



**Our vision is to be a people . . .**

- Growing in God's Grace
- Witnessing Confidently
- Serving the Wider Community
- Deepening Relationships
- Discovering Gifts

**10th January 2010**

Welcome to St. John's Church, Walton. If you are here for the first time, please introduce yourself to David (Associate Vicar), Lisa (Curate) or to John or Chris, the Church Wardens.

All are encouraged to stay for refreshments after the Services, in the Main Hall across in the Church Centre.

The Bible readings are Isaiah 43 : 1-7 and Luke 3 : 15-17, 21-22

**What's on this week . . .**

- Mon 11th Ministry Team meeting 8:00pm
- Tues 12th Tuesday Worship 11:30am  
Tuesday Lunch 12:15pm
- Wed 13th Prayer Meeting 8:30am in the Waddington Lounge
- Thurs 14th Little Fishes Toddler Group 10:00am
- Fri 15th TIG Fri 8:00pm
- Sun 17th Holy Communion 9:00am  
Morning Worship and Sunday Club 10:45am

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**

**Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too might come and worship him.**

*Matthew 2 : 8*

O God, thank you for the Wise Men and their determination to visit Jesus, Joseph and Mary.

Now may we, also, choose a gift and commence that journey.

Amen.



## New Decade, New Year, New Appeal!

Make our Church Wardens happy by making a commitment rather than a resolution. People are needed to cover all areas on the Sunday morning rotas - Communion administrators, intercessors, Bible readers, refreshments, sides-people and projectionists - at both services but particularly at the 10:45am service. Please give this serious consideration as these roles are vital to the proper conduct of our worship. Speak to John or Chris to find out more or to volunteer to help.

**Church Centre Bookings** After years of faithful service, Marlene Lockwood has stepped down from the role of Church Centre Bookings Officer. We are very grateful for all that she has done. Dave Platt has taken over temporarily and should be contacted if you need to make a booking. It is intended that the Church Office will soon be responsible for all bookings, not just those for the Church building.

**New Website** St John's now has a new website. We are indebted to Jonty Sewell for designing and producing this. Please take a look if you are able - [www.stjohnswalton.co.uk](http://www.stjohnswalton.co.uk) - and note that one or two areas are still a work in progress. We would value your comments.

**Culture, Community & Consecration** - a conference on mental health and the exploration of faith on 2 February from 9:30am to 4:00pm at The Riverside Centre, Derby. Several church members have already booked to go. For more information, contact Bernard Sproston or see [www.faithinderbyshire.co.uk](http://www.faithinderbyshire.co.uk)

**Holocaust Memorial Day service** on Wednesday 27 January. A service commemorating Holocaust Memorial Day will be held in Derby Cathedral at 6:00pm as part of a programme of citywide events. The service of commemoration, remembrance and hope has been planned around the theme 'Stand up to Hatred'. It has been put together by a group of people representing a wide range of religious, political and social views. The music is led by the Songmen of Derby Cathedral Choir, directed by Peter Gould.

**Address Books** A few more 09/10 address books have been produced and are available from the table at the back of church.

**Lost Property** Please check if any of the items left behind and now on the table at the back of church are yours, before we recycle them!