into action in our lives. Amen.



Monday Drop-In
(closed Bank Holidays)

Drop in any time
between 1 - 4pm
for some company
& a cuppa.

Coffee Morning

Everyone Welcome
Thursdays



10.00am to 12.30pm

Come along and bring your friends!



Rev Peter Goodhall has pastoral charge of our church at St Aubin. His telephone number is 743933 and you can contact him by email should you wish: Email: methodistpeter@gmail.com



Mrs Lorraine Wheeler is a Circuit appointed pastoral worker who will be assisting Rev Peter in his work. Her telephone number is 07797 748747 and her Email: lorrainefwheeler@gmail.com

A message from Rev Peter

Lent gives Christians a consecrated time for God to do a new work of grace in our lives. Lent takes us from the penitence of Ash Wednesday on 5th March to the joyful dawn of Easter Day on 20th April. Lent invites us to walk with Christ along the way of the cross.

It is the way of self-denial. It is the narrow way of love. In Jesus we see a man in whose life, death and resurrection God demonstrates His unending love for us all. The season of Lent can become for us a journey of discovery of God's love. We can make new discoveries about ourselves. It is a season to think about and be challenged by what we consume, lest our material possessions or cravings consume us. Some will decide to give something up and others will decide to take something up – a new challenge or interest perhaps.

Lent is a time to reflect upon our spiritual growth and development. It is my hope and prayer that you will find the time and space to map out a way through Lent. May we discover the strength of God to walk with Christ, sharing in his sorrows and in his victory. May we discover his comforting presence and solidarity in our own sufferings and in the suffering of others. Lent gives Christians a consecrated time for God to do a new work of grace in our lives.

A prayer to have our sorrow used in God's Plan

- by Leslie D. Weatherhead

O God, take all our sorrows and use them to show us the nature of Thy joy; take our sins, and, forgiving them, use them to show us the ways of true pleasantness and the paths of true peace; take all our broken purposes and disappointed hopes and use them to make Thy perfect rainbow arch; take all our clouds of sadness and calamity, and from them make Thy sunset glories; take our night and make it bright with stars; take our ill-health and pain until they accomplish in Thy purpose as much as health could achieve; take us as we are with impulses, strivings, longings so often frustrated and thwarted, and even with what is broken and imperfect make Thy dreams come true, through Him who made of human life a sacrament, of thorns a crown, of a cross a throne, even through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Methodist Church

Invitation To Church Membership

If you would like to explore becoming a member of our church, please have a word with Reverend Peter and he will be pleased to discuss it with you.

Our Outreach Project 2025

British Red Cross

This year marks the 80th anniversary of the Liberation. The Parish has asked that we host a Liberation Exhibition in our church in May, so it seems appropriate that we continue to support the Red Cross in remembrance of the food relief the organisation provided to the residents of Jersey when food was so scarce towards the end of World War II. Sadly, wars and natural disasters continue to affect many areas of our world and the work of the Red Cross and other relief agencies is as vital as ever.

Please remember to take a Sunshine Bag or collecting box and to pop some coins (or notes!) into it as often as possible throughout the year.

We will soon be looking for volunteers to help us keep the church open during the Liberation celebrations so please consider how you might be able to help. **Thank you!**

St Brelade Lent Lunches 2025

Every Friday

7th March to Good Friday 18th April inc

12pm to 2pm at the Parish Hall.

All proceeds for Grace Trust, Jersey



Furthe details on the church noticeboard.

EXPLORING THE BIBLE

We will be taking a break during March to enable everyone to have the opportunity of attending the Circuit Lent Course at Georgetown at 2.30pm on Tuesdays 11th, 18th & 25th March and on 1st April.

