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If you change your address or telephone number, please let Mike Hughes know on :

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so that the Electoral Roll details can be changed. If you don't have access to email, then please tell the clergy directly

If you would like to have an item or some important news about St. Nicholas Church, in the newsheet, then please either; email to **cramedia@talktalk.net** or put it into the '**P**' pigeon hole or phone **07769689737**, if possible by 'close of play' Wednesdays; as we 'go to press' on Thursdays.

On matters of policy or direct enquiries please contact the Rector on **01670 737369** or email him on : **sandshewitt@hotmail.com**

BIBLE READINGS

Today: Acts 10: 44-end 1 John 5: 1-6 John 15: 9-17
'love one another.'

Next Sunday: Acts 1: 15-17, 21-end 1 John 5: 9-13 John 17: 6-19
'I pray for them.....'

The Parish website is currently undergoing a major overhaul and only basic information is currently available.

If you need further information on anything please contact David Pickering

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
ST. NICHOLAS
NEWS

The Newsletter of the
Church in the Village



13th. May 2012 The Sixth Sunday of Easter

The Parish Mission Statement is:
'TO SERVE GOD AND MAKE HIM KNOWN IN OUR COMMUNITIES'

Welcome to our Services Today.

We have a '**Loop System**' for those with hearing difficulties

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ANY VISUAL DISABILITY THERE ARE INDIVIDUAL SONG SHEETS AND LARGE COPIES OF THE SERVICE AVAILABLE FROM A SIDESPERSON

VICAR'S CHAIR

This last weekend I travelled down to Yorkshire to preach at my home church in Shipley. The people of this small, but vibrant and faithful, Baptist church have been praying continually for our parish over the last year, with us as the particular focus of their monthly church prayers last August.

I had a great time, they loved to hear of our refurbishment and plans for the future, but more than this they really wanted to hear how the Holy Spirit was at work in the parish. Having to pause for a moment to think through how to explain the growth in our mission to grow the Kingdom here in Cramlington made me realize two things afresh.

Firstly, how blessed we are to be in a place where God is clearly at work, where we experience first hand the Holy Spirit changing people's lives and where we can actually taste and see that God is good. **Secondly**, and reflecting on the prayerful support of Shipley Baptists for the mission here in the North East, I realised again how important it is to have people praying for us as we try to live out our lives as Christians.

It is this second point I wanted to focus on and ask you, especially this coming week, to join me in spending some extra time praying for each and every person involved in ministry across the parish.

Your servant in the Gospel.

Steve

SOMETHING TO PRAY ABOUT.....

Each week we pray for people, local needs and the world at large. If you have any prayer you would like included, please let the Editor have it by 'close of play' Thursdays.

Please pray for all the people from our wider congregation who we know are sad, poorly, or ill. Pray for Maureen & Arthur, Mary Gee, Alan & Elizabeth Mawson, Marion Dotchin, Muriel Edwards, Alice Worth, Joyce Charlton, Edna Elliott, Ena Neilson, Heidi Simon Hill, Gillian Goodyear, and Tony Simpson ...and for those who care for them..

We remember those who have died recently; and those who come to mind on anniversaries.

We pray for Beth Bowler, Pamela Green, Elizabeth Carr and Isaac Wilkinson who are being Confirmed on 20th. May

Give thanks for the 1st. Anniversary of the marriage of Maria & Maxwell Craggs

And we pray for **you**, the reader; may you rest comfortably in the love of God.

The Ordination of James Harvey to the Priesthood

Seats for James' ordination to the priesthood at St. Nicholas' Cathedral on 1st. July 2012 at 10 am can be obtained from James or Stephen

ASCENSION DAY 2012

Thursday 17th. May is Ascension Day. We are invited to join the Doxford Methodists for their service at 7.30 pm

The "Way of the Spirit"

A Bible Reading Course

Fridays @ Twyford Meeting Room from 3.30 til 5.00 pm

Contact: Brenda Whiting for more details on 07512086702

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 13th. May

Christian Aid Week Begins

8.00 am Holy Communion (Steve Wilkinson)
10.00 am Holy Communion (Steve Wilkinson/Stephen Hewitt)
12noon Baptisms (Steve Wilkinson)
6.30 pm Focus Youth Group (Darren Purdie)
7.00 pm Youth First (Darren Purdie)

Monday 14th. May

9.30 am Little Fishes (Jennifer & Emma)
1.00 pm Townswomen's Guild

Tuesday 15th. May

7.00 pm Youth First Explore (Darren Purdie)

Wednesday 16th. May

10.00 am Holy Communion (Steve Wilkinson)
6.00 pm Churchyard Renewal Group Meeting
7.00 pm Wedding Bookings (Lorrie Sherrard)

Thursday 17th. May

2.00 pm SE Northumberland Stroke Support Committee Meeting
7.00 pm Music Group (Howard Beckett)

Friday 18th. May

7.00 pm Bell Ringers (Bill Hedley)

Saturday 19th. May

9.30 am Confirmation Rehearsal
10.30 am Local Artists' Exhibition
12 noon Private Thanksgiving
2.30 pm Church Folk Band Practice

Sunday 20th. May

8.00 am Holy Communion (Stephen Hewitt)
10.00 am **Confirmations with Bishop Frank White**
6.30 pm Focus Youth Group (Darren Purdie)
7.00 pm Youth First (Darren Purdie)

If you're right 98% of the time, why quibble about the remaining 3%?

Confirmation at St. Nicholas'

Sunday 20th. May at 10.00 am

Bishop Frank White will be presiding at the Confirmation Service. There are four Parish candidates, Beth Bowler, Pamela Green, Elizabeth Carr and Isaac Wilkinson. Please remember them all in your prayers. There will also be an opportunity in the Service for all who wish to renew their Baptismal vows.

All welcome.