

**From the
Parish Registers:
June 2016**



Baptism
Cora Joy Fitzpatrick and
Edward John Dobson-Bainbridge

Please pray for the long-term sick

Especially for Iris Davies, William Barber, Chris Barrowcliff, Reg Bolton, Ken Harris, Jean Harrison, Leigh Hepplethwaite, Sarah Fletcher, Gill Holt, Pip Jones, Rachel Kirkland, Ann Kitchin, Edna Lloyd, Len & Mildred Morris, Vicki Morris, Roman Simpson, Mary Symes, Freda Linfield, Phyllis Sharples, Ellie Wheeler, Zoe Greenwood and others at home.

Please pray for those unable to join us

Especially for Muriel Wood, Gladys Heppell, Celia Bennion, Alan Dawson, Frances Eglin, June Hollins, June Roberts, John Speare and others.

Keep in touch

Office hours 9am-3pm Monday to Friday

There are plenty of ways to contact the church:

Call 01244 322056 to speak to our vicar Rev John Kirkland
or our administrator Helen Dymond or email: office@allsaints.church

Call 01244 345649 for church centre bookings or to speak to our centre manager
Christina Beveridge or email: centre@allsaints.church

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**JULY 2016
GRAPEVINE
What's happening this month.....**



**Cinema Afternoon
and Night**

on Saturday 23rd July.

In the afternoon we will be showing
'War Room', arrive 1.30 for 2pm.

The evening showing will be 'The
Good Dinosaur', arrive 5.30 for 6pm.

Summer Study 2016

fellowship and encouragement over the summer.

Within the Bible, we find accounts of the lives of innumerable individuals – many of whom are overlooked as there is not a large amount recorded about them. They face differing circumstances, and respond in various ways. The challenges they face bring out the best in some, and the worst in others. As we look at these less well known people in their encounters with God, we hope to be encouraged, challenged and changed.

The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

will include Deborah, Aquila, Dorcas and Jezebel!

Everyone is welcome

**Wednesdays July 20, 27, August 3, 10, 24 and 31, 10am–12 noon in the
Church Centre**

**We don't expect you to sign up for the whole 6 weeks! Come as and when you can.
If you'd like to, bring a packed lunch for afterwards. Hot drinks are provided.
For more details see Anita or Hilary.**

Prayer Focus

For us to be a gracious church, by helping one another to grow more like Jesus.

'TIME TO PRAY'

Opportunities to pray together this month



Pause for Prayer Wednesdays 13th & 27th July at 7.30am

An opportunity to meet together in prayer for the life and work of the church. We meet every other Wednesday **in Sparrow**, from 7.30am to 8.15am (alternating with the Alpha prayer meeting). Caffeine is provided! There will be opportunities for both spoken and silent prayer. Please come along if you think this might be for you.

Alpha Prayer Breakfast Wednesdays 6th & 20th July

We meet fortnightly in Eagle from 7.30am to 8.15am. Please join us to pray for leaders and guests who will be on the Alpha course next term.

Open to God

7.45 for 8.00pm on July 6th in the Church Centre.

The whole church is invited to pray together once a month.



Our July Messy Church is on Sunday 17th, 4-6pm when we will have a BBQ and, hopefully, an outside 'event'.

There will be no Messy Church in August but we will see you on September 18th.



Minis finish on Mon 18th and Fri 22nd July with saying 'goodbye' to all our children going to school in September and then followed by a teddy bears picnic.

We have 2 Summer Specials for any Minis and Dinkies family - Fri 5th and Mon 22nd August, 10-12 noon.



Dinkies finish on Mon 18th July with a Bring and Share lunch and start back on Mon Sept 5th.

TODDLER PRAISE

Why not join us on Thursday 14th July (then 15th September) at 9.30am for refreshments, then a short time of worship in the chancel— welcome songs, a Bible story, prayer, and finishing with our special song before our craft activity.



Phone Number
07711 425 366

Dawne Rendell
Care Group Co-ordinator

Please see the Care Group table in church



A collection crate is in the church centre foyer, along with a list of items that

they would like to receive. This month they particularly need **UHT milk, pasta sauce, tinned fruit and biscuits**. Thank you for your continued support.

PRAYER LIST REQUEST FORM

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please make sure you complete a green request form from the leaflet rack at the back of church or the office. By doing so, it will be possible for us to keep updated on those being prayed for. Thank you.



AA MEETINGS

Tues 12-1.30pm & Fri 7-8.30pm All Saints Church Centre



CAP do not have a Centre Manager at the moment so the centre will be closed until further notice. Please join us in prayer as we seek God's guidance about the future.



Bible in One Year app
Highly recommended Bible app developed by Holy Trinity Brompton (Home of Alpha)

We are a Fairtrade Church and have a regular Fairtrade stall on Sundays. Why not visit our **Café** during the week, where fair-trade and locally produced items are available? We are **usually** open on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8.45am - 2.30pm but please always check the weekly diary.
Penny, Sheila, Laura and the team



The Traidcraft Stall

Come and have a look after the 10.45 service or at Cafe during the week. We have some new lines for you to try too so come along and help support Fair Trade.



LITTLE ACORNS will meet on Wednesday 13th July 1-2.30pm for those with adopted/fostered pre-school children
Contact Helen Ellis:
ellis.helen@btinternet.com



PLEASE NOTE THAT FROM SEPTEMBER WE WILL MEET EVERY 2ND AND 4TH WEDNESDAY

NEWS TO ENCOURAGE YOU AS YOU PRAY FOR CHRISTIANS IN COUNTRIES WHERE THERE IS SIGNIFICANT HOSTILITY TOWARDS CHRISTIANS

AN UNPRECEDENTED NUMBER OF MUSLIMS TURNING TO CHRIST

According to research undertaken by David Garrison, Christian historian and researcher, more Muslims are turning to Christ than at any time previously. He had been increasingly hearing, over a 5 year period, reports of Muslim movements to faith in Christ so began a survey which has taken 3 years to complete. He defines a movement to be at least 100 new churches started or 1,000 baptised believers. He has travelled more than a quarter-million miles and visited 44 movements, each with more than 1,000 Muslim background believers in Jesus Christ who had been baptised.

Individuals are deciding to follow Jesus after having dreams and seeing visions, in response to the witness and friendship of Christians and because of what they read in the Koran about Jesus. As a result of a project started by King Fahd of Saudi Arabia in 1982 the Koran has been translated into all the languages of the world and, apparently, some Muslims who decide to follow Jesus give what they read in the Koran in their own language as a key reason for leaving Islam. There are 97 references to Jesus. The name for Jesus is *Isa* which means "saviour." Muhammad is a messenger but *Isa* is called *Ruhullah*, the Spirit of Allah.

23 years ago a small number of Christians began praying for Muslims and with Muslims during the Islamic month of Ramadan. Today this 30 Days Prayer movement (30daysprayer.com) counts hundreds of thousands of Christians who commit to praying throughout the month of Ramadan. It is assessed that 82% of all Muslim movements to Christ have occurred during those 23 years.

How can we participate in and support this unprecedented turning of Muslims to faith in Christ? David Garrison suggests;

- *Combat social injustice as Islam thrives in an environment of social injustice.
- *Join in the 30 days of prayer movement. When we pray we are advancing Christ's kingdom amongst Muslims.
- *Support effective gospel outreach to Muslims.
- *Rejoice over what God is doing and share with Muslims who we meet the reason for the hope we have within us.

You can read more about this in *A WIND IN THE HOUSE OF ISLAM* - paperback £12ish, Kindle Edition £7.01

A prayer – Tim Keller

Lord, may your church never become beholden to any particular human culture, but let it grow more and more international, multiracial, and culturally, richly diverse. And may we strengthen the unity we have in you and display it to the world through glorious worship and prayer together. Amen

Dear friends at All Saints,



Many of you will know that we have appointed Tabitha Meadows to be our new Children and Families Worker (part-time) and that she will start work at the beginning of September. Tabitha has been a member of All Saints while she has been studying at The University of Chester, although this year she has been working part-time at St Mark's Saltney, covering for their children's worker who has been on maternity leave. She has just completed her degree and is preparing to get married at her home church on 23rd July, so we wish Tabitha and Michael well as they begin married life.

Tabitha's role will focus on two main areas. On the one hand it will involve working alongside Helen Ellis, our Families Work Coordinator, and we anticipate that she will support Helen and the team in Minis and, especially, in Messy Church. She will also work with the Sunday Club leaders in order to develop the existing work with children aged 3-11. Our vision for our work with children and young people reflects the vision we have for the whole church to be a community which brings glory to God because of who he is. We want our children and young people to know Jesus better, become more like Jesus and live for Jesus on their frontlines, and we will explore with Tabitha how she can help us to fulfil that vision in the coming years.

In addition, she will join the team who lead All-Age Worship on the first Sunday of the month and she will take assemblies at the local church school. Tabitha has rich and varied experience of working with children, having worked for some time in a nursery during her summer holidays, and she has worked closely with a children's evangelist, going into schools, doing weekend and week retreats, and working with the children in her home church.

Tabitha writes that 'Enabling discipleship of children is extremely important and is often overlooked by churches; the church needs to be making room for the children of God because the kingdom belongs to them; we as a church need to be discipling children and making them the leaders of the next generation, giving them opportunities and room to grow in their faith.' We believe that she will help us to do that more and more – please pray for her as she takes up this important new role at All Saints!

With love in Christ,

John Kirkland

The Revenue giveth and taketh away?

From 6 April 2016 interest from savings accounts and dividends from shares no longer have tax deducted before you receive them. And for 95% of the population, new tax allowances mean that you won't pay any tax on these types of income. That's the good news. The less good news is that now you may not pay sufficient tax on your income to cover your Gift Aid donations.

The first £11,000 of your income (whatever it is) is tax-exempt, as it's covered by the **personal allowance (PA)**. To the extent that the next £5,000 is interest, it will also escape tax as it falls within the 0% band of "**starting rate for savings**" (SRS). Interest is treated as the top slice of your income.

Example: Alec receives £7,000 state pension, £6,000 occupational pension and £1,500 interest. £2,000 of his pensions is over the £11,000 PA so he pays 20% tax on that (i.e. £400). The SRS excludes his interest from tax.

New for tax year 2016-17 onwards is a "**savings allowance**" (SA). The first £1,000 of a basic rate taxpayer's interest is tax free; for a higher rate taxpayer the SA drops to £500.

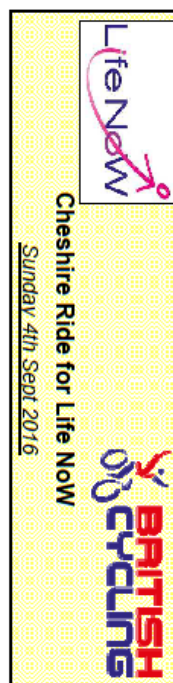
Example: Betty has the same pensions as Alec (£13,000) but receives £5,000 interest. The SRS covers £3,000 of her interest and the SA covers the next £1,000. She pays £400 tax on her pensions and £200 tax at 20% on the top £1,000 of her interest.

Until 6 April 2016 dividends on shares (or from unit trusts or open ended investment companies) came with a 10% tax credit. A shareholder could use that 10% to cover a gift aid donation. There is now no tax credit but the first £5,000 of dividends escape tax, regardless of your bracket. Dividends are treated as the very top slice (even above interest) of your income.

Example: Charles has the same pension and interest income as Alec, plus £4,000 dividends. Although his income is £18,500, he only pays £400 tax (on his pension).

You need to check that, with these new allowances, you will actually pay enough tax to cover any gift aided donations you make – both to All Saints' and other charities. For each £10 of giving, the tax element is £2.50. ISAs continue to be tax exempt.

Please let our Treasurer (Roy Greenwood) or our Honorary Accountant (Bill Morgan) know if you need to cancel your Gift Aid declaration – otherwise you could face a demand from HM Revenue & Customs for any "underpaid" tax. On the other hand, as HMRC take less from you, you may have the opportunity to increase your giving! Bill Morgan can talk you through these complex issues if you wish, confidentially.



CAN YOU MEET THE CHALLENGE? TIME TO ENTER!

The Life Now sportive will be a ride of either approximately 70 or 40 miles around the beautiful Cheshire countryside. The event will begin and end at The Cheshire Sports Club, Upton and take place on 4th September, 2016.

- Please continue to **PRAY** for the success of the event and the safety of all who take part
- **VOLUNTEER** - We will need marshals, support staff, people to man food stops
- **DRUM UP SUPPORT** If you have family, friends or colleagues who are cyclists, please encourage them to sign up for a great days cycling (details below). There is an entry charge for taking part and they do not have to seek extra sponsorship.
- The more cyclists, the more money will go to Life Now.

OR if you are a cyclist...

- Sign up to ride by going to:



bit.ly/RRCKua
OR

www.britishcycling.org.uk/events/details/140495/Cheshire-Ride-for-Life-Now

OR
Pick up a flyer from All Saints

For further details speak to John and Alex Lewis, Ian Percival, David and Ann Collier

Parish Administrator Post

We are looking for the right person to fulfil this exciting role developing and managing the administrative systems in a city centre, mission shaped church which has recently become a new parish. The role will include working with several ministries.

Previous experience in an administrative role is desirable.

13 hours per week on an initial 1 year contract, to include covering hours between 9.30-11.30 Mon-Fri. Potential increase in hours depending on the work load.

Please contact Rev Jonathan Phillips by email on curate@chesterstpeter.org.uk and we will send you an application form. For any written enquiries please write to: Rev Hennie Johnston: Chester, St Peter, The Cross, Chester, CH1 2AG.

For further information please do look up our website on: chesterstpeter.org.uk

Closing date for applications: Friday 15th July
Interview dates: Wednesday 20th - Thursday 21st July



Church Weekend October 14th-16th

Bookings are coming in nicely - so please keep them coming!

We now have a speaker who is the Rev Steve McGarity. Steve is the Vicar of St Andrews Liverpool, and is the Area Network Leader for the New Wine North West and also on the Leadership Team of the New Wine North & East Conference.

Do collect a booking pack if you haven't got yours yet.

SENIOR RESIDENTS' FELLOWSHIP

Thursday Afternoons 2.30-4pm

Contact Mrs Rene Peters

7th July—Talk (Age UK)
14th July—Outing

All Welcome