



Newsletter



For 2 weeks from Sunday 16th October 2011

Our aim is to *KNOW* God through Jesus, *GROW* in faith, and *SHOW* God's love in our community

Alan Saunders writes...

Coffee, conversation and prayer.

Discipleship took a new twist after Chick Yuill came to speak at a Saturday morning workshop at St Paul's Kersal Moor. Inspired by his message I sought out Andy and Johnny and we agreed to start meeting as a discipleship triplet - a grand title for three mates grabbing a coffee together.

We meet at the local McDonalds and have got to know some of the staff – one is a member of a Brazilian church in Manchester, so we get a warm welcome and have a laugh as we order our coffee. It's great just to take a bit of time out to meet with supportive friends.

We're Dads, we are busy with work, and we share a desire to be better followers of Jesus. We talk about the challenges of family life, work, relationships, decision making, etc. It's good to catch up and share experiences about the pressures and opportunities we face. In essence, I suppose we are trying to apply our Christian faith to the nitty-gritty of life.

The best question we ask each other is 'what should we pray for you?' This never fails to flush out the key issues in our lives. We keep on praying and texting each other with special requests.

And we let Andy keep the coffee tokens – well, he usually buys the coffee anyway!



REGULAR SERVICES

Sundays: St Paul's 10am: St Andrew's 11am

St Paul's, 7–8pm: 'Still Hour' of quiet prayer, and Parish Prayers, 7–7.30pm, last Sun in Nov.

Wednesdays: St Paul's 10am: St Andrew's 2pm

Weekday Morning Prayers: St Paul's 9.05 - 9.25am. Come & join us - all welcome.

PARISH NOTES

Peggy says "I wish to thank you all for your beautiful cards, gifts, flowers, and donations, on what to myself, and my family was a very **memorable birthday**. The love shown by everyone was overwhelming. Thank you and may God bless you all."

Do you have good news? Something big happening? Or would you just like to share what you do in your everyday life? We want to include your story in our services - if you are willing to share please contact...Lisa or Rick.

Heaton Park Methodist's are considering helping the Boaz Trust give shelter to failed asylum seekers. People are needed who are committed to sleep over at Church, Tues night, about once a month, 9pm – 8am. Interested? See Kath Anderson- andersonkath@yahoo.com

Scout Regional Commissioner - applicants wanted. A strong leader, with experience of change management at a senior level, to lead 4500 young people and 1000 volunteer leaders in North Manchester. Previous Scouting experience not essential. See www.manchester.anglican.org/jobs

Ladies of all ages! If you enjoy singing and would like to try singing with St Paul's Ladies' choir, please see Bronwen or come along after service in St Paul's and join in with a practice.

Romanian Shoe Box Appeal: Please see leaflets at back of church. 'Time Out' can make up Shoe Boxes for people if items are brought in by Sun 23 Oct. See Eileen Booth.

Thank you to Joe & Maureen Tobin for giving the flowers grown on their allotment for the Harvest Festival at St Paul's and to Judith Walsh for the display at St Andrew's.

Thank you to all who supported the Toddler group Macmillan Coffee morning at St Paul's. It raised £70.

Thank you to every member who has already completed their Stewardship Campaign responses, and put their jigsaw pieces in place.

Lisa will shortly be preparing the rotas for lesson reading, assisting at communion and leading prayers for 2012. Please will you let her know if you would like to come off rota(s) or to offer service on them, a.s.a.p.

Would you like to be in our parish worship group? See Tim or Julius to find out when the next practice is.

DIARY DATES October

Sundays: School of Prayer, 7-7.30pm, St Paul's

Sun 16th, Confirmation Service, 3pm, St Paul's afterwards afternoon tea.

Tue 18th, Parish Men's group, 8pm, St Paul's Youth Room (details from John 792 5362).

Thu 20th, St Andrew's Ladies' Circle – Tombola, 8pm in St Andrew's (fortnightly group).

Sun 23rd, Holy Communion with Healing Prayers, 11am in St Andrew's.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Tue 25th, Time Out, 1.30pm at 5 Moorside Rd. (fortnightly craft & social group) All welcome.

Wed 26th, 4th Wednesday Luncheon Club, 11.30am in the Social Area, St Paul's. NB After three years Hilary will be stepping down from running this in the New Year. She says the best thank you we could give her would be for someone else to take it on. Could that be you?

Thu 27th, Salford-Lünen Partnership Prayer Labyrinth launch, exploring different aspects of prayer - Ignatian, Benedictine, Celtic, etc, 2 - 4.30pm at Holy Angels Church, Moorfield Rd, Irlams o'th Height, Salford M6 7EY.

'Rhythms of Life' Family Concert: Sat 29th Oct, 7.30pm, St Paul's

As part of their UK Tour -
Destiny Children's Choir from
Uganda in support of Kampala
Children's Centre.



"Rhythms of Life is an upbeat and inspiring production by children who are the future of Africa... Changed lives, that are now inspiring others!"

Not to be missed a fantastic concert for the whole family to enjoy.
Adults £5, children £3 – tickets from church or Alan Saunders 792 4130.

Sat/Sun 29th/30th, Clocks go back one hour.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Remember, remember the 5th of November
St Andrew's are having a bonfire again
Calling, calling to all happy gardeners
To build up the woodpile. Amen

Sat 5th Nov, Bonfire Party at St Andrew's from 6.30pm – fire, food and fun...

Wood collecting and prep: Saturday 22nd Oct
10am to 1pm - meet at St Andrew's with any
saws, transport etc you can bring. For more
details call Revd Catherine 07711 611201.

For details about Homegroups please contact Clergy.

Hall Bookings: St Paul's 792 5362; St Andrew's 798 6917

Emergency prayer chain: ring Maureen
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Newsletter items to Rick by Tue 25th for Sun 30th Oct
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