

This months services

	10 am	6.30 pm
4th	Colin	Sharing Prayer - John
11th	Tim	Steve
18th	Steve	Colin
25th	Communion - Ronke: Psalm 27	No service

Regular Meetings

Sunday

10.00am - Morning Service
18.30pm - Evening Service

Monday

10am-12pm - Coffee Pot (Term Time)
4.30pm - 1st Laidon Rainbows
6.15pm - 2nd Laidon Guides

Tuesday

5pm - 4th Laidon Brownies
7.45pm Bible Study/Home Groups

Wednesday

1.45pm - CAMEO (Term time)
4.15pm - 3rd Laidon Rainbows

Thursday (Term Time)

5.30pm - 7th Laidon Brownies
8pm - Xplore Youth Group

Friday

7pm - Harlequin Rangers

Second Saturday of the month

3pm - Disabled Christians Fellowship

Services at local residential homes

(Both at 3pm)

1st Sunday of the Month - Ghyll Grove
3rd Tuesday of the Month - Evelyn May



Knowing God,
Showing God,
Making God Known.



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**“Do what God’s
teaching says, don’t just
listen and do nothing”**

James 1:22 ERV

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If you have a prayer request that you would like to be prayed for in confidence, please call **Heather** on **07722 304917**

A MOUSE'S TALE - Steve

Hello, this is the Church Mouse squeaking! You may not have seen me, but my friend, Steve, has asked me to write this month's tale.

Actually, my *bestest* friend is John because, whenever he catches me, he always releases me just over the road, so I can always come straight back and there's always such a warm welcome at Manor Mission! You *will* carry on welcoming the weak and vulnerable, won't you? (*1)

Anyway, when I first came to Manor Mission, I really enjoyed the services because all the speakers talked about *cheeses*! It was only when I listened more carefully that I realised they were actually all talking about a Man called *Jesus*. I've learnt that He's a very, very nice Man. OK, so He didn't mention church *mice*, but He was very concerned about some other small creatures.

He said that God, His Father, cares even for the tiny sparrows that fall to the ground. People think they're worthless – two a penny - but not God! If He cares for sparrows, He must care for mice, too – and He must also care for YOU! (*2)

Jesus also said He was the Good Shepherd (*3) and told His friend, Peter, to feed His lambs (*4). Lambs are the *littlest* in His flock, easy to miss. You won't overlook anyone, will you?

As I said, Jesus is God's Son, so He doesn't *need* anything, but, just before Easter (oh, those hot

cross bun crumbs!), I heard a story where He said He *needed* a donkey, and a little baby donkey at that! (*5) If He *needs* a baby donkey to do His work, He must also *need* you and me to play *our* part, too! (*6)

Anyway, this donkey had never been ridden (*7), so, when I heard that Jesus climbed on its back, I expected it to throw Him. But, it didn't – it carried Him into Jerusalem! It's because He was so gentle, you see. (*8) You *will* be gentle - won't you? – especially to “little” people like children and the poor and needy (...and mice?) (*9)

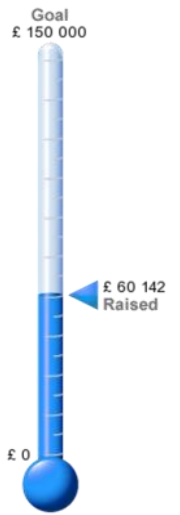
Anyway, I've got to go now because I can hear John coming. I know what he'll do – he'll put a nice custard cream in the trap, give me time to eat it and then take me for a walk over the road again. He really is nice to mice and I think I know why – it's because he's one of Jesus's friends! I hope you are, too! (*10)

REFERENCES

- *1 James 2:1-4
- *2 Matthew 10:29-31
- *3 John 10:11
- *4 John 21:15
- *5 Matthew 21:3
- *6 Matthew 28:18-20 (although this doesn't refer to mice!)
- *7 Mark 11:2
- *8 Matthew 21:5
- *9 Philippians 4:5
- *10 John 15:14

Building Fund Update

We are now up to £60142 in the building fund. A big boost came from the Gift Aid from people's donations. Thank you to all who have contributed.



Dates meetings will restart

For the Summer most midweek meetings will shut. They will reopen as follows:

Bible Study - 17th September

CAMEO - 4th September

Coffee Pot - 9th September (TBC)

Messy Church - 29th September

Dates for your diary

Retreat to Danbury - 21st September

Potential Baptism - 29th September

Harvest Collection - 13th October

Harvest Dinner - 20th October

Screening of the Shack - 26th October 7pm

Rotas

There are a number of gaps on the cleaning rota. If you are able to help with the cleaning please sign up on the noticeboard.