

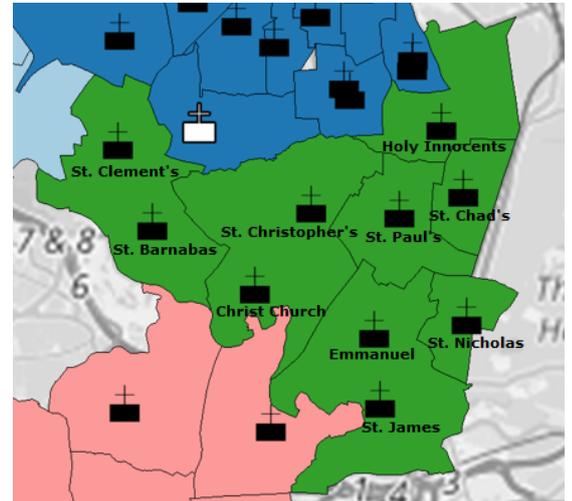
# MISSION COMMUNITY 4 BULLETIN

*Churches working together in South Manchester*

## An introduction to our Mission Community

By now, you will no doubt be aware that the Diocese of Manchester has been organised into 'Mission Communities' within the new Deaneries. This is with the aim that all churches within those Mission Communities can co-operate and work together on mission, ministry and resourcing, whilst preserving the unique character and ethos of their own parishes.

Our Mission Community 4 within the Manchester South & Stretford Deanery consists of the following parishes: St. Clement, Chorlton-cum-Hardy; Christ Church, West Didsbury & St. Christopher, Withington; St. Paul, Withington; St. Chad, Ladybarn; St. Nicholas, Burnage; Emmanuel & St. James, Didsbury; and Holy Innocents, Birch with Fallowfield.



A map of Mission Community 4 (in green)

### ***A message from our Mission Community Leader:***



Revd. Richard Young

*Welcome to this, the first of our monthly updates from around the Mission Community. Our aim is to raise awareness of what is going on in our parishes. Feel free to join in events that interest you, and to suggest items for inclusion next month to your parish reps (clue: one of them is your Incumbent!).*

*Over the next year we will be looking at more practical ways we can collaborate which benefit our individual communities in our mission: so more to follow!*

*All the best,*

*Richard Young – Mission Community Co-ordinator*



## Updates from the parishes

### **St. Nicholas, Burnage**

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**A fantastic time was had by all at the 'Jubilee Jolly' on 4<sup>th</sup> June, courtesy of the Greater Manchester Voices and the Chapel-en-le-Frith Ladies Choir. Thankyou to all who attended and supported this event**

**On 24<sup>th</sup> June, we were pleased to welcome back a former Rector of St. Nicholas, Canon Roy Chow, who kindly officiated at the funeral of our dear friend Bevan Taylor.**

## St. Clement's, Chorlton

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On 10<sup>th</sup> June, we celebrated the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Barnabas Mission Church on Hardy Lane. St. Barnabas is a valued resource with community space, foodbank outreach, prayer ministry, and family support for the Barlow Hall area of St. Clement's parish.

## St. Chad's, Ladybarn

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Our summer coffee morning was held on 25<sup>th</sup> June, in aid of church funds, and was a successful event.

A reminder that 'Chatty Tuesdays' take place every Tuesday from 11am in the Community Hall next to church, where there will always be a friendly welcome.

At St. Chad's, we are currently giving much thought to how our building can be best adapted and modernised to serve our community in the future. Your prayers are appreciated as we embark on this process.

## St. Paul's, Withington

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We are delighted to announce the appointment of Revd. Cate Allison as our new Incumbent. We very much look forward to celebrating her official licensing in the near future.

St. Paul's will be hosting a 'Choral Extravaganza' at 7.30pm on 23<sup>rd</sup> July. It will be a concert of sacred and secular music featuring four choirs. Tickets £10, £8 for students and under-16s free. Tickets available on the door.

Every Tuesday from 19<sup>th</sup> July, we will be hosting 'Withington Welcomes', a new 'Place of Welcome' with free tea, coffee and conversation. 10am till 12 noon.

## St. James & Emmanuel

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'Bring-and-share' and 'open-to-all' Parish Garden Parties will be at the Vicarage, 453 Parrswood Road, M20 5NE, each Sunday in August after morning service.

Congratulations to Lexy McDonnell and Katrin Alldavoodi on their ordination to the diaconate, and Revd. Augustine Tanner-Ihm to the priesthood. We are praying for the success of their ministries.

A reminder that Home Community Café is always open at Emmanuel Church from 10am till 4pm, every Monday to Friday.

## Christ Church & St Christopher's

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Congratulations to Revd. Tom Phipps on his ordination to the priesthood, and Revd. Ann Meadowcroft on becoming a deacon. We look forward to their continuing ministry with us here at Christ Church & St. Christopher's.

We are gearing up to celebrate the 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Christ Church on the 7<sup>th</sup> August with a special joint parish Eucharist. Our Area Dean, Revd. Nick Watson will be preaching, and we look forward to welcoming any friends from across the Mission Community who would like to celebrate with us.

## Holy Innocents, Fallowfield

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On 6<sup>th</sup> August from 2pm, we will be supporting the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary afternoon of the Shakespearean Garden in Platt Fields, along with the South East Fallowfield Residents Group. All are welcome to this family-friendly event with stalls & activities.