

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

FOR GOD'S COMFORT for :

THE RECENTLY BEREAVED FAMILY& FRIENDS OF: Martyn Cunningham, Doreen Dennet

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, Dawn Priestley, Sandra Almond, (making good progress after receiving treatment in hospital)

THE SICK OF THE PARISH & BEYOND:

Linda McCarthy (Ann Lawton's sister) 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 Joan Johnson (Susan's mum)

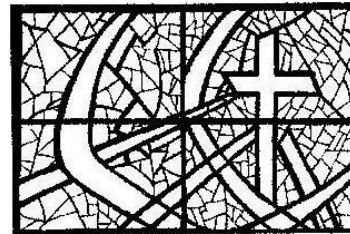
Please also pray for families and friends anxious about their loved ones.

FOR GOD'S BLESSING for : For our Trainee Authorised Lay Ministers (ALM): Ron Knott, Caroline Barber & Vicki Holden from Rivington are currently undertaking ALM training with the Diocese in Prayer & Spirituality, so please remember them in your prayers



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# St Elizabeth's

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



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

## CONTACTS AT ST ELIZABETH'S

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Church Warden: Sandra Almond (692749)  
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 5 April please.  
samh19358@gmail.com  
or 07739412715

St Elizabeth's Web site: [www.bhrmp.co.uk/st-elizabeth-horwich](http://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.



## Sunday 26th March



10 am  
Family Worship



Readings:

1 Samuel 16 : 1-13  
John 9: 1-41

6.30 pm

Enigma Service

Holy Trinity  
(All welcome)

## Passion Sunday 2 April

8.45am  
Holy Communion BCP

10 am  
Communion4all  
Family Communion



Readings:

Ezekiel 37: 1-14  
John 11:1-45

6.30 pm

'The Cross of Christ', a  
Passiontide Choral Service

Holy Trinity  
(All welcome)



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

Hearing Loop System Available



## DIARY & REMINDERS

**Monday 27 March**  
13.45 Meditation Group in Holy Trinity

**Tuesday 28 March**

**Wednesday 29 March**  
09.30 Communion in St. Elizabeth's

**Thursday 30 March**  
10.30 Time4You  
19.30 Prayer Meeting: Margaret & Rick's  
20.00 CYFA in St. Elizabeth's

**Friday 31 March**  
10.30 Time4Twos

**Youth Minister Appeal Update!**  
We are currently seeking additional grant funding for this new team post, having been greatly blessed by the generosity of church-members who have already pledged over half (£46,000) of the £90k that will be needed over the 3-year appointment. There are letters available in church for those who have already pledged, and further pledges are welcome for this terrific project that demonstrates our team's commitment to our young people



**8 April**  
Session starts at 4pm,  
and includes a light meal.  
Everybody is welcome.

For more info contact **Jane Thompson 468541**

**Monday 3 April**  
13.45 Meditation Group in Holy Trinity

**Tuesday 4 April**

**Wednesday 5 April**  
09.30 Communion in Holy Trinity  
18.30 Evening Service: St. Elizabeth's

**Thursday 7 April**  
10.30 Time4You  
19.30 Prayer Meeting: Margaret & Rick's  
20.00 CYFA in St. Elizabeth's

**Friday 8 April**  
10.30 Time4Twos



**East Africa Crisis Appeal** – you may have seen the terrible pictures from Africa of

malnourished children & adults, where up to 16 million people face starvation. The DEC have put out a call for money to help them & so we are having retiring collections for the **East Africa Crisis Appeal** (*Christian Aid envelopes*) on the next 2 Sundays in all of our churches. **Please pray & give as you are able.**

**St Elizabeth's 50th anniversary celebration events**

**Sat 29 April** - Evening meal (Ridgmont)  
**Sun 30 April** - a special service with Bishop Mark Ashcroft  
**Mon 1 May** - a family fun day/open day, with a 1960 them

**St. Elizabeth's Children & Young People Groups**



<b>APR</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>23rd</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>TBA</b>

## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**Churches Together In Horwich and Rivington Lent Meetings 2017**

**Dethroning Mammon** – Churches Together in Horwich & Rivington Lent Meetings on the theme of *'Making Money Serve Grace'*, based on Archbishop Justin Welby's 2017 Lent Book.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March  
St.Mary's Church  
(Chorley New Road)  
**What we give we gain**  
Speaker: Michael Behrend

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April  
Holy Trinity Church  
(Church Street)  
**What we master brings us joy**  
Speaker: Barry O'Sullivan



**All meetings start at 7.30pm**

**Beer and Chat**  
**Monday 27 March**  
In the **Victoria and Albert, on Lee Lane, at 7.30pm.**  
For more info speak to Gill

**Maundy Thursday Meal**  
This will be on **Thursday 13th April at 7.00 pm.**  
Please note the date. All welcome. More details to follow. Anyone who can help with catering please see Peter Harley.

**Holy Week 2017: Archdeacon David Bailey** will be delivering a short series of Holy Week Bible Expositions in our **Deanery at 7.30pm** in **St. Thomas & St. John's Church, Lostock (BL6 4EL)** on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April & Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April.** There is also a Maundy Thursday service but we have a **Maundy Thursday Communion Service at St. Catherine's Church on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm .**

A huge thank you to everyone who supported **Holy Trinity's Namibia Link Line Dancing event** and also **St Elizabeth's for use of the Hall.** Everyone seemed to have a great time and **we raised a magnificent £325** and due to the evening's success we hope to repeat it soon!"

**Ding Dong Ding Dong**

Are you looking for a new hobby? Do you like being part of a group and enjoying others company? Want to play an instrument and a variety of music? Then why not try



**Hand Bell Ringing?**

There will be a **Hand Bells open evening at Holy Trinity Church, Horwich** (meeting area inside entrance to church) on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 pm.** Come along and have a go!  
**Just turn up or for more information please ring 01204 697 637.**

**Electoral Roll Revision**

Prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Electoral Roll is checked and updated if necessary. Please check the copy at the back of church to ensure your own details are correct. Please see Jill Harley if there are any omissions or additions required. If you are not on the Roll but would like to be, to show your membership and support of St. Elizabeth's, there is a form to complete at the back of church, or see Jill. Thanks.

**THIS SUNDAY – Spring Forward!**

Don't forget to **PUT YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD** This **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March**



Please note that:

**Martyn Cunningham's** funeral service is at Rivington Parish Church on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 11am.

**Doreen Dennet's** funeral service is at St. Elizabeth's Church on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 2.15pm

**NEWS LETTER**

**Please send updates & new notices to Sam by 5 April**

**Seniors Easter Eggscitement**

The next **Seniors Afternoon Tea with an Easter theme** is being held on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2 – 4 pm.** Invitations are being distributed – please do not be offended if you have received one and do not feel you qualify or if you haven't and would like one!  
**Please speak to Jill Harley.**

**AND If you are available to help, please also see Jill. Thank you.**

**The Village Green Fete**  
**8th July 2017.**