

TALKS ABOUT THE REFORMATION

Did you know that it is 500 years since the Reformation when Martin Luther, Thomas Cranmer, John Bunyan and others promoted ideas which led to the transformation the church?

Mottram parish church are organising a series of lectures to inform and celebrate these events. They will all be held at the Magdalene Centre, Mottram Road, Broadbottom, SK14 6BB at 7.30pm on Thursday evenings and all are welcome. (We have been asked not to park on the main road by the centre.)

26th October

The King, The Archbishop and The Book of Common Prayer – Thomas Cranmer and the birth of the Church of England

23rd November The Preacher, The Prisoner and the Pilgrim – John Bunyan and Pilgrim's Progress

ST MATTHEWS CLEANING

We are once again very short of volunteers to clean St Matthews which means that the people on the rota are having to do it every week or fortnight. Could you spare an hour or two once a month so that we can reduce this load on a few people? Please speak to Tom asap or to Karen Gascoigne who could explain what is involved.

COLLECTION

We do not pass a collection plate during our services - instead we have a basket near the church entrance where we ask people to place their gifts towards God's work. The work of the church depends upon the regular faithful giving of God's people and we encourage all who consider themselves members of Holy Trinity to give using envelopes or by standing order so that we can reclaim Gift Aid on their donations.

If you don't already give in this way, please speak to Jamie Shepherd or Mark Wilde for more information or pick up a finance information pack from the back of church.

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The church office is open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9.00am to 3.00pm and Wednesday 10.00am to 3.00pm



October 8th 2017

Sunday 8th October

9.15am and 11.15am Morning Praise and Children's Groups

'Stepping out in Witness'
2 Tim 1: 6-13

3.00pm Men's Football

Monday 9th October

9.15am Family Forum
7.30pm Alpha Course in St Matthews

Tuesday 10th October

10.30am Ladies coffee group
1.30pm and 7.30pm CAP Course

Wednesday 11th October

9.00am Prayer Meeting
10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop
6.30pm Alive! Youth Club

Thursday 12th October

7.15pm Youth Encounter
7.30pm Worship Group

Friday 13th October

11.00am Mary Mullally's Funeral at Hazel Grove

Saturday 14th October

9.00am Street Pastor
bacon butty morning
9.30am Clear up morning
10.30am S.Pastor prayer meeting
7.00pm Nathan Tasker concert

Sunday 15th October

9.15am and 11.15am Communion and Children's Groups
'Stepping out in Community'
Hebrews 10: 19-25

WELCOME !!

We are delighted that you are here for our services this morning. If you are visiting or new to Holy Trinity it's great to have you with us - we hope that you feel at home.

Please make yourself known to one of the welcome team (wearing white badges) after the service - they would love to get you a cup of coffee and tell you a bit about the church.



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ALPHA



Our Alpha course is running on Monday evenings from 7.30pm in St Matthews. We start with a meal, then listen to a talk and then break into groups to discuss. You don't have to say anything but it's very relaxed and you can ask any questions you want.

Alpha is a great way of finding out more about the Christian faith, of renewing and refreshing your faith, or of finding answers to those questions you never dared ask before! It's not too late to join the course – please speak to Tom or Will today if you are interested.

MARY MULLALLY

Mary's funeral will be at 11.00am on Friday 13th October and will be held at Hazel Grove Full Gospel Church, London Road, Hazel Grove.

PASTORAL CARE AND VISITING

If you know of someone who is unwell, in hospital or would like a visit because they cannot get to church, please let Cris know through the church office or speak directly to Rachel Drain who coordinates our Visiting Team.

MEN'S FOOTBALL

We're organising another game of football **today, Sunday 8th October** at Astley Sports Village, Yew Tree Lane, Dukinfield. Kick-off is 3.00pm and we'll be playing on the outdoor astroturf pitch round at the back of the college. Cost is £2 for adults, 14-17yr olds free.

Please invite friends and family to play - all abilities welcome! It would be great to have some new people joining us as well as the regulars so please spread the word.

For more information, or if you need a lift, please contact Chris Chester on 07982 615740 mail@chrischester.plus.com or Jamie Shepherd on 07760 435780 jamiesheps@hotmail.com

FOODBANK

Thank you for your continued support of our Foodbank. At the moment we are short of tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, tinned fish, tinned tomatoes, jam and tinned sponge puddings. Could you please supply these items in preference to other things if possible?



BOOKSTALL

Thanks to Barry Edge for once again re-stocking our bookstall. Please have a browse after the service – there are some great books available. If there is a particular book you would like to get, have a word with Barry.

NATHAN TASKER CONCERT

St Mary's Houghton Green are hosting a concert by Nathan Tasker on Saturday 14th October at 7.00pm.

'Nathan is considered Australia's pre-eminent Christian singer-songwriter. He is from Sydney and has 12 top ten radio singles and received awards for "Artist of the Year" in 2006 and 2011. Moving to the US in 2006 he has toured extensively with Mercy Me, Michael W Smith, Keith & Kristyn Getty, and Newsboys among others.'

Gently evangelistic, the concert will be suitable for non-Christians as well as Christians of all ages. Entry is £5 per person (£2 concessions) and you can sign up to reserve seats via this google form <https://goo.gl/forms/ZSMhAGmKjyvHTF2o1> or via the church office email smhg.office@gmail.com.

STREET PASTORS



Our Street Pastors do a brilliant job of patrolling the streets of Stalybridge every Saturday evening and into the early hours of Sunday morning. They are always looking for new recruits and for people to pray for them so if you would like to know more about what they do and how you could help you are invited to a drop in morning on **Saturday 14th October in St Matthews from 9.00am – 10.15am** with free bacon butties!

For those who would like to pray for Street Pastors, there will be a prayer event in St Matthews following on from 10.30am – 12.30pm.

The following week on **Saturday 21st October**, Tameside Voices are putting on a fundraising concert for Street Pastors in St John's Church, Dukinfield at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5.00 and are available from Abigail Marabicio and our other Street Pastors.

HOUSEHOLD DONATIONS AND PRAY FOR ME

If you have any household donations please send details to:
holy.trinity.donations@gmail.com

If you have any prayer requests please email them to:
prayformeht@gmail.com