

CHURCH DIARY: Events & Activities in November

Monday 13 th	7.45pm, PCC Meeting , in the Narthex
Tuesday 14 th	7.30pm, Handbells in the Narthex
Wednesday 15 th	9.30am, Midweek Communion , in St. Elizabeth's Church , Cedar Ave 6.30pm, Evening Service with Communion , St. Elizabeth's Church 7.30pm Beer & Chat , Blackedge Brewery Bar, Hampson St. (see inside)
Saturday 18 th	10am, St. Catherine's Christmas Market , Richmond Street (see inside) 4pm, Middlebrook Christmas Lights Turn-On! with reindeer & Celebrities
Sunday 19th Nov 2 nd before Advent	8am, Early Holy Communion Service , in the Memorial Chapel 9.15am, Informal Service (Paracletis 6) in church (with K4C Groups) 10.45am, Choral Communion Service (Paracletis 6) , in church 6.30pm, GOD [SPACE] – lively worship for all in church – all welcome!
Tuesday 21 st	7.30pm, Handbells in the Narthex
Weds 22 nd	9.30am, Midweek Communion , in Holy Trinity, with drinks afterwards 6.30pm, Evening Service with Communion , St. Elizabeth's Church
Thursday 23 rd	8pm, Open Door : in church, Super Swifts (see inside)
Saturday 25 th	11am, Christmas Fayre , St. Elizabeth's Church, Cedar Ave. (see inside)
Sunday 26th Nov. Last before Advent Christ the King	8am, Early Holy Communion Service , in the Memorial Chapel 9.15am, Informal Worship Service in church (with K4C Groups) 10.45am, Choral Communion Service in church 6.30pm, Reflective Celtic Communion in church – all are welcome!

THANK YOU LETTERS are available
for **YOU** in Church **TODAY** – **PLEASE COLLECT YOURS** –
for all who support us financially as a church.

HELPFUL NUMBERS FOR CLERGY & CHURCH OFFICERS

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Newsletter items to m.foster.hpc@gmail.com 07976252817
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 who will forward you a PDF version.

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

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

Send any Pastoral Concerns to hthpastoralteam@hotmail.co.uk



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NEWSLETTER

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Third Sunday before Advent
Sunday 12th 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 Worship Service** in church (with K4C Groups)
10.45am, **Choral Communion**

12.15pm, **Civic Remembrance Service**, Memorial Gardens, Lever Pk Ave

2.30pm, **Church Family Walk**, from Rivington Bowling Club
6.30pm, **Holy Communion** in church – all are welcome!



Epistle: **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** (p.1188 in Pew Bible)
Gospel: **Matthew 25:1-13**, (p.994 in Pew Bible) or **John 15:9-17**

Youth Minister Appeal Update! Praise God – we now have pledges to cover the £90,000 3-year cost of this project, so thanks to all who made it possible!

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!**

The Horwich Civic Remembrance Service is TODAY at 12.15pm on the Memorial Gardens, Lever Park Avenue.



Sorry that the Midweek Services on the monthly sheet have the wrong venues!



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** (*as her arm recovers*) **Les Burtonwood**, & **Terry Litherland**.

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 **Audrey Mellor**, **Winnie Green**, **John Swift**, **Jean Beeby** & **Elaine Jeffers**.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



Open Door: Thursday 23rd November:
Super Swifts with **Louise Bentley**.

Then on Thursday 7th December – **Sleight of Mind** with **Peter Turner** also our Christmas Party - 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 Monday 13th November 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. 18th November 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 **Saturday. 25th November**. from 11am to 3pm, with Santa's Grotto, Craft Stalls, Refreshments, Tombola & Raffle. **Holy Trinity's Festive Market** is on **Saturday. 2nd December** – 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!

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 **NEXT Sunday 19th November** and the winners will be announced on Sunday 26th November.



Christmas Children's Crafts! The Horwich Community Centre are holding a Christmas Crafts morning on Monday 27th November at 10am–12 Noon. Make your own Christmas cards, decorations, tree holder, letter to Santa, & many more crafts, £3 including refreshments. To book: townclerk@horwich.gov.uk or

691090.

Thank you for all the boxes so far received. This Sunday is the last opportunity to take a box away to fill it. Our Shoebox Collection is next Sunday (19th). If anyone can help with the checking this week or next, please see Dave Hawes or Sue Preston.



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 21st 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 3rd 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 susanlavinia.kerr@gmail.com

Beer and Chat is on Wednesday 15th November at 7.30pm at the Brewery Bar, Hampson St, BL6 7JH (*Blackedge Brewery Bar, upstairs over the brewery*)

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

Festive Line Dance! Holy Trinity Namibia Committee invite you to our Festive Line Dance on Saturday 16th December starting at 2pm in the afternoon, at St. Elizabeth's Church Hall, Cedar Ave, Horwich. Tickets are £4 per person & this includes hot & cold drinks, & a mince pie or piece of shortbread. The Line Dance is recommended for beginners, but not suitable for under 10 years of age. All proceeds go to our Namibia Link Appeal supporting projects to enable our friends in Namibia to live better lives. We will, as always, have our Fair Trade Hamper Raffle – just in time for Christmas! Tickets are available from Margaret on 01024 690283, or Susan on 01204 692760, or at the back of Holy Trinity Church.

Advent Experience Sue Rayner is now putting the rota together for the visits of the schoolchildren to the Advent Experience at the end of this month - thanks if you have offered; please think if you can help. We would be glad if we could borrow 2 things: 1. a small CD player 2. does anyone have a copy of the animated DVD "The Prince of peace"? Jenny Dagnall

Church Giving for October 2017

1st Oct - £452.44 on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + £805.90 Standing Orders.

8th Oct - £337.09 on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + £805.90 Standing Orders.

15th Oct - £ 438.62 on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + £805.90 Standing Orders.

22nd Oct - £306.91 on plate (incl. all cash & env's) + £805.90 Standing Orders.

29th 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.