

This week

Next week

PENTECOST Sunday 24th May 9.30am Holy Communion, 11am Family Worship,

Bank Holiday week: only Limb's home group will meet

(no Communion on Thursday 28th May)

Sunday 31st May Messy Church at St Peter's at 4pm

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Mon 1st June Church prayer meeting 6.30-7pm in church The Singers meet at Kate Thomas's house

Tues 2nd June 7.30pm Limb's home group

Wed 3rd June Toddler Group 9.30-11.30am 7.30pm Prayer and Praise at the vicarage.

Thurs 4th June : Holy Communion (hopefully back at Christ Church) coffee, chairbics and Lunch Club 7pm Community choir in church.

International meal in the Welcome Centre

Saturday 6th June Children's Church trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park.

There are still some very subsidized spaces for lay people at the Diocesan Conference at Swanwick in mid-June. See Philip

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.

If you would like to make a donation to the flower fund or help arrange flowers in church, please see Frances or June. As June is unwell again, help to arrange flowers would be much appreciated. Thanks

Christ Church Pitsmoor

Christian community for all nations

Pentecost 24th & 31st May 2015



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Philip writes: Not too late to give or pledge

Please pray and reflect now on what you can give. While we heard this week that the insurers will pay for internal repairs to the ceiling and wall in church, they will not pay for damage to the roof structure. So this will need further investigation and the architect will be applying to the government funding pot for major roof repairs. For those away last week, we would also like you to review your weekly giving and consider taking out a standing order and gift aid it. We also have spare giving envelopes. At the last PCC we agreed to increase our contribution to the Diocesan Common Fund from £40,000 to £42,000 in 2016. Bishop Steven has asked parishes to move away from seeing 'quota' or 'parish share' as a tax but rather as supporting the Diocesan family of churches. I am very pleased that we are increasing our share into this. So far we have received £1035 in gifts and £350 in pledges.



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.





Thank you to all who have donated. Please place any outstanding gifts in the collection plate by the end of May



4-5.30pm on Sunday 31st May at St Peter's will be the first Messy Church with out the help of St Philip's. GIG are helping volunteers with drama, crafts or other activities for a time of fun for all the family as we look at our journeys of faith and share tea together.

Want to find out more about the Christian faith? Why not come on a six week START course beginning Monday June 1st 7.30 at St. Peters



The new kitchen will be finished this week & hall by 4th June!

We are very thankful for our wonderful team of builders who have worked around our church activities. Also to Konstantin who is decorating the kitchen on a voluntary basis. Once the flooring is down next Wednesday, the big sink and dishwasher can be re-plumbed and we the work will be complete.

The wiring in the hall has been done (THE SOCKETS WORK!!!) and is just waiting for the new light fittings, plastering and painting of the ceiling. So the work is on target for completion before the next Lunch Club and International meal on 4th June.

Your prayers would be appreciated for the rest of the roofing and the repairs to the church roof after that, but let us praise the Lord for His provision so far.



Children's Church trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park June 6th see Pat, Jane or Philip. Coach trip to Cleethorpes on Saturday July 4th, bookings to Maureen. 2757240

Review of hospitality

It is over a year now since we reviewed our welcoming and refreshments provision. There will be an opportunity shortly to review what we do and look to improve our practices. We also hope to provide some training for people who wish to join the team as a response to giving their talents. Frances is hoping to check possible dates with everyone on the teams in the next few weeks.

Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults

From 10am-12.30pm on **Saturday 13th June** we shall be holding a training session with Sue Booth, Sheffield Diocese Safeguarding Officer. If we are involved with adults when they are vulnerable, eg **visiting people** when they are ill and need help or involved in activities like offering transport by car or shopping for them, then it is advised that we make ourselves aware of the safeguarding requirements. So could all **Readers, Lunch Club volunteers, car and minibus drivers and all those visiting people at home when they are vulnerable, please keep this date free and give your name to Frances.**

GIG, Grow in God, now has a dozen young people attending it. Last Sunday we travelled by minibus to Woodlands All Saints for a youth service called Soul Space run by members of the youth group we set up a number of years ago. Its great to see them in leadership positions and we're hoping that GIG young people will begin to learn the same skills at Messy Church. We thought around the issues surrounding playing video games and how the way we think affects the way we act. On Tuesday the group was at the Vicarage for a Pentecost session with John O'Brien, Schools evangelist. The group is open to any young people aged 10 and over. See Philip, Frances or Jane for more details.