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**In your prayers this week, please ask FOR GOD'S COMFORT for : THE RECENTLY BEREAVED FAMILY& FRIENDS OF:** Nicola Thomlinson (daughter of Ken & Sue Denton), Chris Greenfield, **Colin Craston**, Margaret Kay and **Terry Holt**.

**THE ELDERLY & HOUSEBOUND:** Joan Meaden (now at Astley Grange) and Vera Miller.

**FOR GOD'S HEALING for: THE SICK OF ST. ELIZABETH'S:** Jean Garner

**THE SICK OF THE PARISH & BEYOND:**

If you would like to add or return anyone to the SICK lists **please let Sam know**

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(Please let Gill/clergy know of any concerns)

#### Authorised Lay Ministers

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

**Church Cleaning - Can you spare one hour per month to keep the church clean & tidy?** The cleaning team has now only 8 volunteers and presently clean the church every week. Without more volunteers the Church may only be cleaned fortnightly. **If anyone can help, please speak to Bev Strang or phone 07960 095591.**

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

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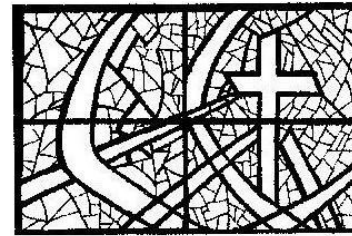
**Articles & Event Photos to Margaret by 2nd Friday of month.**

#### 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.



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# St Elizabeth's

*A vibrant church serving  
God and the Community*



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

## Sunday 4 March

10 am

**Pulse  
Family Worship**

**Readings:**

1 Corinthians 18-25  
John 2: 13-22



6.30 pm

**Evening Praise**

**Holy Trinity  
(All welcome)**

## Sunday 11 March Mothering Sunday

10 am

**Communion4all  
Family Communion**

**Readings:**

Ephesians 2: 1-10  
John 3: 14-21



6.30 pm

**Holy Communion**

**Holy Trinity  
(All welcome)**

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## DIARY & REMINDERS



# PULSE

Praise Understanding Love  
Serving Encourage

**A Brand new service, first Sunday in every month.**

A vibrant uplifting service for all ages to encourage and uplift spiritual health. A service which openly invites people of all ages to participate in activities from choosing your favourite hymn to involving people in topics of conversation.

**Next service - 4th of March "Looking into the Bible"**

**Monday 5 March**

14.00 Mad March Merriment, **St. Elizabeth's**

**Wednesday 7 March February**

09.30 Midweek Communion, **St. Elizabeth's**

18.30 Evening Service, **St. Elizabeth's**

**Thursday 8 March**

10.30 Time4You, **St. Elizabeth's**

19.30 Prayer Meet at **Margaret and Rick's**

**Friday 9 March**

10.30 Time4Twos, **St. Elizabeth's**

**Wednesday 14 March**

09.30 Midweek Communion, **Holy Trinity**

18.30 Evening Service, **St. Elizabeth's**

**Thursday 15 March**

10.30 Time4You, **St. Elizabeth's**

19.30 Prayer Meet at **Margaret and Rick's**

**Friday 16 March**

10.30 Time4Twos, **St. Elizabeth's**

### EASTER EGG BINGO

Back by popular demand **Monday 12th of March**. The Events Team of **St Elizabeth's church** are proud to present **Easter Egg Bingo 2018**. Doors open at 6:30pm, eyes down at 7:00pm.

There will be a small entrance charge, light refreshments and lots and lots of Easter eggs to be won. Invite all of your friends and family to this very exciting evening. For more details contact **Andy and Kath Ferrier** or **Bev Gowen** or Facebook the Events Team at **St Elizabeth's Church**.

**Saturday 24th March 4pm – 6pm .**

### MESSY CHURCH

an afternoon for ALL the family to engage in activities, crafts, stories, singing and FOOD!

**ALL FREE!**

Come along and join in or offers of help gratefully received.

### Social Events 2018

**Girls & Talk**, last Thursday of every month. 11 Torro from 8pm.

Call Jo on 01204 240508, for more details.

**Beer & Chat**, third Wednesday of every month. Brewery Bar, Hampson St. from 7.30pm.

Its a relaxed and sociable time, giving opportunity to chat about many different topics.

Call Gill on 07967585670, for more details.

Next dates 21 March and 18 April

**Easter Egg Bingo - 12 March**

**Church Day Out - Barge Trip - 10 June**

**St. Elizabeth's Summer Fete - 7 July**

### Churches Together In Horwich and Rivington Lent Meetings 2018

**Overall theme: Learning to deepen our prayer life.**

**Wednesday 7th March – Holy Trinity.**

**Source of light - prayer as listening**

Speaker: **David Griffiths**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March – St. John's Church.**

**Source of wholeness - prayer as honesty**

Speaker: **Michael Behrend**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – New Chapel.**

**Source of love - prayer as care** Speaker: **Stephen Fletcher**

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**All meetings start at 7.30pm & All welcome**

## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### #LiveLent – Let Your Light Shine!

Text **Lent** to 88802 & you'll get a text with a daily reflection for **FREE** throughout Lent. ([www.churchofengland.org/lent](http://www.churchofengland.org/lent))

### "How big is our God!"

This year's Lent Reading morning is **Isaiah chapters 40-55** where God reveals how much He loves us in many wonderful and well known promises and passages. Both Jesus and Paul quoted from these chapters and they include several prophecies of the life and death of the coming Servant, Jesus, to prepare us for the events of Good Friday and Easter Day. **Come and join us on Saturday March 17 at Holy Trinity from 10:30am to noon with refreshments.**

### Pastoral Care Board

We have a new notice board and some more detailed information. Please take a look, think & pray about where you fit in. Please feel free to speak to Jill or Jill, Michael or Peter with no obligation. We also have a **BIRTHDAY CHART** - please add your birth date ( and your age if it's a special one!) so we can all share in the pleasure.

**"Can you help in The Team Office?** If it is to operate effectively and continue to open each day the Team Office desperately needs some more volunteers. We would like to take over more of the admin work to help the clergy and in order to expand we are looking for people with different skills. If you think you can help for a couple of hours each week please **contact Susan Preston by emailing: churchteamoffice@gmail.com**

Thankyou to everyone who supported the **Flamingo Cards Open House**, we raised **£92** for the **Horwich Visiting Service**. Jill Harley

Great news! **Sandra's Housegroup** is restarting on **Monday 19th March** and fortnightly thereafter. Please contact Sandra on 692749, if you require any more information.

**Namibia Committee Brunch.** Many thanks to all who worked so hard, for the donations of items from Greenhalgh's, Tesco and our supporters plus thank you to the wonderful people who turned up on the day and had what seemed to be a great time! We raised the magnificent sum of £257.75 to support our Namibia projects."

**Open House! Caroline invites you to a new fellowship group on Tuesdays at her home (4 Evanstone Close, Horwich, BL6 5SQ). 'Open House' will run between 12.30-3pm every Tuesday & everyone is welcome, so bring along a friend.** A light lunch will be provided at 12.30pm followed by a short Bible study, then a time of discussion & prayer with tea/coffee & biscuits – arrive & leave whenever you wish, even if it's only for 15 minutes. **Contact: Caroline on 692303.**



**Bear Grylls: 'My favourite way to start the day!'** – search for the 'Bible In One Year' App & make 2018 a year in which you grow your faith in Jesus through prayer & Bible reading!

**Zoe's Trip** I will be flying to India on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018, and starting my World Challenge adventure. **Thanks to the generosity of the St. Elizabeth's family, I have almost raised the £2450 needed.** I still need to have my vaccinations and also buy some extra kit. I have a very busy itinerary in India, starting on arrival, where I have a few days to immerse in the culture, then straight onto the community project where I will be helping in a school with whatever needs doing. After that, I go on the Munnar Trek, reaching an altitude of just over 1600m. Finally, I will have time for 'rest and relaxation' and to experience the culture and maybe try something new. **Zoe Harley**

**Church Day Out** We decided it was time for another church family trip. For a total change, we have booked a Barge! **On July 14th, 11 am – 3.00 pm.** We meet the barge at Worsley, take a trip to Astley, turn around and moor at The Moorings, Boothstown - a pub! (that takes about 1.25 hrs). We will stop at the pub for about 2 hours and then take the barge back to Worsley (about 40 mins). The cost for this will be **£13.00 per person**. The maximum number we can take is 32. You buy your own lunch at the pub. (it may be possible to bring a picnic but will need to update you on that). If you would just like to do the pub option, you can meet us there! Access to the boat is via a small step up and 4 steps down – quite steep but with handrails each side and crew ready & willing to assist as needed. If you would like to come, please let Jill Harley know as soon as possible.