

## CHURCH DIARY: Events & Activities in November

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm, <b>Buildings &amp; Finance Committee</b> , in Narthex
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am, <b>Midweek Communion</b> , in Holy Trinity, with drinks afterwards 6.30pm, <b>Evening Service with Communion</b> , St. Elizabeth's Church
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	8pm, <b>Open Door</b> : in church, <b>The Eddie Stobart Story</b> (see inside)
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am, <b>Short Armistice Day Ceremony</b> , Vue Mall, Middlebrook
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov.</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> b.Advent (Remembrance)	8am, <b>Early Holy Communion Service</b> , in the Memorial Chapel 9.15am, <b>Informal Worship Service</b> in church (with K4C Groups) 10.45am, <b>Choral Communion Remembrance Sunday Service</b> in church 12.15pm, <b>Civic Remembrance Service</b> , Memorial Gardens, Lever Pk Ave 2.30pm, <b>Church Family Walk</b> , from Rivington Bowling Club (see inside) 6.30pm, <b>Holy Communion</b> in church – all are welcome!
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	7.45pm, <b>PCC Meeting</b> , in the Narthex
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am, <b>Midweek Communion</b> , in St. Elizabeth's Church, Cedar Ave 6.30pm, <b>Evening Service with Communion</b> , St. Elizabeth's Church
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10am, <b>St. Catherine's Christmas Market</b> , Richmond Street (see inside) 4pm, <b>Middlebrook Christmas Lights Turn-On!</b> with reindeer & Celebrities
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Nov</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> before Advent	8am, <b>Early Holy Communion Service</b> , in the Memorial Chapel 9.15am, <b>Informal Service (Paracletis 6)</b> in church (with K4C Groups) 10.45am, <b>Choral Communion Service (Paracletis 6)</b> , in church 6.30pm, <b>GOD [SPACE]</b> – lively worship for all in church – all welcome!



**THANK YOU LETTERS** are available for **YOU** in Church **TODAY** – please collect yours – for all who support us financially as a church.

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**Newsletter Items** to for next week only ) by midday Wednesday – please!

**Help Save the Planet! Save Paper!** To have a copy of the Newsletter sent by email, contact Mike at [m.foster.hpc@gmail.com](mailto:m.foster.hpc@gmail.com) who will forward you a PDF version.

**Team Office:** 692252, [churchteamoffice@gmail.com](mailto:churchteamoffice@gmail.com) (Open 10-12, Monday–Friday).

Items for **Below the Pike** (Team Magazine) to Margaret Broadfoot (690283) [mbroadfoot283@btinternet.com](mailto:mbroadfoot283@btinternet.com).

Send any Pastoral Concerns to [hthpastoralteam@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hthpastoralteam@hotmail.co.uk)



# Holy Trinity Horwich Parish Church



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## NEWSLETTER

### Fourth Sunday before Advent Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2017



If you're visiting for the first time, we hope you'll feel at home. Please stay for refreshments after morning services – we look forward to meeting you. Information Leaflets about church activities are in the Leaflet Rack, or speak to the Clergy, Churchwardens or Sides-people – see back page Calendar for weekly events.

## TODAY'S SERVICES & READINGS

8am, **Early Holy Communion Service**, in the Memorial Chapel  
9.15am, **Informal Communion (Paracletis 5)** in church (with K4C Groups)  
10.45am, **Choral Communion Service (Paracletis 5)**, in church  
6.30pm, **Evening Praise** in church – all are welcome!

Epistle: **Romans 15:1–7** (p.1141 in Pew Bible)

Gospel: **Luke 13:10–17** (p.1046 in Pew Bible)



**Child-Friendly Church Award!** At today's 9.15am Informal Service, we welcome Karen Beal (Diocesan Children's Work Officer) to present us with our renewed **CFC Award**.

**Youth Minister Appeal Update!** Amazing news – we now have pledges to cover the £90,000 cost of this project over 3 years, so thank you to all who are contributing (there's still room for more)! We're very grateful for a major contribution from a local company, **The Next Stage Care Group** (which includes Next Stage for Fostering), enabling us to move forward. We are now in a position to advertise the post and then possibly interview before the end of the year!

**Check the Church Website** for a link to the Premier Jobsearch Website, where our Youth Minister advert is online for the next 3 weeks & **please KEEP PRAYING** for the right person to see the advert & to apply!



**In your Prayers this week, please ask...**

**For God's healing** for **Scarlet Kendall** (*Margaret C's gr'dr*), **Michael Holden**, **Jacob Bleasdale**, **Roma Shuter**, **John Taylor**,

**Betty Holding**, **Connie Jones**, **Wilf Tomkinson**, **Hettie Watson**, **Michael & Sylvia Wyatt**, **Edith Pierce**, **Shirley Holt**, **Gill Waugh**, **Kath Wignall**, **Charlie Shawcross**, **Jo Smith**, **Les Burtonwood**, **Terry Litherland** & **Ian Littlewood**.

Please contact Mike Foster to keep names on this Prayer List, otherwise we will remove them after 4 weeks & please ask if those we pray for want to be on the list!

**For God's Comfort** for recently bereaved families, especially of **Jack Landless**, **Dorothy Blundell**, **Audrey Mellor**, **Winnie Green**, **John Swift** & **Jean Beeby**.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



**Open Door:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov: **The Eddie Stobart Story** – with **Ray & Sheila Dale** – men are most welcome to come along. On Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov: **Super Swifts** with **Louise Bentley** – please join us!

**Mission Action Plan** – Thank you for all your responses to the consultation on the MAP priorities. These responses will be analysed & a report taken to the next PCC meeting on Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. for consideration. The PCC will then agree the MAP priorities for Holy Trinity & inform you of them. A leaflet, linked to this process (*'Will you help us shape our future?'*) is available in church **TODAY**.



### **Christmas Fairs & Markets!** St. Catherine's Christmas

**Market** is on Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> Nov from 12 Noon to 3pm in church with Christmas gifts, festive food, crafts, jewellery, cakes, toys, raffle, tombola's, facepainting, children's activities & more! **St. Elizabeth's Christmas Fayre** is on Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. from 11am to 3pm, with Santa's Grotto, Craft Stalls, Refreshments, Tombola & Raffle. **Holy Trinity's Festive Market** is on Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – please could you help with this

fundraising event by donating bottles for a Bottle Tombola & small gifts to the value of £1.50-£2 for the lucky Bran Tub. We hope to make this a family occasion & have Father Christmas coming along this year, so put the date in your diary now!

**Horwich Heritage Gift Fair** on Sat. 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. at Horwich Community Centre (*Beaumont Rd*), 10am-2pm. This year's theme is *'Bonfire Night'* & there will be various stalls, as well as activities for children – dressing up, face-painting & picture-colouring. Refreshments & light lunches available.



**Lucy's Quiz Sheets!** If you've completed Lucy Fletcher's dingbats, quiz, or wordsearch sheets & you'd like to have the chance of winning a prize, return them to the box at the back of church. The closing date is Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November and the winners will be announced on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November.

**Church Family Walk** in the woods at Rivington **NEXT Sunday** (12<sup>th</sup>), starting at 2:30pm outside Rivington Bowling Club (*BL6 7SE*) – bring your own picnic tea & drinks will be provided at 4pm in Rivington Church Hall, next to the Primary School.

**VOTE for Cedar Avenue Village Green Fete 2018!** This annual event, run by St. Elizabeth's, has submitted a bid to the Aviva Community Fund & need us all to vote for them on the Aviva website. Please could you follow the link below, register on the site & use your 10 votes to help us obtain this funding? Please also support us by posting this link on your Facebook page, Twitter account, etc. & ask as many friends as possible to vote for us. Funding for this event allows us to reach out – voting has already opened & will continue until 21<sup>st</sup> November 2017. Many thanks. <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-3878>.



**2017 Annual Memorial Service** will be held to remember those who have gone before us in life & faith on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** at 6.30pm in church. Whilst those recently bereaved will receive an invitation, the service is open to anyone who wishes to attend this act of commemoration. If you'd like to light a candle & hear the name read out of someone you knew & loved, please fill in a form & put it in the box at the back of church. Alternatively, you can contact Susan Kerr on 01204 692760 or [susanlaviniakerr@gmail.com](mailto:susanlaviniakerr@gmail.com)

**Harvest Appeal Total** – we were thrilled to be able to send **£825** collected in our Harvest Services to **Urban Outreach** for their new **No Hiding Place Project** helping to combat modern-day slavery in Bolton.



**Too busy for daily Bible reading?** Why not download the **'Bible in One Year'** App to your smartphone or tablet, & read or listen to a daily Bible passage & short comment by Nicky Gumble. If you're busy, you can even listen while traveling or doing other routine tasks.

**Children's Society Boxes:** Could you please return any CS boxes to Church ASAP, so Shirley Holt can empty & send monies to the Society. *Thank you, Shirley*

**Congratulations** to Mrs Emma Whitehead (*nee Dootson*), who, over 10 years ago, was a member of our children's groups for whom we prayed while undergoing chemotherapy, & who we were delighted to hear was married a few weeks ago.

**Armistice Day Ceremony:** Vue Mall, Middlebrook **NEXT Sat** (11<sup>th</sup>) at 10.45am led by Middlebrook Chaplain, Keith Armstrong, & the **Horwich Civic Remembrance Service**, **NEXT Sun** at 12.15pm, Memorial Gardens, Lever Park Ave, led by clergy.

### Church Giving for October 2017

1<sup>st</sup> Oct - **£452.44** on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + **£805.90** Standing Orders.  
 8<sup>th</sup> Oct - **£337.09** on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + **£805.90** Standing Orders.  
 15<sup>th</sup> Oct - **£ 438.62** on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + **£805.90** Standing Orders.  
 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct - **£306.91** on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + **£805.90** Standing Orders.  
 29<sup>th</sup> Oct - **£947.14** on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + **£805.90** Standing Orders.  
 The total for the month is **£6511.70**, which doesn't include the Gift Aid tax-claim.