

"CELEBRATIONS FOR OUR NEW BUILDING"

This week our church has received a cheque for £2500 from the Beatrice Laing Trust as a result of an application made from the Building Fund committee. What fantastic news coming the weekend of our celebrations.

Thanks to the hard work of Caroline Seaton and Pam Bevan, children young and old had a great time at the disco on Friday evening. The parents who accompanied them also enjoyed the cheese and wine.

As a result of the commitment of many members of the congregation our open day yesterday was a great success with many people visiting, who we would not normally see in church and everyone enjoyed seeing the "Jubilee Rooms" and sampling our Christ Church hospitality. Thanks to everyone who played a part in any way.

Thanks to all those who donated a raffle prize, we were overwhelmed with your generosity. In fact we had more prizes than we needed and some have been retained for use at the Jean Martyn concert evening.

Fliers are being given out over the whole weekend promoting the Jean Martyn evening which is being held on Saturday 3 March 2012. You will recall that Jean was a finalist in the 2011 Britain's Got Talent contest and was therefore unable to make our original booking date. Do make a note of this in your diary and try to purchase your tickets well before the date as we are anticipating this concert will be a sell out. Tickets are priced at £8 for an adult and £5 for a young person.

Christ Church Notices
for the week beginning Sunday 5 February 2012
3rd Sunday before Lent

The Collect

**Eternal God,
whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Prayer After Communion

**Merciful Father,
who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life,
that those who come to him should never hunger:
draw us to the Lord in faith and love,
that we may eat and drink with him
at his table in the kingdom,
where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen.**

Today's Readings:

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

Next Sunday's Readings

Proverbs 8:1,22-31

John 1:1-14

FAIRTRADE GOODS are on sale at both services today.

The Week Ahead

Tuesday	6.15-7.15pm	Choir practise
Thursday	7.30am	Prayer Breakfast at URC
Thursday	1.00pm	Prayer Lunch
Thursday	7.30pm	Wedding rehearsal
Friday	9.30am	Holy Communion
Friday	11.00am	Healing Course @ GS
Saturday	12 noon	Wedding of Adam Walker & Samantha Strutt

PRAYER POINTS:

Please include these items in your prayers this week.

- ▶ Our Archbishops & Local Bishops
- ▶ People who live in your road/street
- ▶ Prayer breakfast/lunch

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.

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.

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.

The next Alpha Course will start on Mon 20 Feb at 7.30 p.m. at 14 Hinckes Road (off Regis Road) - home of Norma Powney. Anyone wishing to join the group, please contact Joy Dipple - Tel: 750680.

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