

St Matthew's News

The Parish of Edgeley and Cheadle Heath



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Sunday Service Times

Sunday 2nd June

10:30^{am} *Whole Parish Worship*

All Other Sundays

9:30^{am} *Formal Service*

11:15^{am} *Less Formal Service
(with children's groups)*

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www.edgeleyandcheadleheath.org.uk

Celebration

I am excitedly looking forward to the 30th of June when I will be in Lincoln Cathedral to Celebrate the Ordination to the Diaconate of my friend Carol Jones. Carol was a thirteen-year old school girl when I first met her - she used to take my baby Gareth out in his pram. Her younger daughter, Sarah, is to be married next year in the same church where she was my very first 'Baptism baby'!

I have been privileged to share, and be part of, Carol's journey to faith, which began at that baptism; and has developed over the years through call, response, struggle and commitment. As I celebrate with her and her family and friends on that day, I will be vividly reminded of the vows and

Window Dedication. What a wonderful welcome we received in Llandudno when just over twenty of us went to *Holy Trinity* for a service to celebrate the installation of a window that had been created using panels from the west window of St. Augustine's.

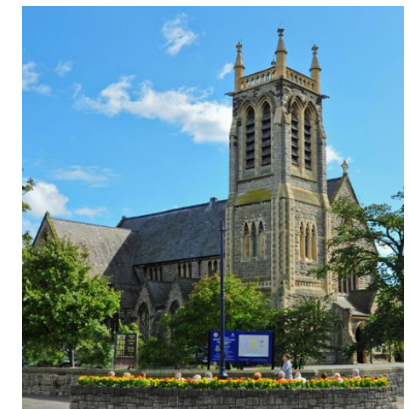
promises I made fifteen years ago. We may not always see the faith journey of others through to conclusion, but our own regular church services should always be a time of Celebration as we recall vows and promises that we have made to God about the way we live our lives and serve his people, in order for His Kingdom to come on earth as it is in heaven.

Remember Carol in your prayers along with all others being ordained that day, including Janet Owens and Gareth Robinson, from our own Deanery.

With love in Christ ~ Julie Jxo



Julie J



What's News!!

All The Fun Of The Fair - we're holding our **Summer Fair** on **Saturday 20th July** (12 - 3^{pm}). This is one of our biggest fundraising events of the year, and we want to make it better than ever!



We'll need **lots** of help to come up with ideas for new stalls and new ways of raising money, collecting donated items, putting up posters, asking for raffle prizes from local businesses, building a coconut shy, setting up on the day, running the stalls, making and serving refreshments and all that lovely tidying up at the end... and lots, lots more!



Please look out for details of all the different ways that **YOU can get involved**, before, during and after the event. There will be ways for all of us to play a part in welcoming our community and raising lots of money to further God's mission in this parish.

If you'd like to know more, see Pam Robinson, (*Community Team Leader*) in church or contact her through the contacts page on our website.

First Aid Training

Our *Children and Young People's Team* are delighted to have received a grant from the *Community First Panel* to pay for subsidised *first aid* training for **parents and carers of infants and young children**. We are able to offer some free places, for families on low income.

The Team will be arranging three two-hour sessions of *Basic First Aid Understanding*, covering CPR, choking, and dealing with scalds and burns. There will also be a six-hour training session covering additional emergencies, such as how to react to severe bleeding, treatment and application of hygienic dressings, fractures, ear and eye injuries, hypothermia, allergy recognition and childhood illnesses - including meningitis and febrile convulsions.

Book now on our website or by filling in the form in Church. The sessions are in *the Vicarage* on Thursday 11th July (6^{pm} - 8^{pm}) £5, and Saturday 13th July (9:30^{am} - 3:30^{pm}) £10. Fee on arrival.

Young people (Yr 10 and above) are welcome to join us, with parental permission (boost your babysitting potential with a first aid certificate!).



Introducing Mark Goodwin

I was born and raised Catholic, in Glossop, Derbyshire. My father, Victor, converted to marry my mum, Maureen. I lapsed but returned to faith when I met Shum, my wife. We came to church in the parish nearly 10 years ago after visiting St Mark's. The welcome from everyone was so warm, the Vicar was so 'real' and the sermons so relevant that it just felt like coming home. I felt like the prodigal son.

My role in church is Church Warden and I have been on the PCC since starting at St Mark's, and used to be on Deanery Synod - though I never really understood what was going on!

My favourite toys as a child were homemade bamboo bows and arrows (with suction cups on the end - *safety first!*). When I grew up I wanted to be like my big brother, an astronaut (I was woken at 5^{am} on my 7th birthday to watch the first man walk on the moon), or an artist - I did become an artist as I'm a graphic designer.

My favourite food is anything Shum cooks me, especially her curries or BBQ belly pork with egg fried rice... *mmm*. To relax I

love to settle down with a cup of tea, a chocolate biscuit and Shum. Or play football on the Playstation with Josh, our son - I can even win once in a while! I like watching documentaries, old films, dramas, live football and Man United winning on MOTD on TV. At present, I am reading *To Kill a Mocking Bird* by Harper Lee. It's about injustice and racial bigotry in 1930s southern USA, as seen through the eyes of a six-year old tomboy.

I would love to visit Bangladesh and East Asia with Shum and Josh, where Shum's mother came from. My dream competition prize is winning lots of money on the Lottery to help all the causes I support (especially church).

The last thing I would give up is my love of my God and my family. If my house was on fire, I would save, apart from Shum and Josh of course, myself! *Things* aren't important. I would like to be locked in church with David and Lucy, both so musical, resourceful and interesting. Also Nan, Charles and Kevin who would be so funny and entertaining until we could get out. I would



like to be remembered for being a good person that people liked. What makes me angry: family misunderstandings; people who aren't understanding in the community; and the lack of fairness in the world.

The greatest influence on my life was meeting Shum and Josh and finding God again. The Bible

passage I would recommend is the parable of the Prodigal Son, because it's one I always remembered from my youth and which became a reality for me as an adult, when I realised God had never forgotten me, even if I'd forgotten him.

I feel closest to Jesus when I am praying out loud with Shum.

MORE NEWS!

Cheadle Old Road Allotments

Open Day. Buy Plants (flower and Veg seedlings to grow on), Garden Plants, unusual House Plants – **also** Greetings Cards and Crafts, home made Chutney and Lemon Curd, Bric-a-Brac and Books. **Ask the experts:** advice from our members. **Photo Competition:** photos for our 2014 calendar. **Entertainment** from BAM samba-style steel band and dancers with have-a-go workshops. **Make a Sculpture** competition using plant pots, recycled materials, hosepipes, etc **all materials provided** teams or individuals welcome. At Orchard Vale, SK3 9RS. Saturday 8th June 11^{am}-3^{pm}



Feeding the Stockport foodbank

Thanks to all who have given contributions to our food bank collection. It's great to see the practical love been shown by our congregation and community. Keep up the good work.

There's a chance to contribute further and all it will take is two hours of your time. Could you hand out leaflets and take donations in Waitrose (7th and 8th June) or Sainsbury's (17th to 22nd June). You'll be partnered with an experienced food bank volunteer! Call Marc Godwin (4861144) for details and to book a slot.

Jade Shaw and **Roy Higham**, two members of our congregation, are being confirmed at St. Thomas' Norbury on Tuesday 11th June @ 7:30^{pm}. Make sure it's in your diary. ☺

What's On This Month

Saturday 1st June

8:30^{am} Prayer Breakfast

10^{am} Saturday Café

Sunday 2nd June (Vision Sunday)

10:30^{am} Whole Parish Worship

At communion we offer prayer for healing for you and those for whom you care
Lead: Julie - Preach: Heather

Wednesday 5th June

10^{am} Holy Communion

2^{pm} Mothers' Union Deanery Festival @ St Thomas, Norbury

Friday 7th June

7^{pm} Choir

Saturday 8th June

10^{am} Saturday Café

Sunday 9th June

9:30^{am} Holy Communion

Lead: David - Preach: David

11:15^{am} Baptism Service

Lead: David Br - Preach: David

1^{pm}, 1:45^{pm} Baptism Services & 2:30^{pm}

Magazine Articles Due

Monday 10th June

1:30^{pm} Stockport Sling Meet & Library

Tuesday 11th June

8:30^{am} Home Group

1:30^{pm} Socially Yours

7:30^{pm} Deanery Confirmation @ St. Thomas', Norbury

Wednesday 12th June

10^{am} Holy Communion

7:45^{pm} Home Groups

Thursday 13th June

7:30^{pm} Mother's Union

Friday 14th June

9:30^{am} Toddle Time

7^{pm} Choir

Saturday 15th June

10^{am} Saturday Café

Sunday 16th June

9:30^{am} Holy Communion

Lead: Peter - Preach: David

11:15^{am} Communion Service

Lead: Sue - Preach: Julie

Magazine Articles Due

Tuesday 18th June

8:30^{am} Home Group

1:30^{pm} Socially Yours

Wednesday 19th June

10^{am} Holy Communion

7:45^{pm} Home Groups

Thursday 20th June

7:30^{pm} Deanery Synod

@ St. Alban's, Offerton

Friday 21st June

9:30^{am} Toddle Time

7^{pm} Choir

Saturday 22nd June

10^{am} Saturday Café

Sunday 23rd June

9:30^{am} Holy Communion

Lead: David/Rita - Preach: David

11:15^{am} Morning Worship

Lead: Lucy - Preach: David

200 Club – Subs Due

Tuesday 25th June

8:30^{am} Home Group

1:30^{pm} Socially Yours

Wednesday 26th June

10^{am} Service

7:45^{pm} Home Groups

Friday 28th June

9:30^{am} Toddle Time

7^{pm} Choir

Saturday 29th June

10^{am} Saturday Café

Sunday 30th June

9:30^{am} Teen Breakfast Club

@ St Matt's Vicarage

9:30^{am} Holy Communion

Lead: Peter - Preach: Rita

11:15^{am} All Age Signed Service

Lead: David - Preach: Sue

Looking ahead

Monday 1st July

2-4^{pm} Mothers' Union Deanery

Fundraising event

@ St. Matthew's

Tuesday 2nd July


2:30^{pm} PCC @ St. Matt' Vicarage

Sunday 7th July

10:30^{am} Whole Parish Worship

Lead & Preach: David

Tuesday 17th July

 Concert with
St. Matthew's School
and Innervation Trust

May Baptism

Eden, Freya, William & Oskar
Farrow

Riah Mountford, Grace Ewbank
& Peter Clark

May Weddings

Matthew Goddard with
Victoria Dean

All times and events in this magazine
were correct at time of going to press