

## NOTICES – 5<sup>th</sup> February 2012

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**PARISH MAGAZINE** – The February edition of The Messenger is now available at the back of Church.

**ANNUAL REPORT** – Would all secretaries/group leaders please let Bill Greenwood have any items for **inclusion in the Annual Report by Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February**, either by hard copy or e mail to greenwood263@btinternet.com

**INFORMATION ABOUT HELP THE HOMELESS** – Since the Help the Homeless shop closed, donations of non-perishable food are very much appreciated at their office in Clifford Street. There is very easy pull-in parking for dropping off items.

**CRECHE – HELPERS NEEDED** – There is a crèche in the **Church Hall on Sundays (except Parade Sundays)** for the first part of the 10 am service. You can leave your baby or toddler or stay with them. See *Samantha*.

**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS** – Activity bags and folders are available as you come into church. They contain a toy, books and colouring to keep little ones busy in their pews during the service. Thank you for your co-operation. *Jenny*.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP** – The February meeting will take place on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February** when our own John Collinson will lead a **practical workshop on Calligraphy**. Please indicate if you intend to come, since materials have to be organized. Members who are coming to the workshop might like to write down, beforehand, a piece of text – perhaps a favourite poem, piece of prose, or short passage of scripture, for example, to use as a piece on which to get started.

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### PRAM SERVICE

A short service for under 5s and their carers on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00 am**. Join us and George the Bear for a story, songs and activities and for refreshments afterwards. *Jean*

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**MOTHERS' UNION** – The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February** – Gwyneth Jones talking about "Indonesia". Anyone intending to join the Mothers' Union would be most welcome. Could I remind all members that the subscription of £17 for 2012 is due. *Gloria Dunseath, Secretary*.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE** – For the present there will be no parking in the Church grounds, in order to enable the Contractors to work freely without obstruction. Work has started. There are no exceptions. *The Church Wardens*

**FISHING FOR TIDDLERS** – Please save your 5 pence pieces for collection at the end of the service by the organizations on Parade Sundays in aid of children's charities.

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**BONUS BALL VACANCIES** – There are vacancies for the Wednesday and Saturday Bonus Balls. See Doreen Cocker for the Wednesday Bonus Ball and Alan Fairclough for the Saturday one.

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### ST GEORGE'S DRAMATIC & MUSICAL SOCIETY

The Society will present the Pantomime  
**ALADDIN**  
on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 pm**  
each evening. Tickets are available in the Church Hall after the 10 o'clock service.  
Alternatively, you may ring Chorley 276540.

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**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP PLANT SALE** – Margaret and I have decided not to do the sale any more. With the help of others, we have organized it for 12 years, making an income of over £1100.00. If any other person would like to take it over for their organization, we will show you how we have done it so successfully for so long. Thank you to all who have helped. *Derek Beaumont*.

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### LENT COURSE

This will take place on Monday evenings **commencing on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 pm** in the Church Hall.

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**LENT LUNCH** – This will take place at **12 noon on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March** in the Church Hall. For those unfamiliar with our Lent Lunch, we eat soup and a roll in exchange for a financial donation. The money raised is then used to help those in far more need than ourselves. As usual, we hope that many from our congregation will be able to come along. If that is not possible for you, please consider making a donation. This can be given to a Warden or myself. We look forward to seeing you there. *Chris Gibson, Social Committee*.

**EARLY BIRD CALL** – **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 pm** at St George's Institute. **Annual Parish Meeting**.

**CELEBRATION OF THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE** – It is our intention to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee on the afternoon of **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**. (including children) will be joining us. We can say that it will be held in the grounds of our Church (with perhaps even a BBQ). For planning purposes, if you wish to participate, please sign the list as soon as possible at the back of Church. There will be a small charge to offset expenses. *Chris Gibson, Social Committee*.

**ITEM FOUND IN CHURCH** – An expensive **computer game** has been found in church. If this is yours, please contact Brian Addison (10257 271159).

**HEALTH AND SAFETY NOTICE** – In the event that the church needs to be evacuated, you will be directed by one of our Sides-persons to leave the church through one of our designated emergency exits. In most cases it is likely to be through the same door by which you entered church.