



Holy Trinity



St. Gabriel

# The Parish of The Good Shepherd, Ashton-under-Lyne



St. James



St. Peter



St. Michael and All Angels

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## Editorial

Welcome to the July Parish Magazine. This month we cover a range of different news items and things to think about - including the news that St James' two church schools will not be merged and a report on the Mothers Union celebration at Bridgwater Hall. We hope that you enjoy the articles and that they give a flavour of life in our parish and the concerns of those in our churches.

The views expressed in articles are those of the authors and not necessarily those of the Parish of The Good Shepherd. Please consider writing something for the magazine yourself! And, if you have any comments to make on the Magazine you can contact the editors on 0161 330 4925/2771, email: [rogefarnworth@aol.com](mailto:rogefarnworth@aol.com) or [joannafarnworth@aol.com](mailto:joannafarnworth@aol.com) or talk to a member of your DCC or PCC who will pass on any comments that are made.

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### The Parish Prayer

Father God, whose Son came to bring love and peace to the world, help us to grow in faith and share our hope and joy with all whom we meet, so that we can work together to build your kingdom in Ashton, welcome new people into our churches, and be relevant to those around us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## **"Green Shoots" – Mary writes...**

I'm very much a morning person, ready to begin my day at around 6am most mornings.

I enjoy listening to the early morning editions of "Farming Today" and the "Today" programmes on Radio 4. Recently the people on "Farming Today" have been discussing the green shoots of crops growing from seed as Spring has rolled over into Summer.

Following the banking scandal the words "green shoots," have also been popping up in the "Today" programme as presenters and expert commentators look for signs of growth in the economic situation and a turn around in housing and car sales markets, for example.

Close on the heels of the banking scandals there have been the revelations of what appear to be dodgy dealings in Westminster and the "Today" programme has, in its examining of those dealings, adopted the words "green shoots" and applied then to looking for new beginnings in Westminster.

As the phrase has been used and abused in my early morning listening, I have been looking out of my window at the real thing in my

garden and am witnessing the annual miracle of my garden's green shoots springing into summer.

The hangings and vestments in our churches have also sprung green as the Church Calendar has moved us into Ordinary Time, a season of steady growth.



The Gospel reading from Mark for the first of these "green" Sundays included the story of the mustard seed, the tiniest of all seeds that none the less grows into a large shrub offering lots of shade and shelter, a place of safety with room for everyone.

Jesus, when speaking of the reign of God, God's kingdom, spoke in agricultural language so that, in Mark's Gospel, the crowd who followed him and the disciples would be helped to have a clearer understanding of his mission. The words he uses are also steeped in scripture and the language Israel's prophets used to relay God's words to them in the past.

The green shoots of God's kingdom are all around us, some growing from seeds sown in the past some shooting from seeds sown more recently, but we often fail to see them. Perhaps that's

because we fail to recognise them or perhaps we aren't really looking and, although we have ears perhaps we aren't tuned in and are not really listening.

The green shoots of God's way, his Kingdom, are, it seems to me, easier to spot when we seek them together. When we join together because we are concerned, or for times of prayer or worship, or bible study or a simple cuppa and chat it is likely that we will recognise the "green shoots" of God's kingdom. Mark tells us of a man who discovered that in expecting God's kingdom he found himself put to

service for the Lord. "Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus." (Mark 15:43)

Those who, like Joseph of Arimathea, look for the green shoots of the kingdom of God regularly find that God accepts their service and transforms it in ways that delight and surprise them.

**Mary Wadsworth**

## **NEW PRIESTS!**



The Revds. Pat Lodge and Mary Wadsworth were ordained priest at a joyful celebration at Manchester Cathedral on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June. They celebrated communion for the first time at St Michael's and at St James' respectively on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June. We pray that as they embark on this new phase in their ministry, they will be guided by the Holy Spirit and filled with all the gifts they need..

## ST JAMES' SCHOOLS ARE SAVED!

This was the good news that was received at a meeting at Tameside Council Offices on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Councillor Ged Cooney made the decision that St James School and Hurst Knoll (St James) schools should not merge and have a new school building but should instead remain as two distinct schools on their present sites. To improve the buildings of each schools, plans will be developed to remodel each building. This could include the building of a new school for Hurst Knoll on its existing site.

This was greeted with joy by the Governing Bodies of each school, the staff, parents and children and also by Manchester Diocese – all of whom had participated in the consultation process over recent months. There was an overwhelming rejection of the proposal to merge the school. Out of nearly four hundred responses received by Tameside Council, only three were in favour of a merged new school.

The report following the consultation stated:

“It is clear that many respondents to the consultation see St James' as the focal point for community cohesion in the area, and believe that this would be lost if the school were to close. There is also a perception that parents will continue to choose their most local school for their children which would become The Heys rather than a new school on the Hurst Knoll site. This may have an impact on both the schools and the local area and have a potentially negative impact on the cohesiveness of the community in continuing the successful community cohesion”

There is no published timescale yet for process to look at remodelling options but each school is now looking forward to a more secure future in which they seek to serve their local community to the best of their ability.

On the morning that this decision was made, some at St James school saw what might be a sign of this new life. Class 6 have been looking after some chicken eggs and the first ones hatched just before the meeting!



# Mothers Union



**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July, 12.00noon** Prayers at Manchester Cathedral – taken by Rochdale deanery.

**4<sup>th</sup> August, 2.30pm** Annual Service held at St George's Church, Mossley. The Evening of celebration on 1<sup>st</sup> June at The

Bridgwater Hall was again a very special event. It was well attended and I am sure that everyone enjoyed it.

We had Smithills School Brass Band who opened our evening by playing the first hymn "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty" and Bishop Nigel conducted them very well too.

Canon Roy Chow led us in prayer. Our Diocesan President Barbara Taylor welcomed everyone and hoped they would enjoy the evening. She introduced an 11 year old young man Reuben Cook who had raised a good amount of money for knowing capital cities of various countries. He was tested on stage for this and answered very confidently, he well deserved the applause he received. It is a brave thing to do, facing an audience of so many people.

The Band then played a selection of popular music for us. They are extremely talented and have won many championships here and abroad. Their teacher and conductor Mr Chris Wormald is to be commended for his work and enthusiasm with them.

The Unit Co-ordinator gave a short survey of the work that is done by the Mothers Union here and overseas and of the Projects that the Branches take on, e.g. knitting baby clothes, making hospitality bags up for the hospitals, contributing to the University Freshers' Bags and gifts for Hostels at Christmas.

Our next hymn was "Let all the world". The Diocesan President introduced Canon Roger Royle, our Speaker. She was grateful to him for coming at quite short notice as Revd Celia McCulloch our original speaker was unable to come for health reasons and we all wish her well again soon. Canon Royle is an excellent speaker. He was born in Lancashire and is proud of it. His father died when he was quite young and his mother worked hard to bring him and his brother up herself. He told us of his great interest in the theatre and some funny stories of his childhood. He felt that his interest in the theatre helped him in his faith and love of God. He was really interesting and was very at home on the stage. The sincerity came through with his jokes and remarks and I think everyone was sorry when he finished and sat down. He used to write an article in Woman's Weekly magazine and his sense of humour always came through with his advice and prayers.

Once more the Smithills Band played for us. Bishop Nigel then made an appeal for help for the people of Congo and Kenya who are in great need due to war and drought. He asked us to give generously as we left the building.

Our next hymn was "Just as I am" and Canon Royle complained because it was not the tune he knew!

Mr David Marshall, Director of Communications was asked to come forward and tell us of the launch of our website which has been in the pipeline for some time. He explained a few things to us then asked for volunteers to hold papers with the web address on, some from the Band came out and he asked two of the Bishops on the platform to hold the papers with the dots on which I thought was quite funny. I can't give you the address but I am sure you will be informed.

We sang the hymn "At the name of Jesus". Mrs Eileen Chaw, Manchester Archdeaconry President gave a vote of thanks to Canon Royle. Our Diocesan President thanked everyone for coming and wished them a safe journey home. Our final hymn "Great is thy faithfulness" was sung with great enthusiasm. Bishop Nigel gave the Blessing which ended a very pleasant evening.

### **Thought for the month:**

God of all nations we pray for peace, in our hearts, in our nation and in our world.

*Taken from Wave of Prayer*

*Joan Brayshaw*

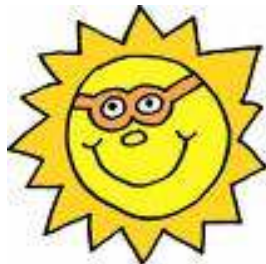
## **Garden Party at St James Vicarage**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July**

**2.00 – 5.00pm Afternoon Tea**

**6.00 – 8.30pm Barbecue**

**All welcome.**



# SCHOOLS NEWS from Parochial School

## All creatures great and small :

Year 2 children at Parochial CE Primary School have been writing springwatch poems all about different minibeasts.

Lady Bird, Ladybird  
Flying so high  
Ladybird, Ladybird  
Beautifully in the sky.  
Ladybird, Ladybird  
You're shiny red  
Ladybird, ladybird  
Landing on a flower  
bed.  
Ladybird, ladybird  
You've got black spots  
Ladybird, ladybird  
What lovely dots!



By Laina

Snail, Snail  
You slither around  
Snail, snail  
You crawl on the ground  
Snail, snail  
You are friends with the  
slugs  
Snail, snail  
You like all the bugs.



By Georgia

Slug, slug  
You munch on the leaf  
Slug, slug  
You slither as you  
breathe.  
Slug, slug  
You leave slimy trails  
Slug, slug  
You're friends with the  
snails.  
Slug, slug  
You slither in a pot  
Slug, slug  
You don't talk a lot.



By Molly

All the children worked very hard on these poems and thoroughly enjoyed finding out facts about the minibeasts to use in their poem. They even made mini videos about their minibeast, recording the poem in the background. If you would like to hear more of Year 2's poetry please contact the school.

Butterfly, butterfly  
You're symmetrical all over  
Butterfly, butterfly  
Lands on a four leaf clover.  
Butterfly, butterfly  
Just getting nectar from the  
flowers  
Butterfly, butterfly  
Flies in an April shower.  
Butterfly, butterfly  
Different species 1, 2, 3  
Butterfly, butterfly  
Different patterns I can see.



By Lauren

Caterpillar, Caterpillar  
Sitting at home,  
Caterpillar, caterpillar  
Do you feel alone?  
Caterpillar, Caterpillar  
"Leave me in peace!"  
Caterpillar, caterpillar  
Crawling on a leaf.  
Caterpillar, caterpillar  
Standing by,  
Caterpillar, caterpillar  
Turns into a butterfly.



By Hannah

Grasshopper, grasshopper  
Jump up in the sky  
Grasshopper, grasshopper  
Jump very high.  
Grasshopper, grasshopper  
You are very green  
Grasshopper, grasshopper  
Are you very keen?  
Grasshopper, Grasshopper  
You jump a lot  
Grasshopper, grasshopper  
You've landed in a pot!



By Ellie

Spider, Spider  
Your web is sticky  
Spider, spider  
You are quite tricky.  
Spider, spider  
You are very scary  
Spider, spider  
I hate to say...you are  
hairy!



by Mia

## Visit to the Indian Community Centre and Hindu Temple, Union Road, Ashton-under-Lyne

A group from St James's recently paid an enjoyable visit to the Indian Community Centre on Union Road. The invitation to join them followed a visit to St James's by some of their members earlier in the year.

We were greeted on arrival by the secretary, Mr Mistry (one of the numerous gentlemen we met of that name) and he told us something about the Hindu faith and about the story of the Ashton Indian Association. The Association was formed during the early 1960's and met at members' houses. They set about to raise money for their own centre and temple and, by 1972, had raised enough to allow them to purchase Hurst Brook Junior School building on Union Street. By 1998, the community had raised more funds and, with the addition of a lottery grant, they were able to demolish the original building and commence work on a new centre, which was opened in 1998. This building is now fully used, with many activities taking place every day. At the heart of the centre is the very impressive Hindu Temple, with its stunning collection of images of the deities.

Hinduism could be described as a broad spectrum of beliefs and practices and is not only a religion but also a cultural way of life. Its moral ideals include non-violence, truthfulness, friendship, compassion, fortitude, self-control, purity and generosity.



**Karma** is the sum of a person's actions in one of his successive states of existence, which decides his fate for the next. The theory of karma is that every action produces an equal and opposite reaction. It is the personality of a human being, with its positive and negative actions, that creates karma. In order to achieve good karma it is important to live life according to **dharma** - the higher truth, the virtuous path and the inner development of peace and happiness. **Moksha** denotes the end of this cycle of lives and is classed as the ultimate goal of all Hindus.

We were invited to observe morning worship in the temple. The first impression was of the sheer opulence of the furnishings of the temple, many of which had been specially ordered from India. On entering the temple, one's attention was immediately drawn to the Inner Chamber (the so-called 'womb chamber') in which the images of the various gods are arrayed. This occupies the same place in the temple as our altar, but in the temple

only the priests are allowed inside. Traditionally, the priests came from the Brahmin caste, but there are now many priests who are not Brahmins.

When entering the temple the worshipper rings a bell, which hangs from the ceiling for the purpose of attracting the attention of the gods. During the service, the priest rang this bell continuously, accompanied by chanting and swaying in front of the inner chamber. Offerings of cooked foods were presented. Most of the bystanders joined in the chanting. Then – all of a sudden – the service was over..

The over-riding impression was of a group of people who were devoted to their way

of life, who cheerfully carried out a wide range of duties in support of the centre. It is clear that the level of giving to the community would put most Christian parishes to shame.

On the whole, a very rewarding experience and one that I wouldn't have missed. We were made to feel very welcome by everyone we met. As can be read from the foregoing, there are many similarities with our own faith and I envied many things about their way of life. Then strange thing was that the more I recognised these similarities, the stronger and more secure I felt in my Christian faith.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to those members of our parish who were confirmed by Bishop Mark at St Peter's church on 24<sup>th</sup> June.

**Young People:**

Megan Gaunt (St Peter's)

Richard Kiy (St Gabriel's)

Phillippa Nightingale (St Gabriel's)

James Pavasovic (St Michael's)

Thomas Sykes (St Michael's)

**Adults:**

Brenda Hibbert (St Gabriel's)

Jeanne Aline Tchamy (Holy Trinity)



## Friends of Ashton Parish Church Quiz Answers

To raise money for the repairs to the windows at St Michael's, a quiz competition has been running over recent week.



The winner was Beryl Lynch, one of St Michael's Thursday congregation and occasional Sundays with 22 out of 25 correct answers, well done.

The correct answers are as follows:-

1) 1281, 2) c1415/1422, 3) 1500 (the date in the glass), 4) St Helen, 5) 4, 6) 1888, 7) 139' 6" 8) 13, 9) 3 (William de Marcier Bishop of Bath and Wells 1292, Walter de Langton Bishop of Lichfield 1291 and Ronald Brown Bishop of Birkenhead 1974), 10) £60.000, 11) 1845, 12) 1594, 13) Asshetons, 14) 22, 15) £140.000, 16) 161, 17) Over Chancel Arch, 18) Ringing Room, 19) 4, 20) 562, 21) St Edmund, St Edward, and Henry VI who was never made a Saint although considered himself saintly. 22) George Chetwode, 23) Augustus Leonard, 24) 1623, 25) Stalybridge Road

## ROCK SOLID YOUTH GROUP

This is our youth group for anyone linked with the churches in our parish. It is open to anyone who is in the last year of Primary school or at secondary school, although children in Year 5 can come along to the June and July sessions. We meet on Sunday evenings at St Gabriel's Church from 7.00 - 8.30pm



**July Programme:**

**5<sup>th</sup> July            Visit to Stamford Park**

**There will then be a break over the summer - look out for our start date in September.**

## **PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND AIRMEN & WOMEN.**

The average age of the military man is 19 years. He is a short haired, tight-muscled kid who, under normal circumstances is considered by society as half man, half boy. Not yet dry behind the ears, just old enough to buy a beer, but old enough to die for his country. He never really cared much for work and he would rather wax his own car than wash his father's, but he has never collected unemployment either.

He's a recent Comprehensive School graduate; he was probably an average student, pursued some form of sport activities, drives a ten year old jalopy, and has a steady girlfriend that either broke up with him when he left, or swears to be waiting when he returns from half a world away.

He is 10 or 15 pounds lighter now than when he was at home because he is working or fighting from before dawn to well after dusk. He has trouble spelling, thus letter writing is a pain for him, but he can field strip a rifle in 30 seconds and reassemble it in less time in the dark. He can recite to you the nomenclature of a machine gun or grenade launcher and use either one effectively if he must.

He digs foxholes and latrines and can apply first aid like a professional. He can march until he is told to stop, or stop until he is told to march. He obeys orders instantly and without hesitation, but he is not without spirit or individual dignity. He is self-sufficient.

He has two sets of fatigues: he washes one and wears the other. He keeps his canteens full and his feet dry. He sometimes forgets to brush his teeth, but never to clean his rifle. He can cook his own meals, mend his own clothes, and fix his own hurts. If you're thirsty, he'll share his water with you; if you are hungry, his food. He'll even split his ammunition with you in the midst of battle when you run low.

He has learned to use his hands like weapons and weapons like they were his hands.

He can save your life - or take it, because that is his job.

He will often do twice the work of a civilian, draw half the pay, and still find ironic humor in it all.

He has seen more suffering and death than he should have in his short lifetime. He has wept in public and in private, for friends who have fallen in combat and is unashamed.

He feels every note of the National Anthem vibrate through his body while at rigid attention, while tempering the burning desire to 'square-away' those

around him who haven't bothered to stand, remove their hat, or even stop talking.

In an odd twist, day in and day out, far from home, he defends their right to be disrespectful.

Just as did his Father, Grandfather, and Great-grandfather, he is paying the price for our freedom. Beardless or not, he is not a boy. He has kept this country free for centuries. He has asked nothing in return, except our friendship and understanding. Remember him, always, for he has earned our respect and admiration with his blood.

And now we have women doing their part in this tradition of going to War when our nation calls us to do so.

Prayer:

'Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us.

### **Old Comrades of the Duke of Lancaster's Regiment, Ashton under Lyne**

One way in which our parish supports the Armed Forces is through Jo and Roger's role as joint Chaplain for the Old Comrades. This involves visiting Armory on Old Street, providing officiating at services on Remembrance Sunday and also at other services throughout



Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.'

When you receive this, please stop for a moment and say a prayer for our ground troops in Afghanistan, sailors on ships, and airmen in the air, and for those in Iraq .

Of all the gifts you could give a British Soldier, Sailor, or Airman, prayer is the very best one.

*This was received from Moira Wilson of St Peter's church. We have members of our congregations who are in the Armed Forces or who have family who are service – please do keep them in your prayers.*

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## SUMMER SERVICES IN THE PARISH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

As usual over the summer, we will be visiting each others' churches. This is a good opportunity for us to worship together as one parish, so please do come along to the services even when they are not in your home church. The 9.30am service will be a shorter said service without hymns and the 11.00am will be a full service.

August 2<sup>nd</sup>      9.30am      Holy Trinity  
                    11.00am      St Michael's

*At both of these services we have a visiting preacher, Chris Clarke from the Children's Society.*

August 9<sup>th</sup>      9.30am      St Gabriel's  
                    11.00am      St Peter's

August 16<sup>th</sup>    9.30am      St Michael's  
                    11.00am      St James

August 23<sup>rd</sup>    9.30am      St Peter's  
                    11.00am      Holy Trinity

August 30<sup>th</sup>    9.30am      St James  
                    11.00am      St Gabriel's

St. Peter's Church, Ashton under Lyne  
invites you to their

### 41st Pet Service

Caring for Creation

on Sunday 12th July 2009

at 2.30 p.m.

**BRING YOUR PETS**

St. Peter's Church

"part of the Parish of the Good Shepherd"

Manchester Road, Ashton under Lyne

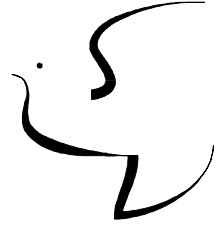


# Parish Notices

## Baptisms

We give thanks with the families of:

**Lucy Eve Fish**  
**Riley Campbell Barton**  
**Owen Williams**



## Funerals

Please pray for the family and friends of:

**Derek Wovenden**  
**Karen Dwyer**

## Diary Dates

### June

Sun 28th	2.00pm - 5.00pm	Faith Walk - Faiths Utd	Park Bridge
Mon 29th	7.30pm	MU Deanery Festival	St. James

### July

Wed. 8 <sup>th</sup>	Church Wardens Meet the Archdeacon	St. George, Dane Bank
Thurs. 9 <sup>th</sup>	7.15pm St. James DCC	The Vicarage
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 - 12.00 Coffee Morning	St James
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	12.00 - 4.00pm Summer Fair	St Gabriel's
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	7.15pm St. Michael's DCC	St. Michael's
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.15am St James School Service	St James
	10.00 - 3.00 Deanery Clergy Quiet Day	Bury
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am Hurst Knoll School Service	St James
	10.00am Parochial School Service	St Michael's
	1.00pm St Peter's School Leavers Service	St Peter's
	7.30pm PCC meeting	St James
	(Wardens meeting to follow the PCC meeting)	
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 - 5.00; 6.00 - 8.30pm Garden Party	St James Vicarage

# July 2009 - Parish Diary

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am	St. James	Holy Communion + Baptisms
9.30am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
11.00am	St. Gabriel	Family Service
11.00am	St. Peter	Holy Communion + Baptisms
11.00am	St. Michael	Holy Communion + Baptisms
4.00pm	Holy Trinity	Evensong
4.00pm	St. James	St James on Sunday Afternoon
6.30pm	St. Peter	Holy Communion

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
9.30am	St James	Holy Communion
11.00am	St. Gabriel	Family Communion
11.00am	St Peter	Parade Service
11.00am	St. Michael	Holy Communion
2.30pm	St Peter's	Pet Service
4.00pm	Holy Trinity	Evensong
6.30pm	St. Peter	Holy Communion

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am	St. James	Holy Communion
9.30am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
11.00am	St. Gabriel	Morning Prayer
11.00am	St. Peter	Holy Communion
11.00am	St. Michael	Holy Communion
4.00pm	Holy Trinity	Evensong
4.00pm	St. James	St James on Sunday Afternoon
6.30pm	St. Peter	Evening Prayer

## 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
9.30am	St James	Holy Communion
11.00am	St. Gabriel	Holy Communion
11.00am	St Peter	Family Worship
11.00am	St. Michael	Holy Communion
4.00pm	Holy Trinity	Evensong
6.30pm	St. Peter	Healing Service

## Regular Weekday Services

Mon.	6.30pm	St. Peter	Evening Prayer
Tues.	10.30am	St. Peter	Holy Communion
Wed.	1.30pm	St. James	Holy Communion
Thurs.	11.00am	St. Michael	Holy Communion

## Monthly:

**1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of the month** 2.30 -3.30pm  
Emmanuel Court, Firbank , Kingsfield EPH  
(Holy Communion)

**1<sup>st</sup> Tues. of month** 10.30am Moss Cottage

**3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. of the month** 2.15pm  
Ryefields (Holy Communion)

## Contact Details

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Mothers' Union meets on 1st Wednesday of Month at 7:30pm in the Community Centre			

For Baptisms, Banns, Weddings, contact Revd Roger Farnworth 330 2771

### ST GABRIEL'S CHURCH

Churchwardens:	Louisa Fox	36 Norman Road, Stalybridge	338 8481
	Sandra Kiy	89, Andrew St. Mossley	01457 838919
DCC Secretary:	Hazel Sugden	20, St. Christophers Road, Ashton	330 2000
Acting DCC Treasurer:	Jo Farnworth	The Vicarage, Union Street, Ashton	330 4925
Free Will Offerings:	Peter Hayes	78 Arundel Street, Ashton	612 2371
Altar Flowers:	Joan Williams	73, Hutton Avenue, Ashton	330 6617
For Baptisms, Banns, Weddings contact Revd Jo Farnworth			330 4925

### St. Michaels Rainbows and Brownies meet at St. Gabriels

Rainbows Guiders	Stephanie Kenyon	07803 032656
(Tuesdays)	Natalie McKella	07725 550570
	Nicola Cheetham	07950 400287
Brownies Guiders	(Snowy) Lyndsey Anderson	07738 432578

(Mondays)

### **ST JAMES CHURCH**

Churchwardens:	Jeffrey Glennon	140, Henrietta Street	344 0019
	Ron Fletcher	83, Waterloo Road, Ashton	330 9793
Verger:	Flo Matthews	56 Timperley Road, Ashton	330 2540
DCC Secretary:	Harry Bennett	10, Lichfield Ave, Ashton	330 0949
DCC Treasurer:	Alison Burke	Flat 2, Beaufort House, Beaufort Rd, Ashton	344 5911
Gift Aid Secretary	Ron Fletcher	83, Waterloo Road, Ashton	330 9793
Organist:	Mary Helliwell	Newlyn, 2 Station Lane, Grotton, Oldham	624 3942
Mothers' Union meets on 1st Wednesday of the Month at 7:30pm in church			
Enrolling member:			
Brownies/Guiding	Ruth Summers		339 0346
For Baptisms, Banns, Weddings, contact Revd Roger Farnworth			330 2771

### **ST MICHAEL'S & ALL ANGELS CHURCH**

Churchwardens:	Joyce Currie	27 Rushmere, Ashton	330 5795
	Mike Glover	80 Hall Road, Ashton	344 2876
Verger:	Reginald Fisher	243 Mossley Road, Ashton	308 2795
Organist:			
Covenant Secretary:	Terry Lodge	250 Yew Tree Lane, Dukinfield	338 5303
Altar Flowers Rota:	Elaine Gaskell		330 5176
Sec of the Bells:	Jean Coombs	14 Aldergate Grove, Ashton	330 1653
Clerk to the Charities:	Mike Glover	80 Hall Road, Ashton	344 2876
DCC Secretary:	Elaine Gaskell		330 5176
DCC Treasurer:	Jean Coombs	14 Aldergate Grove, Ashton	330 1653

### **Friends of Ashton Parish Church**

Secretary:	Joyce Currie	27 Rushmere, Ashton	330 5795
Treasurer:	Alan Bacon	17 St Christopher's Ave, Ashton	330 5829
<b>Mothers' Union</b> meets on 4th Wednesday of the Month in church at 7:45pm			
Secretary:	Joan Brayshaw		339 7407
For baptisms, Banns and Marriages contact Revd. Roger Farnworth			330 2771

### **ST. PETER'S CHURCH**

Church Wardens:	Cath Sheldon		231 5339
	Moira Wilson		
Verger :	Barry Bowden		308 2190
PCC Secretary:	Adele Gaunt		
Treasurer:	Janet Kennerley		
Gift Aid Sec:	Phillip Bowden		
Church Lads & Church Girls Brigade:	Trish Taylor		
Brownies :	Jackie Hopkirk		330 8417
Church Lads & Church Girls Brigade meet in St. Peter's School Monday & Friday's			
Brownies Meet in St. Peter's Church 6.45 - 8.00pm. Wednesdays			
For Baptism Enquires contact Philip Bowden in Church after Sunday worship			
For Banns & Weddings contact the Church Wardens.			

### **Items for the Magazine:**

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