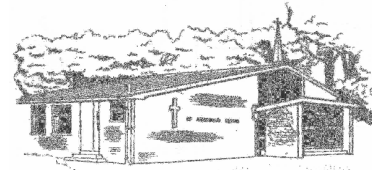


St. Elizabeth's Church Horwich



A PARTNER CHURCH IN THE HORWICH & RIVINGTON TEAM
COMMITTED TO THE SAVING GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST

24th January 2010

CONTACTS AT ST. ELIZABETH'S

Clergy:	Vicar: Paul Dever (as of 12th Jan) Curate: Peter Harley Retired: Anthony Greenhill
Church Wardens:	Andrew Threadgold Gill Smart
Pastoral Care Coordinator:	Jean Garner
Services Coordinator:	Peter Harley
Verger & Church Bookings:	Margaret Hannis
PCC Secretary:	Donna Talbot
Treasurer:	Edith Bearshaw
House Group Coordinator:	Barry Taziker
Hall Bookings:	Mark Green
Weekly Notice Sheet:	Jill Harley
Children & Youth Groups Coordinator:	Jacqueline Cunningham
Service Teams:	Green - Pat; Red - Barry; Blue - Marian.
Prayer Chain Members:	Marian Fraser, Jean Garner, Margaret Hannis, Pat Greenhill, Greta Knowles, Marian Lane.
St. Elizabeth's Web Site:	http://www.stelizabethshorwich.co.uk
Web Site Manager:	Jill Harley (suggestions welcome)
Magazine Representative:	Jill Harley (articles by 2nd Friday of month please)
Team Office:	Mon-Fri 10 -12

Doris Nicholls says: "I would like to thank all my friends from St Elizabeth's and neighbours who rang or called to make sure I was alright during this past few weeks of cold weather especially Peter Harley who came in a snow storm to ask if I needed anything from Tesco. It is wonderful to know I have such good friends and neighbours. God Bless you All".

TEAM & GROUP CONFIRMATION

This year, the Confirmation Service is on Sunday 7th March, 2010, at 4 pm in Holy Trinity when Bishop Chris will confirm any adults or 16 + teenagers who wish to express their faith in Christ publicly as members of the Church of England. We will be welcoming candidates from Blackrod Parish Church, with whom we have a mission partnership, and also from St. Ann's Church, Turton, where Martin Short used to be Vicar. If you are 16 or over and would like to be confirmed, please contact Stephen (468263) as soon as possible – a short preparation course begins on 7th February.

TODAY

An All-Age Community

08.45

BCP COMMUNION

10.00

MORNING SERVICE

(ALL-AGE)

With the Baptism of Lauren Mae Westwell

Leader & Speaker: Paul

Readings

Mark 10: 13-15 (p.1014)

Matthew 18: 1-5 (p.985)

18.30

EVENING SERVICE

Leader & Speaker: Paul

Readings

As Above

DIARY

Monday 25th

10.30 Greenbank Communion

14.00 Meditation - Holy Trinity

19.30 PCC Meeting

Tuesday 26th

19.30 Worship Band

19.30 Eden Bus & Prayer Mtg

19.30 Deanery Synod at
St Thomas', Chequerbent

Wednesday 27th

10.00 Holy Communion

18.30 Treasure Chest

Thursday 28th

19.00 Meditation - St Elizabeth's

19.30 CTinH&R - Horwich Ind Meth

20.00 CYFA

VISION DAY - 6th February

10 am - 3.30 pm (ish!)

What is God's will for St Elizabeth's? How can you help it happen? Join the Vision Day at St. Peter's Parish Centre to find out. Please sign the clipboards circulating in Church this morning or speak to Paul or Jill Harley. £10 per adult. U16's free. Lunch included.

A Very Warm Welcome



to Yvonne & Paul with their family & friends here today and to Lauren Mae as she is baptised this morning.



Please stay for refreshments after the morning service.

SERVICES & DIARY

31st January

A Growing Community

10.00

**MORNING SERVICE
(COMMUNION)**

Leader & Speaker: Paul

Reading

John 15 (p.1083)

18.30

EVENING SERVICE

Leader: Peter Speaker: Paul

Reading

As Above

also

18.30

**CANDLEMAS SERVICE
at RIVINGTON**

Guest Preacher: David Griffiths

DIARY

Monday 1st February

- 14.00 Meditation - Holy Trinity
- 19.30 Pastoral Care Committee
- 19.30 HEBP Steering Committee
at St Elizabeth's
- 19.30 Licensing of Rector of Deane

Tuesday 2nd

- 10.00 Magazine meeting
- 19.30 Worship Band
- 19.30 Eden Bus & Prayer Mtg

Wednesday 3rd

- 10.00 Holy Communion
- 18.30 Treasure Chest

Thursday 4th

- 19.00 Meditation - St Elizabeth's
- 20.00 CYFA
- 20.00 House Groups (SJ & BT)

Saturday 6th

- 10.00 Vision Day

NEWS AND NOTICES

WHAT A FAMILY FUN DAY!

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way and to all those who came. We all had a great time. If you didn't come, you missed a treat. Monies raised will go to Tear Fund to support the victims of the Haiti earthquake.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Michael writes: "Angela and Michael Behrend are very pleased to announce the birth of Isabel Angela (Izzy for short), a sister to Joshua. Born Sunday 10th January 2010, at 6.40 am, weight 7 lb 4 oz. Mother and baby are both well. Gorgeous photo on the board at the back of Church.

WEBB IVORY

Thank you to everyone who supported Webb Ivory again this year in spite of previous difficulties. If anyone still owes Edith money for goods, now would be a good time to settle up!

CANDLEMAS SERVICE

This annual service at Rivington Church is NEXT WEEK at 6.30 pm, when the guest preacher will be David Griffiths. All welcome to this special service of recommitment to Christ at the start of a New Year.

LENT IS FAST APPROACHING!

Ash Wednesday is 17th February and marks the start of Lent, the period of 40 days which comes before Easter. Traditionally, Lent is a season of reflection and preparation recalling the events leading up to and including Jesus' crucifixion before the celebrations of Easter. To help us prepare there is a new creative event called re:Lent, led by the Bishop of Middleton, aimed at all ages and held in different churches throughout the diocese. St Elizabeth's is hosting the one on 26th February, starting at 6 pm. Bring the family, bring your packed tea & drinks & cakes will be supplied. See the poster at the back of Church and book your place with Gill or Andrew. It's free!

ASH WEDNESDAY

Paul will be taking this year's annual joint team service at St Elizabeth's at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 17th February. All Welcome.

LENT SERIES

During the season of Lent each year the Churches Together in Horwich & Rivington hold a series of weekly services in different Churches on a particular theme. The topic is yet to be released but the dates for your diaries will be Mon. 22nd Feb; Tues. 2nd Mar; Wed. 10th Mar; Thurs 18th Mar & Fri. 26th Mar. As the days vary it is hoped that everyone will be able to attend at least one service. Although the themes are related, each service is different. All at 7.30 pm with refreshments afterwards.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to aid the Haiti disaster. The tin is at the back of Church for today also.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...THE RECENTLY BEREAVED: especially all those remembering anniversaries at this time

...THE ELDERLY & HOUSEBOUND: Alice Carter, Annie Dale, Don Williams, Amy Harvey, Ivy Weaver, Jane Miller.

...THE SICK OF ST. ELIZABETH'S: Joan Cooper, Jacqueline Cunningham, Doris Nicholls, Joan Kearsley, Vera Miller, Iris Thompson, Margaret Kay.

...THE SICK OF THE PARISH & BEYOND: Emma Garner (*Peter & Jean's granddaughter*), Elizabeth Stokes (*friend of Jill Harley*), Brenda Craston, Hayley Thompson (*Aubrey & Iris' granddaughter*), Tracie Porter (*Sheila's daughter-in-law*), Barbara & Gordon Saul (*best friends of the Watsons*), Vivien Dickinson (*Doreen Dennett's daughter*), Donna McLoughlin (*Margaret's daughter*).

Please pray too for families and friends anxious about their loved ones.