



# St. Edward's Church newsletter

**JULY-AUGUST 2015** – It was a heartfelt Service that Revd. Andy delivered to the congregation on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> followed by Farewell Lunch where we all said our last good-bye. As we look ahead to the future, we welcome Angela Mirani from Varese, our first locum Revd. Peter Jordan and his wife Barbara who will be with us in July, followed by our second locum Revd. Canon Michael Bullock serving until the first week in September.

## SERVICES

**Services every Sunday at 10:30 a.m.**

All denominations are most welcome.

**Sunday School** is taking a summer break from 7<sup>th</sup> June until the end of August.

### JUNE

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Service of Morning Prayer led by Angela Mirani,  
Lay Reader St. John the Baptist, Varese

### JULY

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> **Services with Revd. Peter Jordan**  
Informal Service for All-Ages with Holy Communion  
*led by Revd. Peter and Barbara*

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Service of Holy Communion in Traditional Language

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Service of Holy Communion in Contemporary Language

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Service of Holy Communion in Contemporary Language

### AUGUST

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> **Services with Revd. Canon Michael Bullock**  
Service of Holy Communion in Contemporary Language

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Service of Holy Communion in Traditional Language

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Service of Holy Communion in Contemporary Language

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Service of Holy Communion in Contemporary Language

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Service of Holy Communion in Contemporary Language

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### JULY

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Soul Café - fellowship at Casa Benson 10 am to 12 noon  
Contact: soulcafe@stedwards.ch or Linda 091 605 3576

### AUGUST

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Soul Café – see details above

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Service, Locarno Film Festival

Save the Date!

## Charity Dinner & Multi-Ethnic Festa

*In aid of projects supporting  
Association Swiss help for Peace  
in Bosnia*

**Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> September**

**Casa Benson**

**7:00 p.m.**

Live Music and Raffle

### For more Information

Amelia 079 4033724,  
asmithers078@gmail.com

Lucy 076 3837387  
lkrb@hotmail.com

Please see Church Website for further  
details [www.stedwards.ch](http://www.stedwards.ch)

## The Next Step for Our Church...



**We welcome  
Revd. Peter Jordan and his wife  
Barbara, who is a Lay Reader**

Since beginning our 'pensionable work for the Lord' we have come together to Wallasey where we are now very pleased to have our own little home after many years of living in various vicarages.

Our married life, which began in 1965, when we were very young, has taken us to homes in Jamaica, Ollerton (Notts), Durham, Nottingham, London, Liverpool and Barcelona. During this time we have become Christians (in Ollerton), been called to train for full-time ministry (Durham) and served the Lord in churches in these other cities. We have also become parents of five children, two of them by adoption and now also have seven grandchildren.  
*See continuation*

## ... from our Locums

To go to Barcelona in 2002 for Peter to be the Chaplain of the English-speaking Anglican church there was a great privilege and joy and we are very happy for our association with ICS and the Diocese in Europe to continue, so we look forward to getting to know the church at Lugano. Peter had the forethought to study languages when he was young and is very happy in French and Spanish. It will be interesting to see how he adapts to Italian!

We are looking forward to meeting you all.

### Revd. Canon Michael Bullock



I am very much looking forward to coming to Lugano. I was ordained priest in the Church of England Diocese of Peterborough in 1976 and retired in the summer of 2012, and I now live in Lincolnshire.

For the last twenty years or so of my ministry I served in the Diocese in Europe, first in Naples and most recently in Lisbon, Portugal, for twelve years. I always find myself greatly stimulated by new people, new cultures, new places, and it has been a great joy to take *locum tenens* posts in my retirement, which have included French-speaking (Geneva) and German-speaking (Zürich) Switzerland, so to come to Lugano has something of completion about it. I am aware that I am not supposed to make any changes but to look after the community pastorally and liturgically in preparation for the coming of your new priest. However, I hope to keep my ears close to the ground and my heart open to the Holy Spirit to respond to ways in which you can use me creatively.

I have been called a traditionalist, and my time out of England has given me an increasing love of Church of England worship and our way of relating to people. However, I regard tradition as something dynamic not static, and I look forward to seeing how I can play my part as you move onwards as a Christian family. Important in my life is my membership of an Anglican religious community, the Oratory of the Good Shepherd (OGS), a family of single priests and laymen who although not living in one place together try to follow Jesus the Good Shepherd according to a rule of life which dates back to our foundation in Cambridge in 1913. So I am about to meet some new people, see some new places, and worship in the Anglican way in a new church: I am greatly blessed.

## THANK YOU



Words can't express how much we would like to thank everyone for the many kind messages and gifts we have received. Our hearts were deeply moved by the warmth of your appreciation and affection. It was wonderful to see the Church so full in what was a moving and emotional last Service for Annie and me. Thank you too, for those who organised the Lunch afterwards and for the many people who shared it with us. Thank you for the gifts of the pictures of Lugano which will always remind us of our time here, and especially for the beautiful Book of Photographs – thank you to Julia and to everyone who contributed photographs to produce an amazing collection of very special memories.

With love and blessings from Revd Andy & Annie.

## SUMMER PARTY

St. Edward's annual Summer Party took place on 12<sup>th</sup> June in Casa Benson, instead of the courtyard, due to unsettled stormy weather. Twenty-nine people enjoyed meeting friends or making new acquaintances, with a background accompaniment of classical music by Vivaldi and other famous composers.

Thank you to all who prepared the delicious savoury dishes and desserts for the traditional buffet and all those who worked hard to make the evening another memorable event.

Congratulations to the raffle winners; Annie, Anne-Lydie, Emily, Jane and Theo. Thank you to those who supported the event, which raised over CHF 500 for Church funds.



### SUNDAY SCHOOL *(During the scholastic year)*

Sunday School lessons take place during the 10:30 morning Service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. All children from the age of 3 upwards are very welcome to join.

**From June 7<sup>th</sup> until the end of August there won't be any formal lessons, but the children are very welcome during the 10:30 Morning Service. Some activities are being planned for the little ones, and Sunday School teachers will be on hand to help.**  
Contact: Diana dellacqua@ticino.com

### TODDLERS CORNER

Welcome bags are available at the back of the church for the youngest children to enjoy quietly during the Service.

### SOUL CAFÉ

A welcoming place to meet together for friendship, fellowship, advice and support, in the relaxed environment of Casa Benson. Open the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. 10 am to 12 noon  
Linda 091 605 3576  
soulcafe@stedwards.ch

### BIBLE STUDY HOME GROUP

Taking a break over the summer. For more details contact Zach Muler:  
zachmuler@hotmail.com

### NEWS SUBMISSION

Copy for the September edition is due 21<sup>st</sup> July. Email to emily.lingeri@bluewin.ch

## FAREWELL



These photos already evoke memories of Andy and Annie's last Sunday with us on Midsummer's Day.

All their friends from the community, including don Rolando Leo and Gino Diussi from the ecumenical council and Elisabetta Tisi of the Old Catholics church, had gathered to give thanks for seven years of ministry in the little church on the hill above the lake of Lugano. The Service was full of significant moments; the joy of welcoming; the happy faces of children and parents; the organ playing our well loved hymns and the special celebration with Jennifer Jamieson at her Admission to her first Holy Communion and the promise of Confirmation by the Bishop later.

We will remember to "Stay in the boat. Trust and be courageous", Andy's message based on the reading from Mark 4: 35-41.

Later we gathered at Casa Benson for a delicious lunch, lovingly prepared by many helping hands, and to exchange gifts and say farewell.

Dear Annie and Andy,

We give thanks and praise to God for the gift of your ministry with us these past seven years. Thank you for the many times we shared in the blessings, prayers, caring, fellowship and breaking of bread in our worship together. Thank you for revealing God's love and Presence in our lives.

We wish you love, joy and peace as you journey on your way.

Your friends at St. Edward's

### CHURCH CONTACTS

The Anglican Church of St. Edward the Confessor  
Via Clemente Maraini 6, 6900 Lugano, Switzerland [church@stedwards.ch](mailto:church@stedwards.ch)

**LOCUM CHAPLAINS** 091 968 11 49

**CHURCH WARDENS** Diana Dell'Acqua 091 967 32 57 [churchwarden@stedwards.ch](mailto:churchwarden@stedwards.ch)  
Roger Reissner 091 971 0592 [churchwarden@stedwards.ch](mailto:churchwarden@stedwards.ch)



**PARKING** is available during every Sunday morning Service inside the parking garage of the ProCrea Clinic next door to the church.

[www.stedwards.ch](http://www.stedwards.ch)