



CHRIST CHURCH WALMERSLEY
AND
ST JOHN WITH ST MARK BURY



The Transfiguration of Our Lord

August 2012

REGULAR SERVICES

Sunday

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| 8 a.m. | Holy Communion | St John w St Mark |
| 9 a.m. | Holy Communion (BCP) | Christ Church |
| 9 a.m. | Holy Communion | St John w St Mark |
| 10.30 a.m. | 1 st Holy Communion 2 nd Family and Parade 3 rd Holy Communion 4 th Morning Service 5 th Holy Communion | Christ Church |
| 10.30 a.m. | Sung Eucharist 3 rd Parade Service | St John w St Mark |

Wednesday

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| 10 a.m. | Holy Communion | St John w St Mark |
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Thursday

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| 2 p.m. | 1 st First Thursday Prayer | Christ Church Hall |
| 7.30 p.m. | Holy Communion | St John w St Mark |

Saints days and other services as announced
(see calendar on page 25 & 26)

If you need transport to church please contact
the wardens

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Every morning, after breakfast, I open my emails – most of them I instantly delete. Then, on Mondays, I go on to open up Internet Explorer and log on to the website *Anglicans Online*. This is an unofficial site for any interested in the churches of the world-wide Anglican Communion.

Every week there is news from and about worldwide Anglicans, and discussion of matters of relevance to us; there will, for example, undoubtedly be in the next few months much debate about the next Archbishop of Canterbury – the qualities and gifts he will need, the policies he will pursue, etc. There are links to a great number of resources available to Anglican Christians worldwide, coming from all over the world – liturgical, spiritual, pastoral, historical, etc.

Recognising that hymns play a large part in the worship and spirituality of many Anglican Christians, in 2003 (during the 'silly season' for news) the Editors invited readers to send in the one hymn they would take with them to a desert island – not the 8 discs people may take when they are interviewed by Kirsty Young! They simply published the top 20 hymns that came up, in order of preference, and didn't reveal how many entries they had received; neither did they tell us anything about the age, background or occupation of those who sent in their hymn. Looking at the list, my hunch is that it was probably older, fairly traditional churchgoers who replied – there were, for instance, none of the 'worship songs' of which it appears today's younger Christians are fond.

Top of the list was St. Patrick's Breastplate. I bind unto myself today. Amongst the others were Be thou my vision, Be thou my

vision, When I survey. 19 out of the 20 were fairly traditional hymns, probably well-known and well loved, and sung many times, by people at St. John with St. Mark and Christ Church. The only one I had only sung once in my life was no. 14, *I sing a song of the saints of God*, a hymn by an American writer and not, I think, in any of the standard books used in the Church of England, though it is in the hymn book of The Episcopal Church, our sister body in the U S A. I cannot remember which hymn I submitted, though it was probably no.10 in the list, *O thou who camest from above*

The Editors of *Anglicans Online* are repeating the exercise this year, though I'm afraid that by the time you read this the closing date will have come and gone. Perhaps, though, you might like to think about which 2 or 3 hymns you couldn't-live-on-the-desert-island-without. And if you would like to put their first line on a piece of paper and let me have it, or email them to me I will attempt to produce a list of the top 10 (or 20, if there are enough entries!) Desert Island Hymns of the Benefice of Walmersley Road. And, who knows, whoever will be choosing the hymns in our churches over the next few months might be glad to be helped by knowing the favourite hymn of at least some of our people!.

Ralph E. Mathison

P S By the time the magazine editor needed this article the editors of *Anglicans Online* had not yet compiled their list of Anglican Christians' 'Desert Island Hymns'. When it does appear I will copy it out and send it to the editors for insertion in the next issue. It will be interesting to see how many of those 20 might appear in our list of 10 or 20 hymns.

NOTES FROM CHURCH COUNCILS

CHRIST CHURCH PCC MEETING JULY 2012

Once again the monthly meeting was dominated by the matter of the sale of the lower portion of the church field and the dry rot outbreak. Both of these items are on-going and we hope to get to a definitive point of progress soon.

Parish Share has been paid up to date as at the end of June. This will be held in our favour when we need to apply for grants from the diocese for building works.

The PCC expressed its appreciation to Patricia Stokes for the recent successful Summer Fair which raised over £1230 – and as usual a 10% donation was made to a local charity in this case Victim Support.

ST JOHN WITH ST MARK PCC MEETING JUNE 2012

The wardens updated us on the progress of the painting of the church, and advised us of the latest quotes. It was also agreed to tidy up the area at the back of church, which was being used for the storage of items such as fold-up chairs.

Updates were also provided on the income survey responses and the latest Child Protection legislation, which now includes new ID documentation requirements.

Ian updated us on the Interregnum period, and was looking for volunteers to cover jobs which he currently undertakes himself, such as putting together the Sunday pew sheets.

A large scope of the meeting was the ongoing work with children and young people, and particularly how the Sunday morning service can be made more accessible for this generation. More details about this work can be read in greater detail in this magazine.

PS. The 2013 church diaries have now arrived. On sale NOW!

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE MONTH

5 THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Proper 13)

2 Samuel 11.26-12.13 Ephesians 4. 1-16 John 6.24-35

6 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Daniel 7.9-10 13, 14 Peter 1.16-19 Luke 9.28-36

12 THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Proper 14)

2 Samuel 18.5-9, 15, 31-33 Ephesians 4.25-5.2
John 6.35, 41-51

15 THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Isaiah 61.10-end Galatians 4.4-7 Luke 1.46-55

19 THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Proper 14)

1 Kings 2.10-12, 3.3.-14 Ephesians 5.15-20 John 6.51-58

24 S. BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE

Isaiah 43.8-13 Acts 5.12-16 Luke 22.24-30

26 THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Proper 16)

1 Kings 8.22-30,41-43 Ephesians 6.10-20 John 6.56-69

Reasons to read the Bible

- We often think we 'know' the Bible but do we?
- Hearing the word every Sunday is wonderful but it is not enough
- Reading is learning
- Re acquaint yourself with those Sunday School stories – you might be surprised
- So many of the people in the Bible really are people just like us
- How are you going to spread the Word if you don't know the words?

HOLY MATRIMONY

21st of July ~ John Kenyon to Charlotte Lewis

We wish them God's Blessing on their new life together.



CHRISTIAN FUNERALS

16th of July ~ Dean Page

29th of July ~ Marjorie Wild (Interment of Ashes)

May they rest gently in the arms of God



OPERATION SHOE BOX!

Kelly Halligan has kindly volunteered to take over organising the shoe box collection from Ann Stamp but we all need to help. This is Christmas shopping that we can happily do now. Just about any small gift that would fit in a shoebox to make a wonderful surprise for both children and adults would be appreciated but at the moment Kelly is particularly looking for:

FACE CLOTHS SOAP TOOTHBRUSHES TOOTHPASTE
EXERCISE BOOKS PENCIL SHARPENERS

Please make a difference

Week One

This week we celebrate the transfiguration of Jesus on the Mount. Together with three disciples, Jesus ascended a mountain. Matthew (17.2) states that Jesus "was transfigured before them; his face shining as the sun, and his garments became white as the light." Jesus talked with Elijah and Moses and according to Luke; Jesus was described in a state of glory. O Lord, you were heard to say "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased, listen to him." O Lord we also are assured of your love. Thank you. Help us always to listen to you and to be thankful for the miracles you made. They serve to increase our faith. Amen.

Week Two

The Personal Prayer of Mary Sumner

All this day, O Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for thee; and every life I touch, do thou by thy spirit quicken, whether through the word I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live. Amen.

Week Three

Loving heavenly Father, we pray for the children on their school holidays. May they enjoy days of joy, laughter, safety and sunshine. Bless all the teachers taking a break and bless our youth leaders as they take a well-earned rest. We thank you for them, Lord, and for all they do to educate our children in your ways and with stories of your life and the Bible. We are truly blessed in having such a thriving junior church. May the children always grow in knowledge and love of you.



In Jesus' name, Amen.

Week Four

Please God help us to help one another and to love one another, for by doing these things we are following your instructions. Let us also be enveloped in the cloak of your love. May we be secure in the knowledge of this. O Lord, in this world where there is so much trouble and strife, love is the only answer. Help us always to remember this. In Jesus' name. Amen

A prayer for the Transfiguration

At the Transfiguration, Father, You showed Jesus in glory, a glimpse of what His disciples would see in His risen life.

Bless us in our humanity,
with an awareness of Your presence,
leading us to share in Your divine life
even in our daily struggle.

Help us to deepen
our knowledge of the Law and the Prophets,
channels of Your grace throughout history,
and signposts for our journey.



WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

I am not sure if it will make the top twenty of hymns either the official version or our own version (see Ralph's letter) but 'What a friend we have in Jesus' is one of the most popular and reassuring of hymns. And it was written by a man who certainly knew the need for reassurance in his life.

At the age of 25 Irish born Joseph Scriven (1819-1886) was in love and about to be married. Tragically the day before his wedding his fiancée drowned. Heartbroken, Joseph sailed from his homeland to start a new life in Canada. While in Canada working as a teacher, he fell in love again and became engaged to Eliza Roche, a relative of one of his students. Once again, Joseph's hopes and dreams were shattered when Eliza became ill and died before the wedding could take place.

It is impossible to say what he went through and yet history tells us that his faith in God sustained him and soon after Eliza's death Joseph joined the Plymouth Brethren and began preaching for a Baptist church. He never married, but spent the remainder of his life giving all his time, money and even the clothes off his own back to help the less fortunate and to spread the love and compassion of Jesus wherever he went.

It was around the same time that Eliza died that Joseph received news from Ireland that his mother was ill; he could not go to be with her, so instead he wrote a letter of comfort and enclosed one of his poems entitled 'What a Friend We Have in Jesus'.





Many years later a friend was sitting with Joseph, as he was very ill. During this visit, the friend was very impressed when he ran across his poems, including the words we now know as that hymn. As a result of this visit, almost 30 years after his letter of comfort to his mother,

Joseph's poems were published in a book called Hymns and Other Verses. A few years later music was written and personal poem became the great hymn.

All of us will have dark times in our lives and like Joseph Scriven we will have to choose a path to follow and sometimes it is all too easy to forget that Christ walks alongside us. Like us he was fully human and like us he experienced the good times and the bad. He knew what it meant to be tired and weary, he knew what it meant to feel lost. And that is why when he said 'Come to me all you that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest' he understood completely how to meet that need.

Joseph Scriven never forgot that Christ walked with him, shouldering the burden when it got too heavy to bear and nor should we. So, perhaps next Sunday you can turn to the words of this hymn and once again find the reassurance we all need?

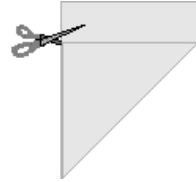
*What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer.*

JUNIOR CHURCH & JAM

Well done to JAM Youth Group at St. John with St. Mark for raising over a £100s towards their summer activities with a jumble sale. The group will be doing some more fundraising over the next month.

Make a dog card – *you could make Bellamy*

You'll need a square piece of paper. To make a square from a rectangle, first fold the corner of a rectangular piece of paper over.



To finish making the square, cut off the small rectangle, forming a square (which is already folded into a triangle).

Fold over two triangles (to make the dog's ears).



Put a face on your dog. Gluing on googly eyes gives the dog a cute look.



You can write messages under the ears and on the inside of your new card.

BELLAMY'S TRAVELS Lots of you will be looking forward to going on holiday this summer and even if you are not going away you have probably got lots of plans. Some of you have already got your photograph of Bellamy the Dalmatian puppy and we are looking forward to seeing where he will get to this summer. Take a photograph of yourself with Bellamy, print it off and tell us a little bit about what you got up to. We hope to put displays at the back of each church.



A Christian's Vegetable Garden

First plant five rows of peas

Preparedness, Promptness, Perseverance, Politeness and Prayer

Next to them plant three rows of squash

Squash gossip, Squash criticism, Squash indifference

Then put in five rows of lettuce

Let us be fruitful, Let us be unselfish, Let us be loyal, Let us love one another, Let us be truthful



There is no garden without turnips

Turn up for church, Turn up with a smile, Turn up with an open mind, Turn up with anticipation



If life happens to deliver a situation to you that you cannot handle, do not attempt to resolve it. Kindly put it in the SFGTD Box (Something For God To Do). All situations will be resolved but in His time not yours. Once the matter is placed into the box, do not hold onto it by worrying about it, instead focus on all the wonderful things you have in your life now.

If you find yourself stuck in traffic, don't despair, there are people in the world for whom driving is and unheard of privilege.

Should you have a bad day at work think about all the people who are out of work.

Should you despair over a relationship gone bad, think of the person who has never known what it is to be in love or to be loved in return.

Should you grieve for the passing of another weekend think of the woman in dire straits working 12 hours a day, 7 days a week to feed her children.

Should you notice a new grey hair in the mirror, think of the cancer patient in chemo who wishes she had hair to look at.

Should you find yourself the victim of other people's bitterness, ignorance, smallness or insecurities, remember it could be worse – you could be one of them!



It's all in the touch, the touch of love;
the touch of healing, the touch of compassion.
The touch of reassurance, the touch that says
you are special, wanted, held in high regard.
It's all in that touch, that very special touch.

The touch you give through us
who reach out to those in need.

To those who need to know.

Help us be channels of your touch
in this dark world, to bring your love;
healing, compassion and reassurance
to a world that knows none of these.

John Birch

A CHILD FRIENDLY CHURCH?

This year's PCC Away Day will focus on The Child Friendly Church. This award is a scheme that is being taken up by an increasing number of dioceses across the country. The intention is that families visiting or moving to a new area and looking for a church that would welcome their children will be attracted by the logo which can be displayed by churches meeting the criteria.

Of course we are already pretty friendly and we certainly have some examples of good practice that we can be proud of but achieving this award will allow us to provide a consistently high standard of both welcome and facilities. At the Away Day Diocesan Children's Officer, Steve Dixon will outline the process and the requirements. Obviously we are expecting some good ideas to come out on the day but **this is a challenge for us all** and we hope that ideas and help will come from across the congregation.



Child Friendly Church - summary of criteria

1. A parish Child Protection policy is in place and being implemented
2. The church buildings offer a safe environment
3. On-going training and support for leaders is in place
4. Nurture groups are provided for children and young people
5. There are opportunities for children to be included in child friendly church services
6. Suitable materials for under-fives are available in church
7. Children and young people are seen as equal members of the church community
8. Feedback is obtained from children and young people
9. There is a vision for children's work
10. There are outreach opportunities.

Contact Revd. Janet for more information

Our first meeting in July was our Communion led by Rev. Don Altham followed by **Strawberry Sparkle** in the Church Hall. As usual it was well attended and I am very happy to say that we now have two new members – Geoff Hamilton and Dennis Hilton. Our male membership is gradually increasing – we now have eight men in our number!

On July 18th we had our **Summer Meal for Family and Friends**. This is an annual event and, of late, we have ventured to a local restaurant or hostelry. This year, however,

the Committee agreed that we would celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and entertain ourselves in the Church Hall. We had a magnificent buffet provided by Grace Hoskins and danced the evening away with



the leadership of Jean Seymour who was caller for a Ceilidh. It was great fun and we may well repeat this type of evening. Thanks from me to all those who worked together to make the evening a success.

We are collecting the following items for **Students Welcome Week** in September

- * Mugs
- * Coffee sachets
- * Hot chocolate sachets
- * Sugar sachets
- * Individually wrapped biscuits
- * Tea bags
- * Cup-a-soups

FUTURE MEETINGS

Aug 1 Holy Land Trip - talk by David Andrew
Aug 15 Trip to Beverley Minster – this trip is open to anyone - Contact Cath Hilton
Sept 5 103rd Birthday party.
Sept 9 Deanery Festival 2.30pm at Christ Church Walmersley

OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tea with the President – in support of the Wheels Appeal Come and enjoy tea with the President at Falshaw's Ice Cream Parlour and Farm Shop, Rowlands Road, Bury on Monday September 3rd, 2.30 for 3pm. Tickets £10 available from the office,, Barbara Taylor or Cath Hilton

Celebration 2012 – Thursday October 11th The Celebration will take place at The Albert Halls, Bolton. Have you got your tickets? Come and celebrate the Triennium on Thursday October 11th. Tickets £5 available from the office on 0161 828 1427 or see Cath Hilton

Diocesan Eucharist - St George's, Mossley The Diocesan Eucharist is at St George's, Mossley on Tuesday August 7th at 2.30pm. Join with members from around the diocese in celebration and praise. If you want to go ring Cath Hilton

Cath Hilton
Branch Leader

PUTTING THE WORLD IN PERSPECTIVE

Imagine that you shrunk the world so that the earth's population could be fitted into a one village of just a hundred people. If the existing population ratios stayed the same this is how the inhabitants of our 'global village' would be made up:

57 Asians

21 Europeans

14 from the Western hemisphere, north and south

8 Africans

52 would be female

48 would be male

70 would be non-white

30 would be white

70 would be non-Christians

30 would be Christians

89 would be heterosexual

11 would be gay or lesbian

6 people would possess 59% of the wealth and all 6 would be from the United States

80 would live in substandard housing

70 would be unable to read

50 would suffer from malnutrition

1 would be near death and 1 near to giving birth

1 would have a university education



Makes you think doesn't it? There are so many other things that we take for granted that most other people on the planet can only imagine. If you have food in your cupboards, clothes on your back and a roof over your head you are richer than just about 75% of the people on our planet. If you have money in the bank, in your purse and a bit of spare change then you are amongst the richest 8% of the population. If you can read this then you have the advantage over the 2 billion people who cannot read. Yes, it makes you think...

A WEEKEND AWAY?

How do you fancy a weekend away in the beautiful Yorkshire Dales? We are looking to arrange a weekend at Scargill House in Kettlewell sometime next year as a group from our United Benefice. This would be to either join in an event already on their programme or to have our own tailor-made event – depending on how many of us are interested in going.

Scargill House is home to a Christian community and also a holiday, conference and retreat centre. They welcome Christians of all traditions as well as those of no faith. You can look them up at www.scargillmovement.org or if you have no computer access there will be details at the back of church at some point during August.

The cost of such a weekend would be approximately £115 for an adult; under 5's are free; children between £35 and £80 depending on age.



We really need to have some idea now at the level of interest in such a weekend because availability can be at a premium and we need to make any booking well in advance. They are already taking bookings for Parish weekends for 2014!!

Please speak to us and let us know if you are interested in an event like this. We are both regular visitors at Scargill and would really recommend the place to anybody.

Barbara & Nigel Silvester

Having just become a Godmother again I have been purchasing some books for my new Godchildren. There are some marvellous books available for young children which tell our faith story in a clear and accessible way. Why not try some out at bedtime?

Stories Jesus Told: Favourite Stories from the Bible Nick Butterworth and Mick Inkpen

Clear retellings of some of the best known stories from the gospels with illustrations that are both funny and appropriate.

Prayers to Know by Heart – Lois Rock

Simple, original prayers that will be easily learned when read together. Colourful illustrations that the very young will enjoy.

Usborne Children's Bible - Heather Amory and Linda Edwards

Short and enjoyable stories from both the Old and New Testaments, beautifully illustrated with something to enjoy on every page.

The Tale of Three Trees – Angela Elwell Hunt

This touching story about three trees who had great plans in life, but for whom God had other ideas; a lovely fantasy with a real Christian message.

Jesus' day off – Nicholas Allan

Great fun as Jesus, feeling exhausted and a bit unappreciated takes a day off. Lots of humour that will be enjoyed by adults as well but a real message as well.

All afloat on Noah's boat – Tony Mitton and Guy Parker-Rees

A funny but sincere twist on the familiar story. Great use of rhyme and rhythm that makes for a lovely bedtime read.

EXPLAINING GOD

This came from an American church website; one of their classes of 8 years olds was asked to explain what God did and this is what a young lad called Danny came up with.

'One of God's main jobs is making people. He makes them to replace the ones that die, so there will be enough people to take care of things on earth. He doesn't make grownups, just babies. I think because they are smaller and easier to make. That way he doesn't have to take up his valuable time teaching them to talk and walk. He can just leave that to mothers and fathers.'

'God's second most important job is listening to prayers. An awful lot of this goes on, since some people, like preachers and things, pray at times beside bedtime. God doesn't have time to listen to the radio or TV because of this. Because he hears everything, there must be a terrible lot of noise in his ears, unless he has thought of a way to turn it off.'

'God sees everything and hears everything and is everywhere which keeps Him pretty busy. So you shouldn't go wasting his time by going over your mom and dad's head asking for something they said you couldn't have.'

'Atheists are people who don't believe in God. I don't think there are any in Chula Vista . At least there aren't any who come to our church.'

'Jesus is God's Son. He used to do all the hard work, like walking on water and performing miracles and trying to teach the people who didn't want to learn about God. They finally got tired of him preaching to them and they crucified him. But he was good and kind, like his father, and he told his father

that they didn't know what they were doing and to forgive them and God said O.K.'

'His dad (God) appreciated everything that he had done and all his hard work on earth so he told him he didn't have to go out on the road anymore. He could stay in heaven. So he did. And now he helps his dad out by listening to prayers and seeing things which are important for God to take care of and which ones he can take care of himself without having to bother God. Like a secretary, only more important.'

'You can pray anytime you want and they are sure to help you because they got it worked out so one of them is on duty all the time.'



I am sure Danny had help with the spelling and punctuation but you can hear the voice of the child very clearly. Sometimes we spend a great deal of time worrying about God and our faith that we forget to simply accept all he offers. It's always good to go back to Jesus' own guidance...

Mark 10.13-16

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

FUNNY HA HA!

A Jewish businessman sent his son to Israel for a year to absorb the culture. When the son returned, he said, "Dad, I had a great time in Israel. By the way, I converted to Christianity." Greatly troubled the father said "What have I done?" He took his problem to his best friend. "Sam," he said, "I sent my son to Israel, and he came home a Christian. What can I do?"

"Funny you should ask," said Sam. "I too, sent my son to Israel and he also came home a Christian. Perhaps we should go see the rabbi." So they did, and they explained their problem to the rabbi.

"Funny you should ask," said the rabbi. "I, too, sent my son to Israel, and he also came home a Christian. What is happening to our young people?" And so they all prayed, telling God about their sons.

As they finished their prayer, a voice came from the Heavens: "Funny you should ask," said the Voice.. "I, too, sent my Son to Israel"



RECENT EVENTS

OPEN GROUP AT S. JOHN WITH S. MARK

The June meeting of the Open Group on 27th June proved to be most enlightening. Peter Watson gave us a different insight into the Boer War and the First World War with his talk entitled "War and Popular Culture". He compared the



attitude of the young men who fought in those wars with the attitude of today's youth, given the same set of circumstances. Also, the length of time it took news to reach the public before we had radio and TV. He read reports that he had researched, some of which were amusing, others very poignant.

We all had a piece of Connie Cox's delicious cake baked specially to celebrate her 90th birthday and we serenaded her in the usual way. It was quite a long meeting but we had an enjoyable time. Did you know there were two Boer Wars? I for one did not.

Audrey Sadler

SUMMER FAIR AT CHRIST CHURCH

On Saturday 30th June CCW held their annual summer fair. Despite the unpredictable weather conditions it was full steam ahead. At 11am the doors opened and people started flowing through them. There were ploughman's lunches and cream teas and a visit from the local ice cream parlour with their iced cabinet in the form of a bicycle selling wonderful ice cream which added even more to the occasion. Church members set up and ran the stalls along with the children from Sunday school who worked very hard with their parents to

raise money for church funds The community spirit was brilliant and as usual a great time for people of Walmersley to gather together and chat and reminisce about times they had spent and enjoyed together over the years gone by. There were a lot of new faces which was wonderful and the atmosphere was a very happy occasion. We raised almost £1300.00. Thank you everyone, all who helped in anyway and especially those who came and spent there money to raise this amount of desperately needed funds.

Our next fair is in November and along with the organisers of that event I look forward to helping and raising funds again, but most of all the pleasure this sort of event brings to all.

Love and fellowship to all Tricia Stokes

BENEFICE BBQ



Sunday August 26th 1pm at S. John's
Please look for lists at the back of church
as pre-booking is essential
HELP NEEDED TO PREPARE
AND COOK FOOD

WHAT'S ON IN AUGUST

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| 1 | 10.00am | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |
| 2 | 2pm | First Thursday Prayers (CC Church Hall) |
| 2 | 7.30pm | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |
| 5 | | NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Services at the usual times |
| 6 | 7.30pm | TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD (SJ with SM) |
| 8 | 10.00am | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |
| 9 | 7.30pm | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |
| 12 | | TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Services at the usual times |
| 15 | 10.00am | BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (SJ with SM) |
| 16 | 7.30pm | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |
| 18 | 10am | Joint PCC Away Day (All Saints Elton) |
| 19 | | ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Services at the usual times Parade at SJSM |
| 22 | 10.00am | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |
| 23 | 7.30pm | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |
| 24 | 7.30pm | MARY MAGDALENE (SJ with SM) |
| 26 | | TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Services at the usual times |
| 26 | 1pm | Benefice BBQ (SJ with SM) |
| 29 | 10.00am | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |
| 23 | 7.30pm | Holy Communion (SJ with SM) |



FLYING THE FLAG AT CHRIST CHURCH