

Brooklands Church

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HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II 1926-2022



I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. (1 Tim 2:1-4).

This week we continue to mourn the loss of Queen Elizabeth II. She was just twenty-five years old when she ascended to the throne following the death of her beloved father King George VI. In her grief she took on the incredible responsibility and scrutiny of being sovereign. She served her people faithfully for over seventy years, still working hard in her last few days. Queen Elizabeth spoke of her strong Christian faith that sustained her throughout her life. Ahead of her coronation she asked people to pray for her "that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life." God certainly answered this prayer. Now we pray for King Charles during this period of immense grief that he will serve God and his people with faith and wisdom.

In church we celebrate new beginnings. We have an all-age service with baptisms and a new membership to celebrate. It is always a great joy to celebrate people making a public commitment of faith and receiving new life in Christ. We also love to officially recognise acceptance into our loving church family. If you are interested in becoming a member or being baptised, please chat to Pastor Mick, Pastor Lauren or myself.

Afterwards we will be celebrating with our wonderful church BBQ. We will also take the opportunity to take a new church photograph. As always, we thank Tim and Alison and all the volunteers who give of their time to provide us with this special treat.

Finally, a reminder that we are looking to assist Age Friendly Wythenshawe with supplies for their Winter Warmer Packs. If you are able to knit, they would be most grateful to receive hats, scarves and gloves.

Grace and Peace,

Lucy

DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

Date	Reading	Pray for
Mon 19th September	Deuteronomy 21	Lorraine and Bill Graham
Tue 20th September	Deuteronomy 22:1-12	Will Graham.
Wed 21st September	Deuteronomy 22:13-23:8	David and Jean Hall
Thu 22nd September	Deuteronomy 23:9-25	Diane Hallam
Fri 23rd September	Deuteronomy 24:1-25:4	Brenda Hambleton
Sat 24th September	Deuteronomy 25:5-19	Charmaine Hamnett
Sun 25th September	Deuteronomy 26:1-27:8	Sean and Sharron Harland

Church News

- This Sunday will be a service of baptism and welcoming new church members. The baptism will take place at the end of the service. Everyone is welcome to stay for the family barbecue after the service.
- Our Thursday Pop Along Café on the 29th September will be a Macmillan Coffee event, raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support.
- We have a number of local groups and organisations using the church building throughout the week. If you are able to help with opening and closing the church premises and welcoming our guests, please let Mark know.
- The Manchester Gospel Choir are using the church every Thursday at 7:30pm for practices. Speak to Chris Houlihan if you might be interested in joining the choir.
- The church district is organising a ladies weekend in February 2023. See Mark Bolton if you are interested in attending this event.
- We will be holding another work day at church on Saturday 9 October 2022 at 9:00am. Try to join us if you are able. Please let Mark Bolton know of any jobs that need to be done.

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BROOKLANDS CHURCH PRAYER POINTS

- We give thanks for Queen Elizabeth's life of faithful Christian servanthood. Pray for King Charles and the royal family as they mourn her loss.
- We continue to pray for church neighbour, Sue Clark, following the death of her sister and brother in recent weeks.
- Continue to pray for Barbara Edwards, in Munster, Germany. Barbara suffered a stroke recently and has lost her speech, and the use of her right arm. Barbara is the sister of Jean Walker.
- Pray for Joy Bolton and her husband Juan. Juan was rushed to hospital last weekend with respiratory problems.
- Pray for Gilbert and Amie and the children, and especially for Amie, as she receives medical attention.
- Pray for Norma. We give thanks for a successful operation and pray her strength and mobility will continue to improve.
- Pray for Jean and David Hall, both recovering from an infection.
- Pray for Steve and Jean Boyd who have both been poorly recently.
- Pray for Karl as he recovers from a recent illness and for he, Ingrid, John and Vera as they prepare for their holiday.
- Pray for Ron and Jenny Hearne. Jenny had a fall recently, and Ron is also limited with back pain.
- Pray for Sharon and Chris Flynn's daughter Amie who has been in hospital recently that she will grow in strength and health.
- Jon Fisher has been suffering from excessive tiredness recently. The doctors are monitoring his blood levels. Keep him in your prayers.
- Continue to pray for Tom Bolton, who has now moved to London and has started his new job as a maths teacher.
- Pray for Lauren McGillivray, in her new role as our new Associate Pastor for Children, Youth and Families.
- Pray for Sue Cooley, who also had a knee replacement operation cancelled. This is being rescheduled.
- Pray for Ron, the brother of Sylvia Findlay who is undergoing treatment for his kidneys. He is being considered for dialysis but Sylvia's prayer is that such healing would take place that he would not need this.
- Give thanks that Revd Dr Herbert McGonigle has recovered from cataract operations, and is now able to join us in church again.
- Pray for those struggling with the Cost of Living Crisis. We pray that our Food Pantry will be a real support for those in need in our area.
- Continue to remember Stephen Lovett in your prayers.
- Pray for our local councillors - Sue Cooley, Glynn Evans and Julia Baker Smith. Pray also for our MP, Mike Kane.
- Give thanks for answered prayer as Marie Vickers' health has improved. Marie is related to David and Chris Hoolihan by marriage
- Pray for the continued work of the Church here in the community of Brooklands, as new faces continue to engage with us in a number of ways.

Please contact Mick, Lucy, Lauren or Mark if you have any specific prayer requests, or answers to prayer for us to share.

BROOKLANDS DIARY

THIS WEEK

Date	Event
Sun 18 Sep, 10:30am.	Sunday Worship, Mick Kane
Wed 21 Sep, 10:00am.	Toddle-In
Wed 21 Sep, 10:30am.	Prayer meeting on Zoom
Wed 21 Sep, 5:00pm.	FoodCycle free community meal
Thu 22 Sep, 11:00am.	Community Café
Thu 22 Sep, 7:30pm.	Manchester Gospel Choir rehearsal
Sun 25 Sep, 10:30am.	Sunday Worship, Mick Kane

Looking Ahead

Date	Event
Sat 8 October, 9:00am	Work morning at church
February 2023	Ladies retreat. Info to follow



A prayer for the new King

Everlasting God, we pray for our new King.
Bless his reign and the life of our nation.
Help us to work together
so that truth and justice, harmony and fairness
flourish among us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

