

# Worship and Activity This Week

<b>Today</b>	12 noon	Communion before Confirmation @ St Anne's
	12.30pm	Lent Lunch @ St Anne's
	1.00pm	APCM @ St Anne's
	5.00pm	Office Hour @ St Anne's
	7.00pm	Critical Mass @ St Francis's
<b>Mon</b>	7.30pm	Men's Group @ St Anne's Church Hall Induction of Revd Janet Parker at St Thomas, High Lane
<b>Tue</b>	2.00pm	Social Afternoon at St. Francis's (2nd and 4th week in month)
	3.30pm	Sunbeams' After School Church @ Church Hall
	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross @ St Anne's
<b>Wed</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Eucharist @ St Anne's</b>
	12 noon	Lunch in the Church Hall - open to all
	<b>8.00pm</b>	<b>Taize Worship @ St Anne's</b>
<b>Thu</b>	10.00am	<b>Eucharist for Annunciation @ St Anne's</b>
	10.30am	LMT @ Vicarage
	2.00pm	Bible Study @ St Francis ((2nd and 4th week in month)
	7.30pm	House Group @ 8 Russell Avenue
	8.00pm	House Group @ 15 Broad Road
	8.00pm	Women's Group @ St Francis' - Easter making evening!
	8.00pm	Holy Week Servers Rehearsal
<b>Fri</b>	<b>7.15am</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer @ St Francis</b>
	9.15am	Mothers and Toddlers @ St Anne's Church Hall
	1.00pm	Sunbeams Preparation Meeting at the Vicarage
	6.45pm	Junior Choir Practice
	7.15pm	Full Choir Practice

## Next Sunday - 28th March - Palm Sunday

8.00am	Eucharist @ St Anne's
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Eucharist with Hymns</b> [St Francis]
<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b> [St Anne's]
12 noon	Communion before Confirmation @ St Anne's
12.30pm	Lent Lunch @ St Anne's
6.00pm	Evening Prayer @ St Anne's
7.00pm	Critical Mass @ St Francis

## 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 by Wednesday  
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# INSPIRATION

St Anne's, Sale with St Francis, Sale Moor  
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5th Sunday in Lent

21st March 2010

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

### 8.00am Eucharist

*We use the black service book [p 207]*

President: Julian Heaton, Vicar

### 10.30am Parish Eucharist

*We use the purple service book*

President: Olwyn Marlow, Asst Priest

Assisting: Norman Hayton, Asst Priest

### 6.00pm Café Church

Led by: Julian Heaton, Vicar

## At St Francis' today

### 9.30am Eucharist

*We use the black service book [p 207]*

President: Julian Heaton, Vicar

### Today's Anthem:- Forget me not!

Then shall I not permit Thee to be forgot. Oh Holy stem of Jesse. Within my heart I will remember Thee and all the countless joy and loving kindness which Thou, unsought, has shown despite my sin and blindness. Whate'er my lack, whate'er my lot. Forget me not!

## Sniffing out change

In the Hornblower stories, the seamen talk about being able to smell the land even when they could not see it. It always seemed a little unlikely to me... until this spring. After such a long winter our antennae seem highly tuned to sensing a change of season; the air a little warmer, the sun a bit brighter, the wind less chilly. And we feel better for it; new things are happening out there.

Spotting a change, sensing "new things" in the air, is perhaps something that comes more easily to those who live off the land or sea. So when, in our Old Testament reading, Isaiah speaks of something new happening in the land, those who heard that for the first time will have known precisely what he was talking about.

We are dulled, not only to subtle changes in the seasons but changes that also affect how we live. Economic shifts of tectonic proportions happen and we still don't get it. We are living in a new era and pretend all is well as it ever was.

If that is true economically, it can also be true spiritually. Our readings alert us to look for God's hand bringing hope and peace into the world. In our dullness, we can miss this. But if we learn to listen, learn to pay attention, we too can see God at work. Mary's anointing of Jesus makes sense if she has grasped that, when Jesus is present in our lives, the world seems a brighter place.

# Today's readings

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah**  
*[Isaiah 43.16-21]*

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
*[John 12:1-8]*  
**Glory to You, O Lord**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

*This is the Gospel of the Lord*

The new **Planned Giving Envelopes** are available at the back of both St. Anne's and St. Fancis' Churches for those who use them.

Donations towards **Easter Flowers** will be gratefully received by Janet Phillimore or Moira Garnett. Thank you.

**ANNUAL CHURCH FAIR - 25 SEP.**  
 We need a project manager + team to organize our Annual Fair. If you could help, or to hear more details, ring Ken Bailey 973 5633 or 07751 43811.



**Parish Party - 24th April 6pm** in Church Hall. Tickets just £6 & £3 for our younger guests. Sumptuous buffet with complimentary glass of wine. Please bring own drinks for rest of evening. Fun & entertainment for all the family. Don't miss out, get your tickets now.

**Janet's Induction**—Monday 22nd March 2009  
 Some of us are able to fit into **St Thomas, High Lane** tomorrow night. Some of us cannot. Whatever your situation is, please hold Janet and Dennis in your prayers as this new moment in ministry begins.

## Holy Week and Easter

28 March	9.30am	Palm Sunday Eucharist
	10.30am	Palm Sunday - Procession of Palms and Dramatic Reading of the Passion with Sunday Eucharist - beginning in the Church Hall
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	8.00pm	Silent Eucharist <i>followed by Silence</i>
	9.00pm	Compline
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>		
1 April	6.00pm	Seder Meal in the Church Hall
	8.00pm	Maundy Thursday - Eucharist of the Lord's Supper, Foot Washing and Vigil
<b>Good Friday</b>		
2 April	9.30am	Good Friday Service at St Francis
	9.30am	"Messy Church" at St Anne's Church Hall
	1.30pm	Good Friday Liturgy of the Day at St Anne's
<b>Holy Saturday</b>		
3 April	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	Morning	<i>Cleaning of the Church - bring your equipment!</i>
	7.30pm	Easter Vigil and lighting of the Easter Fire
<b>Easter Day</b>		
4 April	8.00am	Easter Eucharist (Said) at St Anne's
	9.30am	Eucharist of the Resurrection and Renewal of Baptismal Vows (St Francis)
	10.30am	Eucharist of the Resurrection, Baptism, Renewal of Baptismal Vows and Admission to Communion (St Anne's)