

BUILDING FUND NOTICES at CHRIST CHURCH

Tickets are now available for the Cannock Chase Orpheus Choir Concert in church on Saturday 19 May commencing at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £8 for an adult and £5 for a young person. Soft drinks and wine will be available during the interval and there will be a raffle. This choir have a very varied repertoire and it should be a great evening.

Tickets are available from Vi O'Leary at the 8am service and Phil and Clive at 11am.

Please support this event by telling your relatives/friends and neighbours. It would help us greatly if you could please deliver some of the flyers which we have prepared and push them through letterboxes for us. They are at the rear of church. Thank you for your help.

Due to popular request the Cake stall will return on Sunday 20 May, 2012 so please can you support this with either providing or buying some of the delicious cakes. The jams preserves and pickles which are permanently now in church will be rather more prominent on 20 May, 2012. Grateful thanks to Eileen Ward for her continuous support.

Thanks are expressed to Vi O'Leary who has taken over from Gladys Martin with the running of The Fairtrade Stall at the 8.00am service. Thank you Gladys for all your hard work.

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

PLEASE NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

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PARISH NOTICES

Christ Church and The Church of the Good Shepherd

for the week beginning Sunday 29 April 2012
4th Sunday of Easter

<u>Services At Christ Church:</u>	Friday 9.30am Holy Communion
	Sunday 11.00am Parish Communion
	1 st Sunday Service - "Sunday Praise"

<u>Services at Good Shepherd:</u>	Wednesday 9.30am Holy Communion
	Sunday 9.30am Family Communion
<u>Good Shepherd Prayer Area this week:</u>	Limehurst Ave., Studley Road.

The Collect

**Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Prayer After Communion

**Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Today's Readings:

1 John 3:16-end

John 10:11-18

Next Sunday's Readings

1 John 4:7-end

John 15:1-8

The Week Ahead

Monday	2.00pm	Flower Festival Meeting @ CC
Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion @ GS
Thursday	7.30am	Prayer Breakfast at URC
Thursday	9.30am	Holy Communion @ CC
Friday	12.30pm	Prayer Lunch
Saturday	12.30pm	Wedding of Daniel Lowther & Sarah Philpott @ CC

PRAYER POINTS:

Please include these items in your prayers this week.

- ▶ The Bible Society & Christian Aid
- ▶ Our Queen & Government
- ▶ Alpha Spirit day next weekend

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 13 - 19 May - Christ Church. We are looking for collectors so we can cover all the streets that Christ Church is responsible for. Unfortunately, the need for the money that the week generates is as great as ever. Please sign on the lists at the back of Church. By the way, it's more fun to do it with a friend. Please contact Angela Williams (tel 310812) if you want more information. Please help.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 13 - 19 May - Good Shepherd. In a time of recession, the world's poorest are hit first and hardest, and Christian Aid's help really does enable people to be able to support themselves. If you think you could help with the House to House collection in this area, please sign the list at the back of Church, or have a word with David Fulljames (tel. 425 710) or with Rachel. There are short streets, or you could share a street with a friend - that makes it more enjoyable. Many thanks for thinking and praying about this.

New Rotas - CC - about to be compiled. Please let Richard Humphreys know in the next couple of weeks any dates when you are not available. Many thanks, Angela.

Mothers' Union - the Deanery Festival Service takes place in Kinver on 3 May. Please say if you wish to attend and whether you require or can offer a lift. This would be most helpful.

The Children's Society Collection Boxes - We have received a letter of thanks from The Children's Society for the £708.52 from the collection boxes for 2011. A big thank you to all who contributed. If you would like a blue box to contribute to this most worthy cause please contact Andrea Westlake or ask one of the wardens. Thank you.

Mothers Union Many thanks to all members and anyone in the congregation who joined with us in the collection of Easter eggs and toiletries for families at the Haven homes! 74 large eggs, some cream eggs and numerous bags of toiletries were delivered and gratefully received! A wonderful result!

THANK YOU to everyone who bought a Mothers' Union quiz sheet to raise money for the Literacy & Development Programme & for Away From It All holidays (AFIA). The sum of £34 was raised and Pat Willis is the winner. If you wish to see the answers a sheet is at the back of church, or please ask Carol Key.

Parish Share 2012 - Good News!

We have received an email from the Finance Director at Lichfield to indicate that our Parish Share for 2012 is to be reduced by nearly £15,000 (subject to ratification by the Bishop's Council) to approximately £75,000.

We particularly needed to get this matter settled before Philip was installed, as this debate preceded his appointment.

Many thanks to John Biddulph and a few others whose tenacity in pursuing this matter has resulted in this fantastic news.

The Archdeacon's visitation and Admission of Church Wardens will this year take place at St Bartholomew's Church, Penn at 7.30pm on Wednesday 9 May. All welcome.

Good Shepherd Lent Lunches - thanks to all who came to Lent Lunches to raise money for the Bishop's Lent Appeal. £316.40 was raised.

Good Shepherd Ladies Guild - trip to David Austen Roses on Wednesday 13 June. Meet 1.45pm, tour 2.00pm, afternoon tea 3.15pm. Please let Jane or Judith have £7 by 6 May. Many thanks, Judith.