

## LITTLE GEMS

We could still use more helpers with our Little Gems (0-4's) groups that meet in the church lounge during both of our services. At the moment this is being carried by just a few people which means that they rarely get into church for services themselves and often they also have young children which makes it doubly difficult.

Could you help? Perhaps consider coming to serve in Little Gems at one service and worship yourself at the other one? Please speak to Tom, Heather Shepherd or Michelle Singh for more information.



## MEN'S WEEKEND

Leaflets for the Men's Weekend in Yorkshire from 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> July are now available at the back of church. Please get your deposit in to secure a place.



## NEW WINE WOMEN'S DAY



Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, Harrogate International Centre 9.15am – 4.30pm. Bookings are now open online for this event at [www.new-wine.org/events](http://www.new-wine.org/events) which has been a great encouragement to many in the

past. The day will be based around Isaiah 61 and will explore what it means for women to display God's splendour. The vision is to inspire, challenge and empower by worship, talks, stories, seminars and ministry in the power of the Holy Spirit. Speakers include Lizzy Robinson, Jo Saxton, Nad Parkinson and Nicole Brown. Tickets cost £20. **Please speak to Jeanette Callaghan or Judy Parker for more information.**

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

# HOLY TRINITY

STALYBRIDGE



April 10th 2016

**Sunday 10th April**  
9.15am and 11.15am Communion  
and Children's Groups

"Why worship?"  
Mark 14:1-9

4.00pm Preachers meeting  
at the vicarage

**Tuesday 12th April**  
10.30am Book Club in  
St Matthews

**Wednesday 13th April**  
9.00am Prayer Meeting  
10.00am Bridge Cafe  
2.00pm Craft, Art and Knitting Group  
7.30pm Holiday at Home meeting  
In the church lounge

**Thursday 14th April**  
7.30pm Worship Group

**Friday 15th April**  
12noon Carers Connect

**Saturday 16th April**  
9.30am - 5.00pm Walk through the  
Bible at St James, Glossop  
10.00am Prayer Walk  
2.00pm Wedding Blessing

**Sunday 17th April**  
9.15am and 11.15am Communion  
and Children's Groups

"Why Welcome?"  
Acts 28: 1-10

7.30pm 'Dig Deeper'  
in St Matthews

## Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us for our services today. Please make yourself known to one of the stewards at the end - they greeted you on the way in and they all wear white badges. One of them will be delighted to get you a cup of coffee, tell you a little about the church and give you a welcome pack.



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## WHY DO WE DO WHAT WE DO?

Our new teaching series begins today and we will be looking at why we do what we do in our services Sunday by Sunday but also unpacking how these activities can be applied to the whole of our lives. Our monthly Family services on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 19<sup>th</sup> June (Father's Day) and 24<sup>th</sup> July will look at the topics 'Ransomed', 'Healed', 'Restored' and 'Forgiven' – great services to invite friends to!



## HOLIDAY AT HOME

Following the great success of our previous events, we are once again organising a 'Holiday at Home' for those who might not otherwise get away or are lonely or shut in. This year it will run for two days – Wednesday and Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> July.

Would you like to help, have you creative ideas for activities or entertainment? Our next planning meeting is on **Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup>** 7.30pm in the church lounge. All welcome. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF VENUE.**



## ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Don't miss the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm.**

This is the meeting where our financial accounts for the year are presented, we elect our churchwardens, PCC members and welcome team for the coming year and we review and give thanks for all that God has done amongst us.

Nomination forms for churchwardens, PCC members, Assistant Wardens and Welcome Team members (Sidespersons) are now on the noticeboards in the church lounge. Sidespersons need to put their names forward each year so please sign up if you're willing to continue and please nominate people for other posts today!



## WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE



Lots of people are unsure about how the Bible fits together and what the different books are all about. This is a great way to put that right! Walk through the Bible OT is just that – Bringing the Bible to life a walk through the Old Testament books of the Bible in a day.

This is being held at St James Church Glossop **next Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup>** and will run from 9.30am to 5.00pm. Tickets are £14 and you can book online or ring St James on 01457 853330.

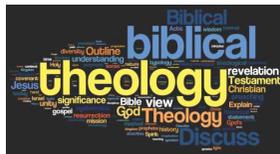
## DIG DEEPER - THEOLOGICAL SKILLS FOR NORMAL PEOPLE

Can I tell you a secret? You don't need to be scared of words like 'hermeneutics' and 'exegesis'. If you've ever thought about God, you're already a theologian.

In this 5-session course we're going to journey together in digging a little deeper, as we look at how the Bible fits together and learn some skills to help us study and interpret scripture on a level you might have always wanted to but struggled to know where to start. The Bible is 'shallow enough for a toddler to paddle and deep enough for an elephant to wade'... but who wants to stay at the shallow end? Why not come and get equipped with the tools to dig deeper?

Sunday evenings 7:30pm in St Matthews on:  
17th April, 24th April, 15th May, 22nd May, 5th June

Please speak to or email Luke to sign up.



## TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND

One or two people have expressed an interest in taking part in a trip to the Holy Land. The Diocese are organising such a trip next year between 28<sup>th</sup> March and 6<sup>th</sup> April and it will be led by our Bishops. Further details can be found on the Diocesan website ([www.chester.anglican.org](http://www.chester.anglican.org) – search 'Holy Land').

If you are interested or would like to know more, please speak to Tom.



## FOODBANK

Thank you for your continued support of the foodbank. Despite having good stocks of food we are almost always short of sponge puddings, instant mash, canned fish, canned fruit and canned tomatoes. Please could you supply these items in preference to others if possible? Thank you.



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