

### ***This week***

**Sunday 14th February 9.30am Holy Communion 11am Family Worship**

*Lent Sermon Series on The Lord's Prayer*

**Mon 15th Feb 6.30—7pm Prayer in Church **START Course** continues at Jeanette and Shane's at 7.00pm ( see Philip)**

**Tues 16th Feb** *Firshill School group visiting church in the afternoon 5.15pm Grow In God (GIG) (10-14s) 7.30pm Limb's home group.*

**Wed 17th Feb** *Toddler Group 9.30—11.30am  
6.30pm Reader training session at St Peter's Warmsworth*

**Thurs 18th Feb** *9.45am Holy Communion ( **NO Lunch Club** as a number of team are away ) 7pm Community Choir , The Sitting Room*

### ***Next Week***

**Mon 22nd Feb** *Firshill School group visiting church in the afternoon 6.30-7pm church open for prayer, **START** course*

**Tues 23rd** *Firshill School group visiting church in the afternoon  
7.30pm Home group at the Limb's  
7.30pm After Eight women's group at The Bay Horse*

**Wed 24th Feb** *Toddler Group 9.30—11.30am  
6.30pm Reader training session at St Peter's Warmsworth*

**Thurs 25th Feb** *9.45am Holy Communion followed by coffee and Lunch Club 7pm Community Choir , The Sitting Room*

**Please can you contact with diary/newsheet dates for March next 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. 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. Help to arrange flowers would be much appreciated. Thanks**

If you would like to receive the news by email, please contact Maureen in the office.

## **Christ Church Pitsmoor**

in the Northern Lights Mission Partnership

*Christian community for all nations*

**Sunday 14th February 2016**



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Today we are carrying on with our series on the Lord's prayer today. "Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name". In the first service we will be thinking about how Jesus called God, his father, a revolutionary thing to do. He invites us to do the same and to grow in an intimate relationship with God. In the second service Ange and

Yvonne will be thinking more about God's name.. The one who created the universe, black holes and the rest, is the one who comes close to us and invites us to know him as a loving caring Father. How good is that!

**A new group for men has begun and meets at Mike Dennett's home, 220, Rutland Road.. We are meeting again on Wednesday at 7.30 and will be thinking about forgiveness.**

## **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.



**Lent:** The Limb's home group will continue

over Lent and there will be afternoon and evening groups at St Cuthbert's that we are welcome to join.

**A CHALLENGE:** During lent, 'The Sitting Room' group in consultation with service leaders will be moving the chairs. You may like some arrangements and groan at others. ...please be open to new things and patiently grow in grace just for now!

“The 40 days leading up to Easter can be some of the most life-giving, perspective-changing, hope-filled days of the entire year.”

-MargaretFeinberg.com #LentChallenge

**Books:** Charlie has prepared a bookstall with Lent materials. There are also some copies of Word for Today for February –April coming which are FREE. So if you do not already read a Bible verse or passage each day why not use a copy to help you 'pause for thought' in Lent. Charlie can also order a book you may have seen advertised and would like to have a look at or buy.

One of Philip's recommended reads is 'Seeking Allah-Finding Jesus' an autobiography by Nabeel Qureshi who has studied both faiths in a personal as well as an academic way. It is clearly presented and well balanced.

Several copies of Nathan Foster's **Making of an Ordinary Saint** will be available by Lent. A fairly easy to read modern comment on Nate's own spiritual journey with reflections by his dad, Richard, who wrote the spiritual classic 'Celebration of Discipline', which is also on the bookstall.

**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT:** As Martin Luther King famously said, 'before you finish eating breakfast in the morning, you've depended on more than half the world'. Despite our dependence on farmers and workers for the foods, drinks and products that we love, about 795 million people are undernourished globally.

The people who grow the food we take for granted can't always feed their own families. We can support farmers and workers to put food on the table for their families by harnessing the power of a Fairtrade breakfast.

**When people are paid a fairer price, they can have more control over their lives when times are hard, and worry less about how they will feed their families. Whether it's the extra cash in their pockets or being able to expand their farms to grow more food to eat, Fairtrade means many farmers and workers are able to fulfil a basic human need – to put enough food on the table for the people they care about, all year round.**

*During Fairtrade Fortnight, we will be encouraging campaigners to inspire Big Fairtrade Breakfasts in their community – and wake others up to the challenges facing farmers and workers.*

**Christ Church Family Update:** Please continue to pray for Dorothy who is now settling in at Woodhill Grange would like to visitors (see Philip or Brian) and Robert P in hospital. Vera is now home, but would appreciate prayer and support. We continue to pray for the Reid family and the Newman family in their loss.



**“Thank you for your interest, prayers and financial support for our Building Appeal towards the purchase of the old Burngreave library for the Rock Fellowship. We praise God that He has enabled us to raise all the funds necessary to purchase the site without a mortgage. A total of over £206,000 has been given in gifts and £156,000 in interest free loans and we are waiting for a further £4,000 in Gift Aid. A total of £366,000. We estimate the final cost of purchase with legal fees etc. will be approximately £365,000. The whole congregation rejoices in God's amazing provision through the generosity of His people.**

The completion of the purchase has been delayed by Sheffield Council not being able to provide our solicitor with a complete set of title documents. Our solicitor has now obtained all the documents direct from the land registry and subject to some minor legal negotiations with Sheffield Council, we hope to complete the purchase before the end of February.

Within a few months we hope to move the Burngreave Foodbank and some offices into the former library building. We will also be submitting the planning application for the major building project that will create the central concourse, the 450+ seat auditorium and other facilities.

We have already put together a concept document and costings for the major expense of the building project (estimated cost £670,000). These documents are being sent out to charities and funds for their consideration. Please join with us in praying that our grant applications will be fruitful and that we will be able to commence the building project at the earliest opportunity.

Thank you for your support, prayers and generosity. We will endeavour to keep you informed of progress and look forward to the day when we can invite you to the grand opening of our new church facility.”

Every blessing Jon Watts