

Worship and Activity This Week

Today	12 noon	Baptism of Matilda Mae Hammond
	5.00pm	Office hour @ St Anne's
Tue	7.30pm	Men's Group @ St Anne's
Wed	10.00am	Eucharist
	12 noon	Lunch in the Church Hall - open to all
Fri	7.15am	Eucharist
	9.00am	Morning Prayer @ St Francis
Next Sunday - 23rd August		
	8.00am	Eucharist
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist [St Anne's] Sung Eucharist [St Francis]
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer @ St Anne's

Next month.....The Autumn FairSaturday 26 September

The basic format is the same as last year with all our popular stalls plus a number of additions: the additions are a Balloon Race, a Bouncy Castle, the opportunity for Fun Photographs, Face Painting, a Flower and Plant Stall, Hand Bag and Scarf Stall, Hunt the Autograph, and an opportunity for a quick portrait sketch.

We invite you to help us fill the stalls by donating any items you can spare. Stalls that need your particular help are Bottle Stall, Handbag and Scarf Stall, Book Stall, and any of the tombola/raffle type stalls. (Donations may be left at the back of church.)



The Programme will be a pull-out in the September Spire, and we are having an extra 1,000 printed so we can promote the Fair far and wide. PLEASE HELP US TO MAKE THE FAIR A GREAT SUCCESS. Contact Keith about the Fair on 282 7434 or @ntlworld.com



Contact Details

Baptisms, Blessings, Weddings - speak to any of the clergy after the service. They will be at the back of church. Spot the dog collar! Our monthly parish magazine **The Spire** has a full list of contact details for clergy and organisations on the back cover. For this sheet, email joanie@sneakmail.zzn.com by Wed.

No need to rush off

You are welcome to look round the church: there's a **bookstall** with a new range of home-made greeting cards—at a very reasonable price - a stall of fairly traded products, prayer displays, reading materials and, of course, notices, flowers, monuments, stained glass....

Or spend some quiet time.

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St Anne's, Sale with St Francis, Sale Moor
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10th Sunday after Trinity

16th August 2009

Welcome

We hope you will enjoy being with us. If you're not familiar with our services, don't worry. We follow a written order of service and we'll tell you from time to time which page we're on.

Children are welcome in church and in Sunday School or crèche across the road in the hall. If your children get restive in church, don't be afraid to get up and move around if this helps. There is a toilet at the back of church.

At St Anne's today

- 8am We use the black service book (from page 207)
President: Julian Heaton, Vicar
- 10am We use the slim green service book
President: Julian Heaton, Vicar
- 6pm Café Church
Led by Julian Heaton, Vicar

At St Francis' today

- 10am We use the slim green service book
President: Janet Parker, Curate

Bible readings for today's services are on the next page.

Bread for Tomorrow

We use the term "bread" in all sorts of circumstances; "bread and butter" (life's ordinary activities) "bread" (as in money) "the best thing since sliced bread" and so on. The point is that bread is the staple diet in so many cultures without which life is not possible - as Marie Antoinette discovered.

Jesus describes himself as "***I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.***" What does he mean?

He is saying that sharing in the meal we call Eucharist takes us beyond life's basics; this bread will sustain us beyond today.

Christians are "End-time People". That is not to say that we worry about when the End will happen. Rather it is to say that God calls us to live with the End in view. Our decisions in life need to be made with that in mind. So eating "End-time Food" is the right diet for us. Today we open our hands to receive the "Bread of Life".

Today's readings

"Sing to the Lord
with all of your heart..."



A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians [Ephesians 5.15-20]

Brothers and sisters, be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John [John 6:51-58]
Glory to You, O Lord

Jesus said to the crowd, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to You, O Christ



Bread to share?

Once, on the Great Sabbath before the Passover, the rabbi of Roplchitz came home from the house of prayer with weary steps.

'What made you so tired?' asked his wife.

'It was the sermon,' he replied. 'I had to speak of the poor and their many needs for the coming Passover. The price of unleavened bread and wine and everything else is terribly high this year.'

'And what did you accomplish with your sermon?' his wife asked.

'Half of what I needed,' he answered. 'You see, the poor are now ready to take. As for the other half - whether the rich are ready to give - I don't know about that yet.'

Tales of the Hasidim

A thought to take away



Live so that you wouldn't be ashamed to sell the family parrot to the town gossip.

God gives us the ingredients for our daily bread, but HE expects us to do the baking.

News of the Church family

From Tony and Betty:

We invite all at St. Anne's and St. Francis' to join us in a celebratory glass of wine (with nibbles) after the Parish Eucharist **next Sunday—23rd August**.

We had intended it to be today, but our three daughters and two sons-in-law have kindly presented us with a Golden Wedding Anniversary **surprise holiday** and, as you read this, we shall be sunning ourselves somewhere within 4hours 15 minutes' flying time of Amsterdam. At the moment that is as much as we know; we shall discover our final destination only when we open a sealed envelope at the airport -up to now we have resisted the temptation to peep

So, we look forward to seeing **everyone** (8 o'clockers too!) who can join us on the 23rd to help celebrate our 50 years.

From Peggy:

I want to thank everyone for your kindness and concern shown before and after my recent pacemaker procedure, and to let you know that I am making good progress.