

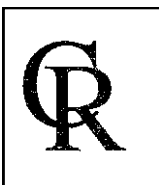
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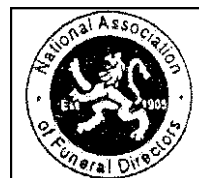
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**September 2012**

**St Chad's Church**  
**Heritage Open Weekend**

St Chad's Church will be open for visitors

Saturday 8th September, between 11am and 4pm.

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Sunday 9th September, between 11am and 4pm.

St Chad's Church was designed by the Manchester architect Cecil Hardisty and built 1906-7. The church contains interesting stained glass windows, a Grade 11 listed organ built by Harrisons of Durham in 1906, and the local War Memorial.

The Wildlife Garden will be open and there will be displays by church groups, art for visiting children, goods for sale and refreshments in the Hall.

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>** – Short informal communion service in the Lady Chapel at 2pm.

Organ recital at 2.30pm.

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>** – Organ recital at 2.30pm.

Evensong at 4pm.

Volunteers needed as stewards and guides, and to help with the teas.

Please bring your family and friends to see this interesting church.

**Everyone is welcome.**

**John Davies**  
**Rev'd Elizabeth Davies**

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## **Tales from the War Memorial. 6**

### **Sergeant (Pilot) DESNEY CLIFFORD WALTER WATKINS**

1109105 Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve. 172 Squadron.  
Died 13.04.1943 aged 32

### **S. Sergeant GERALD HENRY CHARLES WATKINS.**

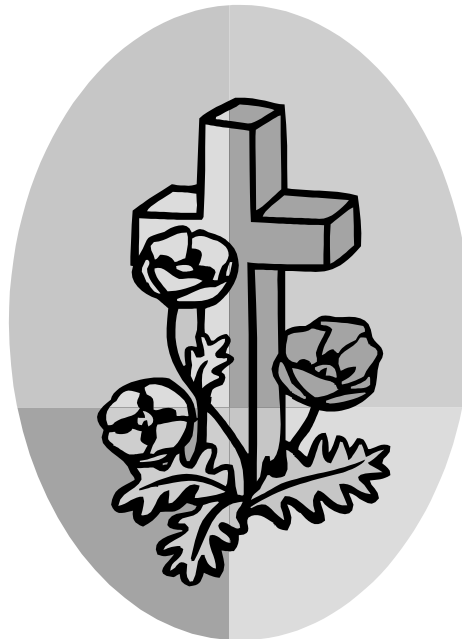
1128063 Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve. Wireless Operator.  
Died 17.05.1943. Aged 22

The two sons of Clifford Henry Watkins and Mabel Katherine Watkins.

They are buried in the churchyard of St. Peter, Stoke Goldington, Buckinghamshire, as are their parents. The brothers are also commemorated in a window in the south aisle of St Chad`s by the celebrated designer Geoffrey Webb.

The Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve was formed in July 1936 to supplement the Royal Auxiliary Air Force which had been formed in 1925. Recruits were men who had been accepted for part time training as Pilots, Observers and Wireless operators, to provide a reserve in the event of war. 172 Squadron was formed 1942 at RAF Chivenor, Devon, as part of Coastal Command.

**John Davies**



## Tales from the War Memorial. 7

### HAROLD BROWN

**Rank:** Lance Corporal  
**Regiment/Service:** Worcester Regiment  
**Unit/Ship:** 3rd Btn.  
**Service No:** 39519  
**Died:** 12th August 1917  
**Age:** 32

**Grave/National Memorial:** Birr Cross Cemetery, Ieper West, Vlaanderer, Belgium

**Memorial Ref:** III. E.9

**Additional Information:** Harold William Brown was a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists, and was organist at St Chad`s Church. Son of William John and Harriett Brown of 21 Birch Lane, Longsight, and brother of Lillian, Janet, Ernest Robert and Gertrude Brown. He was killed in action at Ypres.

Near the front of the organ is a brass tablet inscribed :-

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
HAROLD WILLIAM BROWN FRCO  
3rd. BN. WORCESTER REGIMENT  
ORGANIST OF THIS CHURCH SINCE 1909  
KILLED IN ACTION AT YPRES  
12TH AUGUST 1917  
AGED 32 YEARS**

Ypres occupied a strategic position during WW1 because it stood in the path of Germany`s planned sweep across Belgium and in to France. The third Battle of Ypres, also known as the Battle of Passchendaele (21st July to 6th November 1917), resulted in half a million casualties to both sides

*If you have any information about those commemorated on the memorial please let me know.*

**John Davies**



## Diary September 2012

2	Sunday	08.00a.m. 10.00a.m. 06.30p.m.	Holy Communion Holy Communion Evensong
4	Tuesday	07.30p.m. 08.00p.m.	Holy Communion PCC meeting
6	Thursday	10.00a.m.	Holy Communion
8	Saturday	11.00a.m. 02.00p.m. 02.30p.m.	Open Weekend begins Holy Communion Organ Recital
9	Sunday	10.00a.m. 11.00a.m. 02.30p.m. 04.00p.m.	Holy Communion Open Weekend continues Organ Recital Evensong
11	Tuesday	07.30p.m. 08.00p.m.	Holy Communion Ladies Group Meeting
13	Thursday	10.00a.m.	Holy Communion
15	Saturday	10.00a.m. – 12.00 noon	Artistic Explosion
16	Sunday	10.00a.m.	Holy Communion
18	Tuesday	07.30p.m. 08.00p.m.	Holy Communion Book Group
19	Wednesday	08.00p.m.	Talk by Canon Radcliffe 'The Spiritual and Theological Blindness of the German Protestant Church during The Third Reich'
20	Thursday	10.00a.m.	Holy Communion
22	Saturday	10.00a.m. – 12.00 noon	Artistic Explosion
23	Sunday	10.00a.m. 11.30a.m.	Holy Communion Baptism
25	Tuesday	07.30p.m. 08.00p.m.	Holy Communion Needle Craft Group
27	Thursday	10.00a.m.	Holy Communion
29	Saturday	10.00a.m. – 12 noon	Artistic Explosion
30	Sunday	10.00a.m.	Holy Communion

## **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service**

A special service to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
Ordination of women in the Church of England.

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

**2pm**

**Manchester Cathedral**

The Venerable Cherry Vann, Archdeacon of Rochdale, will preach  
and Bishop Nigel will attend the service.

***Everyone is welcome to attend.***

## **Jacob at the Ford of the Jabbok.**

Not to have wrestled with God  
at the crossing places of life,  
is not to be a man,  
is never to have been tested  
almost to destruction;  
never to have had spirit wrenched  
by spirit to the dislocation  
of the mind's thews and ligature,  
where a man triumphs  
only by being overthrown,  
then finds his name  
in the silence of God.

**Albert Radcliffe**

## THE HIGGS BOSON EVENING

My thanks to everyone who helped make the Higgs Boson evening on 1st August such a success. Over 70 people turned up for what by common consent was a most stimulating and interesting evening. The occasion raised over £200, sufficient to cover the costs of the new pump for the church cellar. I'm grateful to Dr Fletcher for his help in selecting and showing the illustrations for the talk and to all who served the refreshments and helped make our many guests so welcome. As well as visitors from other congregations there were also members present from Menorah Synagogue, the Cathedral and the Manky Poets.

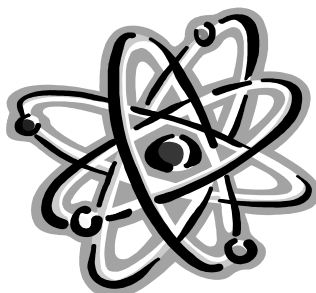
But we were especially grateful to Professor John Dainton, a particle physicist, for taking so ably the question and answer session after the talk. With his gifts for clarity and simplicity many who came expecting to be totally lost left feeling that they had grasped what it was all about. Professor Dainton is one of the physicists working at CERN who helped finally to track down the elusive boson.

So what is the Higgs Boson? It's about the world we live in: the world of 'stuff'! All stuff is made of atoms and those atoms in turn are made even smaller 'stuff', some of which, like 'electrons', 'protons' and 'neutrons' are 'particles' we've all heard of. These make up the stuff of our everyday physical world. But, in addition to these and other particles, there are also forces like gravity and magnetism that are needed to complete the picture. Except that they don't quite! They don't explain, for example, why 'stuff' has 'mass', or why, in the presence of gravity like the earth's, mass is experienced as 'weight.'

One theory, that of the British physicist, Peter Higgs, is that in addition to the forces we know about, like gravity, there is another, hidden force, an unsuspected, undetected field, the Higgs Field. To detect that field and the boson, or force carrying particle associated with it, it needed the Large Hadron Collider at CERN in Switzerland and the ingenuity of thousands of scientists and engineers. Their search was the story behind our evening.

And what has all this to do with the Christian faith? Only that the Higgs Boson is a window into creation, and God as Creator is part of our faith.

**Albert Radcliffe**





**There will be a talk by Canon Albert Radcliffe**

**On**

**'The Spiritual and Theological Blindness  
of the German Protestant Church  
During the Third Reich'.**

**at St Chad's Community Hall  
at 7.30 p.m.  
on Wednesday  
19th September 2012.**

**If you are interested you are most welcome to attend  
Tea and biscuits provided. Proceeds to St Chad's Church**

**Admission £2.00**



### **Contributions for the Magazine**

If anyone has any articles to be inserted into future issues of the magazine please could you let Christine Hindley have your copy by the 15th of the month. If it needs typing Christine will need copy by the 12th of the month.

This Month's Saint  
Elizabeth Fry 1780-1845  
12th October

Prison Reformer.

**I**n the old Book of Common Prayer our church remembered the lives of only six or so saints each month; while now, with Common Worship, this number has quadrupled, with many of those celebrated being not only modern but also members of other churches.

A further change has been that those in the old calendar were honoured chiefly for the 'holiness' of their lives, while those added recently are celebrated more for their Christian courage or humanitarianism, as is the case with this month's commemoration of Elizabeth Fry. This interesting theological shift from holiness to morality deserves more discussion than it's so far received.

Elizabeth Fry, 'Betsy' to her family and friends, was born into a wealthy Quaker banking family, the Gurneys. Catherine, her mother, was a Barclay, of Barclay's bank fame.

When she was 18, Elizabeth heard the American Quaker preacher, William Savery and as a result became concerned for the plight of the sick, poor and those in prison. She began a Sunday School for poor children and began collecting clothes for poor relief.

In 1800, she married Joseph Fry, a family banker friend who was also a Quaker. They had eleven children, nine of whom survived childhood.

In 1812, at a friend's suggestion she visited Newgate Jail and was appalled at the brutalisation and conditions of the prisoners, especially the women, many of whom had their children with them. After visiting other prisons and spending the night there she invited aristocratic friends to see prison life for themselves.

As well as encouraging women prisoners to improve their lives, sewing and reading the Bible, she began a school for the children and lobbied parliament through her brother-in-law who was an MP.

A woman of tremendous energy, Elizabeth founded the British Ladies Society for Promoting the Reformation of Female Prisoners, the first national women's organisation in the country. In 1840, she also began a nurses' training school which later supplied Florence Nightingale with nurses in the Crimea. Among those who supported her work were Queen Victoria, Robert Peel and king Frederick William IV of Prussia. In 2001, the Bank of England issued a £5 note showing her reading to prisoners at Newgate. Fry is a Christian Quaker worthy of Anglican commemoration in our church's prayers.

**Albert Radcliffe**



# St Chad's Artistic Explosion

**Explore your artistic side, join in  
the fun and meet new people**

**Saturday**

**September  
1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th  
2012**

**10a.m. - 12 Noon**

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## **REGULAR SERVICES**

### **IN CHURCH**

Sunday	10.00 a.m.	Parish Eucharist
Tuesday	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
Thursday	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion

Also on First Sunday of each month:

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

6.30 p.m. Evensong

### **IN THE HALL**

1st Tuesday	8.00 p.m.	P.C.C.
2nd Tuesday	8.00 p.m.	Ladies Group
3rd Tuesday	8.00 p.m.	Book Group
4th Tuesday	8.00 p.m.	Needlecraft Group

**Baptisms, Banns, Weddings or Funerals by arrangement with the Vicar.  
Please inform her of any sick parishioners.**