



**There will be no Evening Prayer in church this week. The services have been suspended because of concerns about the safety of those who attend. There will be more news in next week's notices.**

**St Tommy's Toddlers met for the first time on Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Nov**, in St Thomas's House from 1.30 until 3pm. They are going to meet at the same time, same place every Tuesday. There is still room for more helpers, and we would also be glad of any good, clean toddler toys you no longer need. Offers of help, toys or both to Michael McHugh, 414 637.

**Olive Branch:** Would members please note that they need to make advance bookings with Anne Foster for the meetings in December and January.

13<sup>th</sup> December 'A Christmas Wine Tasting' with Geoff Bishop in St Thomas's House. Husbands/partners included. £3 per person.

10<sup>th</sup> January A seasonal cookery demonstration at Waitrose. **N.B.** This is from 6.30 – 7.30pm. £5 per person.

Places are limited, so please book soon.

**The serving team are looking for help** from anyone who can wash clothes and iron them. At the moment the robes are washed and ironed by just one or two people. We would like to share this out and ask if there is anyone who would consider contributing to our services by occasionally washing and ironing a robe. Please contact Robert (the Verger), Al or Simon (Serving team) if you would like to help. *[Ed's note: not much ironing required if you hang the robes on hangers as soon as they're out of the wash]*

**Christian Action at St Thomas's: the way forward?** There will be an informal "gathering" in church over a cup of coffee on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 10.30 - 11.30am** to discuss potential ideas and actions for 2008. This gathering is open to any and everyone in the parish who has an interest in this aspect of parish life and would like to become more involved in such activities. If you would like to know more then please have a chat with me or just come along for a cuppa. Thank you, **Jonathan Plows**

**Alternativity meal/service** Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Nov, 7.30pm. St Thomas's House, £7.50 per person. There is a list on the notice board. Those wishing to attend are invited to sign. (If you want to know more about this event please speak with Margaret Kynaston 412770)

**The Medical Foundation for the Victims of Torture** needs to raise more funds quite urgently. Robina Hattersley is holding a tea party at her home, 3 Mill Race, next Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov, at 4pm. All most welcome.

**Tomorrow is the start of the Tearfund Global Poverty Prayer Week. Leaflets with suggestions for prayer are available at the back of church. Further information can be found at [www.bepartofamiracle.org.uk/Prayer+week/](http://www.bepartofamiracle.org.uk/Prayer+week/)**

**Pensioners' Party:** Plans are well underway for our annual Pensioners' Party. This year it will be held in church on the afternoon of Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December. In a couple of weeks time the usual appeal for drivers and other help will appear here, but for now we're looking for guests! If you, or anyone you know, would like an invitation, please contact Kate in the Parish Office, and she will make sure that nobody is left out.

**One for the thespis:** Salisbury Methodist Church will be performing 'Aladdin' at the Studio Theatre in Salisbury at the end of January, beginning of February 2008. There will be four performances and the proceeds are being split between The Mayor's Appeal and Salisbury Trust for the Homeless (the Mayor and Mayoress are attending the first performance!). Linda Hayman, the Youth Steward, has written to ask whether there is anybody at St T's who would like to have a **very small** part in the panto. We need an Emperor who is only on at the beginning and at the end. I would prefer the part to be played by a man, but you can't discriminate these days! She also wonders whether there is anybody who would accompany them on the keyboard, during rehearsals (Sundays 2pm-5pm in SMC) and/or for the performances. Any interested parties can contact her on 01722 331428 or e-mail: [linda.hayman@salisbury.nhs.uk](mailto:linda.hayman@salisbury.nhs.uk)