

**The wave**—for 10-16 year olds on Sunday morning held in the tower for Bible study and life application

**Children's Church**—for 4-10 year olds on Sunday morning held in the welcome centre for adventure and exploring the Bible

**Crèche** - for 0-4 year olds on Sunday morning in the lounge for play. Parents are welcome to use this space and the space at the back of church for their children if needed.



### **Preparation of Children for receiving Communion**

We have begun our meetings with young people at Christ Church who would like to think about Holy Communion. The next session is on Thursday, 7.30 at the Vicarage for an hour. The session involves making and eating bread!



### **This week**

**Wednesday** 9.30 Parent and Toddler Group Prayer and Praise @ the Vicarage 7.30p.m.

**Thursday** 9.45 Holy Communion followed by lunch club

looking ahead.....

**Next church walk is on October 20th.** And in next week's newsletter a report about the Diocesan Development Day and Future Light's trip to North Yorkshire where they visited a farm, had lunch with the Arnolds and had a service in Masham parish church



**Alpha**

We had a great Alpha evening on Wednesday in church, 30 people came and enjoyed a meal, talk and discussion. There is still time to join a special event next Wednesday at 7p.m. which also starts with a meal.

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# Christ Church Pitsmoor

Sunday  
7th October

Christian community for all nations

### **Welcome to Christ Church**

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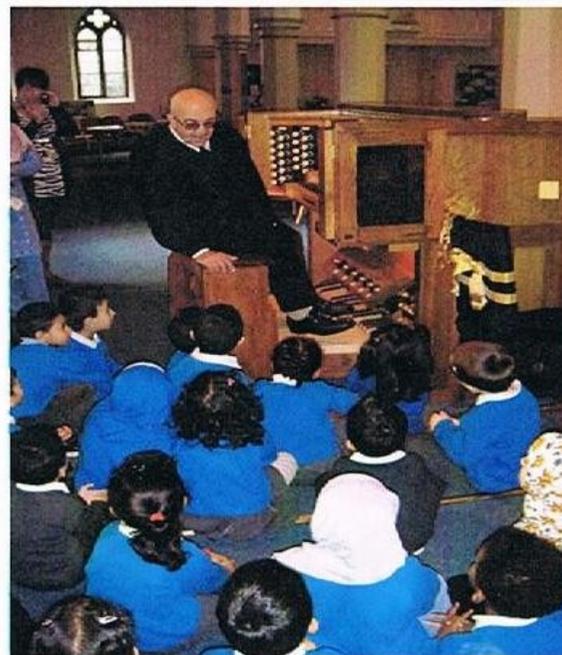
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On Monday we had a visit from the Foundation Year children from Pye Bank School.

We had a lovely time talking about Harvest. The photo shows David Smith playing the organ for the children.

The Y2 classes are coming to school on Monday afternoon. Frances will be leading them in some activities relating to the church building.

Please pass this newsletter on when you have read it



**The Bride &  
Groom**

**Aaron & Lucy 'tie  
the knot'**

**Congratulations**

**Mr and Mrs.  
Limb!**



*Mick Dennett is jumping out of an aeroplane to raise money for Bluebell Wood Hospice, please support him. Sponsor sheet at the back of church*



**Prayers for Schools**

There is an open prayer meeting at the Vicarage at 4p.m. on Tuesday when we will pray for local schools.

**'Inspiring a Generation'**

What was your favourite moment of the Olympic Games? One of mine was the lighting of the torch in the stadium at the opening ceremony. After all the speculation about which famous person would be the last link in the great relay, the final torches were given to the next generation of athletes. They lit the parts of the flame around the edge of the cauldron. The flames spread slowly. And then the cauldron began to rise, the different flames came together and burned as one.

The cauldron gave me a great image of the ideal of the world in union which is the best of the Olympic movement. Different nations come together in a celebration of sport, wondering at how much we have in common.

The cauldron also gave me a great image of the Church. God calls together women and men of different races and backgrounds to form one family, one people throughout the earth, united by a common allegiance to Jesus Christ. The Christian Church was the first truly global organization. It remains a sign and sacrament of the kind of unity God wants for the whole world.

And the cauldron is a brilliant image for the unity we find also in every local church. We each bring our own gifts – our own flame. By God's grace, these flames are drawn together into a community of grace and love: a parish church which itself gives light and life to the world.

This autumn, Bishop Peter and I will be touring the deaneries with the archdeacons talking about the ways in which we need to re-imagine ministry for mission. That picture of the Olympic flame will be in our minds.

Just like the small boy in the story of the feeding of the five thousand, each of us offers what we can and we join our life and gifts and witness to the greater purposes of God. +Steven

Bishop Steven joined us at the International Meal last Thursday and was very impressed with all the work being done at Christ Church for asylum seekers, in partnership with Assist.

Thanks to everyone who makes this possible.

***Please pray for a number of folk who are undergoing chemo or radio-therapy at present***