

ISHMAEL PRAISE PARTY

We are hosting a Praise Party with 'Ishmael' on Saturday 25th November from 10.00 to 11.00am in church – especially for 7-11 year olds but all ages welcome. Admission is free but please get a ticket from Tom.



LUKE GOSPEL READING PROJECT

After a long pause the Bible Reading Project is back - we plan to record the whole of Luke's gospel (read by members of Holy Trinity) onto CD. We still need volunteers to read passages, record other readers, edit audio files, burn CD's and print audio sleeves. If you can help please speak to Peter Bull or Tom asap.

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.



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 welcome.

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.

'CONNECT' EVENING

Don't miss our next 'Connect' evening on Friday 24th November 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!

There is a sign-up sheet at the back if you would like to bring some food to share. Future date for your diary - Friday 15th December.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Details of our Christmas services are now available on invitation cards at the back –

- Carol Services on Sunday 10th December 4.00 and 7.00pm
- 'Nativity from Scratch' on Sunday 17th December at 9.15 and 11.15am
- Crib Service on Christmas Eve at 4.00pm
- Midnight Communion at 11.30pm
- Christmas Family Praise on Christmas Day at 10.30am

Please take some cards and start inviting people!



KAIROS YOUTH EVENT

'Kairos' is a Greek word meaning a special moment in time when anything can happen! Come and join us on **Sunday 26th November from 5.00 – 7.00pm** in St Matthews for an evening of fun and games, a chance to spend time with other young people, to worship God and be inspired about how you can be a light in this world. For young people at Holy Trinity and St Paul's Stalybridge.

HOUSEHOLD DONATIONS

We have various items which have been donated and are available for anyone who can give them a good home. These include:

- Small Christmas tree and decorations
- TV freeview box
- Climbing frame
- Two electric radiators
- Gents mountain bike

Please contact Matthew Edmondson on holy.trinity.donations@gmail.com if you could use any of these items or have other things to donate.



CLEAR UP MORNING

The next Stalybridge clear up morning will be on Saturday 25th November from 9.30-12.30am. It's good to be doing something practical together to help improve our town and we're glad that the church community can be a focal point to help this to happen. Please just come for an hour if you can't make the whole morning – there's a great atmosphere and it's surprisingly good fun!

Please note - we will be meeting in St Matthews at 9.30am because of the Praise Party taking place in church.

CHURCH ROOF CLEAR UP

The church roof is nearing completion (hooray!) and we have programmed in some redecoration of the side aisles and also to have the carpets in the church and lounge cleaned.



Before that happens we need to give the church a thorough clean so we are asking for volunteers this week on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, 14th -16th November, anytime between 10.00am and 4.00pm. Please don't just turn up but let Clive Hustwick know if you can help on buildingsmanager@holytrinity.stalybridge.org or through the church office so that he can organise teams.

GOSPEL CHOIR

The choir are getting together again for the Carol Services on Sunday 10th December (4.00pm and 7.00pm). Enthusiastic newcomers welcome!

Rehearsals will all be **1.30pm-2.30pm** in church on **Sundays 19th November, 26th November and 3rd December**. Folk from the 9.15am service often pop home for lunch and then come back while those from the 11.15am service usually bring a sandwich to eat after the service and stay on at church.

The choir will also be performing in Tesco on Saturday 9th December at approximately 10.30am and around Tameside Hospital on the afternoon of Sunday 17th December (tbc).

See Sue Green for more details or email drummersue@hotmail.com to be sent a link to the materials on Dropbox.

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



November 12th 2017

Sunday 12th November

9.15am and 11.15am Morning Praise and Children's Groups with Act of Remembrance

'Stepping out in serving'

Matthew 25: 14-30

4.00pm Bereavement Service

Monday 13th November

9.15am Family Forum

7.30pm Alpha Course in St Matthews

Tuesday 14th November

10.30am Ladies Coffee group

Wednesday 15th November

9.00am Prayer Meeting

10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop

6.30pm Alive youth club

7.30pm PCC meeting in church

Thursday 16th November

7.15pm Youth Encounter

7.30pm Worship group

Friday 17th November

12 noon Carers Connect

7.00pm 'I Daniel Blake' film

Saturday 18th November

9.30am -1.30pm Dying Matters

Sunday 19th November

9.15am and 11.15am Communion and Children's Groups

'Stepping out in discipleship'

Philippians 3: 7 -14

1.30pm - 2.30pm Gospel Choir

4.00pm PCC meeting

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping, those who have died for their country in war; those whom we knew, and those whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of mankind.

They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old: age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

We will remember them.

THE SILENCE



Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: Hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**WORSHIPPING GOD
BUILDING COMMUNITY
SERVING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD**

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.

BEREAVEMENT SERVICE

Join us this afternoon for our Bereavement Service which will provide an opportunity to remember loved ones and give thanks for their lives. There will be some hymns and readings, a time of quiet, and the opportunity to bring a flower forward and ask for your loved one's name to be read out if you would like.

There is a sheet at the back of church to write names of those attending and the names of the loved ones to be remembered – or phone Janet D'Anzi on 0161 303 7024 / 07961 520491 to add a name.

'I, DANIEL BLAKE'

This is the title of a powerful, beautiful and depressing drama about dignity in the face of humiliation exploring the challenges of the benefits system. Join us for a screening of the film in St Matthews this Friday, 17th November at 7.00pm followed by a discussion of the issues raised. **Please note the film is rated 15 and contains strong language.**

AMEN SHOE BOXES

Boxes should be in today – if you've forgotten please drop off at church between 9.00am and 3.00pm tomorrow. Many thanks!

FOODBANK

At the moment the foodbank has very low or no stocks of :
fruit drinks, long life milk, dried milk, tinned custard, sponge and jam puddings



Could you please supply these items in preference to other things if possible?

We will also be collecting in food in Tesco on **Thursday 30th November, Friday 1st December and Saturday 2nd December from 9.00am to 5.00pm.** Could you spare a couple of hours to help in the store, sorting food at St Matthews or with transport to the warehouse? Sign up sheets available next week.

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 have been hosting a series of lectures to inform and celebrate these events. The last in the series will be held at the Magdalene Centre, Mottram Road, Broadbottom, SK14 6BB at 7.30pm on Thursday evening 23rd November and is entitled:

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

All are welcome. (We have been asked not to park on the main road by the centre.)

DYING MATTERS

How can we prepare for death? We all know it can be hard to talk about the future – in fact more than half of UK adults admit to avoiding difficult conversations about things like Wills and Funeral plans. This Saturday 18th November in St Matthews we will try to help the conversation along by looking at topics like:

- Being at peace with God
- Being at peace with others
- Funeral arrangements
- Money matters
- Our future hope

We'll start at 9.30am and finish with a soup lunch together at 12.30pm. Please speak to Tom or contact the church office to book a place.

REAL ADVENT CALENDAR

The Real Advent Calendar is a great way for parents, grandparents and Godparents to share the Christmas story. The calendar comes with a free 24 page Christmas story activity book with a page for every day in Advent and some fun advent challenges along the way. Behind each of the 25 windows is part of the Christmas story and a festive shaped Fairtrade milk chocolate.



The Real Advent Calendar is designed to share and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas so that Christ is not written out of Christmas and from every sale a donation is made to the Funzi and Bodo Trust which is working to equip a clinic in Kenya. The calendars are £4.00 each and are now available.