

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

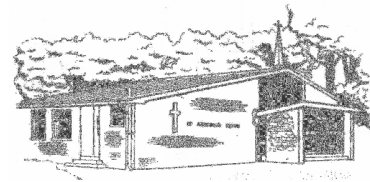
Service Teams: Green - Pat; Red - Barry; Blue - Marian.

Following details of Scargill's closure last year, here is an update taken from an article in the Church times....

SCARGILL HOUSE

A CHRISTIAN community and conference centre in the Yorkshire Dales is to continue into its second half century. Scargill House at Kettlewell in Wharfedale has been bought by the recently-formed Scargill Movement. The centre closed last July after its trustees decided to cease operating. But a steering group was formed made up of a coalition from the Save Scargill group, the Lee Abbey Movement, and the diocese of Bradford. Following negotiations, in December an offer was accepted for the purchase of Scargill House and its estate. This was made possible through individual donations and what is said to have been a "substantial" interest-free loan from the Lee Abbey Movement. The Bishop of Bolton, the Rt Rev Chris Edmondson, who heads the newly-formed Council of the Scargill Movement, said: "Having been a Scargill partner for 25 years, and as a former warden of Lee Abbey in Devon, I'm thrilled to be part of seeing a rebirth of Scargill House. "It will be some time before the ministry there is fully operational again, but I look forward to it being a resource for many individuals and church communities - especially in the north of England - at the heart of which will be a vibrant worshipping Christian community." On June 20 there will be a celebration with Bishop Edmondson and the Bishop of Bradford, the Rt Rev David James, marking Scargill House's 50th anniversary, and a rededication of its future ministry.

So who knows, perhaps we will be back in the not too distant future?!



St. Elizabeth's Church Horwich



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

**26th April 2009
Easter 3**

TODAY

08.45

BCP COMMUNION

Leader & Speaker: Stephen

10.00

ALL-AGE WORSHIP

Leader: Peter Speaker: Anthony

Readings

Acts 3:12-19 (p.1095)

Luke 24: 36b-48 (p.1062)

12.00

Baptism of

Emilia Jayne Fraser

18.30

CELTIC COMMUNION

(with our Holy Trinity friends)

Leader & Speaker: Stephen

Reading

Luke 24: 36-48 (p.1062)

CONGRATULATIONS!

To Brenda Sedwell & Marian Lane who both celebrated their 70th birthdays last week. They have kindly provided a cake for us to enjoy with them after the service.

Monday 27th

- 10.30 Greenbank Communion
- 14.00 Meditation (St. Catherine's)
- 19.00 Prayer@7
- 19.30 Keith Wills Bible School (1)
- 20.00 House Group (PH)

Tuesday 28th

- 19.30 Eden Bus
- 19.30 Prayer meeting (St. Cath's)
- 19.30 Team & Group Leaders at Blackrod

Wednesday 29th

- 10.00 Holy Communion
- 18.30 Treasure Chest

Thursday 30th

- 14.30 Open afternoon for Middlebrook Chaplaincy
- 19.00 Meditation (St. Elizabeth's)
- 19.30 Open Evening for Middlebrook Chaplaincy
- 20.00 CYFA

Friday 1st May

- 11.00 H/Trinity Walking Fellowship



Refreshments will be served after the service



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SERVICES & EVENTS

May 3rd

10.00

HOLY COMMUNION

Leader & Speaker: Stephen

18.30

SERVICE of the WORD

Leader & Speaker: Peter

Due to Holy Trinity's Building project, as from Wednesday 6th May, we are delighted to welcome their members to join with us for our Wednesday morning communions.

H/Trinity walking fellowship will next meet outside the Parish Hall at 11 am on Friday 1st May. Bring a picnic lunch Aim to return to the Parish Hall by 2 pm. Leaders: Wendy & Pip - 696775



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2009 is May 10th - 16th

Christian Aid is an international development charity working with people of all faiths and none in over 50 countries to combat poverty and injustice.

Please be prepared to offer your help with delivering and collecting envelopes for this worthwhile cause. A little discomfort or inconvenience for us can mean months of aid for others.

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 (*undergoing treatment*), Melvyn Grimshaw (*following surgery*), Hettie Watson (*following surgery*), Doris Nicholls, Joan Kearsley, Vera Miller, Iris Thompson, Margaret Kay.

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

Monday 4th

BANK HOLIDAY

09.30 Church Walk

Tuesday 5th

19.30 Eden Bus

19.30 Prayer meeting (St. Cath's)

19.30 Deanery Synod (Rivington)

Wednesday 6th

10.00 Holy Communion

19.30 Simply Christianity (1)

Thursday 7th

19.00 Meditation (St. Elizabeth's)

19.30 Churches Together AGM
(Ind. Meth. Lee Lane)

20.00 CYFA

20.00 House Groups (SJ & BT)

Friday 8th - Sunday 10th

Rivington Festival Weekend

NEWS & NOTICES

'THE FASCINATION OF CHURCH HISTORY'

This course, run by Keith Wills at St. Peter's, Halliwell starts **TOMORROW** for 10 weeks, with half term and any Bank Holidays off. It costs £40 for the course which includes notes and a text book.

MIDDLEBROOK CHAPLAINCY TEAM

There will be an introductory session this Thursday (30th) at 2.30 pm and again at 7.30 pm These will take place in the Middlebrook Management Suite – next to the GAME store and offer a chance to ask questions, meet each other and learn something about what it may involve. Wendy's promise? - it's not scary! For anyone who decides to take it further there will be a six week training course which gives a chance to explore issues that may arise and build confidence. The Chaplaincy is principally about being beside people - it is not about preaching. See the poster at the back of church.

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 is a map up 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.

SIMPLY CHRISTIANITY

Another chance to explore the Christian Faith in a 5-session *Christian Basics* course using Luke's Gospel to explore what it means to be a Christian today. If you would like to find out more, or join the course starting on **Wednesday 6th May** at 7.30 pm in St. Catherine's Church, then please contact Stephen 468263. Open to everyone – especially those thinking about Confirmation, or wishing to refresh their faith.

MAKING the DREAM HAPPEN

Holy Trinity – A Church for the 21st Century

Holy Trinity have launched their 'Dreaming Dreams' Appeal for their building project. Please pray for them as their building contractor, Blakeley Tonge of Bolton, will start work in church on Tuesday 5th May with a completion date set for 4th August (and they still need to raise nearly £60,000). Further details about the project can be found on their web site www.holytrinityhorwich.co.uk.

MANCHESTER'S FAVOURITE HYMN?

This is the last week to cast your vote for your favourite hymn online at www.manchester.anglican.org. before 1st May. The results will be announced at an Evening Celebration hosted by the Mothers' Union at Bridgewater Hall on June 1. And the favourite hymn will be played by a brass band conducted by the Bishop of Manchester. For tickets to the event call Judith on 0161 828 1427.