

Activities with Children in Mind



First Steps: Under 5s and their carers
Tuesday mornings (term-time only) from 9 – 10 am.
Meets in the Church Vestry. Play time, drinks and short
suitable 'service'. 3rd Tuesday in month finishes 10.30.

X:Club: 5 – 11year olds
6 – 7 pm Mondays. Games, crafts, stories, music.
1st, 8th & 14th February,
Parents are not expected to stay but may if they wish.
For more info ask Anne Knyhynyckj 273571.



X:tra Club: 11 – 14 year olds
Meets twice a month 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 7 – 8.30pm in the Church
Centre. Board games, trips out, crafts, activities and DVDs.
3rd & 17th February. 3rd & 17th March
For more info ask Jenn Willis 554430.

Fun Nights – Messy Church: For people of all ages with and
without children. Held four times a year on a Saturday 5 – 7pm in the
Church Centre. Fun activities, quizzes, crafts, games, short service, and
eat together. Next one: 8th May please phone the church centre office to
book a place as there is a meal.

Five Ways

Held four times a year on a Saturday morning
9.30am – 11 am in Church. Light breakfast of croissant and/or cereal
and tea/coffee at 9.30am, activities begin at 10am. Next one: 13th March
Celebrating Mothering Sunday. Please phone the church centre office to
book a place.

Celebration Services

Valentine's Day Special Service 2.30pm Sunday 14th Feb:
for couples to celebrate their relationships, thank God for the love they
share together and ask his blessing on their shared future. All welcome
including children.

Palm Sunday Procession

Sunday 28th March, A joyful procession with donkeys, singing and
dramas!! Starting at 10am at Edinburgh Rd shops, 10.15am Allendale
Rd shops, 10.30am Central Drive / Allendale Road, 10.45am in church
car park, followed by refreshments. Join in all or at a stop and walk just a
bit or drive in between. Bring flags or scarves to wave.

Regular Services for All the Family

All Age Worship: All ages, 1st Sunday in the month, 10 – 10.45
am. Parents normally stay with their children.

And for the Adults

Christianity Explored:

Would you like to know more about the remarkable life and death of
Jesus Christ? Why not come to a set of six evenings starting on
Thursday 25th February at 7.30pm in the Church Centre. To book
your place or for more details please contact the Rector on 234242.

Women Together: *for women of employment age!*

7.30 pm every 2nd Thursday in month. Next one: Thursday 11th
February: Trip to the theatre, Thursday 11th March .
A time to get together socially and spiritually.
Ring the Parish Office: 297095 to book your place.

Breakfast for Men: *for men of all ages.*

8 - 9 am last Saturday in the month in the Church Centre. A time to
get together socially and spiritually. Come with a friend – or meet
friends here! **Next one 27th February.**
For further info ask Rob Wadd, 563370.

Time for Yourself:

Have you tried one of our new Sunday evening
Café Services yet?

At Café Services you'll find friendship, hospitality,
hot drinks (with marshmallows on top of some)
and biscuits, as well as a real worship
experience.

Café: Learning on the 2nd Sunday evening of the
month has a more 'serious' flavour, while

Café: Worship on the 4th Sunday evening of the month is 'lighter' with
poetry, DVDs, reflections etc.

Both start sharp at 7 pm and end close to 8.30 pm



For more details please contact:

Rector: Rev'd Dr Jo White

234242

Parish Office

297095



Lent 2010

What's on For Children and their Families



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday (16/2/2010)

Q: What is Ash Wednesday?

A: Ash Wednesday is the day Lent begins. It occurs forty days before Good Friday.

Q: Why is it called Ash Wednesday?

A: It is called Ash Wednesday because, being forty days before Good Friday, it always falls on a Wednesday and it is called Ash Wednesday because on that day at church the faithful have their foreheads marked with ashes in the shape of a cross.

Q: Why do they have their foreheads marked with a cross?

A: Because in the Bible a mark on the forehead is a symbol of a person's ownership. By having their foreheads marked with the sign of a cross, this symbolizes that the person belongs to Jesus Christ, who died on a Cross.

Q: Why is the signing done with ashes?

A: Because ashes are a biblical symbol of mourning and penance. Ash Wednesday is also a day of fasting

Q: Where do the ashes used on Ash Wednesday come from?

A: They are made by burning palm fronds which have been saved from the previous year's Palm Sunday, they are then blessed by a priest -- blessed ashes having been used in rituals since the time of Moses