**Parish Dates March 2021 onwards**

**Tuesday 2nd March 7.30pm Zoom Bible Study**

**Thursday 4th March 7.30pm Short time of Prayer via Zoom**

**Sunday 7th March 09.00am Holy Communion in Church**

 **10.30am CONFIRMATION SERVICE in Church**

 **with Bishop Jill Duff**

**Tuesday 9th March 7.30pm Zoom Bible Study**

**Thursday 11th March 7.30pm Short time of Prayer via Zoom**

**Friday 12th March 7.30pm Zoom Quiz and Social**

**Sunday 14th March MOTHERING SUNDAY**

 **09.00am Holy Communion in Church**

 **10.30am Holy Communion in Church**

 **First Communion for Confirmation candidates**

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**Monday 15th March 7.30pm PCCmeeting by Zoom**

**Tuesday 16th March 7.30pm Zoom Bible Study**

**Thursday 18th March 7.30pm Short time of Prayer via Zoom**

**Sunday 21st March 09.00am Holy Communion in Church**

 **10.30am Family Communion in Church**

**Tuesday 23rd March 7.30pm Zoom Bible Study**

**We will aim to have recordings of all virtual services on the website hooleparishchurch.com by Sunday lunch time.**

**The Zoom link for our Zoom services for those who wish to join is on the front page of the website.**

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**St. Michael and All Angels – Hoole**



***A special welcome to our services today both in church at 9.00am or on Zoom at 10.30am.***

***Please observe social distancing, but stay close to Christ.***

***Sunday 28th February 2021 Lent 2.***

**JESUS RESTORES A DEMON-POSESSED MAN.**

**“Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how He has had mercy on you”.** *Mark 3: v 19.*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, by the prayer and**

**discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ’s**

**sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**There will be a ‘break out group’ opportunity for young people during the sermon**

**within the Zoom Service today.**

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**9.00am. Holy Communion**

**10.30am. Morning Worship (Zoom Service)**

 **Reading: Mark 5: v 1-20.**

**Hymns : 54 – (omit v 3 & 4) At the Name of Jesus.**

 **45 – As the deer pants for the water.**

 **137 – (omit v 2) Crown Him with many crowns.**

**BIBLE READING**: **Mark 5: v 1-20.** They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an evil spirit came from the tombs to meet him. This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain. For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

 When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. He shouted at the top of his voice, ‘What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God’s name don’t torture me!’ For Jesus had said to him, ‘Come out of this man, you evil spirit!’

 Then Jesus asked him, ‘What is your name?’

 ‘My name is Legion,’ he replied, ‘for we are many.’ And he begged Jesus again and again not to send them out of the area.

 A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside. The demons begged Jesus, ‘Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them.’ He gave them permission, and the evil spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

 Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon-possessed man – and told about the pigs as well. Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.

 As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him. Jesus did not let him, but said, ‘Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.’ So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis[b] how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed.

**Prayer.** We pray for those Group, preparing for Confirmation next Sunday, Riley Burns, Harrison Coomer, Morgan Cooper, Joe Higham, Isla Peterson Adam Smith, Grace Wignall, Shelley Cuff and Lisa Higham. We pray too for those who are sick, especially Michael Pulvermacher, Joan Gleave, Eva Coxhead, Baby Erica Ivy, Beryl Carr, Pat Mortimer and Tommy Lyon. We pray too for the Spencer family and all who mourn. We give thanks for the life of Michael Scott.

**LENT AND BIBLE STUDIES** **Bishops’ Lent book**

For all Christians Lent is a time to take stock and spend more time with God.Please help yourself to a free Lent book from the back of the churchwhich will take you through the whole of Mark’s Gospel.

**This week’s readings are:-**

**Mon.** March 1stMark 5: v 21-43. **Tues.** March 2nd  Mark 6: v 1-6.

**Wed.** March 3rd  Mark 6: v 7-13. **Thurs.** March 4th Mark 6: v 14-29.

**Fri.** March 5th Mark 6: v 30-44. **Sat.** March 6th Mark 6: v 45-56.

**Bible studies by Zoom**

We will then use the Tuesday reading each week as the basis for our **Zoom Bible study which will be weekly on Tuesdays throughout Lent at 7. 30pm** **continuing on March 2nd** (Zoom link on website).

**Prayer in Lent There will also be a short time of** **prayer each week on Zoom on Thursdays at 7.30pm continuing on March 4th.**

