

This week

Sunday 11th January 9.30am Holy Communion, 11am Morning worship 6.30pm Prayer evening at St Peter's

Mon 12th Jan @Ant's

Tuesday 13th Jan 6-7.30pm UNITE (Y5-9) 7.30pm Limb's 'home group,

Wednesday 14th Jan: Toddlers 9.30—11.30am; 7.30pm Moving on' vicarage group

Thursday 15th Jan 9.45am Holy Communion followed by coffee, chairrobics and lunch club.

7.30 Worship forum at the Vicarage

Sunday 18h January 9.30am Holy Communion, 11am Family Worship, The Wave, Children's Church and creche

Church prayer meeting

6.30-7pm every Monday at church. All welcome

This is a new meeting for 2015 and will take place every Monday in the Holroyd room. Please come along or if you can't make some space for prayer at this time. You can also let the Vicarage know of any prayer requests you may have

Our readings in church this month are from the Church of England lectionary at the moment. Genesis 1 :1-15, John 1 : 29—34.

Information: there are a variety of **information leaflets and charity magazines in a blue folder** on the table at the back by the font. Please have a browse. If you bring information for church it would be helpful if you could put it in the folder as this makes it easier to find.

Recent sermon notes can also be found on the information table as well as leaflets and giving envelopes you can take .

Christ Church Pitsmoor

Christian community for all nations

11th January 2015



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I hope that 2015 has started well for you. We are in prayer for those in our church family who are unwell at the moment or who are bereaved. We have just come back from some Winter sunshine to a very cold Vicarage! On holiday I read a book called "Connected" by Sam Allberry. "There is an African proverb, "it takes a village to raise a child". We are not isolated or self-sufficient; healthy growth will involve a range of people. This is true of spiritual development. If it takes a village to raise a child, it takes a church to raise a Christian. Like it or not, you need others and others need you. Going to church will not make you a Christian, but it is very hard to see how you can really go on as a Christina without church. ... Toby Ziegler, one of the characters in the West Wing is talking to some junior staff after one of them has leaked sensitive material to the Press: "We're a group, We're a team. From the President down, we're a team. We win together and we lose together; we celebrate and we mourn together. And defeats are softened and victories sweeter because we did them together. (carried on overleaf)

Welcome to our services

Please join us for tea or coffee after the service.

New to Christ Church? Please ask to fill in a **Newcomers card**

with your contact details and hand to Welcomer or Church leader so we can keep in touch with you.



(Carried on from the front) . **You're my guys and I'm yours. And there's really nothing I wouldn't do for you."**

He could be talking about the church. For all our variety, the Spirit has bound us together as one body. We have a stake in one another.

Mission Action Planning

Our next important date as a church is **Sunday 18th January 4—6p.m. in church** when we can all have a go prayerfully at MAP and be excited at what God is doing among us. Please book the

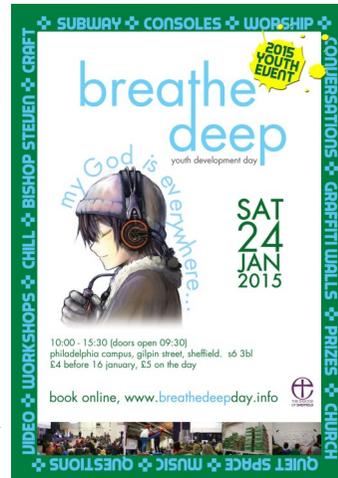
We have envelopes for sending money to Embrace Syria appeal, Christian Aid and Tearfund. Please use the envelopes on the welcome table to send your Christmas card savings or other Christmas gift for overseas . Please sign the gift aid declaration if they are able to claim tax relief from your donation. These will be sent off in the next few weeks. Thank you



4-5.30pm Sunday 25th January at St Peter's
Creative family church with arts and crafts, music and food! Children need to come with parents/ designated carers

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We have spent a lot of time in the last few months thinking about what God wants Christ Church to be. Our next step will be to do Mission Action planning. Please take part in this. With my prayers and best wishes for 2015. Philip



Prayer this week:

SUNDAY 11th 9.30am Holy Communion and 11am Morning service Pray for **Charlie and David** as they continue their training today and for **Huw** teaching at the School of Ministry for Readers in training **6.30pm Prayer evening at St Peter's**

12 Pray for Frances as she meets with **governors at Pye Bank School**. Pray for Philip, and members of St Philip's and St Peter's as they meet this afternoon to review the **Messy Church. Youth Core Group and The Readers Core Group** each meet this evening to encourage and support members in their leadership roles.

13 Pray for Philip as he takes assembly in **Pye Bank School** and helps with Unite at 6pm. Limbs home group and Furnace meet . Pray for the clergy in our deanery as they meet this morning for clergy chapter.

14 Toddler Group restarts 9.30-11.30am 7.30pm Moving On group at the Vicarage. Pray for the community activities including youth work and women's groups at Verdon Street Centre, and for Pye Bank clerical staff as they organize the running of the Centre for the council.

16 Pray for **Chocolate Box and Rainbow's End** as they support vulnerable people in our community. Pray too for Philip going out with **Street Pastors** as they support the community this Friday.

17 Pray for **Hannah on a day's post ordination training at Mirfield College**. Pray also for her and Will as they prepare for their wedding on 4th April at Christ Church and for her to find a post near Chertsey where Will works for a local church.

You may remember David and Mary Bolster who visited us a couple of years ago and who work in Burma. Their time with Crosslinks is coming to a close and they will be returning to England, can you remember them in your prayers.

Church Directory 2015

It is hoped to update contact details in the directory at the beginning of the New Year. If you joined the electoral roll last April and agreed for your details to be included in the church list/directory, you only need to let us know of any change of address, phone number or email address...unless, like Holly, you have also changed your name