

## **Our Covenant is to:**

- **comfort the bereaved.**
- **support those with disabilities and/or long-term illnesses, and their family members and carers.**
- **support friends and family involved in care-giving for those with Dementia and Alzheimer's.**
- **pray for those in need in our parish and neighbourhood.**
- **support those who are lonely with social events.**

**We aim to meet people where they are on life's journey and to be an outward looking church for all people.**

## **Branching Out**



**with Love**



# **PASTORAL CARE TEAM**



In the Parish of Three Saints (TPOTS) we are all called to provide pastoral care to one another.

We are a growing church that takes our relationship with God seriously and seeks to be God's presence in our neighbourhood to the best of our ability. We aim to bring the light of Jesus into the lives of people in the church and wider community, aiming to be a healthy, caring church to all.

**PASTORAL CARE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EVERYONE**

Jesus said,

**“A new commandment I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another”**

Pastoral care involves the ministry of care, hospitality, practical help and sometimes more ongoing in-depth help and support to those who are in need.

The foundation of pastoral care is listening, which everyone can do.

**LAY PASTORAL ASSISTANTS**

Our parish has people who are learning to listen to God and each other to bring His will to our parish and wider community

The Lay Pastoral Assistants (LPAs) are:

- accountable to the Priest in Charge (incumbent), with whom they work closely.
- commissioned, and receive their letter of commendation which is for 5 years.

- responding to God's call to minister to those in need.
- the listening ear of God
- able to work a flexible number of hours.

They:

- have specific gifts and interests they are encouraged to use.
- meet regularly for prayer, training and reflection.
- support one another with a “buddy system”.
- aim to grow and develop their ministries in God's time and within His plan.
- seek to bring God's love to all people.