

## RESULTS OF WORSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

Thanks to everyone who completed the recent questionnaire regarding the Eucharist in Ordinary Time.

There were 35 replies with a great deal of common agreement and helpful comments. The three main areas of disagreement were: the prayer of confession, standing during the Eucharistic prayer and the place of the blessing. The Church Council is considering the responses and will finalise the order of service at the meeting on March 16. There are copies of the survey results at the back of church for anyone who would like to see them.

## CONFIRMATION

There will be a local service of Confirmation by the Bishop of Middleton at 7.30pm on Wednesday 2nd June.

This will take place at St. George's and we will be joined by people from other churches in Ashton Deanery.

Those wishing to be confirmed please contact

The Vicar 0161 338 2368 or email [vicar@stg.org.uk](mailto:vicar@stg.org.uk).

Children must be in year 6 or above.

There will be a short meeting in Church of those wishing to be confirmed at 11.00am on Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup>.

At the meeting we shall plan the best meeting times for the preparation groups. The groups will look at a broad sweep of the

Christian faith and lots of use is made of pictures, video, discussions etc. They will be an opportunity to think about faith and explore ideas. Some people might find this useful, whether or not they go on to confirmation – all are welcome .

## RESIGNATION OF CHRIS ANDERSON

Chris has this week given his resignation as Director of Music at St George's, a post he has held for 15 years.

His final Sunday with us will be Easter Day, 4th April.

There will be an opportunity due course to express our appreciation for all Chris has done for our music over the years and if you would like to make a donation to a leaving gift please do so to one of the wardens.

## FEBRUARY'S '200 CLUB' WINNERS

1st Paul Roberts; 2nd J & B Reynolds; 3rd Gladys Spencer.

## WELCOME TO St. GEORGE'S PARISH CHURCH, STALYBRIDGE AND OUR WORSHIP TODAY.

*WE WELCOME ESPECIALLY ANY OF YOU  
WHO ARE HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME*

**Sunday 7th March 2010 - 3rd of Lent**

Please take this sheet home with you



### COLLECT

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **HYMNS**

115, 130, 205, 252.

First Reading

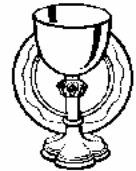
Isaiah 55: 1–9 (page 712)

### **PSALM**

**Hymn 611—Spirit of God**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10: 1–13 (page 184)



### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Lord is a great God,

O that today you would listen to his voice.

Harden not your hearts.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

GOSPEL

Luke 13: 1–9 (page 81)

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

45, 483, 156.

### **POST- COMMUNION PRAYER**

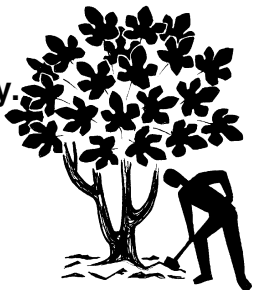
Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **6.00p.m. EVENING PRAYER**

**PSALM 12, 13** (Bible page 524; BCP page 358)

First Lesson Genesis 28: 10–19a (page 26)

Second Lesson John 1: 35–end (page 98)



### **PRAY FOR THE CHURCH THROUGHOUT THE WORLD**

Pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Hong Kong Island - (Hong Kong)  
The Most Revd Paul Kwong Lund (Bishop Antje Jackelen),  
Lund (Bishop Antje Jackelen), Cashel and Ossory (Bishop Michael  
Burrows)

### **PRAY FOR THE DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER**

Bishop Nigel; Suffragan Bishops: Bishop Chris; Bishop Mark.  
Bishop of Beverly: Martyn Jarrett. Dean: Rogers Govender;  
Archdeacons: Cherry Vann, David Bailey, Mark Ashcroft, David Sharples.  
Please continue to keep in your prayers our Vicar: Rev Ian Stubbs;  
Clergy: Rev Philip Brierley; Rev Keith Stewart, Assoc. Rev Doreen Broadbent.

### **PRAY FOR THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD**

For our Queen & all people and leaders of all Nations.  
Peace in the World and for all working for peace and an end to  
terrorism, for all refugees and asylum-seekers.

### **PRAY FOR THIS PARISH AND COMMUNITY**

The towns of Stalybridge and Armentières.  
Those who live in Larkhill and Lees Street.

### **PRAY FOR THE SICK, THE BEREAVED, THOSE IN TROUBLE**

Dorothy Davenport, Marion Stubbs, Janet Holtom, Janet Snape,  
Lorna Philips, Clara Mellor, Alan Hadfield, Susan Smith,  
Kathryn Mould, Glenis & Dennis Ping, *We pray for all grieving families.*  
*Victims of natural disaster, accident, human malice, or negligence, domestic*  
*violence & abuse.*

**PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED** – Bryan Seddon, May Richards,  
Mildred Mary Mingham, Wim Oprel, John Duffin, Jim Walsh,  
Sean Dawson, Edward Jones Morris, Joan Brewster, Karen Jones,  
Brian Andrew Griffin, Betty Black, *anyone known or unknown.*

**ANNIVERSARIES** — Henry Saxon, Sadie Shaw, Jessie Mary Daly,  
Jane Norris, Margaret Cawley, Gordon Wheatley, Joseph Sharpe,  
Norman Nield, Sarah Ann Allsopp, Herbert Bardsley, James Turner,  
Harold Webster, Mabel Sweeney, Basil Kirk, William Bateman,  
Donald Feetham, Beatrice Kelsall.

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**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** - to have the name of a loved one  
entered into this special book, and remembered in our intercessions  
for their anniversary, or one of the clergy. £7.50 per entry.

### **MOTHERING SUNDAY NEXT SUNDAY 14th MARCH**

**Join us for the Family Service at 10.45**

**Theme: *Overwhelming Love***

This year we take as our theme God's overwhelming love as Jesus  
taught in the story of the loving father and his runaway (prodigal) son.  
The Junior Church children will present the story to us as a short play.

It is a reminder that 'mothering', loving and caring,  
is the responsibility of us all.

As usual there will be gift cards to take for our mothers,  
grandmothers and carers.

### **EVENING PRAYER 6.00pm this evening**

Will take the form of an Iona, Celtic style evening office and  
will include music. The emphasis will be on prayerful reflection.

### **The Funeral Service of Leonard John Duffin**

will take place in Church at 12.30pm on Tuesday 9th March followed  
by cremation at Dukinfield at 1.30pm.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend in memory of  
John and in support of Janice, Paul and the family.

(nb. John was his Northern nickname, given by Minnie his second wife)

### **THE MAGAZINE FOR MARCH IS NOW AVAILABLE.**

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<b>SUNDAY</b>	8.30a.m. Holy Eucharist
<b>7th March</b>	10.45a.m. Parish Eucharist & Junior Church
<b>3 of Lent</b>	12.30p.m. Fair Trade products on sale
	6.00p.m. Evening Prayer
<b>MONDAY</b>	3.15p.m. Children's Agape with Adults
	7.45p.m. Lent Group
<b>TUESDAY</b>	10.30a.m. Holy Eucharist
	11.15a.m. Lent Group
	12.30p.m. Funeral of John Duffin
	7.45p.m. Knit & Natter (Craft) Group
	8.00p.m. Spring Fair Arrangement Meeting
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10.00a.m. Time 4 Fun 0—5 years
<b>FRIDAY</b>	6.30p.m. Junior Youth Group
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MOTHERING SUNDAY</b>
<b>14th March</b>	8.30a.m. Holy Eucharist
<b>4th of Lent</b>	10.45a.m. A Service for Mothering Sunday
	12.30p.m. Holy Baptism x1
	6.00p.m. Holy Communion BCP