

In your prayers this week, please ask.....

FOR GOD'S COMFORT for :  
THE RECENTLY BEREAVED FAMILY & FRIENDS OF:



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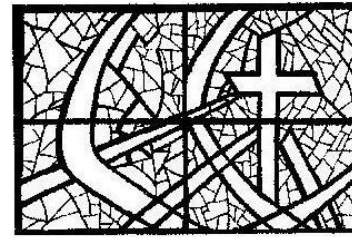
THE ELDERLY & HOUSEBOUND: Margaret Kay, Joan Meaden and Vera Miller.

FOR GOD'S HEALING for: THE SICK OF ST. ELIZABETH'S: Darrell Halstead, Rick Hannis, and Dawn Priestley. THE SICK OF THE PARISH & BEYOND: Lili Scowcroft (known to Jane H), Carole Lanham (known to many at St. Elizabeth's), Jean Woolfenden (Dawn's mother), Haley Thompson (Aubrey's granddaughter), Jim Hannis (Rick's brother) and Paul Berry (a former vicar at St Elizabeth's)

Please also pray for families and friends anxious about their loved ones.

FOR GOD'S BLESSING for :

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# St Elizabeth's

A Church for our time serving families, community and each other in the love of Jesus Christ.



## 1st January & 8th January - 2 week edition

A warm welcome especially if you are visiting or here for the first time. Please make yourself known to the vicar or wardens after the service.

### Sunday 1st January

**8.45am**  
Holy Communion BCP

**10 am**  
Home4all  
(an informal family service led by Jo Smith)

Please bring a favourite carol and we will try and sing it!

#### Readings:



Isaiah 63:7-9  
Colossians 2:6-7

**Please note there is NO 6.30 pm service at Holy Trinity**

### Sunday 8th January

**10 am**  
Communion4all  
Family Communion

#### Readings:



Isaiah 42: 1-9  
Matthew 3: 11-17

#### 6.30 pm

#### Evening Praise

Holy Trinity  
(All welcome)

#### CONTACTS AT ST ELIZABETH'S

**Vicar:** Michael Behrend (697162)  
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Church Warden: Jane Halstead (468273)

**Pastoral Care Co-ordinator:**  
Gill Smart (468271)  
(Please let Gill (or the clergy) know of any concerns)

#### Authorised Lay Ministers

**Pastoral Care:** Jill Harley  
**Mission:** Jane Thompson  
**Youth:** Graham Smith

(please feel free to approach the relevant person).

#### HIRING the HALL & CHURCH.

If you wish to hire/use the HALL or CHURCH space for a meeting or similar (outside of the regular weekly bookings), please contact Jill Harley in the first instance to ensure the date and time are available and the heating will be on! The Hall has a 7 day timer, which is set each week. A copy of the times the Hall and Church is already regularly booked, is on the notice board in each building

#### Available at the back of Church:

- PCC members & who's who  
- Prayer Circle contact details

#### NEWS LETTER

Updates and new notices to Sam by 11 January please.  
samh19358@gmail.com  
or 07739412715

**St Elizabeth's Web site:** www.bhrmp.co.uk/st-elizabeth-horwich  
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**Articles & Event Photos to Margaret by 2nd Friday of month.**

#### Aiming for a nut free zone.

It has come to our attention that a young member of our church has a nut allergy. This is potentially life threatening and we are aiming for the Church & the Hall to be as nut free as possible. Please avoid bringing nut related food or ingredients into either building. Please could you also make any groups of people with whom you mix, organise or supervise aware of this. Thanks.



We serve Fair Trade refreshments after all our morning services. Please join us.

Hearing Loop System Available



## DIARY & REMINDERS

**Monday 2 January**  
13.45 Meditation Group in Holy Trinity

**Tuesday 3 January**  
12.00 Prayer Meeting: 24 Greenbank

**Wednesday 4 January**  
09.30 Communion in St. Elizabeth's  
18.30 Evening Service: St. Elizabeth's

**Thursday 5 January**  
19.30 Prayer Meeting: Margaret & Rick's

**Monday 9 January**  
13.45 Meditation Group in Holy Trinity

**Tuesday 10 January**  
12.00 Prayer Meeting : 24 Greenbank

**Wednesday 11 December**  
09.30 Communion in Holy Trinity  
18.30 Evening Service: St. Elizabeth's

**Thursday 12 December**  
19.30 Prayer Meeting: Margaret & Rick's  
20.00 CYFA in St. Elizabeth's

**A reminder (for your 2017 calendar):**

**St Elizabeth's 50th anniversary  
celebration events "in planning"**

- Sat 29 April - Evening meal
- Sun 30 April - a special service with Bishop Mark Ashcroft
- Mon 1 May - a family fun day/open day

**The Village Green Fete**  
8th July 2017.  
(let's pray for a dry and sunny day)



St. Elizabeth's is delighted to have **Reverend Jo Smith (Team Curate)** with us, and leading our Services, throughout January.

**Our new mid-week service at St Elizabeth's is held on every Wednesday at 6.30pm.**

The weekly service, suitable for all the family, will have Communion and will last around 50 minutes. If you need more information **contact Peter /Gill**

**Please note**  
**Next service 4 January**

**St. Elizabeth's Children Groups** will re-commence on Sunday **15 January**  
**Watch this space!!!**

### PCC

The next meeting will be held on the **16 January at 7pm.**

### CYFA

The next meeting will be held on the **12 January at 8pm**

## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

The next **Simply Christianity Course** starts on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 7.45pm (for five Tuesday evenings)**. It is great for those who would like to examine the foundations of the Christian faith, or are considering confirmation. There is plenty of opportunity questions and discussion. A Thursday morning course is also planned. **Contact Michael Behrend (697162) for more information or to book onto the course.**

### TWELFTH MAN : A comedy by 'H' Connelly

Following their success last year (runner up best comedy award Bolton Amateur Theatre Societies) with sell out audiences each night, **Christ Church Heaton Players** are once more gearing up for their annual production. **They send a warm invitation to everyone from Horwich Churches to join them for an evening of fun and laughter at the happenings at a local cricket club!**

**To be held on Wednesday Thursday Friday and Saturday 8,9,10,11th February at 7.30pm in the church hall Markland Hill.**  
**Tickets costing £8.00 are available from Pam Hodson Tel 01204 465631 or via Brenda Griffiths [brendagwoodford@gmail.com](mailto:brendagwoodford@gmail.com).**



**"Christmas Dinner on Jesus** With the support of volunteers from churches, businesses and local government, Urban Outreach successfully prepared and delivered c1500 hampers to those less fortunate than ourselves. A huge thank you to everyone who donated the hamper contents and to those individuals who came along, in the week leading up to Christmas and helped make it happen.

### Beer and Chat

**Monday 30 Jan,** In the Victoria and Albert, on Lee Lane, at 7.30pm.

For more info contact Gill Smart

### NEWS LETTER

**If it's happening please let me know!**

**Please send updates and new notices to Sam by 11 January**

### ST ELIZABETH'S SICK LIST

The Pastoral Team have agreed that the sick lists of St. Elizabeth's and the Parish and Beyond will be reviewed every 3 months, with the intention to remove those individuals who have made good progress. This will ensure the list is as up to date as possible for those most in need of our prayers. Please let Sam know if your loved one still needs prayer and you wish them to remain on the list. If you want to make additions to the list, **please just ask Sam, Gill or Jill.**