Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

(1 Corinthians 13:4-8a)

Jesus said unto him, **Thou shalt love** the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and **great commandment**. And the second is like unto it, **Thou shalt love** thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments **hang** all the law and the prophets.

Whoever lives in **love** lives in God, and God in them." Ephesians 4:2:

"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in **love**." 1 Peter 4:8:

"Above all, **love** each other deeply, because **love** covers over a multitude of sins." John 15:12: "My command is this: **Love** each other as I have loved you."

Could I have details of anything relevant to the March issue by 23<sup>rd</sup> February to allow for publication in time for the start of March ?

Events, Prayer requests, Prayers Comment



February 2017

Greetings and God's blessings to you all.

Margaret

### God is love

#### Focus on love

February is the month when many us will visit or revisit Romantic Love . It is also usually the month when Lent usually begins. This year AshWednesday is on February  $14^{\text{th.}}$ 

Quite often this can be a time when loneliness strikes hard. People can't get out because of illness or bad weather .

This Lent let of think of all those whom we can love and ways we can show our love.

### Lord teach us to love

Help us to love the most special people in our lives ,our sweethearts , partners ,husbands and wives and the very special friends . Fill our hearts with love that brings us even closer together as we share with each other and with you .

### Lord teach us to love

## *Teach us how best to care for families and friends*

Whether by helping and advising or by enabling them to become the best version of themselves that they can become ,by listening , giving them space and letting them spread their wings and fly .

### Lord teach us to love

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Help us to love those with whom we work and those who we come across on a daily basis. Help us to work and live together in Harmony supporting and strengthening each other along the way.

### Lord teach us to love

Lord help us to love those within the church as we strive to see you in each other Help us to see you in each other and help us to work together as closely as parts of a body work to glorify you and fulfil your purposes for us.

# Help us to love those we find it more difficult to love .

Whatever the reasons that make it harder help us Lord to break the barriers that we create.

#### Lord teach us to love.