

# St Christopher's Church Services

March 2011

<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am <b>Service of the Word</b>	Readings Matthew 17: 1-9 (tbc) Topic <b><i>One Voice (Global Poverty Week)</i></b> Led by Revd A Roche Preacher Revd A Roche
	Followed by Tearfund Hunger Lunch	
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> 3-4.15pm <b>Craft Café</b> Thursday Church at St Christopher's		

<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am <b>Holy Communion</b>	Readings Genesis 2: 15-17 and Matthew 4: 1-11 Topic <b><i>Who are you really?</i></b> Led by Revd A McCullough Preacher Revd J Tonkin
	with prayer for healing	
5-7.00pm Tea, chat and pray at the Tonkins' (39 Shackerdale Road) - Alison reflects on India		
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> 3-4.15pm <b>Craft Café</b> Thursday Church at St Christopher's		

<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am <b>Service of the Word</b>	Readings Genesis 12: 1-4a and John 3: 1-17 Topic <b><i>Can I understand?</i></b> Led by Revd A Roche Preacher Dr P Cavill
	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> 3-4.15pm <b>Craft Café</b> Thursday Church at St Christopher's	

<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am <b>All Age Holy Communion</b>	Readings John 4: 5-42 Topic <b><i>Are you talking to me?</i></b> Led by Revd A Roche Preacher Revd A McCullough
	Followed by <b>AGM</b> and bring and share lunch	
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> 3-4.15pm <b>Craft Café</b> Thursday Church at St Christopher's		

<b>Five Bible Studies for Lent</b> Starting Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> 7.45pm in church	<b>One Voice Week</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> February - 6 <sup>th</sup> March A week of prayer <b>for Global Poverty</b>	<b>Revd Alison Roche (Vicar)</b> Phone 2830510 or 07918 642567 <a href="mailto:vicar@stchristophers.info">vicar@stchristophers.info</a>
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## Diary Dates for March

- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> - Deanery Synod 7.30pm
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Southern Edge Mission Partnership meeting 7.30pm at St Christopher's
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7.45pm The Green Team at Sue Cavill's
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6pm Standing Committee at Alison's
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - 2pm Women's World Day of Prayer Service at St John Bosco RC Church, Eyres Monsell - women *and men* welcome!
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> - 7.30pm Trichy-Tanjore India Link Diocese event by young people and curates - at St Martin's House - do ask for a lift
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> - Mission Partnership Shrove Quiz at St James' the Greater (see Rob for details)
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> - 7.45pm Ash Wednesday Communion, Book of Common Prayer and celebrating 400 years of the King James' Bible
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - 6.45pm (tbc) Partnership Meeting at the Academy
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> - 7.30pm MSM at St Martin's House
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> - 9.30am - 3.30pm Mission training 'Living it out' by John Coyne of CPAS, at St Paul's Oadby.
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> - 7.45pm PCC
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - 7.30pm Edge Meeting at St Christopher's
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - 7.45pm Prayer Meeting at Jenny's
- Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> - Lunch time MSM get-together at the Cavills'

### Prayer Topics

#### Prayer for:

- our AGM - that we celebrate the transformation God is doing in people's lives
  - the group of young people and curates settling back home after their trip to India and reflecting on all they are learning about themselves and God
  - Pam, Brian, Steph
  - our new administrator Maureen Fisher as she starts work this month
  - all of us to put aside focused time to spend with God during Lent
  - Ben going to selection conference for ordination training (BAP - Bishops' Advisory Panel) this month
- And give thanks** for the new faces at Craft Café.

### Regular Activities

#### Morning Prayer in church, during term time

Tuesday - Fridays 8.00am  
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#### Little Angels

Mondays and Fridays 9.15-11.15am  
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#### Coffee Break

refreshments from 11am  
lunch from 12noon  
followed by Communion at 1pm  
finished by 2pm  
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#### Scouts Thursdays

Aged 10½+ - 6.15-8pm

Aged 14+ - 7.15-9pm

For further details ring Roger  
on 07766456239

## Mission for the Month Tearfund

Each night around the world, one person in every seven goes to bed hungry.

Think of people you know in your life (if it helps write them down) - for example someone in your family, a close friend, a neighbour and so on. When you get to the seventh person, stop...

How do you feel when that person is suffering?

We're one in Christ. We are one church - one body. So when one of our brothers or sisters in Christ is suffering because of hunger, we all suffer.

**The Millennium Development Goal** on hunger aims to halve the number of people living with hunger by 2015. Keep on praying for our world leaders that they will honour their commitments to reach this and all the Millennium Development Goals.

Time is ticking away very fast and with the global recession and so many people suffering from natural disasters in 2010 and 2011, this is getting to be a very difficult target.

Tearfund's own goal is to lift 50 million people out of poverty during this time.

### The Green Team -

#### understanding our responsibility for the world

If you've been watching the TV programmes of David Attenborough exploring Madagascar you may, like me, have been amazed at the variety and beauty of the island, and the animals he has found. Who would have thought there were so many types of lemurs? But as in so many wild life programmes, there is a tinge of sadness in the knowledge that some of the species he shows us are threatened and may soon be extinct. There are various reasons for this, but an important one is the behaviour of people, and their effect on the environment.

This year we have also seen severe flooding in several countries, bringing extreme hardship, sickness and loss of life. Many scientists think that climate change, caused by global warming, is a factor in these floods.

In Genesis 1 verse 28 we are given a duty as stewards of the earth, with responsibility for the creatures on it. The Psalms reinforce God's possession of the world He has made, and the part all creatures play in glorifying their creator. It's important that we are aware of our effect on the world around us, and that we use its resources well, and not greedily or thoughtlessly.

St Christopher's now has a Green Team - a group of people who want to look at what we as a church can do to carry out our responsibilities for the world. Over the next few months we will be planning some activities for the autumn to help us understand our environment better, and explore how we as a church, and as families and individuals, can play our part in looking after our planet.

If you would like to join the Green Team, please let me know.

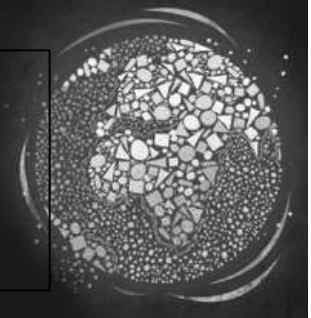
**Sue Cavill**

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**ONE VOICE**

**LIT UP, TOGETHER,  
AROUND THE WORLD**



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