

St.tees bulletin

11th July 2010



Dates for your diary - September 2010:

Sunday 12th September

Licensing of Jon Scamman as Priest in Charge at St Thomas's - Sunday 12th September 7:00 pm in church. With Bishop Geoff.

Sunday 19th September - Saturday 25th September

24/7 Prayer leading up to ...

Sunday 26th September

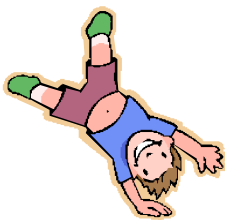
Back to Church Sunday

Watch the Bulletin for further details



TODAY

ZEPHANIAH MUTHALALY will be baptised during our morning service today. We specially welcome him, members of his family and friends who join with us on this occasion.



JUNIOR CHURCH A reminder ... today children will be visiting the new groups they will be in from September, but will be back in their normal groups next Sunday for the final morning before the summer holidays begin.

THE WALTON FAMILY Commissioning Service for them is today Sunday 11th July 10:30 am at St Bride's Church, Old Trafford, Manchester.

They hope to leave the UK for Dar Es Salaam on 13th August. Please pray for them as they prepare to leave - all the practicalities and the leaving of families in this country. When they arrive in Dar they then have nine days to find a house and car and something to sleep and sit on and need to buy uniforms in time for the school start on 23rd August. **They are still awaiting visas!** Pick up a copy of their latest newsletter from the Mission Support board.

WORLD CUP FINAL 6:15 pm service. (Matthew 13: v 1-16)

We are going to have a special service focusing on sport, the bible and what it means for our lives before watching the game on the screens here at church. To tie in with this sport's theme, please can you try to turn up wearing a football top of a favourite team! Please pray for this service as it could be a good opportunity for those who don't normally attend church to come along. That, of course, can only happen if you invite your friends!



WEEKLY FOOTBALL Please note that this is cancelled today - come along to church to watch the World Cup final instead!

NISCU - Today 11th July Please take a letter, review of the year (cream), Annual celebration invitation (yellow) - available at the welcome area.

PRAYER MEETING for International Student Ministry 10:00 - 11:00 am **Tuesday 13th July** at 23 Yealand Drive, Scotforth, Lancaster LA1 4EW. Praying for students & families; giving thanks for answered prayers throughout the year and also looking ahead to the new academic year and commit all plans to God.

Pick up the latest information relating to Friends International from the welcome area/mission support board.

THIS WEEK

Continue to pray for the countries that have been involved in the World Cup. Pray this week for:

Switzerland That the Swiss people might be stirred up again by the Holy Spirit and find the true way in Jesus.

Spain For the different organisations and Christian ministries that are caring for rehabilitating drug addicts.

Honduras For the new government of Honduras, that they would govern with Godly wisdom.

Chile For forgiveness, reconciliation and unity in this deeply divided nation.

NISCU - Tomorrow Monday 12th July Annual meeting 7:30 pm at Heysham Free Methodist, Emmaus Road, off Middleton Way LA3 2LL. Come and find out about what's happening in schools. Everyone welcome, refreshments provided.

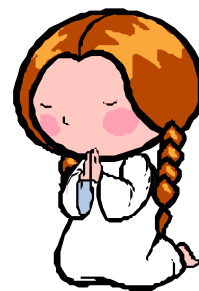
DEANERY SYNOD meets **Tuesday 13th July** 7:30 pm at St Paul's Church, Scotforth. Bishop Nicholas will be the speaker. This meeting is open to everyone - not just Deanery Synod members.

HERE'S SOMETHING REALLY IMPORTANT!

Praying Together - Thursday 15th July 7:30 pm in church. At this stage of the Church's life there are few things that are more important than praying together for the future, as we have been doing every month recently. Can you join us for an hour on Thursday evening? There's plenty of room for more! Our worship and prayer will follow the theme 'God's Chosen People' and will be based on Colossians 3: 12-17. Why not read it through before you come? This month's gathering will be led by members of Extra Time.

Please put these future dates for Praying Together in your diary:

Tuesday 17th August, Thursday 16th September, Tuesday 12th October, Wednesday 10th November, Thursday 9th December.



CALLING EVERYONE TO COME AND PRAY

Diary dates: prayer and sharing of vision for Lancaster Prayer Conference. Meeting this coming **Saturday 17th July** 9:30 am - 12:00 noon at Brookhouse Methodist Church. Future meetings:

- **Saturday 21st August** 9:30 am - 12:00 noon [here](#) at St Thomas's
- **Saturday 18th September** 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Lancashire Prayer Conference, University of Cumbria, Lancaster

Details from Herrick Daniel or Pat Jarratt (01524) 823198.



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST (in the upstairs centre) **and church garden tidy-up**
Saturday 17th July 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. If you have gardening tools, please bring them. Anyone welcome to help in the garden, including ladies and children.

NOTICE BOARD

BIBLE STUDY People enjoyed the recent Bible study so much, they didn't want to stop so, over the summer, there will be a chance to meet together and study God's word. We will be looking at Mark's gospel and if you could read a chapter a week that would be helpful. **Mondays** 7:30 pm in the upstairs centre prayer room. This week the study will be on Mark 2. (Naomi Shrine/Ben Barraclough)

PRAYER MINISTRY is available following each service. Look out for those wearing a yellow badge - they will be happy to pray with you.

NEW! FORTON HOUSE GROUP If you don't belong to a house group and you live way down south, then come along and join us on Wednesday evenings in Forton. This is a new house group that has been started to provide midweek bible study, prayer and fellowship for people living in Galgate, Forton and outlying villages. You can find out more from Nick Robinson, Carole Howorth Robinson, Claire Capewell and Valerie Whitaker, or telephone (01524) 793643.



THE CRAFT AID SHOP will only be open 11:00 am - 2:00 pm on Saturdays in the school holidays; from 24th July to 4th September, and will re-open at the usual time from 7th September.

CAKE BAKERS We have an accumulation of cake tins from those kind people who bake for The Ark. Would those of you missing your cake tins, please collect from the church servery today. Thank you.

CHURCH CAR PARK Application forms for permits are on the welcome desk. The fee for 1st July 2010 to 30th June 2011 is £65.00. Permits are not needed for members of St Tees for Sundays or for mid-week evening meetings.

EVENTS COMING UP

MARRIAGE COURSE We will be running the Marriage Course on Thursday evenings in the Autumn Term. This is a chance to build a stronger marriage, no matter how long you've been together. DVDs provide a starting point for you to talk as a couple about issues like communication, resolving conflict etc. To find out more talk to Nick & Alison Johnstone or Mike & Kirstin Wong, or contact Sarah Evans on (01524) 590418 or sarah@st.tees.org.uk. Fliers available on the welcome desk.

SPORT @ ST. TEES

If you are involved in a sporting activity this summer and want others to take part - please let us know! Sport @ St. Tees is about us as a church family doing stuff together. So let martin.bateman@r4tw.org know or the office if you have something that others could be involved in.





RUNNING GROUP meets on Monday evenings, 6:45 pm at VVV by the main entrance steps to the gym. All welcome.

TABLE TENNIS WEDNESDAYS 7:00 - 9:00 pm in the downstairs centre. Whatever your age and skill level please come along, as all are welcome at the tennis table! Running fortnightly, this event is great for meeting others and having a friendly game. The dates for your diary are **Wednesday evening 21st July and 4th August**. For more information see Ben Barraclough (tel 36958 or email: benjamin.barraclough@hotmail.com)

THE KINGDOM CUP football tournament went well, despite the weather, with eight teams taking part. About 50% of the people involved do not attend church regularly and we all felt that friendships were formed or built upon - the scoreline didn't matter! Thank you for praying for us.

Sermons for July

11th July

- 10:30 am **Holy Communion & Infant Baptism** Series in Psalms (3)
Gratitude - more than attitude. (Psalm 136: v 1-26)
- 6:15 pm **Service of the Word** *World Cup Final Special - scoring the ultimate goal.* (Matthew 13: v 1-16)
- 7:30 pm **World Cup Final live** on the screens at Church. All welcome.



18th July

- 10:30 am **Service of the Word** Series in Psalms (4)
Abandonment - when you feel alone (Psalm 22: v 1-31)
- 6:15 pm **Holy Communion** *Hatred of the world* (John 15: v 18-16: v 4a)

25th July

- 10:30 am **Holy Communion** (with a 10 min. children's slot) Series in Psalms (5)
Contentment - when your soul is at rest. (Psalm 62: v 1-12)
- 6:15 pm **Service of the Word** *Work of the Holy Spirit* (John 16: v 4b -15)

REFRESHMENTS TEAM

Today	11 July	10:30am	Ariel Hubbert / Jane Thwaites' house group
		6:15 pm	After Hours
Sunday	18 July	10:30am	Judy Dyer's house group
		6:15pm	Suzie Shearsby's house group

For general information & further details about St Thomas's activities, do visit our website
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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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