

**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES      1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

**MONDAY**

10-12 noon    IT for Beginners  
1-3.30pm     Computer Drop-In Session  
2-3.00pm     Woodchurch High School – Activities Hour

**TUESDAY**

4.00pm        Louise Forster Dance School

**WEDNESDAY**

1-4.00pm     Computer Drop-In Session

**THURSDAY**

9.30am       Knit and Natter/Shoebox Team  
10.30am      Coffee Morning/Soup and Batch Lunch  
10.30am      Fusion (Adult Children Bereavement Support)  
11.00-Noon   New Fun & Fitness Class  
5.00pm        Louise Forster Dance School

**FRIDAY**

10.00am      Free NHS Measure-Up Weight Management  
1.15-3.15pm   Job Club

**SATURDAY**

10.00am      Louise Forster Dance School

**SUNDAY**

10.30am      Morning Worship, Sunday School and Creche  
1.00-4.00pm   Majorette Troupe

**DIARY DATES**

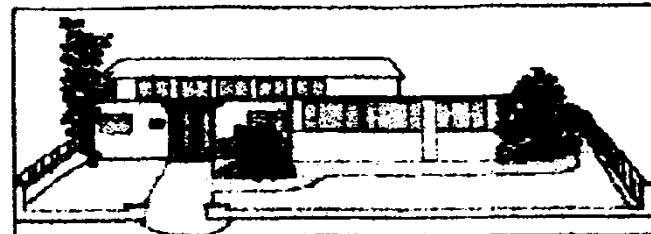
Sun	14 Feb	<b>10.00am</b>	Holy Cross Church
Fri	26 Feb	2.30pm	MP's Surgery
Thu	3 Mar	1.00pm	Church Council Meeting
Mon	21 Mar	3.15pm	Community Safety Meeting

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**WELCOME TO WOODCHURCH METHODIST CHURCH**

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2016**

**All Age Worship/Café Style**

10.30am:        Rev Carol Braithwaite

Music:           Steph Williams

Reader:

Refreshments: David Smith and Peter Harvey

Flowers:

**Next Week's Service**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

**Holy Communion**

10.30am:        Rev John Barnett

Refreshments: Eileen and Pauline Dixon

Flowers:

*Lord, we come again to this place where you are worshipped. We come to gather up all we have said and done and thought since last we met and bring it as part of our offering of thanks and praise. We have come to seek your truth, to praise your glory and to allow the light of your love to drive the darkness out of our lives. Amen*  
*(David Clowes)*

## **PRAYERS**

### **Concerns for Others**

Please pray for Nicola Langton-Miller (candidating for Methodist Ministry this weekend), Freddie, Barbara Allmark, Betty Humphreys, Barbara and John Banton (in their ministry in Skelmersdale), Sue Foster, Paul and Ann Rigby-Jones, Anne and Alan Brady (Anne's Dad has died), Anne-Marie Conway, Rev Anne Davis, Chris Holmes, Aaron, Matthew Brandrick (as he prepares to start a new job), Peter Brandrick, Peter Brandrick's sister Molly, Betty Woods (now home), Allen Jones, Den Dring, Anne Davis's dad, Mandy Doyle, David Pierce, Keith Ostvig (Barbara Allmark's brother), the new peace initiatives by the UN to bring an end to the war in Syria. We pray for all immigrants fleeing war and persecution that a just and lasting solution may be found. We pray for peaceful and meaningful negotiations for those countries around the world where there is conflict.

### **FAMILY NEWS**

Birthday wishes to Katie Holmes (15 on 2<sup>nd</sup>)

**Congratulations to:** The Louise Forster Dance School (great success at Blackpool last weekend), Nicola Monty (gained an NVQ3 in Mechanical Engineering), Tarisai Chando (gained his Degree in Social Care from Hope University) and Rev Steve Santry (leaving Helsby in July for Exeter).

### **RETIRING COLLECTION**

There will be a retiring collection for a leaving gift for Rev. Anne Davis after our services today and 7<sup>th</sup> February. Please add your name to the list in Church if you are planning to go to Rev Anne's farewell service on 14 February at 10 am, the numbers are needed by Holy Cross, as there will be a buffet after the service.

### **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**

Please note the change of date to Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 1 pm. Could all Church members and friends please try to attend this important meeting in the life of our Church.

## **ACTION FOR CHILDREN**

We have been able to send off £186.45 to 'Action for Children' to support vulnerable young children in the Merseyside area. This money came in from cash given in lieu of Christmas cards and the proceeds from our services held at Church on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this total.

## **COMMUNITY SAFETY MEETING**

Last Monday, our Church hosted a Community Safety Meeting which was attended by 22 people. As well as local residents, the Police were represented, alongside the Fire Service, Wirral Council, Magenta Living, the Council's ASB Team and local Churches. The next meeting will be held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 3.15pm. Local residents welcome.

## **TAIZE EVENING**

At the Presbytery, St Michael's on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm, followed by Cheese and Wine.

## **JOB CLUB AND FREE DEBT ADVICE**

Here at Church with the Reachout Team every Friday 1.15 to 3.15pm.

## **NEW FUN AND FITNESS CLASS**

Continues this Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February from 11am to 12 noon. Cost £2. All welcome.

## **CARDMAKING**

The next cardmaking session will be Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 7 pm.

## **FUSION**

Meets alternate Thursdays from 10.30am to 12 noon. Pat and Dot are here to help anyone who has lost an adult child through bereavement. The next meetings are Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

## **DON WOODS FILM SHOW**

On 'Wirral Villages' on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 2 pm. DVDs available to buy, priced at just £6. DVDs include Chester, Liverpool, Wallasey, Wales, Wirral Way and Wirral Villages.

## **HEATING**

You may be aware that part of our heating system to the Church space is now not usable, so for the time being we are using a mix of radiators and portable heaters to keep the room warm. We have been given 2 options in terms of replacing our current boiler, one will cost around £5,500 + VAT and the other £6,500 + VAT. Our Church Leadership Team in conjunction with John Banton are weighing up the best option.