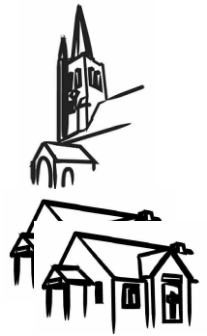


Newsletter

Sunday 19 February to Saturday 3 March 2012



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



Revd Catherine writes...

CHURCH TITHING

This is to give you some idea about what the church does with 10% of the money it receives. The church tithes its income in the same way that it teaches individuals to tithe. Both St. Paul's and St. Andrew's committees decide about who the church should support with the church tithes. A balance of charities is chosen from local and international.

This year St. Paul's is supporting the following charities – Streetlife Zambia – The Beacon of Hope Project in Kenya – The Church Urban Fund – Hope UK – The Message – Leprosy Mission – Christian Missionary Society – Christian Pastoral Aid Society – Tear Fund and The Booth Centre.

St. Andrew's has chosen – The Message – Tear Fund – CPAS – and the Booth Centre, as well as The Bible Society – Biblelands and the NSPCC. St. Andrew's Sunday School supports Francis House Children's Hospice through its weekly collections. The committees choose the charities as representative of the two churches and therefore welcome feedback about the charities and suggestions for new charities. Feel free to give your suggestions to the Chairs of the Committees (David Martin for St. Paul's and Kath Disley for St. Andrew's).

Our tithing is in addition to generous support through the MacMillian Cancer coffee morning, Christian Aid week, and St. Andrew's Ladies' Fellowship charitable giving all year round.

REGULAR SERVICES

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

STILL HOUR of silence, St Paul's 7–8pm

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

N.B. 22 Feb is ASH Wednesday

Weekday Prayers, St Paul's 9.05am

DIARY DATES FEBRUARY

Any adults interested in confirmation this year should speak to Revd. Lisa a.s.a.p.

Thursday 23 February: Deanery Synod
at 7.30pm in St Clements, Lwr. Broughton.

LENT COURSES in St Paul's:

Tuesdays: 7.30pm, Feb 28 and Mar 6/13/20/27. Leader: Revd. Catherine
Thursdays: 10am, Mar 1/8/15/22/29 in Youth Room. Leaders: Anthea and Kath.
Plus follow-on services at 7.00pm on Mon, Tue and Wed of Holy Week

Sunday 26 February: Afternoon tea
1.30-3.30pm in St Paul's Social Area in aid of Ellie Kehoe's trip to Namibia.

Sunday 26 February: Flourish prayer meeting 7-8pm at St Paul's (no School of Prayer)

Monday 27 February: Time Out at 1.30pm at 32 Moor Lane.

Thursday 1 March: Ladies' Circle at 8pm at St. Andrew's, - Derek Hartley from the Leprosy Mission will be speaking.

Friday 2 March: Women's World Day of Prayer at 1.30pm at St Margaret's Church Speaker: Rita Green.

Saturday, 3 March: Musical Concert at 7.30pm, St. Paul's by the Romulus Singers and the Remus Quartet. £7 – all welcome

Sunday, 4 March: Annual Memorial Service at 3pm at St. Paul's - for all who have recently lost loved ones to remember them with reverence and prayer. Please come to this special service.

Monday, 5 March: St Paul's AGM at 7.30-9pm

Sunday, 11 March: St Andrew's AGM after the service at 12.15pm

Tuesday, 13 March: SPACE MEETING 6-7pm in the Parish Office. All interested in maintaining the churchyard welcome.

Sunday, 17 March: 'God, the Future and Me' 10am-5pm with brunch at St. Peter's House Chaplaincy, Manchester Univ. Oxford Rd. For young people 16-25 Cost £4. Book via. www.stpeters.org.uk. or find them on Facebook.

Saturday, 17 March: 'Exploring the Jewish Roots of the Christian Faith' 9.45 for 10am start ending at 4pm. Wendy King is running this at St. Paul's. The cost is £5 and includes a kosher lunch. To book a place ring 0161-766-7688 by 10 March.

PLEASE NOTE: notice of our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)** on **25 March** is posted today: with nomination sheets for the posts of Churchwardens, Deanery Synod representatives and committee members at both churches,

Revd Lisa says: 'Healthy Churches have Elections and demonstrate the willingness of the members to serve each other. These are the valuable, largely hidden, but shared ministries without which our church community could not hang together. I urge you to stand for some kind of office in the forthcoming elections'.

FUTURE EVENTS

22 to 24 June Parish Weekend Away - Rydal Hall, Ambleside, Leader: Canon Tony Hardy, Diocesan Evangelist. £140 Full Board (and transport if needed). **Deposits needed NOW.** Some bursary help possible. Contact Maureen on 792 4873 or rober382@talktalk.net

25 June 2 to 4 pm Would you like to go with Lisa to pray for the safety of the Olympics in The Anchor, Media City? Contact Revd. Lisa on 792-5362

The leaving collection at St Paul's for the Leprosy Mission raised £90

Many thanks to Jack Goldstone who will be resarting the bookstall very soon: order your books from catalogues available on display- cash with order.

Easter magazine due out on 18 March- Mothering Sunday. Contributions welcome: email Kath Disley- kathryndis@yahoo.co.uk

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