



### FOODBANK

please continue support by leaving toiletries & food in the porch basket.

NO fresh goods, please.

Southport Foodbank is now at Victoria Centre, 197a Sussex Rd.

### APRIL BULLETIN DEADLINE

Sunday, March 15th

Please assist our incoming Editor, Andrew.

### Don't be left off !!

If you are not yet signed up on the **ELECTORAL ROLL**

(enabling you to vote, be a church official / PCC member etc .)

Do ask for a form and return it by Easter Sunday, April 5th.



### FLOWERS FOR EASTER

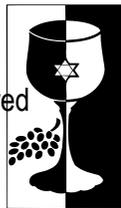
Please put your donation in an envelope and hand it to Helen by March 22nd.

**HELP NEEDED !!**

### “SUPPER with FRIENDS” in the setting of Communion on Maundy Thursday, April 2nd at 6.30pm in the Hall.

The Meal will be Chicken Chasseur with vegetables, rice or potatoes, followed by Fruit Crumble and Icecream. (Please book Veg. option if needed.)

See Lesley for **Tickets £20** (drinks included.)



### BIBLE VERSE for 2026

We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans ch.8 v.28

Please remember our church family in your daily prayers

### STUDY GROUP for LENT....

Thursdays in March : 2.30 - 4pm .



Please consider giving time to faith building during this special time before Holy Week and Easter.

Open fellowship, teaching & discussion are on offer to ALL during the 5-week series on Sin, Repentance and Forgiveness.



### OUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU !

Several areas are VACANT within our church fellowship,

especially as June's & Lesley's terms as Wardens end shortly .... we need two new **CHURCH WARDENS** --- people who can be responsible and committed to serving as part of a team both on Sundays and/or midweek.....

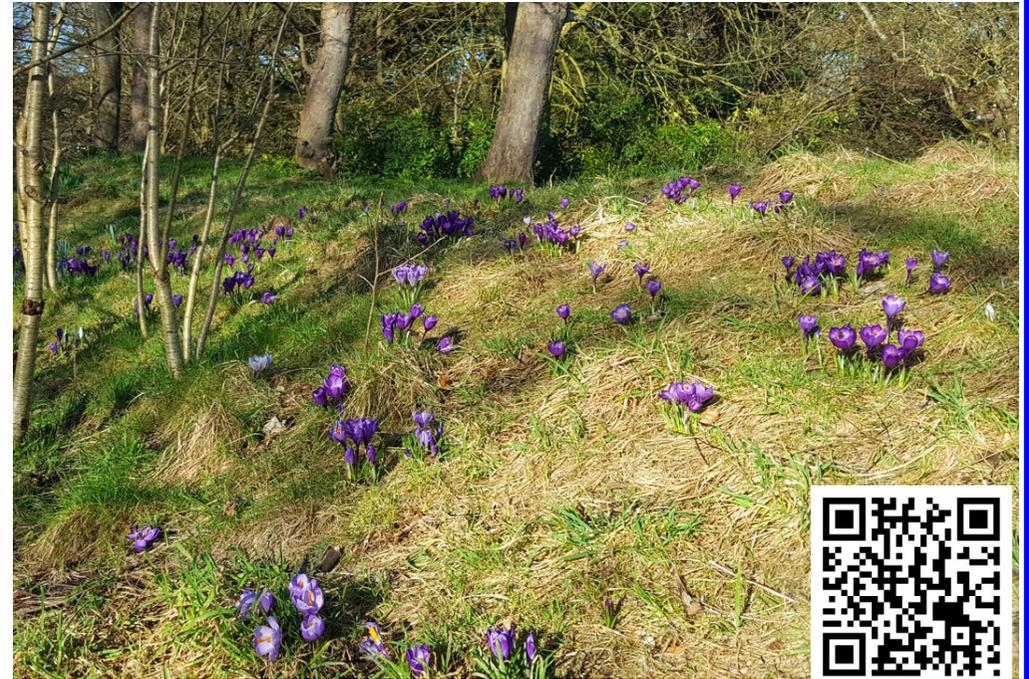
**PCC member; Sacristan ; Flower Team ; Welcomers; Assistant Wardens; Team for Maintenance;** maybe YOU have some skills to share ??

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## BULLETIN FOR MARCH 2026



### SUNDAY SERVICES at 10am

- March 1st Holy Communion - Preacher : Canon Roger Wikeley
- 8th Morning Worship - Preacher : Canon Rod Garner
- 15th Communion for Mothering Sunday : Rev. Eddie Loxham
- 22nd Morning Worship - Preacher : Peter Middleton
- 29th Communion & Blessing of Palm Crosses : Canon Rod Garner

**WEDNESDAYS** 9.30am BCP Communion ( in lounge)

Dear Friends,

Sarah Mullally will be enthroned as the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March, a day that coincides with the Feast of the Annunciation. Approaching 64, the new Archbishop has just 6 years to make her mark before retirement. Her task is formidable. She will seek to lead a Church of England bitterly divided in matters of sexuality and biblical authority. Globally, she is confronted with an Anglican Communion in which some bishops believe the C of E has departed from biblical teaching, deny that a woman can even become an Archbishop, and refuse to accept her authority. A fragmented British society is largely unmoved by such divisions. Unless the headlines feature child abuse or predatory clergy, people outside the Church show little interest in its internal debates.

Archbishop Sarah will require wide support if she is to cope with what many regard as an impossible job. She will need to pay more attention to the spiritual and practical needs of parishes, many facing reductions in clergy, congregations and income. She will need the wisdom to know when to speak and when to keep silent on important issues facing the nation. She is against the Assisted Dying Bill – unsurprisingly, given her long career in nursing prior to ordination, and she wants to see better provision in adult social care.

She has indicated that she wants to be a patient listener, responsive to pastoral needs and wounded lives. She has to take extra care with words and public speaking – we shouldn't expect fireworks from her pulpit! I hope that she will exert a quiet authority and a strong resolve to do her best. She has already made history as the first woman to be appointed to Canterbury. Despite the criticism that followed the news of her appointment, respected voices within the Church who have experienced her leadership, hold her in high regard. We should pray for her - that under God and faithful to Christ, she may be spared needless or hurtful distractions and be granted time to pray, and think, and care.

*From Canon Rod*

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**N.B. The ministry team** are always available to offer private prayer, particularly in cases of illness or times of distress.

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**WHAT'S ON IN MARCH**

Thur.5th 2.30 - 4pm Lent Study Group (Lounge)  
continuing on 12th, 19th & 26th  
Fri. 6th 10 - 11.30 Chat, Coffee & Cake in the Lounge  
Tues.10 & 24 9 - 9.30am Prayer-time on ZOOM (ask Lloyds for access code.)



ADVANCE NOTICE : Maundy Supper with Communion : Thurs. April 2nd  
(book with Lesley.... see back page)



**Prayer is an essential part in everyone's faith journey, so if you are unable to be physically present, do join us 'in spirit' to pray for the needs of our church, the world and those we know and love, who need the Lord's peace and strength in their lives.**

**After careful prayer, thought and discussion, our regular Prayer-time, for a trial period, has changed to ZOOM .....**

- Pray for King Charles III, may God grant him good health, wisdom & strength.
- Pray for our bishops that they be faithful in their calling, with wisdom and integrity; for the new Archbishop, Sarah Mullally, who will be enthroned at Canterbury Cathedral on Wed. 25 March 2026,
- Pray for our Prime Minister and government as they, with other world leaders, seek peaceful solutions for Israel, Ukraine and elsewhere.
- Pray for our CMS Mission Partners, Marc, Helen & family, in North Africa, and for the Wilson family in Ethiopia, also for the work of Kanzi Kibera Friends in Nairobi's slums.
- Remember those amongst our families and friends undergoing medical treatment.... Also pray for medical staff working under pressure.
- Remember those who are housebound and their carers, and those being cared for in residential homes.
- Pray for recently bereaved families and friends as they face a future without their loved ones.
- Pray for our church leadership as they seek God's plan for the way forward for the Church during the Interregnum, seeking to support the congregation at present and develop opportunities for mission; and for other church members to take up active responsibilities.

29th March  
British Summer  
Time begins



**(Lots of little jobs need willing hands...  
speak to the Wardens - join the crew!)**