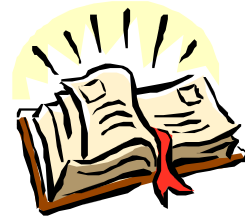

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Worshipping God together and at home, we serve and proclaim Jesus wherever we are.

St.tees bulletin

24th January 2010



Sermons for January

January 24th

- 10:30 am **Holy Communion** Hearing the voice of Jesus speaking to his church (2)
Revelation 2:v8-11. Smyrna
- 6:15 pm **Service of the Word** Set free from slavery (2)
Exodus 2:v11 - 3:end. Better to do it God's way than on your own. The I AM reveals his desire to rescue those who are enslaved.
- 8:15 pm **After Hours** Nooma DVD - Rhythm

January 31st

- 10:30 am **Service of the Word** Jesus's encounter with women (1)
- 6:15 pm **Holy Communion**
- 8:15 pm **After Hours** - a chance to look at love, joy and peace. How can we live it? How are they God's character?

After Hours Aimed at students and young adults aged 16 - 30. We meet in the downstairs centre following the Evening Service. This term seeks to explore the theme of the fruits of the Spirit and will combine talks, discussion topics, Nooma videos and, after listening to feedback on 7th March, there is a chance for people to get a bit creative and organise, prepare and run a mini service!

THIS WEEK

YOUTH ALPHA will be part of ROCK SOLID this term.

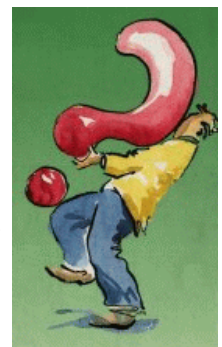
7:03 - 8:32 pm in the downstairs centre. 50p subs plus money for tuck. For anyone in school years 7 - 9. Youth Alpha is also our preparation for Confirmation and / or Baptism course. For more information contact Ian on (01524) 590 416, email ian@st.tees.org.uk or look at the church website. Also, anyone in year 10 or above interested in Youth Alpha do get in touch with Ian.

STUDENT ALPHA

at **The Park pub** (on the corner of Prospect Street & Bowerham Road) on **Monday 25th January** starting at 7:00 pm. This is an open invitation to all students (or people around that age) in the whole of Lancaster.

If you are not directly involved, please be praying for those who are and for God to be preparing the hearts of those who are going to come. Also for God to be continuously guiding and protecting us!

Cooking for Student Alpha There is a sign up sheet at the welcome desk if house groups, or people generally, would like to cook for Student Alpha. There are some ideas too!



FAIRTRADE COFFEE FROM ETHIOPIA TO YOUR KITCHEN

How does it work? Who benefits? Who regulates it? Come along to the Chaplaincy, Lancaster University, **Monday 25th January** at 7:30 pm. Speaker Jo Human, Coordinator of Cumbria Fair Trade Network, worked for Oxfam for 20 years, after time in Kenya and Papua New Guinea.

PRAYING TOGETHER

Beginning this week - a series of prayer meetings to encourage us to join together as a church to pray and to focus on different aspects of the church. **Tuesday 26th January** 7:30 pm in church - the evening will focus on youth and young people's work. Ian, Sarah and Naomi will be sharing with us for prayer.

Future dates for your diary:

- Wednesday 17th February
- Thursday 18th March
- Tuesday 25th May

If a date falls on a house group evening, maybe you would consider meeting as a group with the church community. If you are unable to make any of those dates, do pray as triplets, or individuals in your own home. Watch the Bulletin for further details.



BOOK GROUP meets **Thursday 28th January** 7:30 for 8:00 pm at Brunton Close, Lancaster. Looking at *Hotel du Lac* by Anita Brookner. Further details from Gill Wildon on 01524 39584 or pick up a leaflet from the welcome desk.

EVENTS COMING UP

STUDENT LUNCH

Sunday 7th February in the downstairs centre after the morning service. Free food and a great opportunity to meet people if you are new, or just want to get to know more people. Feel free to bring friends along.

HOUSE GROUP LEADERS' BREAKFAST **Saturday 13th February**

8:30 - 10:00 am in the upstairs centre. If house group leaders cannot attend personally, could you please ask one of your group to represent you. Please confirm your attendance by letting Anne in the office know.

WENDY'S CRAFT WORKSHOP

Saturday 13th February 9:30 am - 3:30 pm in the downstairs centre. Brighten up the Winter Blues with a fun day of jewellery making. Use Fimo, Friendly Plastic and recycled beads to make earrings, necklaces, bracelets, hair slides and brooches. Cost £25.00. For further details contact Wendy on (01524) 61586 or 07817 754 095.

PRAYING FOR THE CHURCH IN OUR CITY

The next Accord Prayer Concert will be on **Friday 19th February** 7:30 pm at Lancaster Free Methodist Church.

HOLIDAY CLUB

for children in Reception to School Year 6 **Tuesday 6th to Friday 9th April**
It's going to be amazing ... don't miss it!! More details for the children coming soon.

We need a team to make Holiday Club happen

Sign up on the welcome desk or contact Sarah Evans (01524) 590 418
sarah@st.tees.org.uk
to find out more about what's involved.

FEEL GOOD IN FEBRUARY! Friday 26th February



7:00 - 11:00 pm in church - keep it free for the **Bollywood Night**. Children's Dancing Competition, Demonstrations and a gorgeous Indian meal. Free soft drinks bar, henna painting and Bindis. Tickets available next Sunday in church, or from the office during the week. £10.00 adults. £5.00 children under 12.

On the previous Saturday (20th) we will be running an Indian clothing library for women. If you have clothes to lend, come along between 11:00 am - 12:00 noon to the downstairs centre. If you would like to borrow clothes and learn how to wear a sari, come between 12:30 and 2:30 pm.

CONFIRMATION 6:15 pm Sunday 13th June

in St Thomas's with Bishop Geoff Pearson, Bishop of Lancaster. Being Confirmed is an opportunity to affirm your baptismal vows and commit yourself to Christian ministry in the wider church and world and would be for those from 12 years old, including adults. Have a word with Saju or one of our Youth Pastors if you are interested.

NOTICE BOARD

CALLING ALL STUDENTS AND STUDENTY AGED PEOPLE...

There is a shiny new leaflet on the welcome desk with lots of info about various things. (Naomi)

LICENSING SERVICE

If anyone from St Thomas's would like to attend the Licensing Service of Peter Guinness as Priest-in-Charge of St Mark's Gillingham on **Thursday 25th February** please let the Church Office know by the end of January. There is the offer of a meal at 6:00 pm and overnight hospitality.

ST THOMAS'S PRE-SCHOOL

Require an Assistant Supervisor to cover maternity leave during the summer and autumn term 2010 with a potential for job share afterwards.

The applicant will be employed during term-time for 22.5 hours a week over 5 days (with additional hours for paperwork).

Applicants should have a minimum NVQ Level 3 (Childcare, Learning and Development) or equivalent qualification, one year experience in a teaching or childcare setting and be sympathetic to the Christian ethos.

For further information and an application pack please contact St Thomas's Church Office. Tel (01524) 590 410 or e-mail:

admin@preschool.tees.org.uk

Closing date for applications Monday 15th February. Interviews week commencing 22nd February.

PARISH SECRETARY

As from the end of March, the position of Parish Secretary at Lancaster Priory becomes vacant. The hours are flexible, but amount to 70 per month. If you are interested, or know of anyone who might be interested please contact the current secretary: Mrs Christine Mullineaux (01524) 65338 for further details.

THE INTERNATIONAL CAFÉ

- for overseas students and families. Pick up information from the welcome desk of events happening this term.

NISCU

(Northern Inter Schools Christian Union) newsletter now available on the welcome desk.

LANCASTER STREET PASTORS NEEDS YOU!

Street Pastors is a national initiative, spearheaded by Ascension Trust, engaging with people on the streets and operating in many towns and city centres across the UK. See notice board for more information about how to get involved.

A HUGE 'THANK YOU' to everyone for all your donations for The Ark - your generosity and contributions are so much appreciated.



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WEEKLY FOOTBALL Sundays 9:00 - 10:00 pm at the University of Cumbria Sports Centre on the astroturf. All Welcome. For more information contact Phil on 07900 037 590.

THE SEE Pick up a copy of the latest edition from the welcome desk containing news from around the diocese.

REFRESHMENTS TEAM

Today	24 Jan	10:30am	Jane Guilfoyle's house group
		6:15pm	Harry & Iona Price's house group
Sunday	31 Jan	10:30am	
		6:15pm	

For general information & further details about St Thomas's activities, do visit our website www.st.tees.org.uk

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WELCOME.

If you have recently come to St Thomas's, or even if you've been coming for a while, we would like to welcome you and get to know you better. Please fill in this tear-off slip and hand it in at the Welcome Desk or put it in the church letter box in the St Thomas Centre behind the church (The letterbox is at the top of the concrete external stairs).

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