

# *In Touch*

St Cuthbert's Magazine Lent 2012

Keeping In Touch with the Community

*St Cuthbert's Church  
wishes you a  
Peaceful and Happy  
Easter*



**St Cuthbert's Church Mission Statement**

**To worship God and to share His/Her light with this community**

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What does it mean to be a 'person of the cross'? What does it mean to be a Christian? Someone who is clearly identifiable as a follower of Christ? Does it involve striving for perfection? Or being incredibly and impeccably well mannered? Or is it about something deeper? Take a long hard look at the cross, and really think about it, what it must have been like to hang there, with all the shame and humiliation of it, and I'd hope the answer to that last question would be that to be a Christian involves much deeper commitment than simply being well mannered, and perfectly well behaved. This morning as I danced around the Vicarage office waving a hymn book about trying to kill or seriously injure a large wasp, it was plain to see that I am not perfect, as the strains of 'All things bright and beautiful' and 'All creatures of our God and King' sprung to mind. (The wasp got away, and was last seen flying up Sandicroft Road!)



We are not called to perfection, that is not what being a 'person of the cross' is about. We are called though to love one another, and to accept and embrace each others imperfections, as Jesus does. He transforms those imperfections - the lust for power of those who condemn Him, the unquenching crowd's complicit ignorance, and the unjust structures of a society bent on maintaining the status quo chief amongst those imperfections - Jesus transforms all of that which leads to the cross into a symbol of redemptive love, love that transforms evil into a display of reconciliation. In other words, God draws all of us back to Him in spite of ourselves. What does it mean to be a person of the cross? It means that we seek to embrace our neighbours, friends, families and enemies in reconciling love. 'Love one another as I have loved you,' Jesus says. And you can't do that on your own. Christianity is about more than being 'good', sometimes Christians are 'bad' (It depends who is judging!). If 'God' hates the same people you hate, then it is time to come back to Church, because in that is a problem. God is bigger than our ideas of Him. Over Holy Week we will be exploring all of these ideas in more detail. What does it mean to be a person of the cross? How do we cope with our own and each others imperfections? What does God's love look like today? How does God respond to the voices of hatred?

We look forward to welcoming you this Easter!

Yours in faith and hope,

*Alastair*

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Welcome to the *Easter* edition of the InTouch Magazine! We look forward to welcoming you to the *Holy Week* services at St. Cuthbert's. This year we will offer the following opportunities to worship:

*Holy Week services*  
2nd - 8th APRIL 2012

**MONDAY & TUESDAY:**

Meditation on Stations of the Cross 7.30pm

**WEDNESDAY**

Eucharist at 7.30pm

**MAUNDY THURSDAY:**

Seder meal from 6.00pm, followed by Eucharist with foot washing at 7.30pm

**GOOD FRIDAY:**

Children's activities in St. Cuthbert's will run from 10-12pm

Walk of Witness from the Good Shepherd, Lower House Lane, at 11am

The Last Hour meditation on the cross at 2pm

**SATURDAY:**

Vigil, with the Service of Light and

First Eucharist of Easter with renewal of baptism vows at 8pm

**SUNDAY:**

10am Easter Morning Eucharist

# What's on at St Cuthbert's

Day	Time	Group
Monday	1.30pm – 3pm	BABY BALLET (pre-school)
	5pm – 6pm	RAINBOWS
	6.30pm – 7.30pm	BROWNIES
Tuesday	1.30pm - 2.15pm	JUMPING JACKS (pre-school)
	5.30pm – 7.30pm	SLIMMING WORLD
Wednesday	9.15am -11.15am	PARENT & TODDLER
	1pm – 3pm	FRIENDSHIP GROUP (50+)
	3pm – 5pm	CROXTETH ADVICE CENTRE (Free)
	6pm – 7pm	AEROBICS
	7.15pm - 8.15pm	PILATES
Thursday	6pm – 7pm	BEAVERS
	7pm – 8pm	CUBS
	7pm – 8pm	SCOUTS
Friday	7pm – 8pm	ZUMBA DANCE FITNESS
Saturday	9.30am—10.30am	JADE SCHOOL OF DANCING
Sunday	9am 11am 6pm	EUCCHARISTIC SERVICES <b>All are WELCOME</b> Crèche and Sunday school facilities available at 9am & 11am services
	7.30pm – 9pm	YOUTH GROUP 'SPARK' (School years 6 till 11)



# CREATIVE KIDS IDEAS

Where imagination and learning meet

## Good Friday Children's Celebration



St Cuthbert's Church would like to invite children and young people to come and celebrate Good Friday in church between 10am - 12noon. There will be a number of art and craft activities relating to Easter.

If you would like your child/children to attend, please register your child's/children's name/s and contact details in church.

### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Eirlys Jessop, Regional Coordinator for Christian Aid Northwest will be coming to speak about the work of Christian Aid at the 6pm Eucharist on Sunday 6th May at St. Cuthbert's.

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# Beer with the Bishop

You are invited to the Stand Farm for

## **'Beer with the Bishop'**

The Bishop of Warrington, **Richard Blackburn** will speak about his journey of faith, and explore any questions you might have about faith, the Church, or what it's like to be a Bishop! Indeed, this is a great opportunity to meet the man outside of the formal ceremonies. The conversation will begin from **7.30pm, 24th April** at the Stand Farm.

**All are welcome.**



### **CROXTETH PARK RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION**

We are looking for volunteers to join the committee. Due to changes in circumstances for a number of committee members, more help is needed urgently to continue the good work that has been going on over the past couple of years. If you are interested in finding out more, please send an email to: **[committee@cp-residents-association.co.uk](mailto:committee@cp-residents-association.co.uk)**

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on

SATURDAY, 12 MAY 2012

at

7.30pm

DONATIONS: £6.00  
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Light refreshments included

Proceeds of the concert towards the Church Silver Jubilee  
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## PASTORAL VISITS

If you would like a visit from one of the members of our Pastoral Team, please contact the vicar Alastair Prince on 0151-549 2202 or email him on [alastairprince@hotmail.com](mailto:alastairprince@hotmail.com). You don't need to be a member of the church.

**Pastoral Care**



## Music at St Cuthbert's Church

We are looking for people of all ages to join our musical arrangement on Sundays during our 11 o'clock Eucharist. If you can play an instrument or indeed if you are learning to play an instrument and want to practise and improve your skills, please consider joining our musical group. For more information please contact Alastair Prince at [alastairprince@hotmail.com](mailto:alastairprince@hotmail.com)



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## St Cuthbert's Silver Jubilee Appeal

St Cuthbert's Church is celebrating it's 25th anniversary and is launching an appeal for funds for the renewal of the facilities, to include a new kitchen, new windows, a new boiler and a stained glass window to be installed over the altar.

If you would like to contribute towards the upkeep of this vital community building, please send your donations to St Cuthbert's Church, Langley Close, Croxteth Park, L12 0NB  
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## Upcoming Event

### Queen's Diamond Jubilee

Plans are coming together for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Please keep an eye on the Croxteth Park Residents Association website and the St. Cuthbert's website and St Cuthbert's Youth Facebook page for further information nearer the time.

## ST CUTHBERT'S SUMMER FAIR

SATURDAY 7TH JULY 2012

This is always a wonderful opportunity to meet up with people you may not have seen for a while.

A great day out for all the family, there are lots of things to do for children and ample opportunity to sit and just enjoy the afternoon.

## We are a foodbank collection point

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