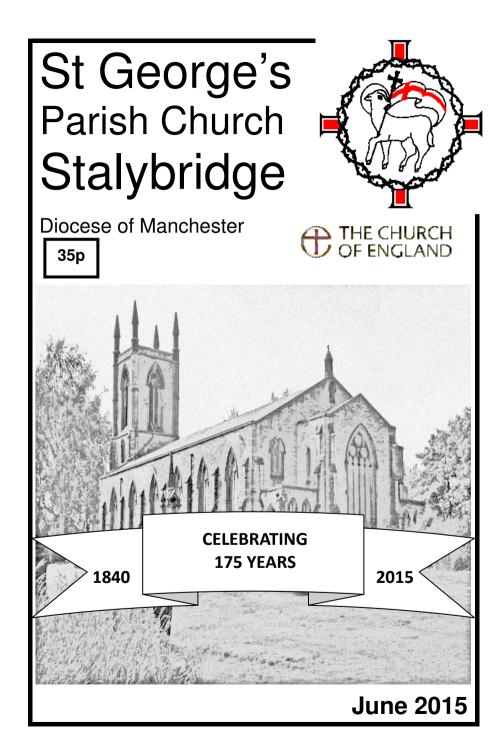
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To receive Communion at home when you are sick or housebound, or to have the name of a departed friend or relation entered in the Book of Remembrance, please contact one of the clergy or Wardens.

For Baptisms, Marriages or Funerals please phone Philip (Priest-in-Charge) on 0161 338 2368. Baptisms are usually conducted at 12.30 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

From Our Book of Remembrance

Jun 2	Hilda Beswick	1977	Jun 17	Sidney Cooper	1970
Jun 4	Pauline Margaret Turnbull Mollie Dorothy Darbyshire Mary Alice Priestley Leonard Broadbent Harry Bullock	1995 2011 1985 1969 2009	Jun 18	Margaret Parkinson Renee Birch Hawley Monica Ann Press Christopher Robert Pierce	1897 2002 2005 2012
Jun 6	Alfred Christian	1966	Jun 20	Linty James	1975
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	William Webster	2002	Jun 23	Edward Cooper	1983
Jun 8	Dinah Hannah Dale Norman Radcliffe	1984 1984	Jun 24	Edith Spencer Hilda Holt	1995 1979
	Thomas Booth	2000	Jun 25	Dennis Greenwood	1982
	Leslie Adnett	2012		Louise Pulm	2010
Jun 9	John Ollerenshaw	2013	Jun 26	Jack Williams	1998
	Judith Dalton	2014	Jun 27	Edith Olive Hughes	1980
Jun 11	Gladney Swift	1950		Andrew Christopher	1990
	Edward Jones	1985		Taylor	
Jun 12	Mona Coogan	1992		Charlotte Molly Ingham	2008
Jun 14	Gordon Alfred Trudgeon	2002	Jun 28	Mary Stephens Carter	1983
Jun 15	Lily Hardy Cooke	1979	Jun 30	Ann Humphries	1963
	Eva Jones	1996			
	John Edwin Ratcliffe	2007			
	Tessa Ruth Louise Meldrum O'Reagan	2006			



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

To have the name of a loved one entered into this special book, and remembered in our intercessions for their anniversary please have a word with one of the wardens or one of the clergy.

The cost for the special inscription is £10 per entry



If anyone would like to take up the bread and wine at the offertory—to celebrate a special occasion, in memory of a loved one or just to take part, please have a word with one of the wardens or clergy for any Sunday this year.

From the Registers

Baptisms

We welcome into the Lord's family

3 May

Luna Mary Orme, Eaton Close, Dukinfield Nathan William Anthony Garside, Ridge Hill Lane, Stalybridge Theodore Freddie Williams, Stephens Close, Stalybridge

17 May

Lexi-Louise Jayne Brayshaw, Buttermere Terrace, Stalybridge Ethan James Lockeridge, Windermere Road, Stalybridge

Funerals

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord

30 April

Dorothy Addy (age 86 years) Richmond House, Stalybridge

8 May

David Lees (age 59 years) Raynor Street, Ashton-under-Lyne

11 May

Christine Hadfield (age 52 years) Alderley Street, Ashton-under-Lyne

21 May

Kevin Graham Pearce (age 39 years) Lumb Lane, Littlemoss, Droylsden

22 May

James Morris (age 87 years) Carrbrook Close, Stalybridge

The ability to speak several languages is an asset, but to be able to hold your tongue in one language is priceless.

CELEBRATING OUR 175th ANNIVERSARY

Dear Friends,

This month sees the actual anniversary of the Consecration of the building in which we worship week by week. One hundred and seventy five years of Christian worship and witness. The service of consecration took place on Wednesday 24th June, 1840 - the feast of St. John the Baptist - when St. George (The Hague) was consecrated by the Bishop of Chester. Normally a church which is consecrated on a saint's day takes the name of that particular saint. However this building was intended as a replacement for the Chapel of Ease (dedicated to St. George) which stood on Cocker Hill, which had fallen into disrepair, and so was dedicated to the same saint as the old church. It was only after the new church was built that the two buildings became known as Old St. George and New St. George. This 'new for old' replacement didn't happen and the two churches continued separately until 1967 when Old St. George's finally closed and the two parishes merged to become St. George's

We have a full programme of events planned for the Anniversary Weekend. During Saturday, from 10.00 am till 4.00 pm you can come along and look up your family history - all the registers will be available, dating back from the very early ones from Old St George's through to the present day. Come and find your baptism entry, marriage entry, or even, perhaps, trace a bit of your family history in the burial registers and in the graveyard. If you want to know where your loved ones are buried, we are here to help. Throughout the day there will be guest organists playing our pipe organ and there will be a Fair Trade stall, light lunches and afternoon tea.

On Saturday evening at 7.15 pm we have a Musical Extravaganza with the ever popular Tameside Community Voices together with some soloists for your added pleasure.

We are delighted to welcome Bishop Mark to our 10.30 am service on Anniversary Sunday, 21st June. Bishop Mark is our Area Bishop and he will be coming to preside and to preach. I urge all parishioners to come along and hear what he has to say. We are also extremely happy to welcome the Mayor and Mayoress of Tameside, Councillor Vincent Ricci and his wife, Julie to this service. A Bring and Share Lunch follows - all are welcome - please bring some food for sharing if you can, but don't worry if you can't - there is always more than enough for everyone.

We conclude the weekend's celebrations at 6.00 pm with a Songs of Praise evening. Again, please do come along and sing your favourite hymns. There is a list on the lounge notice board for you to put down your choices.

Being of 'a certain age', I remember well our Anniversary celebrations for both the 125th in 1965 and the 150th in 1990. Both were great occasions and I am sure that this year's will be, too. We are trying to spread our celebrations over the whole year by having one event per month. We have already enjoyed a Sunday Lunch, a Ten-Pin Bowling night, a trip on the Folk Train and our recent Spring Fair. Many other events are planned and we hope that everyone will find something that suits them.

This month, though, is the main event and I'm sure the weekend will be a wonderful occasion, when we can thank God for all the blessings he has bestowed on St George's and continues to give to us today.

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A PRAYER

Heavenly Father pour down your spirit on our Church and grant us
a new vision
a new power
a new faithfulness
a new witness
that your Holy Name may be glorified and your kingdom advanced through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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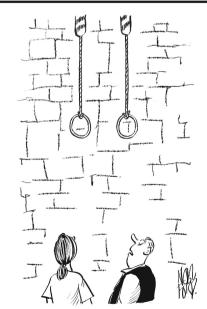
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CHURCH FINANCES

May 2015 Weekly Giving					
Date	Sunday	Open Plate	Envelopes	Total	Monthly Shortfall
3 May 2015	Easter 5	£63.10	£245.40	£308.50	
10 May 2015	Easter 6	£79.70	£397.37	£477.07	
17 May 2015	Easter 7	£51.21	£263.60	£314.81	
24 May 2015	Pentecost (Whit Sunday)	£59.90	£265.50	£325.40	
Stand	Standing Orders etc.		£864.00	£864.00	
	Monthly Total			£2289.78	-£2111.22

^{&#}x27; Assuming £10 per adult per week needed for running the church this means we need £4,401 per month

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200 CLUB

The 200 Club winners for May are:

1st Prize	£30	85	Joan Vickers
2nd Prize	£15	50	Graham Taylor
3rd Prize	£ 5	88	P & G Clifford

There are still some spare numbers available and new members are always welcome—remember the more members we have the more money is raised for Church Funds. The cost is £12 per year per number.

If you would like to join please see Rose Hayward or ring 303 1731.

May Crossword Solution

ACROSS: 1, Stop. 3, Call upon. 9, Regular. 10, Octet. 11, Inner. 12, Hudson. 14, Holy Communion. 17, Myself. 19, See to. 22, About. 23, Iterate. 24, Monarchy. 25, Stet. DOWN: 1, Straight. 2, Organ. 4, Abraham's faith. 5, Lloyd. 6, Puteoli. 7, Note. 8, Cleric. 13, Innocent. 15, Lay down. 16, Ussher. 18, Enter. 20, Enact. 21, Balm



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Readings and Psalms for June 2015

Tues 2 nd	10.30	1 Peter 1.10-16; Psalm 112; Mark 12.13-17			
Sun 7 th	1st Su 8.30	1st Sunday after Trinity 8.30 Genesis 3.8-15; Mark 3.20-end			
	10.30	Genesis 3.8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4.13-5.4; Mark 3.20-end			
Tues 9 th	10.30	2 Corinthians 1.18-22; Psalm 119.129-136; Matthew 5.13-16			
Sun 14 th	2nd Su	ınday after Trinity			
	10.30	Ezekiel 17.22-end; Psalm 92.1-4,12-end; 2 Corinthians 5.6-10,14-17; Mark 4.26-34			
Tues 16 th	10.30	2 Corinthians 8.1-9; Psalm 146; Matthew 5.43-end			
Sun 21 st	Feast of the Consecration				
	10.30	Genesis 28.11-18; Psalm 122; 1 Peter 2.1-10; John 10.22-29			
	18.00	Songs of Praise			
Tues 23 rd	10.30	Genesis 13.2,5-end; Psalm 15; Matthew 7.6,12-14			
Sun 28 th	4th Su	nday after Trinity			
	8.30	2 Corinthians 8.7-end; Mark 5.21-end			
	10.30	2 Corinthians 8.7-end; Mark 5.21-end Worship For All			
Tues 30 th	10.30	Genesis 19.15-29; Psalm 26; Matthew 8.23-27			
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People treat the Ten Commandments like a history test - they attempt only three.

175th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS



The next event to celebrate our 175th Anniversary is the Anniversary Weekend of 20th and 21st June

The heritage day will be on Saturday 20th June from 10am until 4pm. During the day you will be able to see records of baptisms, weddings and the Book of Remembrance, as well as photographs throughout the history of St George's. Special guests will be playing the organ throughout the day to keep us entertained. There will also be a Fairtrade afternoon to keep us refreshed. This special day concludes with a wonderful concert by Tameside Community Voices at 7.15pm.

On Sunday 21st June there will be a special celebration of the Eucharist at our 10.30am service where the Celebrant will be The Bishop of Middleton, The Rt. Revd. Mark Davies.

The service will be followed by a Bring and Share Lunch so come along and join in the celebrations, if you have some lunch to share then bring it along but don't worry if you haven't there is always plenty to go around.

Ladiestime to get your glad rags on St George's is holding

Ladies Day

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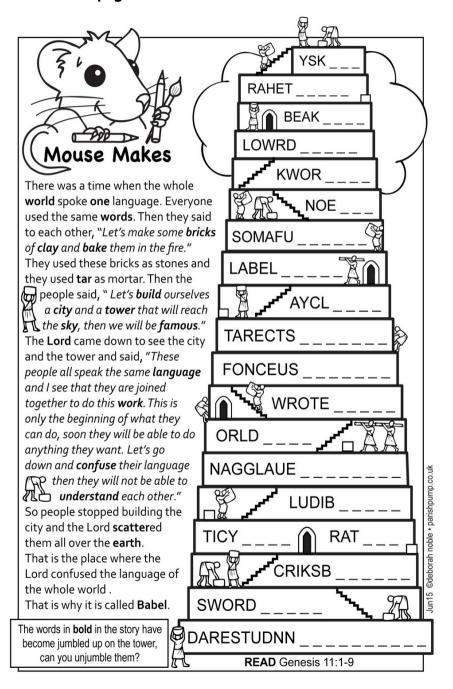
Traditional Afternoon tea and 'bubbly' on Saturday 1st September 2pm - 4pm

Ladies will be encouraged to wear hats or fascinators.

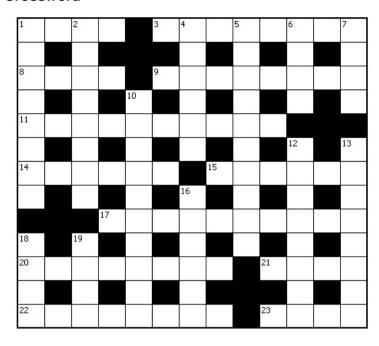
Tickets will available from Alicia Harris
and more details will follow soon.

After last year's very successful event you won't want to miss
this so keep the date free!

Children's page



June Crossword



Across

1 See 23 Across, 3 Where the thief on the cross was told he would be, with Jesus (Luke 23:43) (8), 8 Invalid (4), 9 Blasphemed (Ezekiel 36:20) (8), 11 Adhering to the letter of the law rather than its spirit (Philippians 3:6) (10), 14 Shut (Ecclesiastes 12:4) (6), 15 'This is how it will be with anyone who — up things for himself but is not rich towards God' (Luke 12:21) (6), 17 Mary on Isis (anag.) (10), 20 Agreement (Hebrews 9:15) (8), 21 Native of, say, Bangkok (4), 22 Deaf fort (anag.) (5-3), 23 and 1 Across 'The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of — to work it and take — of it' (Genesis 2:15) (4,4)

Down

1 Struggle between opposing forces (Habakkuk 1:3) (8), 2 James defined this as 'looking after orphans and widows in their distress and keeping oneself from being polluted by the world' (James 1:27) (8), 4 'The one I kiss is the man; — him' (Matthew 26:48) (6), 5 'Be joyful in hope, patient in — , faithful in prayer' (Romans 12:12) (10) 6 St Columba's burial place (4), 7 Swirling current of water (4), 10 Loyalty (Isaiah 19:18) (10), 12 'God was pleased through the foolishness of what was — , to save those who believe' (1 Corinthians 1:21) (8), 13 Camp where the angel of the Lord slew 185,000 men one night (2 Kings 19:35) (8), 16 'There is still — — Jonathan; he is crippled in both feet' (2 Samuel 9:3) (1,3,2), 18 David Livingstone was one (4) 19 Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority (1,1,1,1)

Some dates for your diary - June 2015

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Tues	2nd	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
Sun	7th	10.30a.m.	Parish Eucharist & Junior Church
Tues	9th	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
Thurs	11th	9.30a.m.	Time 4 Fun 0 - 5yrs
		7.30p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sun	14th	8.30a.m.	Holy Communion
		10.30a.m.	Parish Eucharist & Junior Church
Tues	16th	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
		7.30p.m.	Parochial Church Council
Thurs	18th	9.30a.m.	Time 4 Fun 0 - 5yrs
		7.30p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	20th	Anniversa	ry Open Day
		10.00a.m.	to 4.00p.m. Open Church - All Welcome
		Organ Red	citals, Parish Registers, Old Photographs, Café.
		7.15p.m.	Concert by Tameside Community Voices
Sun	21st	Feast of th	e Consecration of St. George's Church
		10.30a.m.	Parish Eucharist & Junior Church
			Preacher and Celebrant: The Bishop of Middleton
			The Rt. Revd. Mark Davies
			Service followed with Bring & Share Lunch
		6.00p.m.	Songs of Praise
Tues	23rd	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
Thurs	25th	9.30a.m.	Time 4 Fun 0 - 5yrs
		7.30p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	27th	2.00p.m.	Wedding
Sun	28th	8.30a.m.	Holy Communion
		10.30a.m.	Worship For All
Tues	30th	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
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Saint of the Month 16 June Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253

Born in what is today Droitwich, Richard was the son of a farmer. He abandoned the agricultural life to pursue an academic career at Oxford. After his initial studies in that city, Richard studied at Paris and Bologna, and became an expert in canon law. In 1235

he returned to Oxford and was made Chancellor of the University. He also became Chancellor of Canterbury, being appointed by Edmund Rich, Archbishop of Canterbury. He went into voluntary exile with Edmund, in protest at royal and papal interference and he was present when Edmund died, at Pontigny, about 115 miles south-east of Paris, on a journey to Rome to meet with the Pope in 1240. With Edmund, Richard was prepared to stand against royalty and secular powers in the battle for church authority. He was also prepared to stand up to clergy in the battle for reform.

While in exile Richard trained for the priesthood with the Dominicans at Orleans. After his ordination Richard returned to England as a parish priest at Charing and Deal in Kent. He was reappointed Chancellor of Canterbury by the new archbishop, Boniface.

Soon after, in 1244, Richard was elected Bishop of Chichester in opposition to the king's candidate for the see. He was forced to seek consecration abroad, being consecrated by Pope Innocent IV at Lyons the following year. The king backed down after the threat of excommunication and Richard was duly enthroned as Bishop of Chichester in 1245.

He was a legislator, and quickly introduced new instructions for his diocese. He emphasized that Mass should be celebrated with dignity, and that priests were not to be paid for the administration of the sacraments. He greatly improved the standard of clerical life. Richard's preaching recruited many soldiers for the Crusades, but he did not travel with them beyond Dover, where he became ill and died in 1253.

Richard was an excellent model of a diocesan bishop, accessible, generous and yet fair in his dealings with those in need of correction. Richard's prayer has remained in wide use in the centuries since his death and is a good one to learn:

Thanks be to Thee,
My Lord Jesus Christ
for all the benefits thou hast given me,
for all the pains and insults which thou hast borne for me.
O most merciful redeemer,
friend and brother,
may I know thee more dearly
and follow thee more nearly
day by day.

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All Together

Why, do you think, did Jesus choose 12 men to be His disciples?' What was the point, as Jesus was a miracle worker and a very eloquent speaker. He could walk on water; change water into wine; multiply food for thousands of people; heal the sick and forecast future events. So why did Jesus choose some fishermen, a tax collector and a few lesser known guys to be with Him everywhere?

Doesn't it appear odd that Jesus wanted disciples who, as time passed, were slow to learn; argumentative; frightened; amazed and puzzled? Right from the start of His ministry Jesus must have known He was bringing together a motley group of characters who would not understand Him; doubt Him; and let Him down. Surely, Jesus would have been better off going it alone without having the hassle and frustration!

Well, what is amazing, is that Jesus decided to limit Himself. He wanted the fellowship of close friends to share their good and bad times. He wanted to be involved with them no matter what happened. He enjoyed meal-times, discussions and, no doubt, a joke or two! Jesus came from Heaven to show that in God's Kingdom there is togetherness.

This world can get messy, troubled and nasty, and it is into this cauldron that Jesus came to be involved with its problems. He wanted to share His mission of love and compassion, participating with others, to change places of darkness into God's healing light.

He chose ordinary people, with their weaknesses, anxieties, hang-ups and faults to fill them with His Spirit and transform them into workers for God. Today, Jesus works with us, despite our frailty and stubbornness. He patiently draws alongside us to change our attitudes and behaviour so that we show God's love wherever we are.

Jesus came to build His church: a community of believers who would work and serve together to change society for good. So let's be aware of the Holy Spirit's direction and be encouraged that we are all partners together. Help to carry one another's burdens, and in this way you will obey the law of Christ. (Galatians 6:2)

Lester Amann