

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

FOR GOD'S COMFORT for :

THE RECENTLY BEREAVED FAMILY & FRIENDS OF:

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

THE SICK OF THE PARISH & BEYOND:

Linda McCarthy (Ann Lowton'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)

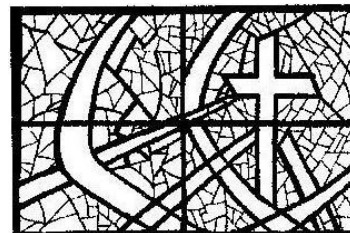
Please also pray for families and friends anxious about their loved ones.

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*

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### 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 7 June 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 28 May

10 am

Communion4You  
Holy Communion

Readings:



Acts 1 : 6-14  
John 17: 1-11

6.30 pm

Enigma Service

Holy Trinity  
(All welcome)

## Sunday 4 June

8.45

Holy Communion BCP

10am

Home4all  
Family Worship

Readings:



Acts 2: 1-21  
John 20: 19-23

5.30 pm

PENTECOST PRAISE PARTY

Holy Trinity  
(All welcome)

MANCHESTER - A CITY UNITED - #prayformanchester

**A Book of Condolence** has been set up at the Horwich Community Centre to allow the people of Horwich to pay their respects to the victims of the Arena bombing. It has been provided by Bolton Council & will be here for a few days.

## DIARY & REMINDERS

**Monday 29 May**  
**12.00** Prayer Labyrinth, **Holy Trinity**  
**13.45** Meditation Group, **Holy Trinity**

**Tuesday 30 May**  
**19.30**

**Wednesday 31 May**  
**09.30** Midweek Communion, **Holy Trinity**  
**18.30** Evening Service, **St. Elizabeth's**

**Thursday 1 June**  
**10.30** Time4You, **St Elizabeth's**  
**19.30** Prayer Meeting **Margaret & Rick's**

**Friday 2 June**  
**10.30** Time4Twos, **St. Elizabeth's**  
 07.00-19.00 ThyKingdomCome '7 to 7 Prayer Room, **St. Catherine's**

**Saturday 3 June (at St. Elizabeth's)**  
  
**10.00-12.00** Pentecost Prayer Morning  
  
**16.00-18.00** Family Prayer Party

**Messy church presents**  
**Family Prayer Party,**  
**at 4pm on 3rd June,**  
**St. Elizabeth's Church**



**Monday 5 June May**  
**13.45** Meditation Group, **Holy Trinity**

**Tuesday 6 June**

**Wednesday 7 June**  
**09.30** Midweek Communion, **St Elizabeth's**  
**18.30** Evening Service: **St. Elizabeth's**  
**19.45** Life Explored Course 3, **St. Catherine's**

**Thursday 8 June**  
**10.30** Time4You, **St. Elizabeth's**  
**19.30** Prayer Meeting, **Margaret & Rick's**

**Friday 9 June**  
**10.30** Time4Twos, **St. Elizabeth's**

**Advance Notice! The 8<sup>th</sup> 'All Britain' Festival of Male Voice Praise** in the Victoria Hall, Bolton, on Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> June, at 6.30pm. Admission by ticket (£5) from the Box Office, online at [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk), or CLC Bookshop.

### Youth Minister Update

#### Where are we up to?

A huge thank you to everyone who has pledged. We have 50% pledged already, which is incredible. We are now applying to grant giving bodies for the remainder. Once we have all the money pledged or promised, we will look to recruit January 2018.

#### How can you be involved?

**Prayer** - we'd love people to commit to prayer e.g. for successful grant applications, further gifts, that God will prepare the ground for the Youth Minister and for God's person for this post to be available to hear his call.

**Giving** - it's not too late to give, either through standing order or "one off gifts" using the gift aid envelope. More details are available in Church.

**A Special Prayer** for those whose lives have been affected by the Manchester bombing:  
*"God of compassion, you hear the cries of all who are in trouble or distress; accept our prayers for those whose lives are affected by the bombing in Manchester. We pray especially for those suddenly facing a future without a child, parent or loved one; young ones who are in deep distress; those who are injured, traumatized or awaiting news; strengthen them in their hour of need, grant them perseverance and courage to face the future, and be to them a firm foundation on which to build their lives; for this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."*

*(provided by the Diocese of Manchester for use in our churches this Sunday)*

**Life Explored** A seven week course in an informal and relaxed atmosphere. Great for anyone wanting to explore what life is about. You can ask any question you like or just sit and listen.

**Wednesday evenings, in St. Catherine's Church at 7.45pm started 17<sup>th</sup> May. Contact Michael (697162) to book.**

There is no charge for the course and all are welcome.

## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



**Bishop Mark is 'Walking the Deanery'** on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May, starting at 2.30pm at St. Elizabeth's Church, and walking via the Macron Stadium & Middlebrook Retail Park where he will meet and greet some

of those shopping there that day, then to St Thomas' Church, Lostock. All welcome to join him for all, or part, of this walk!

Join us at any point (timings approximate):



2.30 St Elizabeth's, Horwich

3.00 Middlebrook Park & Macron

3.30 Head to St Thomas, Lostock

4.30 Arrive at St Thomas, Lostock

### Volunteers Needed!

**Every Friday, 2 groups run at the Horwich Community (Resource) Centre:**

**'Tots & Toast'** for parents & toddlers (9-11am) & **'Friday Lunch Club'** for Seniors (11am-1pm) – both need volunteers to help prepare drinks, lay tables & serve food & drinks from the kitchen. Anyone wanting work experience for a CV, or just come as a volunteer is welcome. (Vicki Robinson-Birbeck – [vickihrc@outlook.com](mailto:vickihrc@outlook.com))



**Thank you for supporting Christian Aid Week** – serving the needs of the poorest in our world with Christian love and compassion. *Thank You!*

### Statement from the Bishop of Manchester, David Walker, on the Manchester terror attack

Today is a day to mourn the dead, to pray with their families and with the injured, and to reaffirm our determination that those who murder and maim will never defeat us. Like other great cities, Manchester is an obvious target for terrorists to choose. What makes this latest atrocity particularly dreadful is the deliberate choice of a concert known to attract very young fans. Many lives will be lived out, impacted by this tragedy for long years to come. Others have had decades of life ripped away from them.

There is a proper anger and rage in the face of events like this. Our challenge will be to direct that rage and anger to be a force for good. We will rally around the victims and their families. We will unite across our diversity, drawing close especially to any that the terrorists would seek to separate us from. And we will rebuild and repair the damage to our city, as we have done before.

Today is a day to mourn, and I would ask churches throughout Greater Manchester and beyond to make space and time for people who wish to come into their buildings and pray. But today is also a day to begin our response. A response that will crush terrorism not by violence but by the power of love. A love which Christians celebrate especially now in Eastertide.

### Beer and Chat

We have a new venue and a new night. The next meeting is on: **Wednesday 21 June at the Blackedge Brewery Bar, Hampson Street which is just off Lee Lane.** Meeting from 7.30pm. (Other drinks are available).



**First Aid Training for Church-linked groups & helpers – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July in Deane Church Centre, 6-9:30pm. Cost: £20.**

Accredited First Aid Course – only 7 places still available, run by REC First Aid. Those who pass receive a Certificate, valid for 3 years. Perfect for anyone needing up-to-date First Aid training, or a refresher course. **For more info, or to book a place, contact Deane Church Office on 01204 659637, or [deanechurchoffice@btinternet.com](mailto:deanechurchoffice@btinternet.com).**

**St Elizabeth's 50th Anniversary Mug**  
**Limited edition Anniversary Mugs**  
**are still available, priced £4.50.**  
**Please speak to Wendy**

Copies of **56 Paces, Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of St. Elizabeth's "New" Church** and compiled by David Kaye are also available for sale, by way of donations to the **Youth Minister fund**, please speak to **Wendy** to reserve your copy

**NEWS LETTER**  
**Please send your NEWS, NOTICES & UPDATES to SAM by 7 June**