

Worship and Activity This Week

Today	ROUTE GINGER'S CAKE STALL after the Parish Eucharist
	12.30pm Baptism of Ollie Gartside and Joseph Howells
	3.00pm Critical Mass trip to Imperial War Museum North
	5.00pm Office hour @ St Anne's
Mon	8.00pm ACF Deanery Coffee Evening, Church Hall. £2. All welcome
Tue	7.30pm Hall Management Meeting in Church Hall
	8.00pm Emmaus @ 3 Windermere
Wed	10.00am Eucharist
	12 noon Lunch in the Church Hall - open to all
Fri	7.15am Eucharist
	9.00am Morning Prayer @ St Francis
	6.45pm Junior Choir Practice
	7.15pm Full Choir Practice
Next Sunday - 1st November	
	8.00am Eucharist
	9.30am Eucharist with Hymns [St Francis]
	10.30am Parish Eucharist [St Anne's]
	6.00pm Choral Evensong & Service of Remembrance @ St Anne's

Free tomorrow evening? Then please come along to the ACF Deanery Charity Coffee Evening **Speaker: Mrs Joyce Heaton on 19th century Fashion, Facts and Foibles. £2 Proceeds to St. James' Hospital, Lesotho.**



GAP away-day Reminder.....

If you haven't replied yet, soon would be good. Alan

BOOK STALL Reminder

We have a new selection of items for Advent. Take a look.

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'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
0161 973 4145 www.stannessale.org



20th Sunday after Trinity

25th October 2009

Can't you see?

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.

We welcome the families and friends of **Olivia Cross** and **Seth Williams**. It is great that you are here on this special day.

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.

"Can't you see? It's so obvious! Duh" said the student to her friend. Her friend couldn't. Despite endless attempts at explaining different ways of understanding the subject, she didn't get it. She was essentially blind.



For people of faith, the reality of God has a certain "is-ness"; God *is*. And because that is where they start, trying to explain God to someone else is incredibly hard work. It's like describing the colour red, the smell of a roast chicken or being in love.

If description is tricky what we sometimes communicate are our emotions or feelings. Our enthusiasm alerts others to something or someone in whose presence we become different, excited, animated. They begin to look at us more closely to observe whether they can work out what or who it is who is making the difference.

Today we baptise Olivia, Seth, Ollie and Joseph. Their baptism reminds us that our faith needs to be handed on. If we cannot find the words, then we must show the power of our faith by change that happens in us when we draw near Jesus.

At St Anne's today

8.00am Eucharist

We use the black service book (p 207)
President: Julian Heaton, Vicar

10.30am

Parish Eucharist and Baptism

We use the slim yellow service book
President: Janet Parker, Curate
Assisting: Paul Edwards, Reader

6pm Evening Prayer

Led by Paul Edwards, Reader

At St Francis' today

9.30am Eucharist

We use the green service book
President: Olwyn Marlow, Hon Assist

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

Today's readings

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah [Jeremiah 31:7-9]

For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labour, together; a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
[Mark 10:46b-52]
Glory to You, O Lord

The Chalice & Swine Flu

We are returning to the practice of sharing the Chalice. If you do not want to share the Chalice, please receive only the Bread.

We will not be offering the Chalice for intinction to avoid any chance of infection.





As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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



Have you done your SWOT?

Last week some of you kindly offered your thoughts about our Strengthens, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats. If you did, thanks. Most of us will have lots of ideas about our Parish. Offer us as many as you can. If you didn't, please help us by grabbing a Post-it and offering us one thought per Post-it.

	Strength - isn't it good that
	Weakness - isn't it a pity that
	Opportunities - wouldn't it be good if ...
	Threats - won't it be bad news if

Ysabel Rice Project in the Solomons

£450 approx. was raised at Thursday's Overseas' meal and presentation, in aid of the Ysabel Rice Project. The 70 or so of us who were privileged to hear Bishop Willie, also enjoyed a delicious choice of meals based on rice; cooked and served by our Overseas' Team. Thank you to them and thank you to all who supported it.



Urgent Help Needed—Luncheon Club (every Wednesday)

Please could you help once a month? We need all sorts of helpers: cooks, general kitchen assistants, servers. If we do not recruit more volunteers by January, the luncheon club, which caters for 60 people each week, is in danger of closing. We need at least six people. Please contact Margaret or Keith Ward 282 7434 or email ward_keith3@sky.com