

## LENTEN STUDY

### PARISH CENTRE

9.30am 22nd February

### ***“Embracing the Uncertain”* Magfrey Devegaq**

Just turning on the news lets us know we are living in uncertain times. Economic instabilities, eruptions of violence and natural catastrophes can alter the lives and landscapes of entire communities. Our individual lives are often just as unsteady: relationships can break, plans can falter, and confidence can fail.

Uncertainty can definitely be uncomfortable. Many of us prefer stability and a predictable future to an unknown fate. We are wired to want to control our destiny.

The reality is that in our fast-changing, unpredictable world there are few guarantees in life. It's those who are willing to embrace uncertainty and make the risky decision to follow Jesus despite the many "unknowns" who will reap the greatest rewards.

*Embracing the Uncertain* invites readers this Lent to engage and wrestle with life's uncertainties, not ignore them. The first six chapters focus on six post-Transfiguration, pre-Passion stories in the Gospels. Each of these stories are signposts in the gospel narrative, pointing down at a world filled with uncertainty, but pointing us forward to a cross that can show us how to follow Jesus with courage, hope, and obedience.

If you would like to be part of this very pertinent study please let Rev'd Jean know thank you.

## **CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**

Jane and Julie would like to thank you all for your very generous donations for our Christmas Hampers. We were also given food donations from many non parishioners which has supplemented our Parish Pantry both before and after Christmas. We have been able to assist a number of people with Christmas Hampers and with food assistance bags since Christmas

Thank you all for your very generous donations. Jane & Julie

## **NOTICES FOR PEW SHEET**

Notices for the pew sheet should be sent to Rev'd Jean, email [routleyjean@gmail.com](mailto:routleyjean@gmail.com), or given to Jean, by the afternoon of Wednesday. Thank you.

## **THURSDAY EUCHARIST PARISH CENTRE 9.00am**

In Rev'd Oliver's absence Rev'd Jean will be holding the Thursday Eucharist at 9.00am. Everyone is very welcome to come and join in fellowship.

The only Thursday when there will not be a Eucharist is Thursday the 25th January.

## ***Thought for the week***



Piglet noticed that even though he had a very small heart, it could hold a rather large amount of Gratitude.

*A.A.Milne, "Winnie the Pooh"*