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Partnership News

25 December January 2005

Methodist Church & the Church of England in Partnership at both
Putnoe Heights Church & St. Mark's Church



Church of
England



Saturday 25 December— Christmas Day
9.30am St Mark's Church Morning Worship
Preacher Rev Dr Joan Crossley
11.00am Putnoe Heights Church
Preacher Rev Dr Joan Crossley

Sunday 26 December
9.30am Putnoe Heights
Partnership Family Communion
Preacher Rev Dr Joan Crossley

January 4
8.30am Service of Holy Communion
9.30am St Mark's Church Morning Worship
Leadership Team Janet Day
Preacher Mrs Sue Plant
11.00am Morning Worship
Preacher Mrs Sue Plant
Please note the Bible Readings
Jeremiah 31:7-14, Ephesians 1:3-14,
John 1 (1-9) 10-18

January 11 - Covenant Service
8.30am Service of Holy Communion
Held at both churches
9.30am St Mark's Church Morning Worship
Preacher Mr Chris Izzard
Leadership Team Delia Shephard
11.00am Putnoe Heights Morning Worship
Please note Bible Readings Exodus 24:3-11
Romans 12:1-2 John 15:1-10

Prayer for Sunday

Loving Father,
we thank you for the gift of your Son,
whose birth at Bethlehem
we now celebrate.
May our hearts and our homes
always be open to Him,
that He may dwell with us forever,
and that we may serve Him gladly all our days,
to the honour and glory of your name. Amen

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Please also ask us if you would like a home visit for any reason.*

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Regular Weekly Activities - A Guide To Our Churches

Monday

- 9.30 - 12.00 pm Pre-school** (See website for more details) Mrs Janet Smith 326685 (Putnoe Heights) or Mrs. Helen Harpin **312634** (St. Mark's).
- 10.00 am Day Care Centre** at St. Mark's Church for those with Learning Difficulties. Contact K Stenton 07748 760082
- 12.00pm - 1.00pm Storybox** at Putnoe Heights Church. Service for parents/carers & children under 5. Children's activities songs and prayers, all in one hour from 12-1pm!
- 4.15 - 5.45pm Kumon Maths** at Putnoe Heights. Contact Ms R.Mistry 01908 217555
- 6.00pm Brownies** St Mark's. Mrs C Mathew 400987
- 6.15 pm Brownies** Putnoe. Alison McEwen 358583
- 7.30pm Sugarcraft Guild** meets first Monday every month at St. Mark's Mrs Pauline Parrott 768419
- 7.15 m Guides** -St. Mark's. Mrs Gill Lake 218091
- 7.30- 9.30pm Creative Needles** at Putnoe Heights. Mrs Hayward 307648
- 7.30pm Whist Drive** - At St Mark's each month. Next 20 December St. Mark's Christmas Whist Drive. Contact Mrs. Judith Stanton. 823313
- 7.30pm Housegroup** 30 The Ridgeway. The home of Eddy & Margaret Peck 267567.
- 8.00 - 9.00 pm 'Get Fit, Stay Fit'** at Putnoe Heights. Mrs Diane Field 404976

Tuesday

- 9.30am - 12.30pm Candlewicking** (Needlework) at Putnoe Heights - Mrs Olive Shotbolt 267203
- 9.30am - 11.30pm Jo Jingles** at St. Mark's. Music & movement for pre-school children. Contact Renu Elston 01908 282866
- 10.00am - 11.00am - Keep Fit** at Putnoe Heights. Contact Mrs Stileman 822230
- 1.30 -3.00pm Putnoe Heights Church Toddlers Playtime** Contact Geraldine Skeel 406828
- 12 noon - 10.00 pm Slimming World** at St. Mark's. Sessions start at 12, 1.30pm, 4pm, 5.30pm & 7.15pm Contact Val Careless 345213.
- 2.15pm Putnoe Heights Women's Fellowship** - Next meeting - 4 January 2005 Revd. Sam Cappleman Contact Mrs Betty Wyatt 350188
- 2.15pm Putnoe Heights Men's Fellowship.** Next meeting 4 January 2005 Revd. Sam Cappleman Contact Lawrence Wyatt 350188.
- 2.30pm Mother Teresa Support Group.** Meets fortnightly at St. Mark's. Wool and knitting needles provided. Contact Mrs Joan Gravett 356911 and Mrs Marjorie Taylor 305709
- 2.30pm Tuesday Afternoon Housegroup.** Meets fortnightly at St. Mark's Church. Contact Mary Stubbs 406784.
- 3.30 - 4.30pm Putnoe Heights Church** Essential Stretch Contact Caroline 07778 898135 or 326096
- 6.30 - 7.30pm Yoga** at Putnoe Heights. Contact

Rachel Leontyne 01234 783129

- 6.45pm Guides** at Putnoe Heights - Liz Rix 363607
- 7.00 - 8.00 pm Keep Fit at St. Mark's Church.** Contact Mrs Jan Gregory 214107.
- 7.30- 9.00pm Bibleway Church** at Putnoe Heights - Bible study & prayers. Contact Revd.Tarr 309881 or 07891095746
- 7. 45 pm Putnoe Heights Ladies Tuesday Club** - Next meeting – December 14th - Christmas Service Meets fortnightly. Contact Sheila Cracknell 217009
- 8.30-9.30pm St. Mark's - Qi Gong** (Self help healing) group) - Contact Mr F Steele 355937

Wednesday

- 10.00 am Childminding Support Group** at Putnoe Heights. Mrs S Longman 313949
- 10.00 am Day Care Centre** Putnoe Height Church for those with Learning Difficulties. Contact K Stenton 07748 760082
- 10.00 am Holy Communion** at St. Mark's Chapel. A half hour service followed by coffee. All welcome.
- 10am Sewing & Chat** Putnoe Heights Contact Valerie Russell 01462 815966
- 12 - 1pm Putnoe Height Church** Total Body Toning Contact Caroline 07778 898135 or 326096
- Luncheon Club** at St. Mark's meets fortnightly. Next one 15 December Contact St. Mark's 342613
- 1.30 - 4.00pm. Bridge Club for the Retired** - Meets weekly at St. Mark's. Mrs Truss Boyce 781133
- 4.15 - 5.45pm Kumon Maths** at Putnoe Heights Contact Ms R Mistry 01908 217555
- 6. - 7.00pm Self Defence at Putnoe** Contact Mr James 07711 687449
- 6.00 -7.30 pm Brownies** at St Mark's Contact Mrs Carol Warden 219731
- 7.00pm St. Mark's Church** Bunyan Bridge. Contact Brian Sallows 407725
- 7-10pm Putnoe Guild** - Putnoe Heights 3rd Wednesday each month. Contact Mrs Dallas 212609
- 7.45 - 8.45pm Kick Boxing** Junior classes St. Mark's. Mr James 07711687449 or 07810234890
- 7.45pm Badminton Club** at Putnoe Heights - all welcome. Contact Ken Marriott 214867

Thursday

- 9.30am Thursday Prayer Group** at Putnoe Heights in the side chapel. Sylvia Cohen 343424 *Request for prayer can be written in the prayer diary on the information table.*
- 10.30am - 12.00am Brickhill Clinic** at St Mark's with **Fledglings 2.00pm—3.00pm** Contact 267444
- 10.00am - 11.30am Yoga** at Putnoe Heights Contact 244970
- 12 - 1.00 pm Storybox** at St Mark's Church. Service for parents, carers & children under 5. Sandwich lunch, Bible Stories, Children's activities,

songs & prayers, all in one hour from 12-1pm.

1.30 - 3.00 pm St. Mark's Church Toddler Group.
Contact Debbie Coppenhall 356828.

1.30 -3.00pm Putnoe Heights Church Toddlers Playtime Contact Geraldine Skeel 406828

2.30 Bedford Arts Society at St. Mark's. Contact Celia Maddison 782901

6.15 pm Weightwatchers at St. Mark's.
Contact Mrs Margaret Ralph 01767 224978.

6.15pm Brownies at Putnoe Mrs S Lewis 300198

7.30 - 9.30pm Club 2000 Putnoe 2nd Thursday of the month. Contact Mrs Moreton 771261

6.15 - 7.30pm Bedford Junior Chess Club. St. Mark's Contact Mr & Mrs Pike 823795

7.30pm - 11.00pm Bedford Senior Chess Club at St Mark's Contact Mr P Housden 376597

7.30 - 9.30pm Embroiderer's Guild St Mark's- 3rd Thursday month. Contact Mrs K Sage 771525

7.45pm. Housegroup-Meets fortnightly at 3 Little Headlands. Newcomers always welcome. Contact Betty Wyatt 350188

8.00 - 10pm Bedford Writers Circle meets at St Mark's Church 3rd Thursday each month. Contact Mr John Broadhouse 740271

Friday

10.00 am Day Care Centre at St. Mark's Church
Contact K Stenton 07748 760082

6 -7.00 pm Self Defence at Putnoe Contact Mr James 0771 687449 or 07810 234890

7. 30 - 9.30pm Young Peoples meeting Contact Pastor Tarr 376841

7.30pm Music Group St. Mark's Church/monthly

6.30pm -8.30 pm Dog Training Classes at St. Mark's Contact Mrs L. Laton 365601

Saturday

10.00am - 1.00pm & 2 - 5pm Theatre Train at St Mark's -dancing acting, singing,- Kate Randle 304865

7.15pm - 10.30pm Duplicate Bridge at St Mark's
Contact Ann or Peter 212066

Peace Project Saturday School at Putnoe Heights.
For details contact Mrs.E.Tarr 309881

Sunday

1- 3pm & 7-9pm Bibleway Church at Putnoe Heights - Worship. Contact Revd. Tarr 309881 Mob. 07891095746

News, Views and Information

The Calendar

Putnoe Centre Management -

St Mark's Church Council Feb 1 2005

Churchyards Committee

Next meeting on Monday 17 Jan at 10am

St Mark's Centre Management Meeting

Wednesday 19th January 2005

St Mark's Leadership Team

Next meeting on 12 Jan home of Ian Farthing, 4 May

Deanery Synod 10 Feb

Partnership Council 18 Jan

Putnoe Heights Leadership Team

25 April 2005 at 7.30pm

Putnoe Church Council

7 Feb 2005 13 June 2005, 10 Oct 2005

Pastoral Group Meeting January 24 at 2.00pm

Calendar dates now appear on our church website www.ThisChurch.com. Please advise us if you have a date to be added to the church calendar

Wednesday Bereavement Drop in Group.

The group will start again on Wednesday 12 January at 2.30pm., with a talk by Sonia Minney from the Guildhouse, followed by tea & an opportunity to talk with friends & members of the Pastoral Team until 4pm. The group will continue meeting on the first Wednesday of each month from 2.30 to 4 pm with the same format, talk, tea and chat. We are considering changing the name to 'Tea and Friendship,' & would be grateful for any other ideas..

Coming Soon Storybox Plus is an After School Club

for 4-9 year olds which will be starting in January from 4.00 to 5.00pm on Thursdays. The group will rehearse a short drama and make the props and costumes for a

performance at the Family Service at Putnoe.

Volunteers will be needed to make refreshments, help with the crèche and support the group. Please ring Joan on 344536.

Clubhouse. We are pleased to announce that over 80 application forms have been requested for the positions of support worker at St Mark's Clubhouse. Interviews will take place early in January.

Rural Dean Our congratulations and prayers go to The Reverend Canon Dr Christopher Dent on his appointment as Rural Dean of Bedford.

Fundraising Spectacular Weekend 5th and 6th February 2005

A note for your diaries. We have arranged 2 exciting fundraising events in aid of the Autism Building Extension at St Mark's.

Saturday Night 5th February, 7-30pm our ever popular themed evening this time taking in the music and flavours of Spain, book early to avoid disappointment

Sunday 6th February 4pm to 5.30pm at Bedford High School Swimming Pool, Battle of the Sexes Swimathon, 2 teams, 5 men and 5 women have laid down a challenge to win this spectacular race and raise the most sponsorship money- who will win ? Come and offer your support. The men's team will include Neil and Charlie! Please join us in our fundraising through these events and help us to make our dream of the new building into a reality.



Christmas Day Family Worship

Verse from Scripture

Minister: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light
All: **On those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has shined**
Isaiah Chapter 9

Minister: In the name of Christ, the light of the world, we welcome you. Grace, mercy and peace be always with you.
All: **And also with you**

Opening Prayer

Lord Jesus, before whom the wise men laid their gifts, and whom humble shepherds worshipped, accept our praises as we celebrate your birth at Bethlehem, and be born in our hearts today. Amen.

The Last Candle - The Birth of Christ

Leader: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord
All: **Thanks be to God**

Leader: Today is Christmas Day the day on which we celebrate the gift to us of the birth of Jesus and recall the hope we have in Christ. Today we light again the candles of hope, peace, love and joy. *(Each candle will be lit as the reader speaks)*

First Candle-We speak of hope - because God keeps his promises to us.

Second Candle-We work for peace - because Jesus is the 'Prince of Peace' and he calls his children to work for peace in his name.

Third Candle-We show love - because Jesus gave everything for us and led us to know the forgiveness of God.

Fourth Candle-We share joy - because the Holy Spirit fills our hearts and minds with the presence the God

Last Candle Now we light our last candle to remember the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ which we celebrate this Christmas Day. As the prophets promised so long ago, you have come to us once again; and with the shepherds, we are filled with wonder and amazement. *(Light the white Christ candle now.)*

Lord, you come as a tiny, fragile baby; yet we know that you are God and you are with us. May the flame of this candle remind us that you are the light of the world and that if we follow you, we will never walk in darkness, but will have the true light of life. We look forward to that day when you will come again and we will behold you face to face with all the company of heaven'.

All: **Come, Lord Jesus, come. Amen.**

Hymn

104 Good Christians all rejoice

Confession

Minister Christ the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts. In his light let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

All: O Jesus Christ, risen master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief. We have lived by our own strength and not by the power of your resurrection. We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as though faithless and unbelieving. We have lived for this world alone and doubted our home in heaven.

We turn to you again and ask that you would have mercy on us. As those who were once in darkness but have now received your light in Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Hymns

*Christmas bells! Christmas bells! Christ is born they say.
He came down to earth for us, In Mary's arms he lay.*

Angels made it known, shepherds came to see,
the King of kings and Lord of lords, in a stable born for me.

In the inn they found no room, in a manger he was laid,
where the ox and ass, dumb animals, in a tribute lowed and brayed.

Wise men came from far, precious gifts they brought,
to the One who gave up all for us and made himself as nought.

He came and still he's here, still with us today.
So let us put our trust in him, the Truth, the Life, the Way.

Come and join the celebration, its a very special day:
come and share our jubilation, there's a new king born today!

See the shepherds hurry down to Bethlehem,
gaze in wonder at the Son of God who lay before them. Come and.....

Wise men journey, led to worship by a star,
kneel in homage, bringing precious gifts from lands afar, So...

God is with us, round the world the message bring,
He is with us, 'welcome', all the bells on earth are pealing.. Come and.....



Offering

*(If you are a tax payer, please use the envelopes provided
so that we can reclaim tax, thank you!)*



**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour
and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.**

Collect Prayer

Almighty God you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen.

Bible Readings

Isaiah Chapter 9:2-7

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned. You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as men rejoice when dividing the plunder. For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor. Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

Reader This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope--the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

Reader This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Luke 2:1-14

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favour rests."

Reader This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Hymn

120 While shepherds watched

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr Joan Crossley

Hymn

94 Away in a manger

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen**

Hymn

92 Angels from the realms of glory.

Final Prayer

God our Father, whose word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: may the light of faith illuminate our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord.

The Blessing

May the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the perseverance of the wise men, the obedience of Joseph and Mary, and the peace of the Christ-child be yours this Christmas; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

News, Views and Information

Thank you to our Leadership Teams, and all of those who have shared a part in worship or worked to ensure our services have been so well prepared for over Christmas.

Putnoe Heights New Year Family Lunch Sunday 9th January 2005 at 1 p.m. Traditional after Christmas Festive Lunch with wine, crackers, all the trimmings. Tickets available now - £8.00 (£4.50 children under 10). Numbers will be limited - once the tickets are gone, they are gone!

Thank You to Judith Stanton and all of the Folks at Whist Drive who have raised £281 for church funds

New Colour Photo Printing Service Fantastic for those Christmas Photographs !

For a limited period St Mark's Office are offering a special colour photo printing service. We will print one full colour sheet of A4 top quality laser (1200dpi) colour for only 30p. Printing will be onto special colour copy laser printing card of 160gm. This can be one photo of A4 size or several on one page. You can send photos to the office by Email to our special photo printing facility at officeteam@thisischurch.com

If you have Microsoft Word or Publisher you may compile your photos on a sheet and send them to us as a document to be printed straight off. Otherwise send JPG's, etc and we will format!

Lunch Club

Since the unexpected closure of Gold, due to lack of finances, a slimmed down operation has been operated by Social Services. This has been of enormous help to people with learning disabilities who have depended on that group for support. We were delighted when an award from the European Social Fund of £160,000 was made to St Mark's to enable them to take on staff and provide a service which will be able to provide for the needs of these existing members. The funding is strictly monitored to ensure compliance with the stated objectives of enabling people with learning disabilities to enter meaningful employment. It is apparent that providing the training plans and operating this service on two sites is not satisfactory and the Management Committee have been asked to try and make it easier for the new group 'Clubhouse' by operating at St Mark's on all three days.

This would only be possible if alternative and satisfactory arrangement could be found for the Lunch Club. This week Lunch Club leaders met and discussed a proposal that the Lunch Club move to Putnoe Heights Church. The leaders recognised that there would need for alternative transport arrangements and some logistical changes if this were to be possible. However they were overwhelmingly supportive and kindly agreed that they would be prepared to move to allow the work with people with learning disabilities to succeed. The change will not be effective immediately but will take place after consultation with members in the New Year. Therefore expect the first Lunch Club gatherings to be at St Mark's as usual and any changes will be announced beforehand.

For some people this change will make things easier, for others it will be more difficult and we will need to ensure that transport is provided so that nobody is unable to continue. The Management Committee at St Mark's are grateful to Lunch Club and everybody at Putnoe who have co-operated to enable them to meet the difficulties with which they have been presented. It is yet another blessing which has come from the Partnership of our two churches. **Thank you for your understanding and patience.**



The children of St Mark's Church performed their nativity entitled '2 whoopsie-daisie angels.' The two angles Kitty Hannan and Ella Griffin clearly stole the show, but all the parents and teachers were delighted by the Christmas spectacular.

Thank You—Sam, Neil, Joan and Charlie would like to say thank you to evybody who has kindly sent cards and Christmas greetings. We wish you all a very happy Christmas and peaceful New Year.

Rotas—Copies of the next quarter Rota are now available

Office Closure. St Mark's and Putnoe Heights Church Offices will open again on Tuesday 4 January 9.00am

We publish the banns of and pray for the marriage of Adam Spence Webster and Sarah Helen Brown both of this parish. This is for the 3rd time of asking

The funeral of Peter John Daniells will take place at Bedford Crematorium on Thursday 30th Dec 2004 at 1.45pm *Bramble-Chapman*

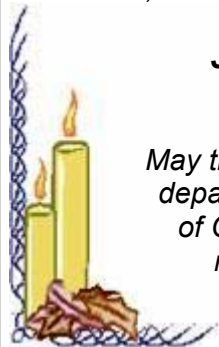
The funeral of Mr Douglas Harold James Saunders will take place at Bedford Crematorium on Wednesday 29 December at 4.00pm *Royden*

Rest In Peace

On the Sunday following a funeral service we remember in church those who have died. We light a candle to symbolise the light of Christ which eternally shines and brings hope. If you would like a person remembered in our service when the candle is lit, perhaps on an anniversary or birthday, please inform the ministers, or telephone the church office.

James Alexander

May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.'



Flowers at Putnoe Heights and St Mark's Church.

Anyone who wishes to pay for the flowers on any Sunday in the next few months is invited to enter their name on the new Flower Rota that is now on the main notice board in the welcome area. We are extremely grateful when donations are made for the flowers. This may be as a celebration of a happy occasion such as an anniversary or in memory of someone who has died. Contact Miss Marion Prior 303254 (St. Mark's) or Miss Jennie Cooper 404950 (Putnoe Heights)

