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In your prayers this week, please ask FOR GOD'S COMFORT for : THE RECENTLY BEREAVED FAMILY& FRIENDS OF: Mike Rose (husband of Julie Rose) 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

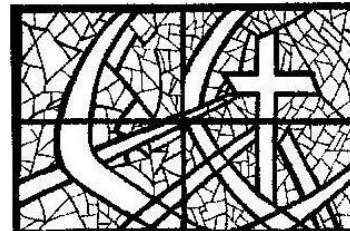
Pastoral Care: Jill Harley
Mission: Jane Thompson
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Church Cleaning - Can you spare one hour per month to keep the church clean & tidy? The cleaning team has now only 8 volunteers and presently clean the church every week. Without more volunteers the 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
Team Office: Mon-Fri 10-12. Tele:692252 **Email :** churchteamoffice@gmail.com
Team Magazine Editor: Margaret Broadfoot email: mbroadfoot283@btinternet.com
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 18 March

10 am

**Word4you
Morning Worship**

Readings:

Hebrews 5: 5-10
John 12: 20-23



6.30 pm

'God So Loved The World'
A Passiontide Devotion for
Congregation & Choir – **JOIN US!**

**Holy Trinity
(All welcome)**

Sunday 25 March Palm Sunday

10 am

**Communion4you
Holy Communion**

Readings:

Philippians 2: 5-11
Mark 14: 1-15



6.30 pm

**God [Space] led by CYFA, come
& encourage God,
you & them!**

**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 - 1st of April

Wednesday 21 March

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

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

Thursday 22 March

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

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

Friday 23 March

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

Wednesday 28 March

09.30 Midweek Communion, **Holy Trinity**

Thursday 29 March

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

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

Friday 30 March

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

See **HOLY WEEK** for Services at Lizzies

Saturday 24th March 4pm – 6pm .

MESSY CHURCH + Buffet

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

All FREE!

If anybody can help on the day or make a donation towards the buffet, please call Sharon on 07854130010. Thank you!

£130 for Church Funds – Ecclesiastical Insurance (who insure our church buildings) are celebrating their 130th Anniversary & thru a "Trust 130" Campaign, will donate £130 direct to church for any new Home Insurance Policy taken out by our members. Simply quote "Trust 130" when you apply (www.ecclesiastical.com) before 31st Dec, 2018, so check this when your renewal is due to see if it's competitive? *We've already received 1 payment of £130 from a Churchmember who has done this (it was the best comparative quote, too!), but the more the merrier! Thank you!*

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.

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

Church Day Out - Barge Trip - 14 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.

Friday 23rd March – New Chapel.
Source of love - prayer as care Speaker: **Stephen Fletcher**

All meetings start at 7.30pm & All welcome

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

"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**

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 Gill 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.

DISCIPLESHIP | EXPLORED

Discipleship Explored helps followers of Jesus 'turn up the gospel soundtrack to their lives'. It focuses on the music which drives discipleship: the love of Christ. The greatest love anyone can ever know. This eight session journey through Paul's letter to the Philippians is ideal for believers at any stage of the Christian life. It features brand-new documentary-style films and inspiring real-life stories from around the world. **Starting Wednesday Evening 18th April.** **Contact Michael (697162) to book onto the course.**

"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**

My Beloved Son – a presentation of the life of Christ in music & narration – at the Triangle Methodist Church on Friday 30th & Saturday 31st March at 7.30pm. To book tickets (£5), phone Methodist Circuit Office on 654285.

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.

Women's World Day of Prayer Service (rearranged) on Friday 6th April at 7.30pm in Horwich Evangelical Church, Wright Street (BL6 7HU) – all welcome whether women, men or children. This beautiful service has the theme is *'All God's Creation is Very Good'*, written by the women of Suriname.



Easter Service St. Elizabeth's Church

Sun 25 March Palm Sunday

10.00am Communion 4 U

6.30pm CYFA do God Space, **Holy Trinity**

Mon 26 6.30pm Holy Week Reflection

Tue 27 6.30pm Holy Week Reflection

Wed 28 6.30pm Holy Week Reflection
and Holy Communion

Thu 29 March Maundy Thursday

7.00pm Maundy Thursday Meal

Fri 30 March Good Friday

10.00am Good Friday Reflection

Sat 31 6.30pm Holy Week Reflection

Sun 1 April Easter Sunday

10.00am Family Communion

All services at St Elizabeth's unless otherwise stated. **Everyone is welcome**

Below the Pike Magazine Do you have an interesting story to tell our readers? Maybe about your own life? Or how, when or why you became a member of St. Elizabeth's? A special anniversary or family event that was a bit different. Perhaps, a name or memory of someone from the Great war years (2018 marks 100 years since the war ended), so we can all say thank you to them. Your article does not have to be particularly long but it would be good to hear about other peoples lives and experiences. Please talk to me if you are unsure if your article is suitable. Thank you! **Shirley Sharples,**