

BUILDING FUND NOTICES

Our church has received a cheque for £2750 from Allchurches Trust Ltd as a result of a quality application made some months ago by George Reiss on behalf of the Building Fund committee. Allchurches Trust Ltd is the owner of Ecclesiastical Insurance Group to whom our church and many other churches pay annual insurance premiums. There is now just one more outstanding result to come to us from an application made by George Hanna to yet another Trust but this will not be known for a few weeks yet. Watch this space and keep praying !!!

Those members of the congregation who were present at the Jean Martyn Concert on Saturday 3 March will I am sure have enjoyed a great evening. After expenses the event has made a net profit of £756.39.

Sincere thanks to everyone who helped both before the event and on the night of the event to make this so successful.

Our next concert in church is on Saturday 19 May when the Cannock Chase Orpheus Choir will be performing. Please note this in your diaries. Please note that there will be no cake stall this month because of Lent and there will also be no cake stall in April. Jean Martyn is appearing on TV on "Songs of Praise" this evening if you are interested in watching.

ATTENTION ALL WALKERS! - On the Way - Saints Way Pilgrimage - 25 March - 1 April. A group of 12 people will be walking the 88 mile route and walkers are invited to join the group for part or all of the day, and to share in prayers at the start of each day, and worship at the finish of each day. Also to listen to Russ Parker and others preach at some of the ancient 'Preaching Crosses' en route. Contact Philip Swan for further info.

CHRISTIAN AID SPONSORED WALK - this year will take place on Sat. 24/3 at Tittensor Reservoir near Leek starting at 10am. Walkers can choose between a 2 mile or 5 mile walk. Sponsor forms from John Bamford 01782 516137. Free parking for walkers.

PLEASE NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Find us online at: www.christchurchtettenhallwood.co.uk

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Parish Office: **01902 238988**

Christ Church Notices
for the week beginning Sunday 18 March 2012
Mothering Sunday

The Collect

**God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Prayer After Communion

**Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink
of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Today's Readings:
2 Corinthians 1:3-7
Luke 2:33-35

Next Sunday's Readings
Jeremiah 31:31-34
John 12:20-33

The Week Ahead

Monday		please note Prayer Lunch cancelled due to funeral of Doris Phillips in church at 1.15pm.
Wednesday	1.00pm	Meditation for Lent
Thursday	7.30am	Prayer Breakfast at URC
Friday	9.30am	Holy Communion
Saturday	12 noon	Lent Lunch - The Church At Perton

PRAYER POINTS:

Please include these items in your prayers this week.

- ▶ Organists, Band, Choir
- ▶ Lent groups
- ▶ Church Missionaries

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

The Bishop of Lichfield's Lent Appeal will this year be supporting Christian initiatives working with children and young people both overseas and here in the UK (More information at back of church). Grey envelopes are available for your donation, and can be added to the weekly collection any time up until Easter Sunday. If you cannot sign up for Gift Aid, just put a line through the declaration. Thank you .

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.

The next First Sunday Service 1st April (Palm Sunday) will be a communion service.

Lent Lunches - Please see poster at the back of church for details of this year's Lent lunches, the proceeds from which will be donated to the Covenanting Churches' charities for 2012 - Rwanda Child, Wolverhampton Food Bank and Fare Share.

MAUNDY THURSDAY - you are invited to the service at Lichfield Cathedral at 11a.m.

In preparation for Easter, we will be holding a Spring clean/work party on Saturday 31 March, starting at 9am. All are welcome to join us, for whatever time you can spare. Why not come along and treat yourself to a lent lunch at the same time? Please see Phil Dent or the wardens for further info.

BOOKSTALL There is a new selection of books and cards on display, including the popular novel 'The Shack'.

The New English Orchestra's next concert will be at Birmingham Town Hall Saturday 21 April at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are available from the Town Hall - www.thsh.co.uk or phone 0121 780 3333.

REVISION OF ELECTORAL ROLL Each year the electoral roll is updated. If you are not already on the roll, and would like to be, please see Carol Key or one of the wardens. The final date for handing in forms is **TODAY**.

Mothers' Union Quiz Sheets - Another quiz sheet with the theme of "Families" is available, price £1. Branch members have decided that money raised will go towards the Literacy & Development Programme & to Away From It All holidays (AFIA). Sheets are available from Carol Key or Margaret Boxall. To be returned by 31 March.

MOTHERS' UNION - Easter Eggs and Toiletries. During Lent we will be collecting Easter Eggs and toiletries for the Haven Homes. This annual gesture is very much appreciated by those who are experiencing a difficult family life. If anyone would like to contribute, there will be boxes in church. Thank you.

Transport Rota - please let Angela Williams know any dates between April/June when you will not be available please.

Mary Maddocks would like to thank her many friends at Christ Church for their kind 'get well' messages and lovely flowers which she has received since her recent operation. Thank you and may God bless you all.

EASTER FLOWERS - THERE IS A BOX AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR YOUR KIND DONATIONS.

THANK YOU to everyone who attended the Women's World Day of Prayer service on Friday 2 March; and a big thank you to those who took part or assisted in any way. The sum of £230.89 was collected which will go towards the work carried out by the national committee in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. (Scotland has its own committee.) People from many denominations across the world took part. The "Mexican Wave" of prayer began at dawn in Tonga, and the last service of the day was in Samoa.

LECTURE BY RENOWNED AUTHOR AND CONSULTANT DR ROGER HAYDON MITCHELL - titled 'Recovering the Radical Jesus'. Monday 19 March at The Workspace, All Saints Rd., W'Ton. WV2 1EL. 2 sessions: 10-11.30am and 12-1pm.