

Rev Damian Feeney

Damian is Vice Principal of St Stephen's House in Oxford, a college which trains people to become Church of England clergy. Previously he was the vicar of the fastest growing church in Blackburn Diocese. He was also Assistant Director of Mission, and thereby Simon Bessant's sidekick! Damian comes from the Catholic tradition in the Church of England, and he and Simon worked very closely as team for many years. He was one of the authors of the bestselling and very influential *Mission-Shaped Church* report. He is also a national team member of *Leading your Church into Growth* and a member of the *College of Evangelists*.



Canon Andrew Clitherow

Andrew is vicar of St Cuthbert's & St John's in Lytham, which last year were the fastest growing churches in his Diocese. Andrew was formerly a Canon at Blackburn Cathedral and Director of Training for the Diocese and so was a close colleague of Simon Bessant. He is a Chaplain to the Queen. Andrew has written several bestselling books including *Into Your Hands – Prayer and the Call to Holiness in Ministry and Everyday Life*. He is a much sort after speaker on spirituality. His latest book, *Prayer: the Embrace of Love*, was published by SPCK in October last year.



Rev Martyn Snow

Martyn is the Vicar of our link church, Christ Church Pitsmoor and Area Dean of Ecclesfield. Martyn spent three years in Guinea, working as a Church Mission Society partner and is still involved with CMS today. His parish in Pitsmoor is a vibrant church in the inner city seeking to be good news to the very dynamic community of that area. The ministry includes working with vulnerable women, asylum seekers and running a community charity shop. The staff team includes three Church Army evangelists and the parish is involved in several fresh expressions of church.



Canon Graham Pigott

Graham was at theological college with Simon Bessant back in the late 1970s. He was ordained later in life and served all his ministry in the Nottingham area. Graham comes from the more catholic stream in the Church of England and has had a particular involvement in spiritual direction. He is now retired and lives in the Peak District. Currently, Graham is helping at Whirlow Grange in the area of spirituality. He has written two books on prayer.



Rev Ian Smith

Ian is Vicar of St Pauls, Wordworth Avenue in the Parson Cross area of Sheffield – one of the most deprived estates in our city. He has served in this parish since 2003 but was previously a Vicar in Blackburn Diocese and worked closely with Simon Bessant over many years. He is currently the Warden of Parish Evangelists in Sheffield Diocese and Diocesan Mission Coordinator. He is also heavily involved in Cursillo, a renewal movement for Christians focused on transformative prayer



Lent Sermons 2010

At the 6.00pm Living Word services this Lent we are having some very special and gifted guest preachers. They will be exploring our theme of "Praying the Jesus Way".

The themes are:

February	21	Praying in Solitude and Silence "To a lonely Place" Mark 1:35.	Damian Feeney
	28	Praying in Desolation 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' Mark 15:34.	Andrew Clitherow
March	7	Praying in Intimacy. 'Abba Father' Luke 11:1-2	Martyn Snow
	14	Praying through Liturgy 'As his custom was' Luke 4:16	Graham Pigott
	21	Praying through Scripture. "As it is written" John 6:31	Ian Smith

Even if you do not regularly attend the 6.00pm service, you are invited to come to some or all of these in order to gain a fresh perspective on prayer during the season of Lent.