

PRAYER

Don't forget our weekly prayer meeting in St Matthews on Wednesday mornings from 9.00 – 9.45am. A great way to start the day – all are welcome.



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.

If you do not give regularly but would like to make a donation today, please use one of the envelopes on the cupboards at the back and place it in the basket before or after the service. Thank you!

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:
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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



HOLY TRINITY

STALYBRIDGE



December 10th 2017
Second Sunday in Advent

Sunday 10th December

9.15am and 11.15am Communion
and Children's Groups

'God's great plan'

Matthew 1: 18-25

4.00pm and 7.00pm Carol Services

Monday 11th December

9.15am Family Forum party

Tuesday 12th December

10.30am Ladies Coffee group

7.30pm West Hill School Carol Service

Wednesday 13th December

9.00am Prayer Meeting

10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop

6.30pm Alive youth club

7.30 West Hill School Carol Service

Thursday 14th December

11.00am Sybil Slater's Funeral Service

1.30pm Gorse Hall School

Carol Service

5.00 -7.00pm Carol Singing at
the Station

Friday 15th December

11.00am Trinity School Assembly

7.00pm Connect Evening

Saturday 16th December

1.00pm - 4.00pm Christmas Treat and
Memory Tree

Sunday 17th December

9.15am - 11.15am 'Nativity from
Scratch'

3.00pm Wedding Blessing

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.



WORSHIPPING GOD
BUILDING COMMUNITY
SERVING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Please join us and invite friends to any of the following services –
Carol Services **today 10th December 4.00 and 7.00pm** followed by mince pies and refreshments

'Nativity from Scratch' on Sunday 17th December at 9.15 and 11.15am

Crib Service on Christmas Eve at 4.00pm and Midnight Communion at 11.30pm

Christmas Family Praise on Christmas Day at 10.30am

Our annual community Carol Sing will be at Stalybridge station on Thursday 14th December from 5.00 – 7.00pm.

Come and join us to cheer commuters as they arrive home!



CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

Many thanks for all your donations - the lorry left for Romania a few days ago with about 600 more shoeboxes than last year so many more families will receive a gift this Christmas. Please remember prayer for Paula Chester and the Amen team – they flew out to Romania on Friday (returning 17th December) to meet the lorry and assist with the distribution in the gypsy villages and orphanages.



CHRISTMAS TREAT & MEMORY TREE

We would like to invite anyone who has been bereaved or would benefit from a time of fellowship to join us at the above event on **Saturday 16th December from 1.00 – 4.00pm**. There will be cakes and mince pies in the church lounge, Christmas carols and an opportunity to have a hand massage. You will also be able to remember a loved one by personalising a heart and hanging it on our memory tree in church if you would like to. **There is no charge but please sign up at the back to give us an idea of numbers for catering purposes.**



TOM AND JUDY'S FINAL SERVICE

Please note Tom and Judy's final service will be a joint service on the 31st December at 10.30am.



'CONNECT' EVENING

Don't miss our next 'Connect' evening on Friday 15th December at 7.00pm in St Matthews - for all the church family and friends, all ages welcome.

Table tennis, board games, nibbles and drinks, conversation, time to chill and relax. Please join us!

COMMUNION

It can take quite a while for everyone to receive communion but it's good to keep an atmosphere of prayer whilst this is happening. So after you have received yourself please resist the temptation to chat to others and take the opportunity instead to be still and quiet, to go to the side chapel for prayer, to reflect on the sermon, and to pray for others who are still going up to receive.



BOOK STALL

Barry has recently restocked the book stall with a new selection of books. Please have a look, there may be something to give as a Christmas present or something to read over the Christmas break ?



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.



TESCO FOODBANK COLLECTION

Thanks to all who helped in any way with the Foodbank collection – 2476.46kg of food was donated and we are very grateful.

