

CONTACTS AT ST. ELIZABETH'S DURING THE INTERREGNUM

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Treasurer: Edith Bearshaw

HARVEST - Sept. 27th. Monetary donations to Winter Watch, tinned food to St. Luke's Drop-In Centre. (There is a list of suggested food items at the back of Church).

SHOEBOXES - Can we please collect fillers now! - face cloths, toothpaste, soap, small toys, pens, pencils etc. (no toothbrushes needed!!). There's a box in the Church porch. Thanks.

LIVING STONES

This is a conference for anyone exploring God's call on their life. It is an opportunity to share with others thinking about their vocation whether to accredited ministry in the church or community or to developing their ministry in the context of the wider world. From 9.45 am - 4 pm at Bolton Road Methodist Church on Saturday 3rd October. To book a place call 0161 708 9366.

FAMILY FUN AFTERNOON

An afternoon of fun and games for all the family in Horwich Parish Church Hall on Sunday 4th October from 1 pm - 4 pm. Hot Dogs and Burgers available.

MEDITATION TASTERS

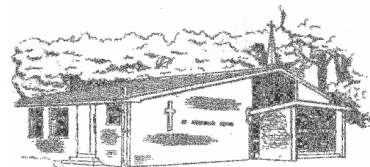
The Christian Meditation taster meeting at St Elizabeth's planned for September 10th has had to be postponed until October 15th but the usual meditation group will continue.

MANCHESTER DIOCESAN HEALING DAY

This next event is being held at St Nicholas, Burnage on Saturday 17th October 2009, 9.30 am - 4.00 pm with members from the Iona Community, using their resources. There will be an introduction followed by various groups and workshops to learn and experience Healing worship for ourselves. Registration fee is £10 and booking is required as there are limited spaces available. Speak to Peter Harley.

SIMPLY CHRISTIANITY

This five week course gives the opportunity to think through your Christian faith and to discuss with others. It's based on Luke's gospel which is both stimulating and encouraging. It will be on Tuesday evenings, 7.30 pm, at St Catherine's Church from 20th October. Contact Michael (697162) or Stephen (468263) if you might be interested. This also serves as a confirmation course if that is a step you are considering.



St. Elizabeth's Church Horwich



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

13th September 2009
Trinity 14

10.00

SUNDAY SPECIAL

with the

Re-commissioning of our Children & Youth Group Leaders

Leader: Jacqueline Speaker: Peter

Readings

James 3:1-12 (p.1214)

Mark 8:27-38 (p.1012)

18.30

HOLY COMMUNION

Leader & Speaker: Stephen

Readings

Exodus 18:13-26 (p.76)

Matthew 8:23-34 (p.973)

Monday 14th

14.00 Meditation (St. Catherine's)

Tuesday 15th

19.30 Eden Bus

19.30 Prayer meeting (St. Cath's)

20.00 House Group (at Marian L)

Wednesday 16th

10.00 Holy Communion

18.30 Treasure Chest

Thursday 17th

14.30 Chaplaincy Enquirer's

19.00 Meditation (St. Elizabeth's)

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20.00 NO CYFA

Friday 18th - Sunday 20th

CYFA weekend away

AT LAST...THE ANNOUNCEMENT WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR...

From the end of the year, we can welcome our new part time vicar here, living in the Vicarage. Revd **Paul Dever** is presently finishing his Curacy in Fair Oak, just outside Southampton. He trained as a Quantity Surveyor at UMIST in Manchester, and helped with youth work at St. James & Emmanuel, Didsbury, so he knows the area a little. After 4 years as a Quantity Surveyor, Paul worked as a Youth and Student Pastor in Southampton for 6 years, before training for ordained ministry. He is married to **Jackie**, and they have 3 boys, **Abraham**, **Reuben** and **Joel**, aged 7, 5 & 2. Please pray for them as they prepare to move.

CYFA WEEKEND AWAY

Seventeen young people and leaders are going away for the weekend on Friday, staying at the Carlisle Diocesan Youth Centre near Keswick. Please pray for a good weekend of fellowship and fun and some dry weather.

SERVICES & EVENTS

20th September - Trinity 15

10.00

HOLY COMMUNION
with

Admission to Communion

Leader: Anthony Speaker: Martyn

Readings

James 3:13 - 4:3,7-8 (p.1215)

Mark 9:30-37 (p.1013)

18.30

SERVICE of the WORD

Leader & Speaker: Dave

Readings

Exodus 19:10-25 (p.77)

Matthew 8:23-34 (p.973)

Diary

Monday 21st

13.30 Monday Mix

14.00 Meditation (St. Catherine's)

Tuesday 22nd

19.30 Eden Bus

19.30 Prayer meeting (St. Cath's)

20.00 Music Group Practice

Wednesday 23rd

10.00 Holy Communion

18.30 Treasure Chest

20.00 Healing Course (1)

Thursday 24th

19.00 Meditation (St. Elizabeth's)

20.00 CYFA

20.00 House Group (SJ)

SHOEBOX TREASURER

Will anyone consider taking on the role of treasurer for the shoe box warehouse for this year. Please contact me to find out what is involved. Thank you. Shirley Sharples Tel 696925. E-mail s.sharples1@ntlworld.com

SWINE FLU ALERT REDUCED TO AMBER

Due to the number of swine flu cases dropping over the past few weeks we can now re-introduce the 'common cup' at Communion and shaking hands during the Peace. However, for 'at risk' groups and those who still feel concerned, there is no need to participate. Hand gel is still available around the church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...THE RECENTLY BEREAVED: especially the family & friends of Elsie Williams (Don's wife) and all those remembering anniversaries at this time

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

...THE SICK OF ST. ELIZABETH'S: Jacqueline Cunningham, 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*), Dorothy Taylor (*Aubrey's daughter's mother-in-law*).

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

NEWS & NOTICES

HELP URGENTLY REQUIRED

Please can YOU help with Church cleaning. Approx. 2 hours per month - that's all. Please contact Jean Garner. Tel: 468646

ENQUIRERS DAY - MIDDLEBROOK CHAPLAINCY

The Middlebrook Chaplaincy is encouraging people to think about joining the team. No qualifications needed, lots of support provided, training given and a very friendly team to work with! If you think you would like to be part of this why not come along to an Enquirers Session on **Thursday 17th September 2009, 2.30 pm or 7.30 pm at The Middlebrook Management Suite (next to Game).** For further details see the poster at the back of church or speak to Peter Harley.

CHRISTIAN ARABS IN BETHLEHEM (+ A CREAM TEA!)

The Horwich Evangelical Church Tuesday Fellowship are having a cream tea (£4.00) on Tuesday 22nd Sept. at 1.45p pm, with a report on Christian Arabs in Bethlehem and a selection of Olive Wood Goods on sale - proceeds go to the work in Bethlehem. To book ring Ethel Turner (668722) or speak to Pat Greenhill.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH GROUP LEADERS

Annual Child Protection update sessions are to be held on September 23rd at 8 pm, 25th at 7.30 pm and 29th at 2 pm. All will be at St Katherine's Blackrod in the upper room. Could you please let Jacqueline know which session you are able to attend so that places can be booked. Thank you.

A CHURCH FOR ALL SEASONS

There is an activity day celebrating children in the life of the Church and recognising the ministry of those who work with them, on 26th September at Manchester Cathedral from 10 am - 3 pm (closing worship at 3.30 pm). It is a drop-in day so come when you can. There is a variety of activities for children, exploring the year through music, puppets, drama, craft etc. Sign up at the back of Church or see Jacqueline for more details.

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

This year, Back to Church Sunday is 27 Sept. Using this as an outreach opportunity, we plan to deliver fliers to homes in the Parish inviting people to our services. We will meet outside church at 7.00 pm on Fri 18 Sept. and 9.30 am on Sat 26 Sept. & leaflet streets in the locality. If you would prefer you can give out a batch of fliers in your street in your own time. All offers of help greatly appreciated. Please see Stephen Pickup (Tel: 698542). In Mark 16v15 Jesus told us, "...Go into all the world and preach the good news to everyone, everywhere."

EDEN BUS - A YEAR IN HORWICH!

The Eden Bus will have been coming to Horwich for one year this November. Come and help celebrate this milestone and pray for God's guidance for the forthcoming 12 months. There will be a time of fellowship with a shared table. The evening will take place at Horwich Christian Fellowship, Rock Street, on Wednesday 30th September. at 7.30 pm.