

# Worship and Activity This Week

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| <b>Today</b>                        | 12 Noon Baptism of Erin Hynes & Millie Armitage<br>4.30pm Baptism Preparation<br>5.00pm Office hour @ St Anne's  |
| <b>Mon</b>                          | 7.45pm ACF: Judy Popley talks on "A Prospect of Arley Hall"  |
| <b>Tue</b>                          | 3.30pm Sunbeams After School Church @ Church Hall<br>7.45pm PCC @ St Francis   |
| <b>Wed</b>                          | <b>10.00am Eucharist</b><br>12 noon Lunch in the Church Hall - open to all<br>8.00pm Wednesday Evening Worship @ St Anne's   |
| <b>Thu</b>                          | 2.00pm Bible Study @ St Francis<br>8.00pm House Group @ 8 Russell Close  |
| <b>Fri</b>                          | <b>7.15am Eucharist</b><br><b>9.00am Morning Prayer @ St Francis</b><br>9.15am Mothers and Toddlers @ St Anne's Church Hall<br>6.00pm Youth Club<br>6.45pm Junior Choir Practice<br>7.15pm Full Choir Practice |
| <b>Next Sunday - 13th September</b> |  |
|                                     | 8.00am Eucharist<br><b>10.00am Parish Eucharist</b> [St Anne's]<br><b>Sung Eucharist</b> [St Francis]<br>6.00pm Evening Prayer @ St Anne's<br>7.00pm Critical Mass - Secondary School Youth Club - Church Hall |



## St Francis Rooms upgraded

Due to tremendous work of a small band of folk in St Francis' smaller rooms, we now have two comfortable, carpeted spaces in our parish for small meetings. A huge "Thank You" to the "band".

## 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.

## No need to rush off

You're welcome to look round the church—there's a bookstall, a stall of fairly traded products, prayer displays, reading materials and, of course, notices, flowers, monuments, stained glass.... Or spend some quiet time.

# INSPIRATION

St Anne's, Sale with St Francis, Sale Moor  
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13th Sunday after Trinity

6th September 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 229)  
President: Janet Parker, Curate

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Assisting: Alan Ward, Reader

6pm Choral Evensong  
Led by Julian Heaton, Vicar

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

Please note that during the outbreak of Swine Flu we will be administering communion in bread *only*.

## Learn a new language

Do you ever find yourself stuck for words? Sometimes we hear someone speak and realise, gratefully, that they have just put our own thoughts into words in a neat and clear way. It is almost as if, before this point, we could not quite hear the right words.

In our Gospel reading this morning (see over) we read of Jesus' ministry in the Decapolis, the land of the ten cities. This was foreign territory, not Jewish land. Jesus is talking to people who did not have a same faith stories, the same vision of God, the belief in God who longs for us to know and trust him. They are, essentially, deaf to the Good News. They cannot "hear" it.

We live in a world where similar hearing difficulties are very common. Those who remember the start of the Second World War and those who happily inhabit the digital world are potentially deaf to each other.

Our call, then, is to make the Gospel "hearable" to all. To do this, we need support and skills to offer ministry with even greater diversity. We will explore this as part of our GAP process.

## Today's readings

A reading from the book of Isaiah  
[Isaiah 35: 4-7a]

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark  
[Mark 7:24-37]  
**Glory to You, O Lord**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let

the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go--the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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

## Service Times are changing soon

From **4th October**, the times of services in the Parish will be as follows:

### St Anne's

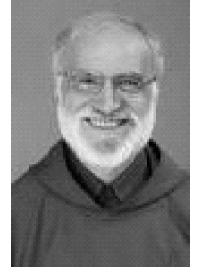
8.00am Said Eucharist  
10.30am Sung Eucharist  
12.30pm Baptism  
6.00pm Evening worship

### St Francis

9.30am Said Eucharist with hymns

## Life in Christ

Autumn starts here; so sign up now for this great opportunity to make space in your life to deepen your own "Life in Christ".



There are places to sign up both at the back of St Anne's and in the Church Hall. **Be bold.**

## **Back to Church Sunday**

### Sunday 27th September @ St Anne's

We have lots of Invitations for you to take to your friends for this special Sunday. Here is what you can invite a friend to;

#### 8.00am Said Eucharist

followed by Posh Coffee and Croissants

#### 10.00am Songs of Praise

followed by Posh Coffee and Cakes

*In the Church Hall the wide variety of groups in our Parish will be showing what they do and inviting people to come and take a closer look at being involved in ministry.*

#### 6.30pm Celtic Eucharist

*A creative time of worship and adoration.*

# comeasyouare

## Confirmation Course

We are running a Confirmation Course starting on 5th October. Look for Card on the stand at the back of St Anne's Church.

## Churches Together in Sale

### Ecumenical Evening Worship

6.00pm 20th September  
Sale URC, Montagu Road.  
*Do come and join us!*