# From the Parish Registers: April 2016



## **Baptisms**

Penny Hilda Blood, Emily Alice Stevens, Philippa Ann Christopher and Hannah Esme Wilkinson

## Weddings

Gregory Conor Bird & Amy Louise Brown

### **Funerals**

We extend our sympathies to the family and friends of the late Glenys Bellis, Eileen Ferreira, James Beesley and Robert Yeates.

### 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

Our web address is www.allsaints.church Follow us on Twitter @allsaintshoole







## GRAPEVINE May 2016

## **Coming up at All Saints**



**Date** - Saturday 7th May

**Time** - 6.00pm for 6.30pm start

Venue - All Saints Church Centre

To raise funds for Hannah Wilkinson's trip to Congo Adults £5 / Concessions £3 Ticket includes food (bring your favourite drink!)

Please see Hannah or Elaine for details



### Church Weekend Away 14 -16 October 2016

Booking forms will be available on Sunday 8th May!



## Church Family BBQ

why not join us on Saturday 18th June from 5-7.30pm?

Tickets cost £5 for an adult, £3 for concessions or £15 for a family of 4 or more.

Bring your own drinks, all food will be provided.

There will be games and activities for all the family.

For tickets and to let us know if you need a lift, please speak to Christina Beveridge or Elaine Hemmings.





### SHARE FOR PRAYER SECTION

"If one part [of the body] suffers, every part suffers with it."

1 Corinthians 12:26

OPEN DOORS -"We dream of a world in which every Christian who is persecuted is remembered and supported by other Christians."

## Test your knowledge?

- 1. What is the most dangerous place in the world to be a Christian?
- 2. Are Christians more at risk of persecution in China, Egypt or India?
- 3. Which is the African country in which it is most dangerous to be a Christian.
- 4. Statistics show that there are thousands of Christians living in Afghanistan. How many churches are there?
- 5. In which country in south east Asia is it compulsory for Christians to attend Muslim Friday prayers?

For Answers See Page 6
Then Please Pray

## Announcing

## **Summer Study 2016**

Wednesdays July 20, 27, August 3, 10, 24 and 31, 10am -12noon

Summer Study takes place when groups like BSF, housegroups and alpha stop. Based around a Bible study and prayer for each other, it offers fellowship and encouragement during what can be rather empty summer months.

Each study stands alone and regular attendance is not necessary - come when you can.

For more details see Anita or Hilary.

This years theme.....watch this space!

Congratulations to Cathy Batchelor who has recently achieved her PGCE



Mrs Jackie Appleby (formerly Potter) has taken on the role of Deputy Safeguarding Co-ordinator.

Thank you, Jackie.



## 'TIME TO PRAY'

Opportunities to pray together this month

## Pause for Prayer Wednesdays 4th & 18th May 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.

**Prayer Focus** For us to be a God-trusting church, in order that God be worshipped as He deserves.

# Alpha Prayer Breakfast Wednesdays IIth & 25th May

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.





## Pentecost Sunday 15th May 4-6pm



### Service Sunday 15th May, 7.00pm at Christ Church, Newtown with Bishop Keith

Confirmation

Please come along and support our candidates: Jennifer Jal-Wang and Anthony Weekes



Café will be open from 5pm for tea, coffee and cakes before the start of the service at 6pm.

## LITTLE ACORNS

will meet on Wednesday 11th May 1-2.30pm for those with adopted/fostered pre-school children Contact Helen Ellis: ellis.helen@btinternet.com



## SENIOR RESIDENTS' FELLOWSHIP

Contact Mrs Rene Peters (340485) Thursday Afternoons 2.30 - 4.00pm

#### May

5th - Birthday Tea

12th - Delhi Delights (B.M.F. Youth
Action Team)

19th - 50's/60's Sing-a-long
(Karen Sowerby)

26th - Tea and Chat

All Welcome

### TODDLER PRAISE

Why not join us on
Thursday 19th May
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.



### **READY TO SWITCH**

Cheshire West and Chester Council's collective energy switching scheme known as 'Ready to Switch?' is now taking registrations for the latest round. The scheme uses



the combined purchasing power of residents to encourage energy companies to offer their lowest tariff. Residents taking part in previous rounds have seen average savings of around £200.

It's free to register and there is no obligation to switch suppliers if the tariff offered doesn't better your current one. Simply register both your contact details, information on your current contract and annual energy consumption at:

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/readytoswitch If you have no access to the internet but would like to register please call 01244 977262

The registration period closes at midnight on Monday, 16 May. The following day a reverse auction will take place where energy companies are invited to place their lowest tariff bids for a variety of products.

# Following the Annual Meeting on 27th April the following people are now members of the Parochial Church Council:

John Kirkland, Vicki Bulgin, Steve Tynegate Bill Holt, Jeff Turnbull

Roy Greenwood, Kathryn Jones, Charles Simkiss, James Baird, Paul Barnfather, Stephen Batchelor, Reg Bolton, John Chester, Adam Christopher, Jim Ellis, Rachael Guinness, Alex Lewis, Laura Walker, Christopher Wilkinson, Ken Wood.

## SHARE FOR PRAYER SECTION

- North Korea has been identified, by Open Doors, as the most dangerous place in the world to be a Christian for the 14<sup>th</sup> year in a row.
- 2. India. Persecution in India is described as extremely violent and is on the increase. The attacks mainly come from Hindu extremists. India is 17<sup>th</sup> in the Open Doors' list of countries in which persecution is on-going. Egypt is 22<sup>nd</sup> and China 33<sup>rd</sup>.
- 3. Eritrea which has been dubbed 'the North Korea of Africa'
- 4. There is no visible church in Afghanistan; all Afghan believers are converts from Islam.
- 5. Brunei where it is estimated that there are 58,100 Christians out of a total population of 429,000. Attendance at Muslim worship became compulsory upon the introduction of the first phase of Sharia (Islamic law) in 2014. If and when the second phase becomes law failure to attend worship will result in floggings and amputations as punishments.



Dear friends at All Saints,

As you may well know, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have called the church to prayer at Pentecost this year. Archbishop Welby says that 'the Archbishop of York and I are asking churches right across England to pray for a renewal of their expectancy and the overflowing of Christ in their lives together, so that people right across the country see who Jesus is and are drawn to faith in him'. Here at All



Saints we are taking up the Archbishops' call from the 8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May.

We are called to pray for three things:

That all Christians find new life in their relationship with Jesus Christ. The joy that Christ brings and the comfort that we find in times in sorrow should be renewed in our own personal faith and discipleship.

That all those we meet with as Christians – our family, friends, colleagues, and the people we bump into – will see something of Jesus in us that draws them to faith in him.

That the church will be so full of the life and joy of Christ that it overflows with the reality of the presence of Jesus as we serve people wherever they are.

The encouragement is to pray 'Your Kingdom come'. God is King, as the Bible repeatedly affirms. But we pray, as Jesus taught us to do, that his reign and rule will extend to every life and every area of society. It's a prayer that Jesus will be seen to be King in my life, that Jesus will be seen to be King in our nation as people bow down before him, and that Jesus will be seen to be King in the world as his will is done here on earth as it is in heaven.

We are producing a prayer card which you will be given at the services on the 8<sup>th</sup> May. From the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> May there will be a room open all day in the Centre where you can come and pray for the coming of God's Kingdom. At 7.30am each morning that week, there will be led prayer for about half-an-hour in the room. There will be a map of the parish in the room and you can commit to prayer walk your street and, perhaps, the streets around yours. You can indicate your commitment by placing a sticker on the street and there will be guidelines to prayer walking available.

Like the Archbishops, I want to encourage every member of All Saints to take up this call and give ourselves to praying for God's Kingdom to come and for his will to be done on earth as it is in heaven.

With love in Christ,

John Kirkland.





### 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
juice, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat
& rice pudding. 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.

