

This week

Next week

Sunday 19th April: 9.30am Holy Communion, 11am Family Worship Children's Church and creche PCC meet in the Holroyd Room after church service

Mon 20th April: 6.30-7pm In Holroyd Room at church
Neighbourhood Watch meets at 7pm in the Welcome Centre

Tues 21st April: 5.15pm Grow in God (GIG) at vicarage for 11-14s
7.30pm Limb's home group (no Furnace in April)

Wed 22nd April: Toddler Group 9.30-11.30am in Welcome Centre
7.30 Confirmation at St. Cuthbert's. Please support Ninghe from CCP

Thurs 23rd April: Holy Communion, coffee, Lunch Club
7p.m. coffee and hand in questions for 7.30pm General Election Hustings

Friday 24th April Empower at The Rock Fellowship on Carlisle Street from 7.30-10pm . A great chance to pray for Burngreave

Sunday 26th April 9.30am Holy Communion, 11am Family Worship, The Wave Children's Church and creche 4-5.30pm Messy Church at St Peter's, Lyons Street

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING 6pm tea/coffee and cake 6.15pm worship
6,30pm Vestry meeting followed by APCM

27th April Scaffolding work starts

URGENT PRAYER PLEASE FOR THE CITY OF QUARAGOSH. Iraq's largest Christian city, just taken over by IS. Deeply disturbing news coming out from the city.

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. There is not room to spread lots of leaflets on the table.

Christ Church Pitsmoor

Christian community for all nations

19th April 2015



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SHEFFIELD BRIGHTSIDE AND
HILLSBOROUGH

General Election HUSTINGS

Thursday 23rd April
7.30pm

Christ Church Pitsmoor
Pitsmoor Rd, S3 9AQ

Your chance to meet, hear and quiz candidates standing in this General Election in your constituency.

All welcome

Doors open 7.00.

7.30 - 9.00pm (tea & coffee from 7.00)
ALL WELCOME

We have invited all the local candidates to join us and all have said they will
Elise Dunweber, Conservatives
Justin Saxton, English Democrats
Christine Gilligan, Green Party
Harry Harpham, Labour
Jonathan Harston, Liberal Democrats

Maxine Bowler for TUSC

John Booker for UKIP

Come early if you want to submit a question or pass it to Huw Thomas.



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.





Don Sparkes who was vicar of Christ Church from 1963 until 1995 passed away on Thursday 9th April . We pray for his widow Iris, sons Sim and daughters and their families at this sad time, but at the same time rejoice with Don that he is with the Lord he loved and served. Sim and family feel it would be fitting for the funeral to be at Christ Church and it will be held at 10.30am on Tuesday

28th April and followed by doughnuts and cakes at the back of church before the family and friends leave for a committal at 12.30pm. Don had a soft spot for doughnuts and older folk will recall them being served after the first Alpha courses he organized. There are cake boxes for people to take today or next Sunday if you wish to bake something to bring and share (as we did for Hannah) .

Giving series and gift Day

Please take a booklet if you have not done so last week . We are looking at the giving of our time, gifts and also our finances.

We have been blessed greatly by the Lord in the last year through funding bids, but it is also important that we raise funds from our own giving as well ... especially with the unforeseen building costs and vision we have for other projects to enhance our mission. So it is important that we are all praying about how we can alter our giving or think of a fund raising project to contribute . There will be a gift day on 18th May to focus our pledges or giving but before that you might like to be thinking of using our gifts and talents to raise money for Christ Church — making things, coffee morning?

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is NEXT SUNDAY, 26th April

Please pick up a copy of reports and read them before next week's meeting. There will be tea, coffee and cakes at 6pm and a short time of worship at 6.15pm before the Vestry meeting at 6.30pm (at which the wardens will be elected) followed immediately by the APCM when the new PCC (church council) will be elected.

This is open to everyone although only those on the electoral roll can vote. It is a great opportunity to see what God has been doing during the year as we look to firming up our vision process in the coming months.

Church prayer meeting 6.30-7pm every Monday at church. (ex Bank Hol)

Its all go!

*Our fabric team have been working very hard with our architect to finalise plans for **building work on the Welcome Centre**. Scaffolding will be going up from 27th April as Martin Brooks roofing prepare to renew the Welcome Centre roof from 5th May. We anticipate that this will take 8 –10 weeks with the maximum mess and disruption during the first 2-3 weeks as the dormer windows are taken out, electrical and decorating work done. Burngreave Building Company will begin work on the kitchen from 5th May too. So most of the disruption will be limited to May. So for that month, Lunch Club and Night Shelter will be moving down to Pitsmoor Methodist, Toddler Group and the African Elim congregation will be using church.*

Your prayers would be appreciated for all the coordinating of the work and also that we don't find anything disastrous when the roof comes off!

*We are also very grateful that **the ceiling in the north aisle** didn't collapse during Hannah and Will's wedding or during a busy Easter day service. Rain water had been seeping in for a number of years until the plaster board ceiling could bear it no longer and gracefully collapsed at 8pm on Easter Sunday We can probably claim for water damage on insurance, but we feel that the prudent thing to do is to strip a large area of the nave roof back to make sure that we get to grips with damp and rot. This will be extra expense, maybe running into thousands, and I am going to propose that part of the our gift day on May 18th will go towards that. **(Please check out May 18th in your teaching booklet)***



WELL DONE, DENISE LAWRENSEN AND KATE THOMAS FOR FINISHING THE SHEFFIELD HALF-MARATHON LAST WEEK.



Sunday 26th April at St Peter's will be the last Messy Church with the help of St Philip's. So we need volunteers to help us run messy Church Light on 31st May. Any volunteers who like crafts, please see Philip or Frances

Christian Aid week is rapidly approaching. Our contribution to it will be a 3 churches walk on 9th May, starting at St. Cuthberts, then to St. Peters and finishing at Christ Church