## **Sermon Notes**

## **Prayer Diary**

## Sunday 28th February

Give thanks that Jesus was rejected so that Christians never will be. Pray that we would gladly submit to his rule as tenants in his kingdom (Mark 12v9-11).

#### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March

Pray for those on the Christianity Explored course. Pray they will see and respond to the beauty of the gospel and the wonder of God's grace on his undeserving people.

## Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Pray for the children from Boys Brigade and Girls Brigade. Pray the children will come back to the groups. Pray that the seed of the gospel that has been sown in their lives will have fallen on fertile ground, will have taken root and started to grow.

## Wednesday 3rd March

Pray for the owners of businesses in our parish who are still unable to open. Pray they will continue to get the help they need to be able to reopen when lockdown lifts. Pray for all those on furlough, pray their jobs will continue to be secure.

#### Thursday 4th March

Pray for all the children who start back at school on Monday. Pray they will settle in quickly. Pray for the children at Bishop David Shepherd school, pray they will be able to get back into the routine of school and enjoy their education.

## Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Pray for the outreach in Pollot in Sierra Leone. Give thanks the gospel was well received. Pray those who have accepted Christ will keep going and growing in faith.

#### Saturday 6th March

Pray for Andy as he brings us God's word tomorrow. Pray the message will challenge us, change us and make us love Jesus more.



## WELCOME

## Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February 11am Sunday Service Mark 11v27- 12v12

## **COVID-19 & Services**

Thank you for coming this morning - we're delighted to have you with us!

We've done everything we can to make our services as safe and welcoming as possible. We are required by law to wear masks inside the building, we have some disposable ones by the door if you have forgotten yours.

We ask that windows remain open and that you take this sheet away with you at the end of the service. Please follow the one-way system and leave by the Fire Exit at the front of the building.

Our services will continue to be livestreamed and available every Sunday via our website and YouTube Channel. Why not share the link with a friend or family member

Our Vision Statement "To call people into a loving community that follows Jesus Christ"

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## MARK 11 v 27 – 12 v 12

<sup>27</sup> They arrived again in Jerusalem, and while Jesus was walking in the temple courts, the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders came to him. <sup>28</sup> "By what authority are you doing these things?" they asked. "And who gave you authority to do this?" <sup>29</sup> Jesus replied, "I will ask you one question. Answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I am doing these things. <sup>30</sup> John's baptism—was it from heaven, or of human origin? Tell me!" <sup>31</sup> They discussed it among themselves and said, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will ask, 'Then why didn't you believe him?' <sup>32</sup> But if we say, 'Of human origin' …" (They feared the people, for everyone held that John really was a prophet.) <sup>33</sup> So they answered Jesus, "We don't know." Jesus said, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things."

**12** Jesus then began to speak to them in parables: "A man planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a pit for the winepress and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. <sup>2</sup> At harvest time he sent a servant to the tenants to collect from them some of the fruit of the vineyard. <sup>3</sup> But they seized him, beat him and sent him away empty-handed. <sup>4</sup> Then he sent another servant to them; they struck this man on the head and treated him shamefully. <sup>5</sup> He sent still another, and that one they killed. He sent many others; some of them they beat, others they killed.

<sup>6</sup> "He had one left to send, a son, whom he loved. He sent him last of all, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>7</sup> "But the tenants said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' <sup>8</sup> So they took him and killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. <sup>9</sup> "What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others. <sup>10</sup> Haven't you read this passage of Scripture:

"'The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; <sup>11</sup> the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes'?"

<sup>12</sup> Then the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders looked for a way to arrest him because they knew he had spoken the parable against them. But they were afraid of the crowd; so, they left him and went away.

## LATER TODAY

## Zoom Tea & Coffee

Begins ten minutes after the 11am service ends. All are welcome to join for a brief time chatting in smaller groups. Meeting ID: 830 1421 7210; Passcode: StSimons Phone in: 0203 051 2874

## **NEXT WEEK**

## Sunday March 7th – Mark 12 v 13-44

We currently plan to hold one service at 11am next Sunday. This will be available to attend in-person as well as watch via live-stream on our YouTube Channel. Children's activity packs will be available in the building and available to download on our website.

If you're planning on attending in-person please email <u>admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk</u> to book a place.

## PRAYER MEETING

## Church family prayer meeting – 7.30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Open Doors UK will be joining us at our next prayer meeting. We support them as a church family in their work of supporting persecuted Christians across the world. We meet via Zoom with no pressure to pray out loud.

Meeting id: 829 7277 7456 Passcode: Prayer Dial in: 0203 901 7895

## **ANNUAL MEETING 2021**

#### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March – 12.15pm

After the 11am service there will be a short break of 10 mins. You can attend in person (please book) or via Zoom (link to be provided). The Annual Report will be emailed or we can provide you with a paper copy.



# Is this your first time?

Hello & welcome! Please make yourself at home.

#### Need anything?

Ask one of our welcome team who will be pleased to help you.

## Young Children

Groups for 3-14s happen during the service. Please drop your child off before the service begins. There is also an unsupervised creche room with sound feed.

#### Hearing difficulties? A hearing loop is installed.

Mobile Phones Please turn them off or to silent.