

This week

**Sunday 28th September 9.30am Holy Communion,**

**11am Morning worship (crèche in coffee corner, children 4-10yrs in Welcome Centre Hall and The Wave for 10-14s in the Tower)**

**Theme: A worshipping church**

**Messy Church at St Peter's at 4-5.30pm**

**Tuesday 23rd: 6-7.30pm UNITE (Y5-9) 7.30pm Limb's home group and The Furnace at Roger and Julie's**

**Wednesday 24th: Toddler Group 9.30-11.30am**

**Afternoon: Decorating front of church for harvest : please join June and Frances if you are free**

**7.30 START at the Vicarage. We had a great beginning last Wednesday, there's still time to join.**

**Thursday 25th: 9.45am Holy Communion in church followed by coffee, chairbics and lunch club**

**International meal in the Welcome Centre 7for 7.30pm**

**7pm Community Choir**

**Sat 4th October (church will be open in the morning for music rehearsal if anyone would like to bring harvest flowers for the side or back of church, but we are asked not to interrupt the practice please)**

**6 ish-8.30pm Zamar celebration of praise**

**Harvest: Sun 5th Oct 10.30am All Age Service baptism & shared lunch together**

**Don't forget to read Paul's letter to the Philippians this week**

**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.

**Flower fund: harvest decoration.** Because of events on Sat 4th, we will be decorating church on **Wed 1st /Thurs 2nd**. If you would like to contribute or help, please see June or Frances.

**Christ Church  
Pitsmoor**

**28th September  
2014**

Christian community for all nations

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When the Tollgate Café closed suddenly a few weeks ago there was general dismay amongst loyal breakfast and lunch customers. That was until Dave Hancock (husband to Jill) stepped in for a dramatic career change. The café is now open, brightly decorated with some great food. Dave has great ambitions for the café. Pictured with him is Sally and Craig. Call in and support!

**Welcome to our services. Please join us for refreshments after each service**  
**New to Christ Church?** Please ask to fill in a **newcomer card** at the welcome desk so we can keep in touch with you.



Creative family church with arts and crafts, music and food! 4-5.30pm on Sunday 28th September at St Peter's Ellesmere. Parents need to come with parents/designated carers



This year as we celebrate a plentiful supply of food, we ask you once again to bring dry and tinned food for us to give to people who run short (dried and tinned foods with a long shelf life please). In our service, we will be looking at the effects of climate change on food for the future and how we



can show Christian responsibility. We hope everyone can bring lunch to share together at the back of church after the **JOINT SERVICE AT 10.30am**

## The Bad Christian's Manifesto

**Saturday November 15<sup>th</sup> 10.30 – 3.30pm at Christ Church**

**A day conference with Dave Tomlinson, challenging some notions of a 'good' Christian.**

Maybe being a Christian is a lot easier, and more fun, than most people think and we sometimes make out. This day will explore how to be a 'bad' Christian

- how to talk to God without worrying about prayer,
- how to think with your soul rather than trying to follow rules
- how to speak of God in contemporary society.

A day to inspire those of faith and invite those on its fringes.

Dave Tomlinson, vicar of St Luke's Holloway and author of 'The Post-Evangelical' 'How to be a Bad Christian' 'Re-Enchanting Christianity'. He is a regular guest on Radio 2's Vanessa Feltz programme where he presents the 'Pause for Thought'.

His web site is <http://www.davetomlinson.co.uk>

There is no set charge for the day but we'll be asking folks to make a contribution of £5 to £10 towards making the whole thing happen – and we'll encourage you to buy a copy of Dave's book!

For more information or to book a place please contact For more information or to book a place please contact Huw at Diocesan Church House on 01709 309100 or [huwthomas75@googlemail.com](mailto:huwthomas75@googlemail.com)

## Christ Church Pitsmoor Prayer Diary

Please take a prayer diary from the Welcome Desk. This is produced monthly with the dual aim of

- ⇒ Informing people of coming events during the coming month, both at church, in the parish and relevant events in the city /Diocese of Sheffield
- ⇒ Keeping activities in focus for our prayer support. These include other activities that Philip, Hannah and Ant are involved with as well as our partner charities like Rainbows Ends and Chocolate Box and night shelter.

**Christ Church has been awarded £60,000 from Veolia... We praise the Lord for answering our prayers thus far regarding funding for the Welcome Centre. HOWEVER, the award depends on us raising a similar amount from the other bids Philip has applied for including bids to, Reaching Communities Lottery Fund, Asda Foundation and Garfield Weston Foundation. The Fabric sub-group met on Tuesday with our architect and chairman of the Diocesan Advisory Council, Peter Ingram to discuss the proposed changes to the Welcome Centre. The main rush is to get permission from the Diocese so that a new roof can go the Welcome Centre paid**

The PCC met on Monday in church and had a full meeting. An hour of the meeting was taken up by a full discussion of the youth work at Christ Church. Hannah, Ant, Kate Thompson and Nick Edmondson gave a presentation. If you are interested in seeing a copy, please ask. The discussion continues next PCC.

Frances is now a **Foundation Governor** at Pye Bank and attended her first Governor's meeting. The Foundation year children will be visiting the church next week. Thanks Ruth for a lovely morning on **Ignatian meditation** on Saturday in church.



**NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH:** Frances is the Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator for the streets around Pitsmoor Road. . If anyone would be interested in helping to build a group for this community, please ask Frances, or phone the Vicarage. for more information. It is planned to meet in the Welcome Centre on **Monday 20th Oct 7-9pm... this is a key way to connect with our community!!**