

# Welcome to Christ Church

## Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2012

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent



#### Christ Church

8.30 am Holy Communion (CW2)

*Reading:* 1 Chronicles 29:10-17

*Gospel* Matthew 25 31-46

*President :* Rosemary

*Preacher:* Finance Team

10.00 am Parish Communion  
Stewardship Sunday

*President :* Rosemary

*Preacher:* Finance Team

*Reader:* Robert Burns

*Intercessor:* Ruth Grint

Ministry of Prayer in the chancel after  
the Service

*Coffee:* Paul & Denise  
Chamberlain  
Ruth Grint

*Crèche:* June Skinner

6.30 pm Choral Evensong  
at St Martin's

#### Christ Church on the Wells

11.00 am All Age Worship

*Minister & Preacher &:*

Pam Buckingham

#### Collect

Almighty God, give us reverence for all  
creation and respect for every person,  
that we may mirror your likeness in  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The church is fitted with a hearing  
loop, and large print copies of  
hymn books, service and notice  
sheets are on the table at the  
back of church.*



**If you would prefer a gluten-free  
wafer** at Communion, please let a  
sidesman know before the Service.

If this is your first visit to Christ Church  
please call at the Welcome Desk

**Please note that the Parish Office  
will be open on Mon 13 Feb and  
Thurs 16 Feb of the half term week.  
The following week the office will be  
open Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Feb – Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Feb.**

Vicar:- The Revd Rosemary Donovan (01372 720302) (Day off - Friday); [vicar@christchurchepsom.org.uk](mailto:vicar@christchurchepsom.org.uk)

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Today is **Stewardship Sunday** an opportunity at all services for each of us to review our giving to Christ Church both financially and in terms of time and talents. Please prayerfully consider your response and collect your envelope from the back of the Church.

*Rosemary Donovan*

## Evening Worship

Last week we began our Evening Praise which was a resurrection of a previous service. Next week we hold our first Celtic Evening Service using material from the Nothumbria Community.

*Rosemary Donovan*

## Lent Home Groups

Churches Together in Epsom ecumenical Home Groups for Lent 2012 five sessions – one in each of the weeks beginning **26 February to 26 March**. Studying a York course, “*Handing on the Torch: sacred words for a secular world*”. Applications may be made either via [www.ctie.org.uk/events/lent.htm](http://www.ctie.org.uk/events/lent.htm) or by using the sign-up forms in Church. Deadline **Today**.

*Ruth Grint Home Group Co-Ordinator*



## Shrove Tuesday ( 21<sup>st</sup> February)

Pancake Party and Quiz  
Christ Church Hall  
7:30 - 9.00pm.

An altogether for our home

groups but all welcome. Food, fun and fellowship! Sign up sheet at the back of Church. Offers of help with refreshments appreciated please speak to Rosemary or Tricia Coleman.

## Contemplative Prayer Group

The Group meets at 11 am on **14<sup>th</sup> February**. The ‘saying’ on which we will base our ‘listening’ prayer will be from Isaiah: *I have called you by name ... you are mine... created for my glory.*

*Adrian Esdaile 01372 723 770*

## Book Club

The next meeting is at 8pm on Thursday **23<sup>rd</sup> February** at St Barnabas Vicarage, reading *Old Filth* by Jane Gardam.



*Kay Matthews*

**Let Justice Prevail** is the theme for this year's Women's World Day of Prayer service compiled by the women of Malaysia to be held at Epsom Methodist Church at 10.30 am on **Friday, 2 March**. There will also be an evening service at 7 pm at Epsom Baptist Church. Please see poster for more details.

*Jo Woolfe/Devorah Burns*

## Spring Clean and Gardening.

Saturday **10 March 9.30-12.30**. Ever wondered why our beautiful Church and grounds look so well kept? Come and join a small but growing team of people who care enough to put in the work to keep them that way. In the Church there is mainly dusting and polishing and other small tasks which the weekly cleaning team does not have the time to do and yet which make all the difference. There is no vacuum cleaning, washing floors or heavy work and you can choose which tasks you wish to do. Please bring dusters and polish.

In the grounds Richard Martin will be having a bonfire and there will be trees and shrubs to be pruned and cut back, weeding and general maintenance. Please bring any tools you will need.

Rosemary and Craig will be joining us and 'insiders' and 'outsiders' will meet together for coffee and delicious refreshments at 11am. Come when you can and stay as long as you like - 30 minute slots are available. Meet at the Choir Vestry door at the back of the Church near the Hall.

*The Premises Group*

## Call to Prayer.



The second event in this series will be a Quiet Morning on **Saturday 24 March from 10am-12.45pm.** It will be led by Sharon Seal, a trained and experienced Quiet Day and Retreat Leader and is entitled 'What are you

searching for?' Whether you are very experienced or have only just begun to pray, this time is for you. It will be held in the peaceful surroundings of the Church (and grounds if it is fine) and you are invited to come and spend some time with God. There will be no group discussion and you will not be expected to share anything. Just come and be, with helpful suggestions from Sharon about how to use the time. Hot and cold drinks and refreshments will be provided and donations of £5 are invited. Do sign up on the lists available both at Church and on The Wells and come and join me and others in this new venture into prayer.

*Rosemary Donovan. (720302)*

## EasyFundRaising

In addition to the hard copy information now available in church about this new means of bolstering church funds, please note that there is now a hot link to the easyfundraising website at the foot of the home page of our own website - [www.christchurchepsom.org.uk](http://www.christchurchepsom.org.uk)

*Roger Morgan*

## Marmalade

Marmalade, chutney, blackberry jam and apricot jam all for sale to raise funds for University of Life in Fortaleza. Please phone 01372 812175, or come to the hall at coffee time on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

*Avril Shipton*

## The Hogs Back Band Ceildh Night



On Saturday  
**17<sup>th</sup> March** at  
Christ Church, Epsom  
Common. 19.00 to 23.00  
Fish/Chicken & Chips.  
Drinks available. Celidh £6

Supper £4 Children half price.

For more information see Phil and Vicki Goldby  
01372 800714

## Thank you

My grateful thanks to Rosemary and all the dear people of Christ Church who have helped and supported me these past weeks. I think especially of the ladies who gave their time to drive me to the Hospice so I could visit regularly. In addition all the many others who helped with the Service of Remembrance for Diane last week. May you all be richly blessed.  
*Betty Lewsey and family*

## Envelopes for the Office

If you have any unwanted or used A4 envelopes in good condition could you please put them in the Parish Office pigeon hole at the back of the Church. We would like to use them for internal use only. Thank you.

*Pippa Rothwell*

## **Diary for Next Week**

### **Monday 13 February,**

- 09:00 Morning Prayer
- 11.00 Funeral for Phyllis Summers
- 17.00 Evening Prayer

### **Tuesday 14 February,**

- 09:00 Morning Prayer
- 11.00 Contemplative Prayer Group at St Martin's
- 20.00 Home Groups

### **Wednesday 15 February,**

- 09:30 Holy Communion
- 17.00 Group Ministry Evening Prayer at St Barnabas
- 20.00 Bell Ringing

### **Thursday 16 February,**

- 09:00 Morning Prayer
- 10.45 Shake, Rattle & Praise
- 19.30 Choir Practice

### **Friday 17 February,**

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 14.00 Peel Attempt

### **Saturday 18 February**

## **Next Sunday...**

### **Sunday, 19 February**

- 08.30 Holy Communion CW2
- 10:00 All Age Worship  
12 Tribes of Israel
- 11.00 Holy Communion
- 18.30 Evening Celtic Worship

- ❖ Members of our church family and their families,.
- ❖ Any in particular need and those who care for them
- ❖ Those who have died Diane Hall, Phyllis Summers and all who mourn.
- ❖ The conflicts away from home and hope that they will be resolved.
- ❖ Also for the schools as they break up for this half term week.

## **Coffee next Sunday**

Martin & Avril Shipton & June Longhurst

## **Crèche next Sunday**

Crèche - tba

## **PASTORAL VISITS...**

...If you would like to speak to someone in confidence or know of someone in need who would value a visit, please speak to: Sue Matthews, Pastoral Co-ordinator (724080), Jo Woolfe, Pastoral Secretary (726782).

## **THE PRAYER CHAIN...**

...will pray for any concerns with an assurance of total confidentiality. Phone Jo Woolfe 726782 or Sue 724080 (day).

## **In our prayers this week...**