

Worship and Activity This Week

Today	12.30pm Baptism of Bronte Goodwin 5.00pm Office Hour @ St Anne's
Mon	<i>Bank Holiday</i>
Tue	3.30pm Sunbeams After-School Church
Wed	10.00am Eucharist @ St Anne's 12 noon Lunch in the Church Hall - open to all 7.30pm Archdeacon's Visitation @ St George's, Altrincham
Thurs	2.30pm Mothers' Union @ St Francis: Social with raffle and B&B 8.00pm House Group @ 8 Russell Avenue—Phillipians
Fri	7.15am Eucharist 9.00am Morning Prayer @ St Francis 9.15am Mothers and Toddlers @ St Anne's Church Hall 6.45pm Junior Choir Practice 7.15pm Full Choir Practice
Sat	9.00am Church Hall and Church Garden working parties
Next Sunday - 9th May - 6th Sunday of Easter	
8.00am Eucharist [St Anne's] 9.30am Eucharist with Hymns [St Francis] 10.30am Parish Eucharist [St Anne's] 6.00pm Evening Prayer @ St Anne's	

**St. Joseph's Players at
St. Francis' Church Hall**
for one night only

Variety Show

Friday 21 May

admission by complimentary
ticket obtainable from Kath
Hanstock but there will be a raffle
and refreshments
for which there will be a charge

Election Debate

Wythenshawe & Sale East
St Paul's Springfield Road
7.30pm Tuesday 4th May
Chaired by Paul Vallely

If you wish to put a question, it can be
emailed in advance to bernard.
randall@hotmail.co.uk or submitted
from 7.15pm on the evening.

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 please:
joanie@sneakmail.zzn.com

INSPIRATION

St Anne's, Sale with St Francis, Sale Moor
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5th Sunday of Easter

2nd May 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 Yellow Service Book
President: Julian Heaton, Vicar

10.30am Parish Eucharist

We use the Yellow Service Book
President: Olwyn Marlow, Asst Priest
Assisting: Alan Ward, Reader

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Led by Julian Heaton, Vicar

At St Francis' today

9.30am Eucharist

We use the Yellow Service Book
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*Bible readings for
today's services are on
the next page.*



A Legacy of Love

When schools visit St Anne's they often
remark on the memorial stones. At one
level, this is purely because they are
different from what they see elsewhere -
but sometimes they have read them and
want to know more about the story
behind them.

These memorial stones hint at the idea of
a legacy - that they recall the character
and impact of a particular personality,
one which others wanted to hold
precious. It raises interesting questions
about our own legacy and what it is that
we may want to leave behind us.

In our gospel reading the question of
legacy is not left open - we cannot
choose how we want to be remembered;
we are to be remembered by the impact
of our love on those around us.
Moreover, that love is not to be the
vague and sentimental love that floats
into the mind and heart - it is to be the sort
of love that takes its measure from the
ministry, the life and death of Jesus
Christ.

I wonder what that love would look like?
In church we often wrongly opt for the
lowest common denominator - instead of
love we choose *like*, instead of
forgiveness we choose *forgetting*,
instead of *hope* we choose vague
optimism. We desire "friendly" churches,
"happy" services, "smiley" people.
This is no legacy. Love is costly, Christ-
seeking, honest, demanding. If you want
the other fluffy stuff - look elsewhere.

Today's readings

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles [Acts 11.1-18]

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I

remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John [John 13.31-35]

Glory to You, O Lord

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, O Christ

Christian Aid Week: May 9th—

Only one week to go! It would be so good if we could recruit enough volunteers to cover our parish's allocation of roads for the Christian Aid collection. Each individual effort will make a real difference to so many people. If you can help, then Ann Helm (969 8968) would be really pleased to hear from you.

Christian Aid
We believe in life before death

Sunday Morning Teas

Sunday 16 May

Helpers are needed. Due to personal circumstances, some of our teams are short of members; and indeed it would be good to have some *new* teams. Can you, or perhaps you and some friends, help on a rota basis to prepare drinks after the 10.30am service? The procedure is not difficult and help will be given.

We also need regular help with cleaning up and using the dishwasher—could you help in this way? Please speak to Carol Thomas or phone her on 283 0563. *Any* help will be greatly appreciated.

Andrew Thomas is running the Great Manchester 10k Run for the 'Wooden Spoon' charity, a rugby originated charity which aims to improve the life for children and young people. If you would like to sponsor him please see Carol (Mum) or go on-line to www.justgiving.com/Andy-Thomas-120. Thank you



Archdeacon's Visitation

A reminder to the newly elected Sidesmen and women (and Church Wardens!) that the Archdeacon is looking forward to your company on **5th May at 7.30pm at St George's Altrincham**. A visit to a hostelry might be involved in the return journey.

Bring a photo

Next week, 9th May, if you are coming to the 10.30am Sung Eucharist at St Anne's, we ask you to bring a recent photograph of yourself and, if you have it, your baptism certificate. We are celebrating the gift of baptism.

Working Party for Hall and Gardens

Can you spare an hour or two? Next Saturday we are going to do two jobs;

1. clean, scrub, dust and tidy the **Church Hall**. Those with cupboards in the hall or on the stage are asked to label these and provide spare keys for locks.
2. hoe, tidy, and spruce up the **garden** - this is looking fabulous - let's help to keep it this way.

This is for all folks of every age. This is our church - let's share the burden of keeping things neat and tidy.