

CONTACTS AT ST. ELIZABETH'S DURING THE INTERREGNUM

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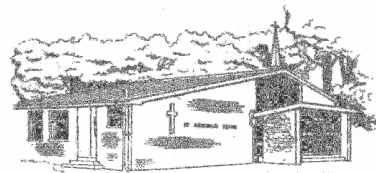
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INTERNATIONAL IRON MAN TRIATHLON

This event is taking place around Rivington, Chorley & Bolton on Sunday 2nd August, 2009. It has not been very well-publicised locally yet, but information is now filtering out about the significant impact and opportunity that this event will have on our community over that weekend. Because of the hundreds of competitors, and thousands of spectators – possibly up to 30,000 people (!) – who will converge on Rivington Reservoir for the swimming section, along the Commonwealth Games route for the cycling section, and along Chorley New Road from Rivington into the centre of Bolton for the running section, there will be significant road closures and traffic problems around our area on that day! Due to road closures, Rivington will have to cancel their usual morning service that day! However, Stephen has been contacted by a Christian competitor who has competed in Triathlons in places like the USA and Hawaii – and discussed how we, as local Christians, could offer support and welcome to what could become a regular event here. Apparently, a service of testimony, prayer and praise (*called 'Iron Prayer'*), is often organised at Iron Man events across the world, to try and bring a positive Christian message and encouragement to those competing, and the plan is to arrange a special service for competitors, supporters, and local Christians, on the Saturday afternoon before – 1st August at 4.30 pm – in Rivington Church, ideally with a Worship Group from one (or more) of our churches to lead the service, It isn't known how many folk would attend, but there are Christian competitors and supporters involved, who will receive information from the Iron Man Organisation inviting them to the service - the service has to be ecumenical and fairly broad in its emphasis because of the wide range of background who may come – with Bible readings, a time of worship, testimony from some of the Christian athletes competing about their faith and inspiration for what they do, intercessions, and also an opportunity for competitors and supporters to receive prayer-ministry at the front of church, if they so wish. It would be good to have people from all our churches to help out with the service and light refreshments afterwards. If you interested in helping in any way please contact Stephen direct. All offers gratefully received.



St. Elizabeth's Church Horwich



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

**5th July 2009
Trinity 4**

TODAY
10.00
**SERVICE of
HEALING & WHOLENESS
With HOLY COMMUNION
Including Peter's Licensing
to the Team**
12.30
Shared Lunch in the Hall
18.30
**GROWING LEADERS
COMMISSIONING SERVICE**
with Bishop Chris,
Rob Jackson & Stephen Fletcher
ALL WELCOME

Monday 6th
14.00 Meditation (St. Catherine's)
19.30 PCC Meeting
Tuesday 7th
19.30 Eden Bus
19.30 Prayer meeting (St. Cath's)
19.30 Team & Group Meeting
20.00 House Group (PH)
Wednesday 8th
10.00 Holy Communion
18.30 Treasure Chest
Thursday 9th
17.30 Pathfinder Social to Crosby
19.00 Meditation (St. Elizabeth's)
20.00 CYFA Quiz

CONGRATULATIONS and BEST WISHES to PETER & MARTYN following their ordination last Sunday. Please pray for them in their future ministry in the Team. Please give Martyn, Honor, Thomas & Edward a warm welcome here this morning having shared our Church Weekend with us.



THIS MORNING, a special service to 'license' Peter and complete our Church Weekend. Please feel free to join us for a Shared Lunch in the Hall afterwards which will include a 'Special Guest Spot' with Keith Wills.

THIS EVENING, don't miss the Commissioning of our Growing Leaders, who have completed the CPAS course over the past year. From St. Elizabeth's, Mark Leeson & Stephen Pickup and from Holy Trinity, Jenny Dagnall, Sue Rayner and Caroline Tracey.

SERVICES & EVENTS

12th July

10.00

SUNDAY SPECIAL

Leader: Peter Speaker: Anthony

Readings

Amos 7:7-15 (p.922)

Mark 6:14-29 (p.1008)

18.30

HOLY COMMUNION

Leader & Speaker: Michael

Readings

Job 4:1, 5:6-27 (p.511)

Luke 10:25-37 (p.1042)

Monday 13th

14.00 Meditation (St. Catherine's)

20.00 House Group (MG)

Tuesday 14th

19.30 Eden Bus

19.30 Prayer meeting (St. Cath's)

Wednesday 15th

KATE HATTON'S COMMISSIONING
AS A CHURCH ARMY EVANGELIST

10.00 Holy Communion

18.30 Treasure Chest

19.30 Deanery Synod (St Elizabeth)

Thursday 16th

19.00 Meditation (St. Elizabeth's)

20.00 House Groups (SJ & BT)

20.00 CYFA

Saturday 18th

10.00 Team Preachers Meeting
(Blackrod)

'Below the Pike' for July/August
is now available. Many thanks to Shirley who sorts out the bundles each month and to all those who deliver them so regularly.

FLOWER FESTIVAL

From 3 to 6 July Manchester Cathedral is to host the biggest flower art installation Greater Manchester has seen for over 50 years. 20,000 flowers will be arranged by 100 floral artists drawn from clubs and societies across the region. The 20,000 blooms are being driven from Holland and include tropical flowers and thousands of red roses. Once the flowers have arrived, it will take the artists 24 hours to complete the displays ready for the opening event on 3 July. Call the cathedral to book your tickets for a visit (£5) on 0161 833 2220.

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, Ted Cunningham.

...THE SICK OF ST. ELIZABETH'S: Julie Rose (*recovering from foot surgery*), Jacqueline Cunningham (*undergoing treatment*), Doris Nicholls, Joan Kearsley, Vera Miller, Iris Thompson, Margaret Kay.

...THE SICK OF THE PARISH & BEYOND: Vivien Dickinson (*Doreen Dennett's daughter*), Julia Bennett, Dawn Farrington, Donna McLoughlin (*Margaret's daughter*).

NEWS & NOTICES

THE CYFA QUIZ

Now a tradition! - it's on Thursday 9 July at 7.30 pm in Church. Home made cakes and drinks. Teams of 4 but if you don't have a team you can join with others. Entrance £1 with proceeds going to support Namibia.

BOB CLENTON'S MANCHESTER TO BLACKPOOL CYCLE EVENT

Bob says : "As part of my quest to return to full fitness, I have rather foolishly committed to do the Manchester to Blackpool 60 mile cycle ride on Sunday 12th July. On the back of this challenge I am seeking sponsorship for Christie's Hospital. We know from experience that the skill and care of the Christie's staff is second to none, so I hope you can pledge a few pounds for their continued work. There is a poster and sponsor form at the back of church or you can go to www.justgiving.com/bobclenton. Thanks for your support."

CONGRATULATIONS KATE!

After 3 years of training at the Church Army College in Sheffield, **Kate Hatton** will be admitted as a CA Evangelist at Sheffield Cathedral on Wednesday 15th July. She is still awaiting news of her first placement, so please continue praying for Kate, Tim, Millie, Godfrey & Wilf.

SUNDAY CLUB

We are short of Sunday Club leaders and to comply with Child Protection rules it is vital that we have more adults prepared to help with this valuable work. Please think and pray about whether you are just the person the group needs. It is very rewarding and also great fun. For more details speak to Anthony, Lynn or the Wardens. No new leaders may force Sunday Club to close.

MONDAY / TUESDAY HOUSE GROUPS

The House Group held at Peter & Jill Harley's, which used to be on Tuesdays and moved to Mondays is moving BACK to Tuesdays until further notice! 8 pm onwards alternate weeks. New members welcome. House group at Mark & Alison Green's has re-commenced on Mondays. 8 pm on alternate weeks.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK TOTAL

This year we raised £913 which included £318.26 Gift Aid. Many thanks to all helped deliver and collect envelopes and to Jean & Joan who counted it all.

SUMMER OUTING

Departing St Catherine's Church at 8.00 am on Saturday 1st August journeying through the scenic Northumbrian countryside to Alnwick. If you are interested in going please contact Ian Winnard at St. Catherine's on 01204 694005 (mobile 07803 093704) for further details. Cost: £18 per person.