

**ST. ANDREW'S WRAYSBURY
ST. MICHAEL'S HORTON**

The PURPOSE OF OUR CHURCH is to spread the good news of Jesus Christ and to increase the Christian family through Our prayers, Our worship and Our God-centred lives.



WRAYSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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**Codes: ALL: all three churches
ST.A/ST.M/WBC applies separately**

SUNDAY 19th FEBRUARY, 2012 – NEXT BEFORE LENT (YEAR B)

Readings: Horton: Isaiah 43:18-25; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Psalm 51:1-8; Mark 2:1-12.

St. Michael's Horton

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion.

St. Andrew's Wrayisbury

8.00 a.m. BCP Holy Communion.

11.00 a.m. New Life Service.

Wrayisbury Baptist Church

10.00 a.m. Prayer.

11.00 a.m. Welcome Service led by Revd Carolyn Urwin.



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

TUES. 21st

Weekly Prayer Time 9.30 - 10.30 a.m. St.A's.

Midweek Communion 11.00 a.m. St.M's.

Pop In 2.00 p.m. Annexe – Pancakes.

Deanery Synod 7.45 p.m. Venue to be advised.

ASH WEDNESDAY 22nd

Coffee Morning 10.30 a.m. **Drop-In** 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. WBC.

Angels' Delight 1.00 – 3.00 p.m. Annexe.

Sung Eucharist with imposition of ashes 7.30 p.m. St.M's.

Bell Ringing Practice 7.30 p.m. St.A's.

THU. 23rd

Midweek Prayer 10.30 a.m. **Drop-In** 10.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m. WBC.

Prayer Meeting 7.00 p.m. & **Home Group** 7.30 p.m. (Hill View Road).

SUNDAY 26th FEBRUARY, 2012 – LENT 1 (YEAR B)

St. Michael's Horton

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion with prayer ministry.

St. Andrew's Wrayisbury

11.00 a.m. Parish Communion.

Wrayisbury Baptist Church

10.00 a.m. Prayer.

11.00 a.m. Sunday Worship led by Terry Young.

ANNEXE BOOKING: Annexe bookings from 1st March will be handled by Jill Wheel, Parish Secretary, the first contact point for weddings and baptisms. Contact details will appear end of February and the office ansaphone message will change to reflect the altered arrangements.

GWELUTSHENA COLLECTION 5/2/12: £145 – well done and thanks!

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: St.A's campaign still runs and St.M's campaign is geared up for Pentecost.

LENT 2012: One course for everybody on the four Mondays in March, starting on 5th at 7.30 p.m. in the Annexe, finishing with Bishop John on 26th. The theme is "Living Faith: making the Word live".

WALSINGHAM 2012: Pilgrims please get your forms in by 1/3/12.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: To integrate the two parishes more in this important area, first sessions will be held in the Annexe as now and Saturday morning sessions in St.M's.

WEDDING PREPARATION: With Andy and Becky Smith now departed for Virginia Water, we are looking for another couple to assist us with the two wedding preparation sessions we hold each year. If you are interested please speak to Andrew or Alison and David Maitland who are already part of the preparation team. It is essential that we give couples a real understanding of Christian marriage.

ESSENTIAL 100 SERIES: On Sundays WBC are following this series, part of the celebrations of 400 years of KJV Bible, beginning in Genesis and looking at 100 key passages, reading 5 each week followed by a sermon, drawing them together and applying them to our lives. Reading plan and a few copies of the book available from Robin Urwin (£5).

SLOUGH FOODBANK: Donations of imperishable food items, e.g. sugar (500g), fruit juice (carton), soup, cereals, rice/pasta, tinned meat/fish, biscuit, for food bank, which supports local people with emergency food packages, can be placed in box in WBC. Ask Robin Urwin or anyone from WBC for fuller list.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS: Sheila Ferguson, Andrew Parry, Linda Lee, Barbara Peel, Flo Jacob, Bea & Laurie Tucker, Wynne Wood-Dow, Elice Higgins, Lemmie Smith, Sally Hibberd, Jamie Wareham, Kay Laxman, John Beldom, Ann McVea, Bill Myers, Joy Moss, Julie Pattinson, Peter Archer, Margaret Linton, Peter Carter and family, Julie Wren, Janita & Suneel Tyagi, Judy Gaddle, James McCreavy, Frank Whittick, David Boshier, Mary Marshall, the Revd Paul Topham, Nigel Fogg, Molly (3 years old), Lorraine Smith, Jamaal Salanday (child), Jim Burgess and the family of Vivienne Dearden; all clergy suffering from stress and related illnesses. Those killed and suffering during the harsh winter weather across Europe; Christians losing their lives in Northern Nigeria; the people of Iran, Egypt, Syria, North Korea, Bahrain and Yemen and any others living under despotic regimes, giving thanks for the apparent relaxation of draconian rule in Burma; Libya rebuilding a shattered nation; Gwelutshena and Fr. Jacob suffering from a severe drought and persecution from the authorities; those affected by natural disasters in Eastern Africa, Pakistan, Eastern Turkey, Thailand and the Philippines; the Church of England to proclaim spiritual values loudly and clearly; the plans for a youth project; our Royal Family in this Diamond Jubilee year.

CONFIRMATION 2012

The Burnham and Slough Deanery Autumn Confirmation will be held at St. Peter's Burnham on **Sunday 14th October in the evening** at a time to be notified. There is unlikely to be a confirmation course in 2013 as the parish will be in interregnum so all those who have been thinking of confirmation and have never got round to it should take the plunge this year. There will as usual be four sessions starting in July and going through to early October. Please see me as soon as possible as the Bishop will soon be wanting numbers: do not delay!! Candidates already coming forward I am pleased to say. *Simon.*

YOUTH PROJECT FOR THE VILLAGES

I attended a meeting of Horton Parish Council on 10th January and gave a background account of what I had been trying to achieve in setting up a Youth Club for the 12-18 age group, specifically aimed at those youngsters not participating in any of the uniformed organisations in the parishes. To cut a long story short, the result of the meeting was that the Royal Borough will run a club for teenagers based in Champney Hall for a period of 3 months from May 2012 and to see how the club progresses. They will provide the youth team to run it, and between now and May there will be a series of meetings to set up the organisational structure, a formal agreement between RBWM and Horton Parish Council and the details of what night(s) it will run and what activities will be provided. I will keep you posted as matters progress! I am delighted that in recognition of this club being for both villages, the Wrayisbury Parochial Charity is holding onto its offer of a grant of £5,000 if it is needed. *Simon.*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

- Lent Course 2012** starts Monday 5th March, 7.30 p.m. in the Annexe: a group course for everybody and will be concluded as indicated in No.3 below. Details will be published soon.
- Bishop John's evening with us** 26th March from 7.30 p.m. Annexe. This is the year of Making Disciples in the Living Faith initiative which is why Bishop John has chosen the subject matter for his visit. Our course theme fits in with this.
- Wrayisbury Baptist Church Craft Fair** 29th April. We are giving plenty of notice in case you need time to make items for sale. If you would like to book a table, or know anyone who would, contact Robin Urwin on 01784 482553.
- Alton Abbey Quiet Day Saturday 5th May:** A long way ahead but lists will go up soon for those who are interested. It is likely that Simon will be admitted as a Priest Oblate to the Community after a year of preparation.

ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS LINK THERE IS A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY BASED ON THE SUNDAY READING AND DAILY READINGS FOR THE REST OF THE WEEK. WE ARE ALL ENCOURAGED TO BE NOURISHED BY THE WORD OF GOD EVERY DAY.

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Notices for inclusion in The Link: to Diane Miller by Tuesday for the following Sunday's publication (01753 689751; m-d-miller@supanet.com).