

EMBRACING GOD'S WISDOM

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.
(Proverbs 9v10)

One of the things I love about going on holiday abroad is going out in the evening for a meal. You find one those streets which is lined with tavernas and restaurants and each one has a waiter or a waitress outside trying to persuade you come to their restaurant. The whole thing that should be enjoyable, becomes really quite stressful. Which restaurant do you eat in? And you end up going in the same one each time because you went there on the first night and its just easier to go there again!

The book of proverbs describes that very scene except that this town only has two restaurants. They both are in prime locations. They both have prepared their meals, chosen their wine and they both are calling out to passers by on the street to come and dine with them. One is Lady Wisdom. The other is Woman Folly. Who are we going to eat with? It is the question we all face, and we all make our choice.

'Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding...she is a tree of life to those who embrace her' writes the author. That is wisdom's invitation - to wholeheartedly trust in the Lord, turning from sin and selfishness, repenting and believing in Jesus Christ, the one who died and rose again and is Lord of the universe. At the same time, the book of Proverbs pleads with us to turn a deaf ear to Folly's voice as it's like the singing voices of the mythical Sirens, who fooled sailors long ago. Likewise it ends on the rocks of destruction. But the one who embraces wisdom sees the world as it really is and they seek to live in God's world, under him. They find wisdom by listening to the Word of God, and in doing so they find life, life in the Lord Jesus. Life to be lived in this world and the next.

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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH
FROM DAVID BARNESLEY

Evening Walk

Friday 8th September

7.00pm start, meeting outside the Queen's Head pub, stopping for food/drinks at the Bridge Inn. More information or to book: men@littleeatonchurch.co.uk

Please bring a torch and appropriate footwear—we will be walking on paths in the dark.

men's
group

Family Quiz

Saturday 14th October
4pm in the Church Hall

A fun quiz for young and old!
Tickets £5, includes a buffet tea and drinks!



Church History Overview:

From The Apostles to the Reformation

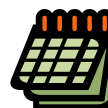
Beginning Thursday 21st September 10am or 7.30pm
at St Alkmund's Church Hall



This Autumn is the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation, and we celebrating by spending some time looking at the history of the church, from the early period under the Roman Empire, then focussing on the medieval church in England, before looking at the Reformation in Europe and Britain. We'll meet some of those who have stood for the faith in times

past, seek to understand how our faith has been articulated through the ages, and look at what this means for us today.

Keep up to date with latest events and happenings at St Paul's Church - visit: www.littleeatonchurch.co.uk/calendar



September

Fri 1	10.00am	Holiday Club
Sun 3	5.00pm	Prayer Meeting
	5.30pm	Salt Cafe
Mon 4	9.30am	Mend it Monday
Tue 5	1.30pm	Growth Group
Wed 6	7.30pm	Band Practice
Thur 7	2.00pm	Songs of Praise
	7.30pm	Growth Group
	8.00pm	Growth Group
Fri 8	7.30pm	Men's Group - Walk
Mon 11	7.00pm	Impact
Tue 12	7.30pm	Ignition
Thur 14	7.30pm	Music Practice
Sat 16	7.00pm	Mission Partners Supper Church Hall
Mon 18	7.00pm	Impact
Tue 19	1.30pm	Growth Group
	7.30pm	Ignition
Wed 20	7.30pm	Band Practice
Thur 21	10.00am	Church History Course
	2.00pm	Third Thursday
	7.30pm	Growth Group
	7.30pm	Church History Course
	8.00pm	Growth Group
Sun 24	10.00am	Café Church
	4.00pm	Introduction to Revelation St Paul's Church
Mon 25	7.00pm	Impact
	8.00pm	P.C.C. ReNew
Tue 26	7.30pm	Ignition
Thurs 28	7.30pm	Music Practice

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FORTHCOMING EVENTS



Songs of Praise

A short service of favourite hymns, chosen by you.

First Thursdays (7th Sept, 5th Oct, 2nd Nov)
2pm in the Church Hall, followed by tea and cakes.

Explorers...

...starts again 10th September!

Explorers Sunday school is for 3-11s, learning about faith and life from the bible. For more information contact Helen Barnsley (585190).



Café Church

in the Village Hall

Sun 24th Sept
10.00 to 11.00

Coffee, Croissants and Danish
Pastries served from 9.45am

What is Café Church?

A different style of church service usually held in the Village Hall once a month. Open from 9.45am for coffee and croissants followed by a more informal style of church. There's a Bible talk, quizzes, table discussions, drama, songs and an activity table for young children.

24th Sept | 22nd Oct | 26th Nov

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SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST PAUL'S

Sept 3 rd	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sept 10 th	8.00 am	BCP Communion
	10.00 am	Morning Service
Sept 17 th	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sept 24 th	10.00am	Café Church In the Village Hall

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

3-11's	Explorers	Sunday at 10.00am Church Hall, Little Eaton
Y7-9	Impact	Mondays at 7.00pm St Alkmund's Parish Hall, Duffield
	Impact Extra	Sundays at 10am Church Hall, see website for dates
Y10-13	Ignition	Tuesdays at 7.30pm St Alkmund's Parish Hall, Duffield
Y7-13	Salt Café	1st Sunday at 5.30pm St Alkmund's Parish Hall, Duffield

REGULAR CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Growth Groups (meet fortnightly)	
Tues 1.45pm	Thurs 7.30 pm & 8.00 pm
Church Prayer Meeting	1 st Sunday Church Hall 5.00 pm
Songs of Praise	1 st Thursday Church Hall 2.00 pm
Third Thursdays	3 rd Thursday Church Hall 2.00 pm

For more information about any of the groups visit,

www.littleeatonchurch.co.uk

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