



CHRIST CHURCH URC

Chase Side, Enfield

Minister: Rev David Atkinson



**Christ Church Annual General Meeting
Sunday 3rd April 2011
12.30pm in the Church**

March 2011

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

- 11.00am Morning Worship
(Holy Communion - first Sunday)
(Family Parade Service - third Sunday)
- 11.00am Adventurers
- 12.30pm Church Meeting *Bi-monthly - see diary*

MONDAY

- 6.00pm - 7.30pm Anchor Boys (5-8 years)
- 6.00pm - 7.30pm Junior Section (8-11 years)
- 7.30pm - 9.30pm Company Section (11-15 years)
- 7.30pm - 9.30pm Seniors (15-18 years)

WEDNESDAY

- 9.45am - 11.30am Combined Bible Study
at Lancaster Road URC *Twice monthly - see diary*
- 2.15pm Friendship Club *Twice monthly - see diary*

FRIDAY

- 5.00pm - 6.15pm Rainbows (5-7 years)
- 6.00pm - 7.30pm Brownies (7-10 years)
- 7.30pm - 9.00pm Guides (10-14 years)
- 7.30pm - 9.00pm Rangers (14-20 years)

VARIOUS DAYS

- 8.00pm Elders Meeting *Bi-monthly - see diary*

MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

We are approaching the season of Lent which begins on Ash Wednesday, 9th March and ends on Saturday, 23rd April, the last day of Holy Week. Lent lasts for six weeks or forty days and is a period of spiritual discipline. Today we associate Lent most of all with fasting.

Those of you who have counted the number of days from Ash Wednesday to the final day of Holy Week will have found forty six days. Why is this? Sunday, the Lord's Day, the day of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, is not appropriate for fasting. So take away the six Sundays during Lent and you get forty days. Lent ends with Easter Day, Sunday, 24th April when we celebrate God raising Jesus from the dead.

In the Bible Jesus fasted for forty days before he began his ministry. This was a time of spiritual discipline for Jesus when he was tempted by the devil, rejected the wiles of the devil and committed himself to doing God's will. We read about this in Matthew 4:1-11 and Luke 4:1-13. These readings are often used on the first Sunday in Lent.

As well as fasting Lent was also used for instructing people in the Christian faith before baptism at Easter. Lent is associated generally with fasting, study, prayer and humility and is a time of preparation for Easter.

You may want to consider doing something special for Lent. Some people give up certain foods, especially sweets and chocolates. I always think that this is made more meaningful if the money saved is then given away to a charity or needy cause. Alternatively, why not read a Christian book during Lent especially a book about the Bible, prayer or the Christian life style. In past years I have read Eddie Askew's books of meditations and prayers reading a meditation and prayer each day.

Eddie Askew's books are available from The Leprosy Mission at P O Box 212, Peterborough, PE2 5GD telephone: 0845 166 2253. Alternatively I have several of his books and you can borrow one from me. I find that Eddie Askew has that ability to express deep Christian truths briefly and meaningfully.

May the love and peace of God be with you all. David.

NEWS OF THE FELLOWSHIP

Clifford Boxer has returned home after a spell in Chase Farm Hospital and St Michael's Centre.

Betty Winter is in Spring View Residential Home, Crescent Road, Enfield.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Tracy Rainbow's father and Sarah Harry's grandmother.

Let us remember all our church fellowship in our prayers and caring. David.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

All members are urged to attend the Christ Church Annual General Meeting which will be held after the Mothering Sunday Family Parade Service, at 12.30pm on Sunday 3rd April at the back of the Church. Officers will be elected for the coming year and financial and other reports will be presented. Copies of annual reports will be made available in advance of the AGM and will be included in the April edition of the Church newsletter



3rd Enfield Boys' Brigade

A massive thank you to everyone who took part in our 120th Anniversary Quiz Night, which was held on Saturday 29th January in the Church hall. The event was a great success and raised a total of £365.28, which will go directly towards supporting the work of the Company. The quiz was won by the team from Lancaster Road URC, and the proverbial 'wooden spoon' went to the team from the 10th Enfield BB!

Our Annual Display and Presentation Evening will be held on Monday 16th May 2011 in the Church hall, starting at 6:30pm.

You are all very warmly invited to join us for this special occasion

LUNCHTIME @ CHRIST CHURCH
SATURDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2011

Many thanks to all those who came to help at our Lunchtime @ Christ Church and made it such an enjoyable and social occasion. Particular thanks to Maureen and Kathy for the delicious hot lunches they provided – a veritable feast, much enjoyed by all those who participated! Brian Page entertained us with an organ recital of popular songs and it was good to see both new and old faces.

The next Lunchtime event is on Saturday 12th March, 11.00am to 2.00pm. Everyone is welcome and please bring your friends.

HOLIDAY AT HOME
FRIDAY 25TH TO SUNDAY 27TH MARCH 2011

Following the success of last year's event we are holding another "Holiday at Home" event.

This is like a holiday club for adults and the programme will include craft activities; quizzes; Bible talks; musical items and entertainment. A cooked lunch and afternoon tea will be provided on the Friday and Saturday and the charge for each of these days is £5.

The times are 10.30am to 4.00pm on the Friday and Saturday. On Sunday there will be a closing service at 11.00am in the Church organised by the Worship Group. You can come for the whole time or just one day.

For further information and to book a place please contact one of the following:

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Sylvia Coombs 020 8363 3543

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Places are limited, so book early to avoid disappointment!

**Women's World Day of Prayer
Friday 4th March 2011
'How many loaves have you?'**



On Friday 4th March 2011, women from around the world will celebrate the Women's World Day of Prayer. The service has been written by the women of Chile. It is an appropriate theme for bread is eaten at every meal and is very much a part of every day life. The women of Chile offer what it means to them as they share this service with us.

Details of the services being held in Enfield on 4th March to celebrate the Women's World Day of Prayer are below:

**10.30am at Enfield Baptist Church, Cecil Road,
Enfield, EN2 6TG**

**Speaker: Rev Jackie Fish
Choir: The Grovelands Singers**

**7.30pm at Jesus Church, Forty Hill, Enfield, EN2 9EU
Speaker: Mrs Sue Warwick**

Everyone is very welcome to these services. More information about the Women's World Day of Prayer can be found at www.wwdp-natcomm.org

120 Years of the 3rd Enfield Boys' Brigade Company

Part 4: BB Centennial year 1983 to the present day

After the BB centennial year the Company moved forward with its activities, new ventures like the Duke of Edinburgh awards were introduced. The Company entered the London District junior band competition for the first time in 1985 and won the title. The rules on the entries for The Daily Telegraph Shield competition were changed allowing for joint entries. In 1985 a combined team of the 1st and 3rd Enfield Companies entered the updated competition and won the competition. The Companies went on to win the competition a further three years. During this time a plaque was unveiled at St Paul Cathedral to Sir William Alexander Smith, very close to Lord Nelson's tomb. The 1st and 3rd provided the guard of honour for this event. The Companies also provided guard of honour for the final few Royal



Colour Party at the very last Royal Albert Hall Display in 1987

Albert Hall displays, which finally ended in 1987. It was a sad end to a great BB institution. Stephen Wakeford won the London District Solo bugler title in 1987 and played at the last Royal Albert Hall display, and David Waite won the solo drummer title two years later. But 1988 marked the Centennial year of the Boys' Brigade in Enfield. Another BB exhibition was held at Forty Hall, this time organised by Chris Sanders. A number of events were organised over the course of the year to mark the anniversary, including Battalion displays and a book on the 1st Enfield was published. The Company had great success with cricket during this era winning both the London District 6-A-side title (1988, 1991) and the 11-A-side title (1986, 1987, 1988). During the late 1980s and early 1990s several individuals won London District titles in athletic events, including javelin (1985-Mark Pollard, 1988/1991-Tim Wakeford), discus (1988-Mark Willis), long jump (1992-Jamie Fryer), 1500 metres (1990/1991-Stuart Bachelor) and 4x100 relay (1992-Daniel Layzell). After ten years as Captain Terry Silvey stepped down with Andrew Mason taking on the Captaincy in 1988.

Two years later it was the turn of 3rd Enfield to celebrate their Centennial

year in 1990. The Company display in May had the Brigade Secretary as the main guest. The boys enjoyed a Scottish Centennial camp in Oban in the summer. The main Centennial celebrations came in early December with a weekend of events. The main guest for the weekend was the Brigade President Lord Thurso. Everyone enjoyed a dinner and dance at Forty Hall on the Saturday. A special parade service was held on the Sunday at Christ Church, when new Company colours were presented. At the service was Rev. Geoffrey Plowman, a relative of Captain Thomas Room Plowman. Monday 3rd December 1990 marked the actual hundredth birthday of the good old 3rd Enfield, an open parade night was held and every person in the company received a special certificate. The special 100th birthday certificate from the national Boys' Brigade to the 3rd Enfield was on show. The company had made the special milestone.

In the 1990s the Company continued it's winning form with the band, winning the London District drum team titles (1991, 1992) and the solo bugler (1996-Adrian Bullock). The Company also scored success in other BB activities such as gymnastic and first aid at a London District level. In 1993 the Company lost one of it's former Captains, Harold Dye, who passed away at the age of 91. He had been a great supporter of the Company for many years. In the same year the BB had another history exhibition at Forty Hall, organised by Chris Sanders. The Brigade President Lord Thurso retired in 1994 and a large Boys' Brigade parade was held at Windsor Castle in front of The Queen, Stephen Stokes represented the company at this magnificent Royal event. In 1994 Captain Andrew Mason married Rachel Wakeford, become the first 3rd Enfield Captain to marry while holding the post since Frank Head in 1945. Throughout the 1990s the Company ran a wide range of activities for the boys such as sailing, canoeing, windsurfing, camping, snorkelling and martial arts. As the Millennium approached the Company marched into it's third Century. A special Millennium Enfield Battalion camp was held at Whitecliffe Bay on the Isle of Wight.

Around this time, a new BB uniform was introduced, which was adopted by the 3rd Enfield in 2000. This meant an end to the 3rd's famous red ties which had been in use for almost a century. The Company had success in Battalion competitions in the early 2000s, winning the Under 14 Football League with the 10th Enfield (2000 and 2001, as well as the Under 14 Football Cup in 2001), the Two Smart Recruits Drill competition

(2001-Steven Peck/Daniel Farrant) and the Swimming competition (2002). In 2001, the 3rd Enfield began joining with the 10th Enfield on their Summer Camps, something which still continues to this day. Most of the camps have been held at Beeston Regis in Norfolk. Towards the end of 2001, Andrew Mason stepped down as Captain after 13 years. The role was taken on by Chris Sanders.

2002 saw the Centenary of Enfield Battalion, which was celebrated with a weekend of events in September. There were performances by the London Massed Bugle Band and the London Gym Team on the Saturday at the Enfield Town Show, and the Band was accommodated



1st/3rd Enfield winning the Devonshire Cup in 2006

at Christ Church overnight. The Sunday featured an Enfield Battalion Church Parade at Christ Church, with the parade led by the London Massed Bugle Band and the service led by KJC, the BB's worship group.

Around 100 members of Enfield Battalion attended

the service. In 2003, the 3rd Enfield returned to entering London District competitions after nearly a decade, entering the London Band competitions (including the Devonshire Cup) with the 1st Enfield – two long time rivals in the Devonshire Cup coming together! The band has continued to combine together since then, coming second in the Devonshire Cup in 2004, 2007 and 2009 and winning it in 2006 and 2008. The band also won the Don West Trophy for Musical Accuracy in 2006, 2008 and 2009. The Company continued to enter a number of other competitions, including the Waltham Walk and returning to the London District Colours competition, and winning competitions such as the Battalion Quiz competition (2003, 2004, 2005), Battalion Athletics Small Companies Cup (2004, 2009), Battalion Small Squad Drill (2006) and the London District Solo Drummer competition (2009 with Andrew Clarke). The 3rd also combined with the 1st Enfield in 2003/2004 to win the Battalion Senior Football League.

The Enrolment Service in 2004 saw two 3rd Enfield members receive their President's Badges: Rob Gardner and Tom Boorman. It is the second highest award in the BB, and since then three members of the 3rd have gained the award: Jamie Newport and Sam Rowsell (2009),

and Christian Collins-O'Connor (2010). In 2006, Tom Boorman became the first 3rd Enfield member in around 20 years to gain the Queen's Badge, the highest award in the BB. It was presented by Don Collins, who gained the King's Badge (as it was then known) in the 3rd Enfield in 1940. At the end of 2006, Chris Sanders stood down as Captain, with the position having been left vacant since then.



Summer Camp with the 10th Enfield to Beeston Regis, Norfolk, in 2009

Members of the 3rd Enfield have also taken part in a number of other events in recent years. In 2006, the London Massed Bugle Band toured the North West District, which included a service at Liverpool Cathedral, as well as several other performances. The Company was also regularly involved in the London District Beating Retreat at the Royal Chelsea Hospital. Firm Foundations, which is a Christian festival run by the BB and GB at Felden Lodge, is also a popular fixture on the calendar. Other special events include involvement in the London Marathon, Lord Mayor's Show, garden parties at Buckingham Palace (in 2005 and 2009), and the Trooping the Colour ceremony – at the 2008 event, Tom Boorman was interviewed by Clare Balding as part of the BBC's coverage!

The 3rd Enfield took part in a number of events to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of The Boys' Brigade in 2008, including an Enfield Battalion fun day in July. The Company continues to take part in a number of competitions, camps, other events such as a trip to Wembley Stadium in 2010, and activities including ice skating, trips to activity centres, theme parks, and much more. Most recently, in January 2011 a Quiz Night was held 120 years to the day after the 3rd Enfield was registered as a BB Company.

Since the formation of the 3rd Enfield in 1890, around 2000 people have passed through its ranks, and many memories and experiences have been produced. Thank you to anyone who has been involved with the Company either directly or indirectly over time – here's to the next 120 years!

Rob Wilson & Tom Boorman

The Friendship Club

The Friendship Club continues to meet on alternate Wednesdays at 2.15pm in the Church hall, and we warmly invite old and new friends to join with us.

9th March

Annual General Meeting followed by the showing of slides of "Chateaux of the Loire"

23rd March

A "surprise" programme with Sylvia Coombs

6th April

Towards Easter with Rev Jackie Fish

This is the last meeting before the Easter holidays. The summer term begins on 4th May.

Dear Lord, help each of us to trust You for every day, because You said "I will never leave you nor forsake you". (Joshua 1:14)

Guide Association World Thinking Day Sunday Parade Service on 20th February

We had a wonderful service led by David Atkinson - the service focused on making decisions. This years World Thinking Day theme was based on empowering girls across the world and helping them to make their own decisions. Giving them equality in both education and work so a really enlightening topic on how girls are suppressed in other parts of the world.

We within the 9th Enfield awarded:

Golden Rainbow to **Grace Egan**

Certificate of Merit to **Cara Clark** and **Molly Lewis**

Super Brownie to **Amber**

Guide of the Year to **Isabel Kenny**

Certificate of Merit to **Lia Cook**

Best Newcoming Guide to **Chloe Foster**

Overall a lovely day celebrating a lot of hard Guiding work.

Tracy Rainbow

LANCASTER ROAD URC CHURCH DAY

Lancaster Road Church is holding a Church Day for all ages in its Church Hall on **Saturday 19th March** from **10am-4pm**. There will be a selection of workshop activities for you to choose from and you will be able to attend up to four activities of your choice during the day.

There are the following activities:

The History of the United Reformed Church with Les
Moody

Gardening with Peter Williams

Hymn Writing with Brenda Brown

Craft Activity with Beryl Woolley

The History of Enfield with Stephen Gilbert

Flower arranging with Sue Benham

Any Questions on Christianity chaired by David Atkinson

Come and Paint an Ice Cream Bowl with Ruth Rutherford.

This activity is for both adults and children and costs £5 and after 10-14 days you will receive a professionally glazed and fired bowl.

We may also have a workshop on cookery

All are welcome. Please come along and bring a friend.

Please bring your own packed lunch. Drinks will be provided. Further information from David Atkinson (tel 020 8363 4571).

Prayer Diary for March

1st - Give thanks to God for the start of a new month

2nd - Pray for the Joint Bible Study Group with Lancaster Road URC

3rd - Pray for the Worship Group as they continue to plan future services

4th - Pray for the events taking place today for the Women's World Day of Prayer

5th - Pray for anyone who may be travelling today

6th - Pray for members of The Boys' Brigade in Enfield, taking part in their Battalion Church Parade this morning at Winchmore Hill Baptist Church

7th - Pray for the BB Junior Section, who are meeting this evening

8th - Pray for those who are preparing for the start of Lent tomorrow

9th - Pray for the Friendship Club's Annual General Meeting this afternoon

10th - Pray for the final part of our Christianity Explored course, which takes place this evening

11th - Pray for the Brownies as they meet tonight

12th - Pray for our Lunchtime @ Christ Church, taking place today

13th - Pray for our friends at Lancaster Road URC as they celebrate their Church Anniversary today

14th - Pray for the BB Company Section, who are meeting this evening

15th - Pray for those who find themselves out of work at the moment

16th - Pray for all of those who lead our Church Organisations

17th - Pray for Christians around the world who face persecution for their beliefs

18th - Pray for the Rainbows as they meet tonight

19th - Pray for the Lancaster Road Church Day, which takes place today

20th - Pray for all of the young people in our Church Fellowship

21st - Pray for the BB Seniors, who are meeting this evening

22nd - Pray for David, our Minister

23rd - Pray for Four Hills Music and the community-based music projects that they run

24th - Pray for the Church Elders and ask for God's guidance over their leadership of Christ Church

25th - Pray for the Guides and Rangers as they meet tonight

26th - Pray for our Holiday at Home event, which began on Friday, continues today and concludes on Sunday

27th - Pray for the Adventurers, who are meeting during our service this morning

28th - Pray for the BB Anchor Boys, who are meeting this evening

29th - Give thanks to God for spring and for the lighter evenings

30th - Pray for those who are considering coming to faith in Christ

31st - Pray for the external groups that use our Church hall

On the opposite page you will see a new feature to the Christ Church newsletter, a Prayer Diary. There is a different item for every day of the month - if you pray daily, please consider including these each time.

If you have anything that you would like included in a future prayer diary, or if there is something you would like us to pray for (for example during our services), then a new way of letting us know has been set up. Please email your prayer requests to prayer@ccurc.org.uk and these can be included.

Easter at Christ Church URC

Thursday 21st April (8.00pm)
Maundy Thursday Service (at Lancaster Road URC)

Friday 22nd April (10.30am)
Procession of Witness from Chase Green and
Ecumenical Good Friday Service (11.00am at St
Andrew's Church)

Sunday 24th April (11.00am)
Easter Sunday Service (led by Rev David Atkinson,
including Holy Communion with an offering for
Shanthigramam)

You are all very welcome to join us for these events and any of our regular Sunday services and other events

Listen online...

Missed a service, or just want to hear a talk again? Recordings from our Sunday services are being made available on the Christ Church website

Check out the “Downloads” page to find recordings of the all age talks and sermons - simply find the one you want, click the link and you can then listen to the whole talk!

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March Church Diary

- Wed 2nd 9.45 - 11.30am Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at Lancaster Road URC
- Sun 6th 11am Rev David Atkinson
Holy Communion offering for the
Communion Fund
Duty Elder - Stephen Gilbert**
- Wed 9th 2.15pm Friendship Club AGM followed by a programme of slides
- Sat 12th 11am - 2pm Lunchtime @ Christ Church**
- Sun 13th 11am Combined service with Lancaster Road URC to celebrate their Church Anniversary (no Service at Christ Church)**
- Wed 16th 9.45 - 11.30am Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at Lancaster Road URC
- Sun 20th 11am Rev David Atkinson
Family Parade Service
Duty Elder - Pamela Fisher**
- Wed 23rd 2.15pm Friendship Club
A "surprise" programme with Sylvia Coombs
- Sun 27th 11am The Worship Group
Closing service for Holiday at Home
Duty Elder - Sylvia Coombs**
- Wed 30th 9.45 - 11.30am Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at Lancaster Road URC

April Church Diary

Sun 3rd	11am	Rev David Atkinson Family Parade Service Mothering Sunday Duty Elder - Pamela Mansley
	12.30pm	Church Annual General Meeting
Wed 6th	2.15pm	Friendship Club Towards Easter - Rev Jackie Fish
Sun 10th	11am	Mr John Stynes Duty Elder - Stephen Gilbert
Wed 13th	9.45 - 11.30am	Joint Bible Study with Lancaster Road at Lancaster Road URC

Advance dates for 2011

Holiday at Home 2011

25th to 27th March

Church Meetings

12.30pm

3rd April (AGM)

5th June

11th September (please note
change of date from 4th)

6th November

Elders Meetings

8pm

Dates to be announced

Thames North Synod

Meetings

12th March

Christ Church Youth Weekend

14th to 15th May

3rd Enfield Boys' Brigade Annual Display

16th May

**** Adventurers ****

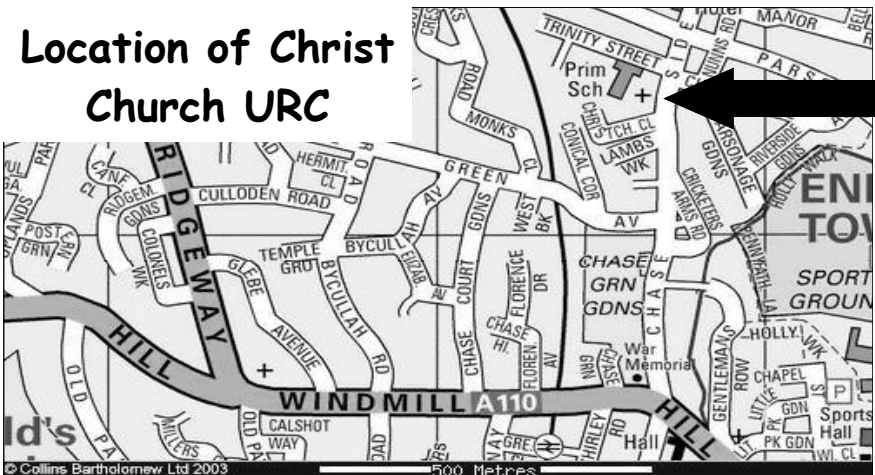
WHAT: Adventurers are a group for boys and girls aged three upwards. They meet for games, drama, craft activities and fun, based on a Bible theme

WHEN: Sunday mornings from 11am to 12 noon

WHERE: Adventurers meet in the Church hall

If you are interested in coming or would like further details please contact Rosemary Milns (020 8363 6571)

Location of Christ Church URC



Articles intended for inclusion in the **April** issue should reach the Editor by the **second Sunday of March**

Please contact Pamela Fisher with any items to be included in future issues. Items can be received either in paper form at Sunday worship or by email.

Phone 020 8482 4610 A/M please leave a message