

St Christopher's Church Services

Summer Theme - Finding God in Popular Culture 24th July - 4th September

JULY

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| Sunday 3rd | 10.00am Service of the Word | Reading Topic Led by Preacher | Matthew 11: 16-19 and 25-30 <i>Pace-setter</i> Revd J Ling Revd J Ling |
| Thursday 7 th 3-4.15pm Craft Café Thursday Church at St Christopher's | | | |

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| Sunday 10th | 10.00am Holy Communion with prayer for healing | Reading Topic Led by Preacher | Matthew 13: 1-9 and 18-23 <i>Soil Types</i> Revd A McCullough Revd J Tonkin |
| 5-6.30pm Tea, Chat and Pray at the Early's (22 Suffolk Close) | | | |
| Thursday 14 th 3-4.15pm Craft Café Thursday Church at St Christopher's Last of term | | | |

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| Sunday 17th | 10.00am Service of the Word | Reading Topic Led by Preacher | Matthew 13: 24-30 and 26-43 <i>Spoiler</i> Revd J Ling Dr P Cavill |
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| Sunday 24th | 10.00am All age Holy Communion | Readings Topic Led by Preacher | tbd <i>In the Night Garden</i> Revd A McCullough Revd J Ling |
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| Sunday 31st | 10.00am All Age Service of the Word | Readings Topic Led by Preacher | Matthew 14: 13-21 tbc <i>People Feeder tbc</i> Mrs Shayne Ardon Mrs Shayne Ardon |
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Diary dates for July

- Sunday 10th Alison observing General Synod in York
- 11-18th Alison on a *silent* Ignatian retreat at Loyola Hall, near Manchester
- Monday 11th Last Little Angels of term
- Friday 15th - 9.15am - Academy end of term assembly - all from St C's warmly invited
- Sunday 31st - New Wine day-trip

Coffee Break

It is planned that this will continue throughout the summer.

AUGUST

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| Sunday 7th | 10.00am All Age Service of the Word | Readings Topic Led by Preacher | Revelation 5: 1-10 and Matthew: 6: 19-24 <i>Harry Potter</i> Revd A McCullough Revd J Tonkin |
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| Sunday 14th | 10.00am All age Holy Communion with prayer for healing | Readings Topic Led by Preacher | tbd <i>TBD</i> Revd J Ling Revd A Roche |
| Following morning service - visit to Brock's Hill Country Park Bring a picnic! This is a 'Going for Green' event! | | | |

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| Sunday 21st | 10.00am All age Service of the Word | Readings Topic Led by Preacher | tbd <i>Friends</i> Mr B Ling Revd J Ling |
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| Sunday 28th | 10.00am All age Holy Communion | Readings Topic Led by Preacher | tbd <i>Simpsons</i> Revd J Tonkin Dr P Cavill |
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Diary Dates for August

- Tuesday 16th 7.45pm Prayer meeting at Jenny's
- Saturday 20th July Saffron Fête
- Wednesday 31st Academy Roadshow 10am-1pm

Holiday Fun

for all the family
every Thursday during the Summer Holidays
21st July-25th August
2-4pm

Please pray for the new venture

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| Revd Alison Roche (Vicar) Alison will be on sabbatical leave until the 11 th August. | Revd Jordan Ling (Curate) Phone: 222 1348 curate@stchristophers.info | Mo Fisher our administrator, can be contacted by e-mail: admin@stchristophers.info |
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**Mission for July Church Pastoral Aid Society
Falcon Camps**

Falcon Camps are fun-packed, unforgettable, Christian holidays for 8-18s. They are especially designed for children and young people who face disadvantage in their day-to-day lives.

Please pray for the following camps both with connections with St C's

- Ringsfield Camp 24-30th July leaders Jo and Mark Brown
- Lee Abbey Camp 13-19th August leader John Fryer

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**Mission for August Crosslinks**

Confrontation is continuing, as the Shouwang church in west Beijing, continues to meet, in the open air, for its Sunday service. Many of the leadership team, including four pastors and three elders, are confined to house arrest. The number of people turning up to the outdoor venue has dwindled as members of the highly educated and influential church face consequences in their personal lives. Some church members have lost their jobs or rented homes or both.

*Continue to pray for freedom to worship for all Christians in China.*

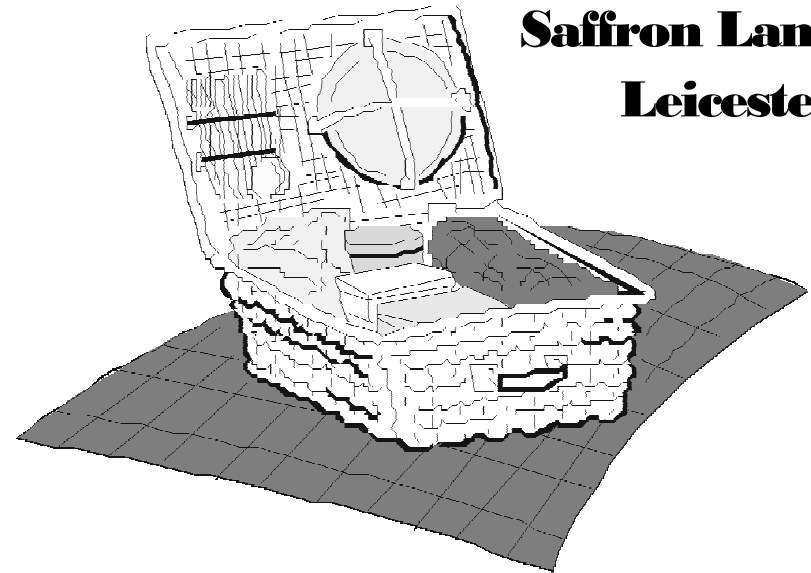
**"It's all relative" - Curate's comments**

Having just returned from maternity leave during which I was slightly removed from my church family, it has been a joy to come back and be part of a Christian community again. Being a Christian is so much more than singing songs and praying together on a Sunday. It is about sharing our lives, good and bad, sharing our journey with God both when it is easy and when it is harder to walk his path. Our themes these past few weeks have been based around community. In a time when more and more people rely on the internet or the telephone to maintain community or relationships over a long distance, the church has something unique to offer - family in the local area.

Jesus pointed at his disciples and said "here are my mother and my brothers" Matt 12:49 because when we choose to follow Jesus we are adopted into a new family - the Church. It is our prayer for our church that we would be welcoming to all, supporting and encouraging those who are in need of any kind, because we are all God's created children and therefore all interconnected. So whether your relatives are nearby or far away, whether they are supportive or distant, there is a family waiting for you at St Christopher's, who are trying to live out being one community with many parts - in the likeness of our God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - one God living in relationship at his very core.

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**Trenant Road  
Saffron Lane  
Leicester**



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# Summer 2011