

## St. Luke's Church March 2019 Newsletter

**Every Sunday Sung Eucharist at 11:30am**

**Thursdays 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion at Boliqueime 10.30am**

### **Dates for your diary:**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March – 11am – Pereiras Church Women's World Day of Prayer**

All are welcome to this service.

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March – 11:30am – Ash Wednesday Eucharist at St. Luke's with imposition of ashes.**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March – St. Luke's Annual Church Meeting (12.45 – after Church)**

If you are on the Electoral Roll, please try to attend. The meeting only lasts 30 minutes and without a quorum we will have to re-schedule.

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Parish workshops (all day)**

– place and time to be confirmed. Please put one of these dates in your diary as we seek to discuss as a congregation the way forward for our Church and Chaplaincy. Refreshments will be available all-day and we can help with transport if required.

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Mothering Sunday service with posies - followed by**

**lunch at La Piazza.** Please sign the list on the notice board or email me. 2 course lunch with one glass of wine and tip included - €17.50 NB this year any posies for the nursing home will be delivered after lunch! This caused the delay in service last year.

### **Faro Food Bank**

With lent giving very much in mind, could we make an extra effort to contribute to the poorest in the Algarve by bringing food to the font. For those who do not know, the food only goes to those in receipt of benefits in order to survive. Only the social services and community organisations distribute. Pastas, tinned food, pulses, rice, sugar, milk and oil are always needed.

**Our largest Fundraiser is the 100 Club.** Please consider donating €10 a month to the Church and have the chance of winning 3 x €100 prizes **every month.**

You can join at any time. Winners in February Draw were 60 Sandra Reynolds 68 Alex Payne 77 Chris and Vicky Farthing.

**And finally...** St. Luke's was honoured this week by a visit from the Roman Catholic Bishop of Faro, Bishop Manuel Neto Quintas, together with the Parish

Priest from Santa Barbara, Canon José Pedro, and two other priests. It was felt that this visit was indicative of the special relationship we have with our Roman Catholic colleagues/hosts, which is built on mutual respect and understanding. One Church, one Faith, one Lord.

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**Bishop Manuel (centre) and his team with Father Reid, John Goodfellow and Alexandre Neves (Palhagueira)**