

This (Holy) Week

Palm Sunday 20th March 9.30am Holy Communion 11am Family Worship

Mon 21st March 1.30-2.30 Women's Fellowship Lent Group at St Cuthbert's Barnsley Road S5 6UB 7pm Chrism service at Sheffield Cathedral with healing ministry and dedication of lay ministers

6.30—7pm Prayer in Church **Tues 22nd March** Limb's Home Group 7.30pm

Wed 23rd March 7.30pm Reader Core Group at the vicarage After Eight at 7.30pm in church

Maundy Thursday 24th March 6pm service in church followed by 7pm The Sitting Room (inform Ange if you wish to stay for food)

Good Friday see front of sheet

Easter Sunday 10.30am Holy Communion

There will be no regular church events in Easter week except

Thursday 31st March 9.45am Holy Communion

Saturday 2nd April Bereavement Café in church 3-5pm

Sunday 3rd April 9.30am Holy Communion 11am All Age Worship

Pastor John Watts writes: Thrilled and thankful to finally be able to announce that we have completed the purchase of our new church site - the former Burngreave Library & Housing Benefit Offices and Car Park - a half acre site on Spital Hill / Spital Lane in the heart of the local community. Praising God that we have raised all the money to purchase without a mortgage. We only need around £670,000 for the redevelopment project to create a central concourse, a 450+ seat auditorium and community rooms - so if anyone is feeling generous - let me know!!

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.

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Sunday 20th March 2016



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Easter Fun Afternoon

Sunday 20th March

4-5.30pm younger children up to 11yrs

5.30-7pm secondary age young people

At St Peter's Church,

Lyons Street S4 7EP



Holy Week

Maundy Thursday:

6pm service with foot washing (all welcome to join the Sitting Room for food and friendship at 7pm)

Good Friday meet at St Peter's at 1.45pm to walk to Christ Church for Meditation on the Cross at 3pm & 7.30pm at St Peter's

Easter Sunday 10.30am
All Age Holy Communion

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.



Bible Survey results

90% of those who filled in the questionnaire liked to follow the readings in the church Bibles, 56% of those all the time. 66% are happy with the version we have at present while 34% would prefer another version (NIV was the favourite with these people). 63% of people would also like to see the readings on the screen like the prayers and songs.

This feedback was greatly appreciated for discussion at PCC and it was decided that we should keep the church Bibles we have and that when a preacher discerns that a different version gives a better translation of the passage he/she is preaching on, that the other version can be displayed on the screen or a handout.

Would anyone like to help decorate church for Easter?

Please see June or Frances to a time. It is likely we shall prepare some arrangements and store them in the Holroyd Room during Thursday or Friday & finish putting everything in place on Saturday morning. Donations for flowers are appreciated as well.

Brian and Amanda are getting married in Christ Church on Sat 9th April

They would like to invite church family to join them as they make their vows and afterwards for coffee and cake at the back. If you would like to help or can bake a dozen cup cakes please see Ange or Frances



Pitsmoor Bereavement Café: 3-5pm 1st Sat of each month

Are you grieving for a loved one?

Would you like a space to sit and talk with others, or just have a cup of tea in a supportive environment?

Bereavement Café is a new monthly peer-support space for bereaved adults of any age, set up by a group of people who have experienced bereavement ourselves.

All are welcome to join us for: tea and cakes, a quiet space, a listening ear

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS ON SATURDAY 16th APRIL

Islamic Awareness Day at Christ Church : a repeat of the very informative event held early in the year at St. Peters for those who were unable to attend the last event. **10 a.m. at Christ Church. Led by Chris Hewer.** "Best teaching day I've been to in years", "Brilliant, faith challenging event".

Imagine Satsang: an evening of prayer and worship with different Asian cultures worshipping Jesus together. 7pm at Rock fellowship, Carlisle Street.



Annual Parochial Church Meeting Sunday 17th April 2016

This year the annual meeting will be held in the morning to encourage most people to take part. There will be one service of Holy Communion with children's activities at 10.30am and a brief coffee break followed by the APCM at 11.30am.

At this meeting there will be an opportunity to elect up to 4 new PCC members to replace those who are standing down. This year Lionel will also stand down as church warden and a successor needs to be appointed.

- ◇ If you are not sure if you are on the electoral role as a church member, please see Jane Skinner. If you wish to join the roll, there are forms on the welcome table. Only those on the roll may vote.
- ◇ If you would like to stand for PCC you will need to be nominated
- ◇ If you would like to nominate someone to stand for PCC, you will need to ask their permission and fill in a nomination form
- ◇ If you wish to nominate someone for church warden, please talk to them and Philip first and ask for a form
- ◇ If you have been leading a church group this year, please prepare a report and email it or leave a copy to Maureen in the office as soon as possible

Next Confirmation Service will be 13th July

There will be a **service of baptism and confirmation** at Christ Church at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13th July. If you would like to be baptised or confirmed as the next step in your Christian commitment, please see Philip or contact the vicarage. There will also be a course after Easter for children who have been baptised and would now like to be admitted to Communion, but do not yet feel ready to be confirmed.

Songs of Praise

25 members of Christ Church enjoyed attending the recordings We can all watch the results of the Choir of the Year competitions when they are broadcast on **3rd, 10th & 24th April**

New Bishop of Leicester

Martin Snow will be enthroned as Bishop of Leicester in Friday 13th May. He sends a warm invitation to apply for tickets to anyone from Christ Church who would like to go. Please see Lionel for further information.