

This week

Sunday 7th Feb *Introducng our Lent Sermon Series on The Lord's Prayer*

9.30am Holy Communion 11 am All Age Worship

Mon 8th Feb 6.30—7pm Prayer in Church **START Course** begins at Jeanette and Shane's at 7.30pm (see Philip)

Shrove Tues 9th Feb Flip It - Pancake Party at St Peter;s 3-5pm

Ash Wednesday (no Toddler group) Holy Communion at 10.30am at St Cuthbert's and 7.30pm at St Peter's

Thurs 10th 9.45am Communion at Chris Church (no Lunch Club)
7pm Community Choir in the Hall and Sitting Room at back of church

Next Week

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

Mon 15th Feb 6.30-7pm church open for prayer, **START** course

Tues 16th Feb 7.30pm Limb's home group.

Wed 17th Feb Toddler Group 9.30–11.30am :

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

Great to hear about the **Snowdrop Project** last week at the 11 a.m. service as we focused on human trafficking. Mark Lawrenson preached on the real Christmas story and Mary's struggle and God's rescue. We also heard from Rachel about Snowdrop's work in Sheffield and it would be great to support it as a church

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

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Our picture shows Isaac Hanson with our MP Harry Harpham last November when Harry visited Christ Church to receive our climate change comments from the Riding Lights play, Baked Alaska. Harry passed on the comments in time for the Paris climate change talks. Shortly afterwards we heard of Harry's illness and this week of his untimely death from cancer. Many tributes have poured in for Harry and we are so sad for his family and friends, and constituency workers.

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.



“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

Lent: Ash Wed services: 10th Feb

7.30 at St Cuthbert's 7.30pm at St Peter's

Courses: So far we are planning to do a START course at Shane and Jeanette's house for those new to Christian faith and wanting to look at developing their spiritual journey. See Philip if you would like to join us. It starts tomorrow evening.

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!

Books: Charlies 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



helping our children grow up well

This is part of a national tour and will be a really good evening for parents of children up to 11 years old. Tickets £6, but help available if needed

SIGN UP AT BACK OF CHURCH or see Frances

7.30-10pm Wed 9th March at Double Tree by Hilton Hotel, Sheffield Park



Members from the three churches in the **Northern Light Mission Partnership** were at New York Stadium yesterday for a learning community event with other Mission Partnerships. We had a great day. Bok May 15th 4p.m. for our next big event on Ellesmere Green.

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). Also for Peggy who is still 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.



New to thinking about Christian faith or wondering where you are on life's journey? Join us at Jeanette and Shane's on starting 8th Feb

Last call for all those unwanted specs. Brian has a box at the back of church to collect them in. Thanks for all donations so far.



St Valentine's social at St Cuthbert's Saturday 13th February

BBC will be a recording
Songs of Praise

Junior School Choir of the Year from Sheffield City Hall 2.30 - 6.30pm
Saturday 27th February

LAST CHANCE to apply for tickets which can be done up to 11th February by:
Email: songsofpraise@bbc.co.uk,
Phone: 0161 335 8429

"The Sitting Room"

More volunteers to help to provide a warm and welcoming space for those who want or need a place to go. Tackling destitution, offering hospitality and providing great opportunities to meet and eat together. It involves taking a turn to come on a Thursday between 7.00 and 9.45. Talk to Ingrid, Kate or Huw or just come along.
Dates: 11th, 18th 25th February, 10th, 17th March