

LENT 2012



Our first Lent Lunch will be on Saturday February 25th. If you would like to volunteer your services as host and/or sponsor any of the lunches, please have a word with Claire or Andrea.

The charity we are supporting this year is :-
THE BARNABUS FUND

**AT THE 6.00 SERVICE WE SHALL BE
LOOKING AT THE BOOK OF JONAH**



Many of us will relate this story to our Sunday School days. But now we have an opportunity to look at it with adult eyes. Do we take the book as 'history with a moral' or as a parable? Is there a parallel between Jonah's 3 days in the depths of the ocean and Jesus death and resurrection?

**'LET JUSTICE PREVAIL' MALASIA
Trinity Church March 2nd**

The Women's World Day of Prayer has been prepared by the Christian women of Malaysia.

It is a global, ecumenical movement of informed prayer and prayerful action, organised and led by Christian women who call the faithful together on the first Friday in March each year to observe a common day of prayer and who, in many countries, have a continuing relationship in prayer and service.



The service is written by a different country each year and that country then becomes the focus of the world's prayers on the day itself, which begins as dawn breaks over the islands of Tonga in the Pacific and continues across each continent until the last services of this special day are held back in the Pacific, on the islands of Samoa, circling the world in prayer for 36 hours.

For those who are interested, there are choir practices at Trinity Church 10.30am each Friday until March 2nd.

TREASURER

Castle Church PCC is pleased to announce that DAVID BOOTE has been appointed as Treasurer. Many thanks go to his predecessor Helen Watkinson whose other commitments have caused her to resign. Please ensure that all future financial correspondence is addressed to David.
treasurer@castlechurch.org.uk



If you have requested a copy of the Church Family Photograph and not yet paid, please give your £10 to Philip as soon as possible and he will get them printed.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study group meets at 10.30am this Tuesday Feb 7th in the Office. Open to men as well as ladies, and led by Christine.



OXFORD UNIVERSITY MISSION

This week, Ros will be in Oxford as part of a team helping at the Oxford University Mission week:

THIS IS...
JESUS

Please pray for Ros to be bold in speaking about Jesus and pray that she'll be an encouragement to the Christian students she's working with. There will be big events every night at which Tim Keller will be explaining the gospel and inviting students to put their trust in Christ, as well as lunchtime meetings addressing some common objections to Christianity.

THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Originally the administration of the parish was exclusively the responsibility of the vicar and churchwardens.

Apart from the appointment of the churchwardens annually, the general body of church members had little or no say in these matters.

Now since the introduction of the Electoral Roll (being a list of Qualified Electors in the parish), Parochial Church Councils can be elected which include lay members from the Roll who can represent the views of ordinary parishioners.

The current Electoral Roll has to be revised annually and presented to the Annual General Meeting of the parish which takes place on the 26th of March next. By maintaining this list, all registered members can properly take part in all the affairs of the church.

Harold Bee – Electoral Roll Officer

If you wish to be included on the new list or your details have changed in anyway since last year, please fill in an Application Form (available at each service) and leave it in the post box outside the hall entrance.

YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers those who are unwell, and pray that they may be reassured by the Lord's presence in their lives -

John Weaver, Jeanne Smith, Jean Saxon, Geoff Harrison, Deenie Stacey, Elsie Jubb, Jan Glover, Derrick Goode, Peggy Davison, Pam Mellett, Gwen Davis, Dennis Towers, Mason Ball.

