

"CELEBRATIONS FOR OUR NEW BUILDING"

Next weekend is our 3 days of celebrations and all plans are now in place.

We are hoping to announce the chosen name of our extensions very soon, in fact it could well be today.

We would like to invite you, and you in turn invite a non church family, to our Family Disco on Friday 3 February 5.30 - 7pm. So whether you have children aged 5 or 55 we would love you to join us (bring ear plugs if you want!). Cheese and wine will be served for the "older children" with squash and crisps for the "younger children!" Please let Caroline Seaton or Pam Bevan know how many people you will be bringing for catering purposes.

Saturday 4 February will be Open Day with invitations to our own congregation, other local churches and the wider community. The building contractors and their staff, together with donors which includes local businesses will also be invited. Do take the opportunity to bring your family and friends to see what we have achieved. From 10am until noon we shall be offering bacon baps, from noon until 2pm it will be hot soup and a roll and from 2pm until 4pm cream teas will be served.

Jeanette Croft is overseeing these arrangements and obviously will need a team of helpers. Please offer your help to Jeanette. We hope to have a raffle on the Saturday and it would be helpful if you would kindly donate a prize. Clive will accept these from you.

On Sunday 5 February the Bishop of Lichfield will be with us for the 11am service, which will be conducted by Pippa. After the service we hope to be able to offer a lasagne light lunch. There will be a list in church for numbers to be supplied.

Christ Church Notices

for the week beginning Sunday 29 January 2012
Presentation of Christ in the Temple

The Collect

**Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God. Amen.**

Prayer After Communion

**Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna,
who lived to welcome the Messiah:
may we, who have received these gifts beyond words,
prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes
to bring us to eternal life;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.**

Today's Readings:

Hebrews 2:14-end

Luke 2:22-40

Next Sunday's Readings

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

The Week Ahead

Tuesday	7.45pm	Pastoral Team Meeting in annex
Wednesday	11.00am	Funeral of Ella Lewis
Wednesday	1.00pm	Prayer Lunch
Wednesday	7.30pm	Worship Planning Meeting in annex
Friday	9.30am	Holy Communion
Friday	11.00am	Healing Course @ GS

PRAYER POINTS:

Please include these items in your prayers this week.

- ▶ Our teachers & school governors
- ▶ Our service personnel
- ▶ Christians in Pakistan

The three churches of this benefice as they prepare for the induction of our new team rector Revd Phillip Wootton on 28 April 2012.

LENT 2012 Lent begins on 22 February - Ash Wednesday when there will be a service at 9.30am with 'ashing' at The Good Shepherd and another at 7.30pm at Christ Church.

This year I am keen, after the prompting of Norman Lewis, that we should take things out of Lent rather than add more things in.

We have tried to make sure we have no business meetings for the duration and I would urge you also to try to deliberately drop some of your busy-ness. Instead we are offering two periods for Meditation each week of half an hour each: each Wednesday at 1.00pm at Christ Church and each Friday at 7.30pm at Good Shepherd.

Please try and make this a priority when you can listen to what the Lord is saying. PIPPA.

Healing Course - Pippa is going to run a course on Healing starting in January. It will take place at The Good Shepherd at 11.00am on Fridays, and last for one and a half hours. 3 February & 10 February.

Mothers' Union - Make a Mother's Day

If you would like to give an alternative gift to your mother, or in her memory, this Mothering Sunday on 18th March, "Make a Mother's Day" offers ethical gifts. Catalogues can be found at the back of church.

FAIRTRADE GOODS will be on sale at both services next Sunday (a week early to coincide with the special weekend). The stall will also be here with extra goods on Saturday. Any special requests to Ann Fulljames (tel. 425710) by Wednesday, please.

Music for Lent. The choir is meeting from 6.15pm to 7.00pm on Tuesday February 7th in the new meeting room. Singers who joined the choir for the carol service and anyone else (including instrumentalists) interested in finding out about some Taizé music we plan to use during Lent are invited to join us. You will be most welcome.

Singers wanted for wedding 12.00 noon Saturday 11 February Christ Church. The couple getting married have requested a choir for the event and additional singers are welcome to join the choir. For either, or both, of the above events please get in touch with John Collins 01902 750800.

Vacancy: Book & Gift Shop Assistant An opportunity has arisen to join the friendly team of staff and volunteers at Lichfield Cathedral Book and Gift Shop as a part time sales assistant. 21 hours per week. Salary £6,648 per annum. It would involve some weekend working. For further details see www.lichfield-cathedral.org.

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