

## **CONTACTS AT ST. ELIZABETH'S DURING THE INTERREGNUM**

**Team Clergy:** Stephen Fletcher Michael Behrend  
Terry Litherland Anthony Greenhill

**General Church Matters:** Andrew Threadgold Gill Smart

**General Pastoral Care:** Jean Garner

**Services Co-ordinator:** Peter Harley

**Verger & Church Bookings:** Margaret Hannis

**PCC Secretary:** Donna Talbot

**Treasurer:** Edith Bearshaw

**House Group Co-ordinator:** Barry Taziker

**Hall Bookings:** Mark & Alison Green

**Weekly Notice Sheet:** Jill Harley

**Children & Youth Groups:** Co-ordinator : Jacqueline Cunningham

Sunday Club: Lynn Threadgold or Anthony Greenhill

Treasure Chest: Anthony Greenhill

Pathfinders: Jenny Davies or Sam Hannah )

CYFA: Jacqueline; Graham Smith; Gill Smart

**Service Teams:** Green - Pat; Red - Barry; Blue - Marian.

**Prayer Chain Members:** Jill Harley, Marian Fraser, Jean Garner, Margaret Hannis, Pat Greenhill, Greta Knowles, Marian Lane, Hazel Marshall.

**Church Web Site:** <http://www.stelizabethshorwich.co.uk>

**Team Office:** Mon-Fri 10 -12

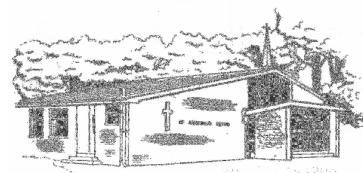
## **HELP! CHURCHES, CHARITIES & CLUBS**

*– fighting for fair charging by water companies*

[www.dontdrainus.org](http://www.dontdrainus.org) - Look here to see how to help campaign against charges introduced by water companies which bill churches, charities and clubs, as if they were multi-million pound businesses. It could end up costing us THOUSANDS. Over 4,000 people have signed the petition on the 10 Downing Street website urging companies to rethink their new charging system for non-domestic customers. Please will YOU sign the petition & save our cash for something more important. It's easy and clear. Go to <http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/ChurchWaterBills/> and follow the instructions. **Deadline 6th April.** Thank you.

## **CHANGE of ADDRESS for KEVIN & ALYSON ASHBY**

Please pray for Kevin & Alyson (former vicar of St. Elizabeth's) as they prepare to move to St. Mary's, Melton Mowbray in the Leicester Diocese where Kevin will be Team Rector. New Address from 31st March - 57 Burton Road, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire. LE13 1DL. The licensing service is at St. Mary's on Wed. 29th April. Please see Wendy if you are interested in going.



# St. Elizabeth's Church Horwich



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

29th March 2009  
Passion Sunday

10.00

### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Leader & Speaker: Terry

Readings

Jeremiah 31:31-34 (p.793)

John 12:20-33 (p.1080)

**followed by the**

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

18.30

### **SERVICE of the WORD**

Leader & Speaker: Shirley

Readings

Exodus 7:8-24 (p.64)

Luke 22:1-13 (p.1057)

ALSO @ 18.30

### **STAINERS CRUCIFIXION**

At Holy Trinity Church

### **Monday 30th**

14.00 Meditation at Holy Trinity

20.00 House Group (PH)

### **Tuesday 31st**

19.30 Eden Bus

19.30 Prayer meeting at St. Cath's

### **Wednesday 1st April**

10.00 Holy Communion

18.30 Treasure Chest

### **Thursday 2nd**

19.00 Meditation at St. Elizabeth's

20.00 CYFA

### **Friday 3rd**

19.30 Lent Service (5) at Rivington

### **Saturday 4th**

19.30 Friends of Bolton Symphony  
Orchestra at St. Elizabeth's

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - TODAY 11.15 am**

Everyone is invited to attend. It is not a long meeting and it is YOUR church if you are on the electoral roll, so come and support the leaders, discover how much is going on, up front and behind the scenes and assist in the decision making by using your vote.



Refreshments will be served between the service and the meeting.



**Please stay.**



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## **HALF TIME VICAR'S POST**

Unfortunately the interviews last week for the half time post here didn't succeed in appointing anyone. Please continue to pray for the process and the next stage in finding the right person.

## SERVICES & EVENTS

### 5th April PALM SUNDAY

10.00

#### SUNDAY SPECIAL

Leader: Peter Speaker: Michael

#### Readings

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29 (p.616)

Mark 11:1-11 (p.1016)

18.30

#### HOLY COMMUNION

Leader & Speaker: Stephen

#### Readings

Isaiah 5:1-7 (p.689)

Mark 12:1-12 (p.1017)

### HOLY WEEK

#### Monday 6th

19.15 Church open for quiet prayer

19.30 Meditation

#### Tuesday 7th

19.15 Church open for quiet prayer

19.30 Meditation

19.30 Eden Bus

19.30 Prayer meeting at St. Cath's

#### Wednesday 8th

10.00 Holy Communion

19.15 Church open for quiet prayer

19.30 Meditation

20.15 Music Group Worship

#### Maundy Thursday 9th

19.30 Passover Meal

#### Good Friday 10th

10.00 Family Communion

11.15 Meditation

#### Easter Eve 11th

11.00 Easter Day of Prayer  
at St. Catherine's

### ECUMENICAL LENT SERVICES

(final service)

**'Sense Making Faith –  
using our senses to encounter God'.**

5) **Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> April** 7.30 pm in Rivington,  
with Rev. John Howard-Norman

'Below the Pike' for **APRIL** now available.

Please pray for protection for our church and surrounding buildings after lead was stolen from the Vicarage roof last week. Thank you.

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

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

**...THE SICK OF ST. ELIZABETH'S:** Jacqueline Cunningham, Melvyn Grimshaw, Hettie Watson (*following surgery*), Doris Nicholls, Joan Kearsley, Vera Miller, Iris Thompson, Margaret Kay.

**...THE SICK OF THE PARISH & BEYOND:** Ted Cunningham (*Jacqueline's father-in-law*), Julia Bennett, Dawn Farrington, Donna McLoughlin (*Margaret's daughter*).

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

## NEWS & NOTICES

### THURSDAY EVENING MEDITATION

This group now meets at St Elizabeth's in the vestry at 7 pm for about 45 minutes. All welcome, beginners and old hands. For more information contact Fliss Shaw (696851). However, there will be **NO meeting** on Maundy Thursday (April 9th) as there are services in 3 of our churches.

### FRIENDS OF BOLTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

On Saturday 4th April at 7.30 pm the Friends of the BSO present 'Semibreve', a singing quartet. Tickets £6 incl. light refreshments. Tickets available from Margaret Hannis.

### HOLY WEEK QUIET & MEDITATIONS

As in previous years, there will be opportunity to be quiet and participate in led meditation during Holy Week as we prepare for the joy of the Easter celebrations. All are welcome. The Church will be open at 7.15 pm for quiet and the meditations will commence at 7.30 pm for approximately 30 - 45 minutes. The Passover meal will be held in church on Maundy Thursday at 7.30 pm. For catering purposes, please sign the sheet if you wish to come on Thursday.

### AN EASTER DAY OF PRAYER

An Easter Day of Prayer will be held at St. Catherine's Church on Easter Eve (11<sup>th</sup> April). They will be using 'Experience Easter' (*as advertised in Crux*), which involves displays telling the Easter story for all ages. Come along at any time from 11 am to 3 pm to see the displays and 'live the story'.

### BANK HOLIDAY CHURCH WALK

The walk will leave Church at 9.30 am on Monday 4th May. If you haven't signed the form to do all or some of the walk please do so. There will be a map up next week with dropping in and out places. Numbers are needed in advance so that transport can be arranged to pick up those who only want to walk part of the way.

### NEW 'BIBLE SCHOOL'

The course, run by Keith Wills at St. Peter's, Halliwell starts on Monday 27th April and is every Monday for 10 weeks, with half term and any Bank Holidays off. The subject is "The Fascination of Church History". It costs £40 for the course which includes notes and a text book.

### SAMARITANS PURSE CONFERENCE

The Samaritans Purse conference is being held at Leeds on 9<sup>th</sup> May and Swindon on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2009. Feel free to go along and find out a bit more about who SP are and what they are doing. Cost is £10 per person (including lunch).

### KATE HATTON'S COMMISSIONING

Kate Hatton is being commissioned as a Church Army Evangelist on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July and has some tickets she would like to offer to people at St. Elizabeth's. There is a service at Sheffield Cathedral in the morning and then another at the college in the afternoon with lunch provided. If you would like to support Kate on this memorable day for her, please give your name to Jill Harley as soon as possible. (*There are just a couple of tickets left so be quick!*)