

On Wednesday 22nd January, Julie Rowlandson showed 13 of us slides about the work of International Aid Trust helping people in Ukraine and across the world. Martin chaired our AGM on 26th February. We will be meeting on 26th March to hear Rev Sarah Lamb talk to us about Lent.

On 23rd April Jonathan Challis will give a talk called "Come fly with Jonathan' about 113 years flying with Manchester Airports. We welcome members of St Chad's to hear this talk and slide show.

At EMU, 7 of us had our Post Christmas meal at Thornton Lodge on 14th January. Then, on 11th February, 14 of us heard about the work of volunteers of the North West Blood Bikes Lancs and Lakes which was inspiring. On 11th March, Rev Kathryn Sperring gave us an inspiring Lent Talk. Sadly there were only seven of us there! Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 8th April when we will share school photos and have a Beetle/Church Drive. Then on Tuesday 13th May, Roger Hussey will talk about Fraud Safety.

We continue to collect items for the Women's Refuge. I took 2 bags again at the beginning of March. They need any size of nappies, shampoos, conditioners and any cleaning items.

As we know Easter is very late this year, in fact, my friends will have celebrated Eid 3 weeks before Easter Sunday. So though it is early for this magazine I ask that the peace of Christ be with you this Easter season.

Theme – The Power of Love through Christ: Love that makes a difference.

"No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house." Matthew 5: 15

Lord, we remember your Mother Mary: She said Yes! Her faith enabled you to change the world. May we love enough to make the decision to make a difference, bring hope to the helpless; bring joy to the despairing, care for those who need love, comfort to the sorrowful, that we may share the light of your love, and so tell the good news of a Saviour for all. In Jesus' name Amen

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