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Diary Dates

<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 7th November</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mothers' Union 'Tour of Lipsi' By Colin Ratcliffe 2.15pm at St Chad's</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 13th November</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EMU Jewellery by Jane 8pm at St Chad's</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 25th November</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wellspring 8pm at The Rectory</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 30th November</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Christmas Fair 1pm-4pm at St Chad's</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 7th December</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Men's Breakfast 8.45am-9.45am at Aroma Café in Irby village</p>
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From the Registers

<i>Baptisms</i>	<i>Weddings</i>	<i>Funerals</i>
<i>We welcome into the Lord's family</i> 27th October Joseph Booth	<i>We ask for God's blessing upon the marriage of</i> 12th October Richard Abbotts & Gillian Hawley	<i>We commend to God's eternal care</i> 8th October Eric Widmer 18th October Margaret Smith 25th October Alice Hamilton

From your rector

Dear Friends,

Remembrance and response

The Harvest celebrations are complete, and the dark evenings of November are rushing in. However, one of the major Biblical themes of Harvest, remembrance, is at the heart of the activities of November, with Bonfire Night, Remembrance Sunday and All Souls' Day (mis-celebrated by many as Halloween) and All Saints' Day all occurring in November.



The Old Testament people were encouraged in their Harvest celebrations (The Feast of Tabernacles) not just to remember the goodness of God in the Harvest, but also their delivery out of slavery in Egypt. In the New Testament, the early church didn't just thank God for the bread on their tables, but also for the bread of eternal life; Jesus.

However, God didn't call his people just to get stuck in the past. Yes, he called them to remember, but also to respond. The Feast of Tabernacles was completed by a day of thanksgiving offerings to God (Leviticus 23:33-43). In the New Testament, the early church was not just told to remember what Jesus did, but to actively respond and tell others of his love, action, death, resurrection and gift of eternal life.

This year, as we come to Remembrance Sunday, let us remember not to just go back, but to remember to respond to God's challenge for us to do His will in the world today. What should that response be? The prophet Micah and the gospel writer Matthew record God's challenge to us in two complementary ways.

*"He (God) has showed you, O man, what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."
Micah 6:8*

*"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them
in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.
And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
Matthew 28: 19- 20*

These two verses give us the same message. Remember and respond by loving God and your neighbour as yourself.

Rev'd Jane Turner



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NEWS

New national Advent campaign aims to put Jesus 'back' into Christmas

This year the UK has reached a tipping point: a recent survey* has found that 51 per cent of people now say that the birth of Jesus is irrelevant to their Christmas. And just 12 per cent of adults know the nativity story in any depth; and 36 per cent of children do not know whose birthday is being celebrated during the festival.

And so it is that ChurchAds.net, the group behind the annual Christmas advertising poster campaign, has teamed up with a number of leading churches this autumn in order to reverse this trend, and 'save' Christmas.

Christmas Starts with Christ will run from 1st December to Christmas Day. It will begin with the first ever nationwide *Christmas Starts Sunday* on 1st December. ChurchAds.net has the support of the Church of England, the Methodist Church, the Bible Society, Traidcraft and the Evangelical Alliance.

Francis Goodwin, of ChurchAds.net, said: "Christmas is a time when Christians shine light in their communities. But the good news is being lost. We can't sit back and let that happen. We cannot let the nation lose the real meaning of Christmas; and we are passionate about bringing the Church together for this cause to remind everyone that Christmas Starts with Christ."

Arun Arora, director of communications at the Church of England, said: "At Christmas time thousands of churches around the country do a huge amount to carry the Christmas story into their local communities, through word and deed. The vision for the *Christmas Starts with Christ* campaign is to use a common logo to join the dots of these activities and project a powerful message to our entire nation that the reason for the season is the birth of Jesus.

If you would like to join in this Advent campaign, there are a number of resources on offer, including posters, logos, and Advent Calendars. Visit:
www.christmasstartswithchrist.com

*survey findings from ComRes 2007, 2010, 2012, Children's Society 2010

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Christian Aid produces spoof film – aimed at church youth

A new film and spoof campaign, *Leftovers for Africa*, has been produced by the Christian Aid Collective to raise awareness of poverty and hunger.

The film follows eager entrepreneur Dan Stirling as he tries to encourage people to save their leftover food in charity envelopes to send to Africa, in a bid to solve world hunger.

Christian Aid says: "Leftovers for Africa suggests that by posting half-eaten food into envelopes and sending it to hungry people, we can help end world hunger. This of course is an absurd idea so we're using this false message to inform young people of things they CAN do; actions they can take which will make a difference."

More details on 'The Leftovers for Africa' film at: www.leftoversforafrica.org.uk.

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Churches speak out about crisis in Syria

Leaders from the Methodist Church in Britain, the Baptist Union of Great Britain and the United Reformed Church have released the following statement on the crisis in Syria:

"At this time of challenge and uncertainty we pray for the people of Syria, thinking especially of those who have suffered or died as a result of an apparent use of chemical weapons near Damascus. We also pray for wisdom and discernment from political leaders in Britain and other nations. We urge them to take time for careful consideration and resist hasty response. Syria has experienced a cycle of violence for too long. We pray that our nation's response will be guided by the desire to achieve peace and urge our leaders to work with as wide as possible a range of regional partners and with the United Nations."



Sir Edward Jenkinson KCB

During the Summer I was helping to clear some of the under-growth at St. Bart's Graveyard when I came across a grave long covered in brambles. It was a block of rough marble with a polished front and had once been topped with a marble cross. It bore the simple inscription :-

In Beloved Memory of
Sir Edward George Jenkinson KCB
Eldest Son of
Rev. J.S. Jenkinson
Vicar of Battersea
1836 ---- 1919

Followed by the 1st verse of " Abide with Me "

I was interested to find out if he was of the same family as Robert Jenkinson, Earl of Liverpool and Prime Minister in the late 18th century. I did some research and what I found was something completely different -- and surprising! We had a great Victorian Statesman in our midst.

Edward George Jenkinson was born in 1836 in Kent. He was educated at Harrow School and afterwards at Haileybury College, then a training establishment for Administrators of the Raj in British India.

He joined the Indian Civil Service in 1856 and served in Benares and Farukhabad. He was decorated for his part in quelling the Indian Mutiny in 1857 and eventually rose to become Deputy Gov. and Joint Magistrate of the Province. On his retirement, after 26 years service he was awarded the CBE.

He returned to England and lived in Godalming, Surrey. He was appointed Private Secretary to the then Earl Spencer, in his capacity as Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. This experience led Jenkinson to be given the post of Under Secretary of State for Police and Crime in Ireland, in Gladstone's last Government and as such was responsible for covert operations against the Irish Separatists, the Fenian Brotherhood (fore-runners of the IRA). He was known to the British establishment as the " Spymaster- General " and it is widely accepted that he was instrumental in foiling a plot to disrupt the Queens Jubilee Celebrations in 1887, by the Irish Freedom Fighters.

On his standing down that year he was Knighted by Queen Victoria.

In the following years he stood for Parliament twice as a Liberal but was never elected, was shortlisted for the post of Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, but not appointed and sat on an Enquiry into the Police handling of the Jack the Ripper Case. He was also involved in a shady land deal between America and Mexico on behalf of the British Government, but was completely exonerated of any underhand dealings.

At age 55 he deserted the public sector to build a stellar business career. He was by turns first a Director, then Chairman of Daimler Motor Co.(GB), a Director of the Manchester Ship Canal Co. and a Director of Manchester Liners. At the height of his powers he owned a large mansion in Palace Yard, London, a large house in Leamington Spa and another at 11 Park Lane, West Kirby

Personal

Edward Jenkinson was married in 1865 and had four sons and a daughter, all of them born in India; research only mentions two of them. John, who was killed leading his Regiment against the Hohenzollern Redoubt in the Battle of Loos 1915 and daughter Mary Louise. His wife Annabella died in 1915 and is buried in Bournemouth.

By 1919 Jenkinson was living permanently at his London Club, The National Liberal Club and his unmarried Daughter at the Leamington Spa address. On a visit to his West Kirby home he was taken ill and died. What follows must have had an element of pre-planning because he died on Saturday 1st March and was buried in St. Barts on Tuesday 4th March, hardly time to organise an appropriate funeral for such an august statesman. The Times gave him a large half page Obituary on 4th March, but the Hoylake and West Kirby gave him 2 lines under " Other Deaths " and described him as a " former Indian Civil Servant "

All this left me wondering why this Victorian Statesman chose to be buried in a small Cheshire churchyard and why on his gravestone did he chose to be defined as the eldest son of his father and not as a husband and father himself, as most other graves state.

The answer to the first is, I hope, that he found the same peace and serenity that we today feel about St. Barts. As to the latter, did it denote some family breakdown? He must have been aware of the nearby Dawpool Hall lying empty and derelict and within 8 years of being demolished, simply because T. H. Ismay's sons would not live in their Fathers house.

Of EGJ's family nothing is known of his surviving sons--Did they return to India? His Daughter Mary appears to have had control of his Estate and she appears on 3 occasions.

- 1) when she commissioned a brass plaque in memory of her brother John and was the only member of the family to attend its consecration at St. Edithas Church in Tamworth
- 2) When she gave a full length portrait in oils of her Father to the Birmingham City Museum in 1930.
- 3) When she donated a large sum of money to a slum clearance project in Leamington Spa in memory of her Mother in 1935.

She died in 1942

I hope you have found this interesting. I would like to thank Graham Barley for his help and advice and to Rev. Jane who found Mary Jenkinson. I have placed this article with a pamphlet listing all of our sources in St. Barts.

Archie Peat



St. Chad's Church, Roslin Road, Irbby

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 30th November 1pm-4pm

* Santa's Grotto

Donations of the following very welcome:
Books, toiletries, quality
toys, clean cuddly toys,
jewellery, good bric-a-brac,
raffle prizes, cakes and
handmade crafts for the
'make and bake' stall.





PARISHIONERS AT WAR!

Part 2

Introduction

This is the second of a series of articles about the wartime experiences of members of our parish. The subject of today's article is Octavia Deverill who, until recent years, was a regular worshipper at the St Bartholomew's 8.00 a.m. Communion Service.

The wartime memories of Octavia Deverill

At the time of the outbreak of World War 2, Octavia, the eighth child born into her family, was 18 years old and living at the Woodside Hotel in Birkenhead. Prior to that, the family had lived in Tower Road North, Heswall, from where they farmed 9 acres of land. At one time, her father had owned four public houses in Liverpool and was also sometime proprietor of the Open Air Swimming Baths on Parkgate front.

Having had to leave West Kirby Girls Grammar School before matriculation, Octavia managed the books of the Woodside Hotel for her father. Hardly a shy, retiring sort of girl, Octavia, on one occasion, poured tea over an accountant who had the temerity to criticise her book keeping! That same accountant went on to marry her sister!

Octavia recalls hearing the news of the outbreak of war on the radio. She also took a photograph of the ill-fated submarine, Thetis, from her bedroom window as it sailed on its first and, sadly, last journey. The photograph was later developed by a newspaper for insertion into its report on the disaster of its sinking.

The family used the cellar of the Woodside Hotel during the German air raids on Merseyside. However, Octavia did not remain long at the hotel for she was 'called up' to join the workforce at Broughton Chester. In order to carry out this work, she moved to live with her sister in Heswall, from where she was transported daily to the Aircraft Factory. Octavia worked as a 'filleter', attaching strips of aluminium to Wellington Bombers using a ratchet screwdriver. She still has that screwdriver to this day! Octavia recalls being horrified at the coarse language of her fellow lady workmates!

Octavia's work at Broughton was terminated when she developed a severe skin reaction to the 'dope glue' that was used in the manufacture of the Wellington Bombers. However, she continued supporting the war effort as a member of the Land Army. She saw out the war as a farm worker on Lower Farm in Acre Lane.

Nearly Time for Christingle!

This year, we will be holding our Christingle service on Sunday 1st December - 4.00pm at St Chad's. We all know Christingle celebrations - with their oranges and candles and ribbons, they are a fun family event at our church. The money raised by Christingle this year will go towards the work the Children's Society does to help children living in poverty in the UK.



Christingle is also a good way to help our local families with young children to think about the story of Jesus. Each part of the Christingle orange symbolises the various elements of the story of Jesus, from the love of Christ to the fruits of God's creation. Piecing it together helps people understand the gospel. As Jesus said: "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Mark 10:14-15, NIV)

So please support our Christingle this year, and please try and bring some of your friends and neighbours with small children along!



We also want to help local families and elderly people in need so if you can bring a gift of "Christmas Treats"* we will pass them onto Help Link in the village.



***Christmas Cake, Mince Pies, Selection Boxes, Sweets, tinned biscuits - anything you consider to be an "extra" for Christmas.**

Looking at your Community

David Winter reflects on Guy Fawkes....

The Way I See It: GUNPOWDER TREASON

'A planned bomb attack by religious extremists on a strategic site in central London has been foiled by the security services, acting on secret intelligence. Eight men have been arrested and charged.'

That could be a story from yesterday's newspaper, but in fact (as astute readers may have guessed) it's an account of an event over 400 years ago which will be marked with thousands of bonfires up and down the land this month.

On 5th November 1605 a man called Guy Fawkes was discovered with something like 36 barrels of gunpowder in a crypt underneath the House of Lords on the day of the State Opening of Parliament. He was apprehended, and under torture revealed the names of his co-conspirators, all Roman Catholics intent on assassinating the king, James 1, and restoring a Catholic monarchy to England. It's that event which, through the murky mists of time, we commemorate with fireworks, bonfires and - yes - 'guys' on 5th November every year.

As a child I remember singing, 'Please to remember the fifth of November/ Gunpowder, treason and plot./ I see no reason why gunpowder treason/ should ever be forgot'. Does anyone still sing it, I wonder? Perhaps the time has come to forget Fawkes and the plot, and simply have the fireworks.

Until about fifty years ago there was still an anti-catholic element in some of the bonfire night celebrations. Thankfully, just as such religious conflicts are very much part of our distant past, so in recent times have we seen that the endless recitation of ancient feuds helps no one - and may even distort history. After all, even in 1605 Fawkes and his companions didn't have the support of most of their fellow-Catholics, and it's very possible that the intelligence that uncovered the plot came from within their ranks.

We are all too aware, however, that terrorism, bombs and assassination attempts are still very much part of contemporary life. There are people in today's world who misguidedly believe that they are doing God's will by killing those who do not share their religious practice or political beliefs. Fawkes and his friends, with the kind of indifference to risk which modern terrorists also display, were fanatically committed to their cause.

They, and their modern counterparts, are a reminder that while faith is a wonderfully good thing; religious fanaticism is a dangerous delusion and violence of this kind is never the best answer to injustice. The real game-changers in modern history have risked their own lives rather than taking the lives of others: people like Mahatma Ghandi, Martin Luther King, Janani Luwum, Nelson Mandela, Lech Walensa and Oscar Romero. 'Love your enemies,' said Jesus. Then there's a good chance you'll change them, and in changing them you may change history.

St Chad's Hall Availability as at the end of Sept 2013

Do you know of a community group looking for premises to hire? St Chad's offers a large meeting room and use of the kitchen (for teas and coffees) at very reasonable rates. We are willing to hire out on a weekly or monthly basis. We currently hire to a wide range of groups such as Rainbows and Guides, Irby Artists and Weight Watchers. In the past we have had various exercise classes including Zumba and Line Dancing. The current time slots that are available are:-

Mornings Monday (Every Week)
 Tuesday (Every Week)

Afternoons Monday (Every Week but only between May and August)
 Wednesday (Every Week)
 Thursday (not the first week of the month)

Evenings Monday (Every Week)
 Tuesday (not the second or third week of the month) from
 7.45pm
 Thursday (Every Week)

Saturdays are also available on an adhoc basis for parties, coffee mornings etc.

The charge for hire is £30.00 per session (morning, afternoon or evening) except for Saturday evening for which we charge £40.00.

For further information and to make a booking, please contact the Hall Booking Secretary, Mrs Jean Heath (648 6015).

Advent and Christmas Special Services:-

Sun Dec 1st 9.30am Holy Communion
4.00pm Christingle Family Service at St Chads
8.00am, 11.15am as normal. NO 6.30pm service.

Sun Dec 8th All Services as Normal

Sun Dec 15th 9.30am Nativity Service led by Junior Church
8.00am, 11.15am, 6.30pm as Normal

Sun Dec 22nd 6.30pm Joint Carol Service at St Bartholomew's
8.00am, 9.30am, 11.15am as normal

Dec 24th 4.00pm Crib Service at St. Bartholomew's
5.00pm Crib Service at St. Bartholomew's

As in previous years, we will run two services exactly the same one after the other. We suggest that the 4pm service is for younger (up to and including Reception) children and that the 5pm service is for older children. If you have children in both age brackets - you choose!

If coming to the 5pm service, please don't arrive until 4.45pm in order for the 4pm service to have cleared church and car parking spaces!

11.15pm First Communion of Christmas



Dec 25th - Christmas Day
8.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's
10.00am Family Communion at St Chad's
You are invited to bring one of your presents
to show to everybody else.

Sun Dec 29th All Services as Normal

Sun Jan 5th 10.30am Methodist Covenant Service at Irby Methodist
8.00am, 6.30pm as Normal

Looking At God

Martin Saunders, a youth ministry specialist, this month meets Katie, to hear her story of how she found faith in God.

TEEN meets GOD: Katie's story

I was born three months premature. I weighed 1lb 6 ounces at birth and was put into intensive care at UCL Hospital for 13 weeks. Doctors, really to this day, are astounded that I'm alive and pretty much healthy. It was because of this whole experience that my parents realised that God was real and had a plan for our lives.

However, it was when I was 11 years old that I decided I wanted to own their faith for myself. This Jesus - who I'd heard about all my life - seemed like a pretty decent guy and I wanted to know him! In our children's group at church one Sunday we were all given an opportunity to give our lives to Jesus. I remember standing up in front of my church, the following week, and receiving my first Bible.

Then the scary season of life started: Secondary school! We all know that being a teenager isn't easy, but it certainly helped me knowing for sure that God was always on my side, even when I felt the world was against me. At school I dealt with various medical issues, such as two operations on my spine at age 12, and friendship issues that turned into bullying.

Then, at 15, I went through one of the worst seasons of my life. My best friend had told me he wanted to die. This was a catalyst for what later turned into depression. I had counselling for a year at school, and that woman was, and still is, one of my favourite people. Her sessions didn't just help me get through this mental health issue, but she kept my eyes utterly focused on Jesus. Despite the constant battleground that was going on in my head, I learned in this time what a relationship with Jesus actually looked like.

So now, four years later, there isn't even a hint of depression coming back. My relationship with my maker is really strong, because I figured out that He isn't just interested in you when things are going good; Jesus wants to be in your pain, holding your hand too.

Katie is 19 and lives in Nottingham.

Katie made a decision to follow Jesus. She prayed, asking God to forgive her for the things she does wrong, and then she promised to live God's way. To find out more about the Christian faith, visit **<http://www.lookingforgod.com>**

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November Recipe - Corned Beef Hash

This is one of the quickest corned beef hash recipes ever, and is still as tasty. You can prepare everything earlier in the day and then just mix and fry. Serves 4.

INGREDIENTS

200g (7oz) corned beef cut into dice.

15g (½oz) butter.

small amount of vegetable oil, little more than a tablespoonfull.

1 small onion, sliced or 3 spring onions

450g (1lb) mashed potato.

salt and freshly ground black pepper.

METHOD

Heat oil in a frying pan with the butter and onion and cook over a medium high heat for a few minutes until soft and golden brown. Add the corned beef and continue to fry and turn the meat for 3-4 minutes until heated through.

Add the potatoes and stir to mix well with the beef and onions. Season with salt and pepper and pat down into a cake. Fry without stirring for 5-6 minutes until golden brown. Turn the hash onto a plate and slide it back into the pan to brown the other side.

It is now ready to serve. We like it with tomato sauce!

Betty Rimmer





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CHRISTMAS APPEAL



Helplink offers support & practical assistance to the elderly,
housebound & disabled on the Wirral.

At Christmas time we like to bring a little festive cheer by providing Christmas
Parcels to disadvantaged families in the local area.

We're aiming to help as many families as possible, which includes hundreds of
children. Lots of families can't provide treats for their children, never mind
presents.

THE ITEMS WE NEED ARE (for example):

- Selection Boxes
- Chocolate, Sweets, Biscuits
- Mince Pies, Christmas Cake

Basically anything which would make Christmas special for the children.

(PLEASE NOTE: this does not affect our appeal for the Christmas Parcels for the
elderly, housebound & disabled - that is a separate appeal)



Wellspring

Usually Third Thursday of each month
this month: **Monday November 25th**

8.00pm Meeting at the Rectory

An opportunity to Listen to God and to Pray.

All are Welcome

Together we will seek

God's Vision

for our church communities.

Give ears and come to me; listen, so that you might live.



Men's Breakfast



7th December 2013

8.45 – 9.45am

Aroma Cafe, Irby Village

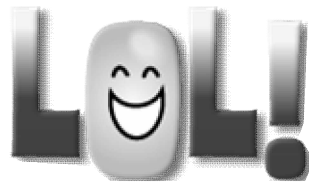
Eat, chat and share in fellowship.

Contact Matthew James on 07817625122 or
mjames@doctors.org.uk for further details.

Dates for your diary: Where possible Men's Breakfasts will take place on the first Saturday of alternate months.



Many Thanks to everyone who supported the Children's Society Coffee Morning on Saturday 12th October and also to those who helped out. £65 was raised from donations and the 'Bring & Buy' table.



More real-life notes left for milkmen...

- ~ When you leave my milk, knock on my bedroom window and wake me because I want to turn my mattress and you could give me a hand.
- ~ Please knock. My TV's broken down and I missed Coronation Street last night. Maybe we could talk about what happened over a cup of tea?
- ~ My daughter says she wants a milkshake. Do you do this before you deliver, or do I have to shake it at my end?
- ~ Please send me a form for cheap milk, as I have a baby two months old and did not know about it until a neighbour told me.
- ~ Sorry not to have paid your bill before, but my wife had a baby and I've been carrying it around in my pocket for weeks.
- ~ Milk is needed for the baby. Father is unable to supply it.
- ~ Please leave no milk today. When I say today I mean tomorrow, as I wrote this note yesterday.

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Chicken rules

One day a new chicken was introduced to the farm. The duck, who was in charge, showed the new chicken around. "This is where you go to get fed, this is the water trough and that is the coop. Chickens hang out near the fence, us ducks near the pond and the geese near the gate. We're pretty friendly but we keep to our own. Oh but whatever you do, DO NOT cross that road. You'll never hear the end of it."

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Great invention

The boys had been up in the attic together helping with some cleaning. They uncovered an old manual typewriter and asked their mother what it was. She briefly explained, but they were still puzzled as to how it worked.

"I'll show you," their mother said, and returned with a blank piece of paper. She rolled the paper into the typewriter and began striking the keys, leaving black letters of print on the page.

"WOW!" they exclaimed, "That's really cool...but how does it work like that? Where do you plug it in?"

"There is no plug," she answered. "It doesn't need a plug."

"Then where do you put the batteries?" they persisted.

"It doesn't need batteries either," she continued.

"Wow! This is so cool!" they exclaimed. "Someone should have invented this a long time ago!"

Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

In October, Revd Robert Nelson spoke to us about "The History of The Ark", which is a charity supporting homeless people in Wirral. Our next meeting is on Thursday November 7th, 2.15pm at St Chad's.

We welcome Colin Ratcliffe, who will be taking us on a tour of the beautiful Greek holiday island of Lipsi. We all know of Colin's wonderful photography, so please come and join us for an afternoon of warmth and sunshine.



Everyone is welcome. If you cannot make afternoons then why not try Evening Mothers' Union or better still come along to both. See below.

We had an interesting talk about Fairtrade in October, when we realised that lots of people buy fairtrade products without even knowing.

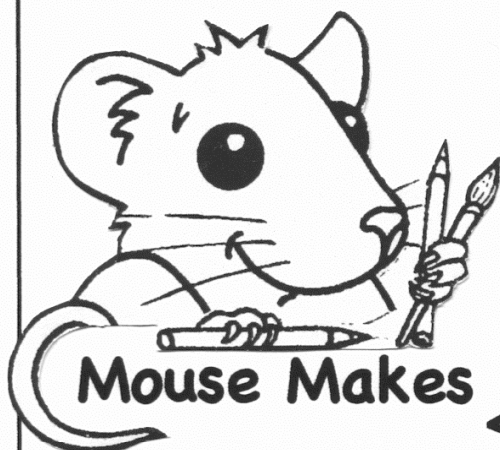
Look out for the fair trade mark  when shopping for your groceries, you might be surprised.

Next meeting of EMU
Wednesday 13th November
8pm at St Chad's
Jane's jewellery

Come along and have a go at making jewellery and maybe purchase some gifts.

All Welcome





CHRISTMAS is coming,
ADVENT is near!

Colour in **one** section of
the Advent candle
(starting at the bottom)

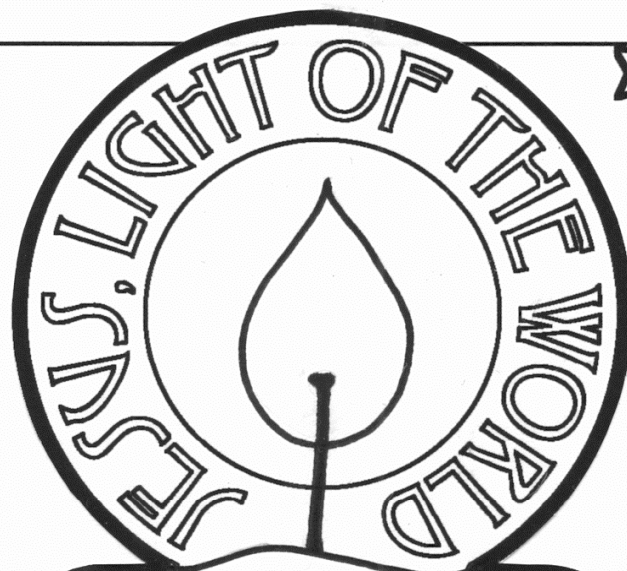
on each of the **four**
Sundays before
Christmas and read
about God's **promise**,
God's **message**,
God's **gift** and
God's **good news**.

On Christmas Day colour
in the flame at the top of
the candle, cut the
candle out and hang
from the tree.

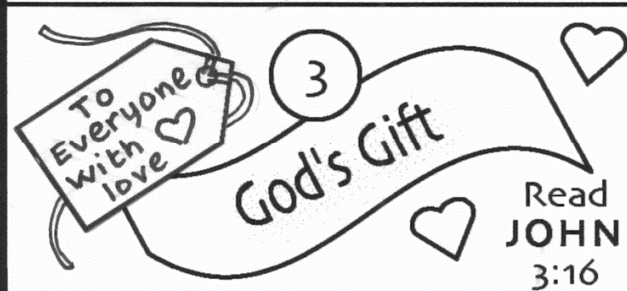
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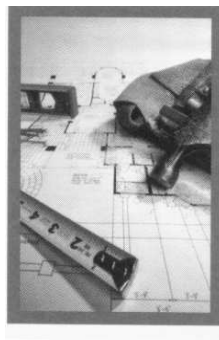
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Church Services - November

Sunday Services

St Bartholomew's

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
11.15am NO SERVICE
 6.30pm Holy Communion Service of Remembrance & Thanksgiving

3rd November
 4th Sunday Before Advent

St Chad's

10.30am All Sorts Worship and lunch

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.15am & 11.05am Remembrance Serv.
 6.30pm Evening Worship

10th November
 Remembrance Sunday

9.30am NO SERVICE

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
 11.15am Holy Communion
 6.30pm Holy Communion

17th November
 2nd Sunday Before Advent

9.30am Morning Worship

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
 11.15am Holy Communion
 3.00pm Baptism
 6.30pm Evening Worship

24th November
 Christ the King

9.30am Family Communion

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
 11.15am Holy Communion
6.30pm NO SERVICE

1st December
 Advent Sunday

9.30am Holy Communion
4.00pm Christingle

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
 11.15am Morning Worship
 3.00pm Baptism
 6.30pm Evening Worship

8th December
 Advent 2

9.30am Holy Communion

Weekday Services

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