

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 Beryl Pickersgill 01457 762020 who coordinates our Visiting Team.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note these dates – more details to follow.

Hillsong and Worship Central Worship evening, Friday 25th November in Huddersfield

Ladies' Weekend away - 17th to 19th February 2017

Men's Weekend away - 9th to 11th June 2017

PRAYER

Don't forget the weekly prayer meeting on Wednesdays from 9.00 – 9.45am in St Matthews. Please join us if you can – a great way to start the day!



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!

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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 23rd 2016

Sunday 23rd October
9.15am and 11.15am
Family Services with Baptisms
'Jesus Bread of Life'
John 6: 25-35

Monday 24th October
7.30pm Alpha Course

Wednesday 26th October
9.00am Prayer meeting
10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop
2.00pm Craft, Art & Knitting

Thursday 27th October
7.30pm Worship Group

Friday 28th October
10.30am Bible Study

Sunday 30th October
9.15am and 11.15am
Communion and Children's groups
'Dealing with Discouragement'
Nehemiah 4:1-18
4.30pm Light party in St Matthews

WELCOME

We are delighted that you have joined us for our family services today. A special welcome to the family and friends of Toby Pillar who is being baptised in the 9.15am service and of Adam Giovanni who is being baptised in the 11.15am service.

We are fairly relaxed and informal and there are activities during the service and a special song when all the children are invited to come forward and join in. If they (or you!) become too frazzled, please feel free to use the lounge area at the back of church – there are toys in the drawers and you will still be able to hear the service – but please do not leave children unsupervised in this area.

We hope you enjoy your time with us.



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LIGHT PARTY

We're having a Light Party for children aged 5-11 on Sunday 30th October from 4.30 - 6.00pm in St Matthews. There will be games, stories and teaching and we need a few more volunteers to help. Please contact Stephen on 312 5229 or stephen@holyltrinity.stalybridge.org or speak to Tom or Will after the service.



BEREAVEMENT SERVICE

Have you lost someone close to you recently, or even a long time ago? Do you know someone nearby who has been bereaved in the last year or so? Our Bereavement Service on **Sunday 13th November at 4.00pm** is a chance to remember them and to give thanks for their life. 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.

The service is open to all in the community whether or not they have a church background and it's a great opportunity to invite anyone you know who has been bereaved recently or even some time ago. Invitations are available at the back of church – please speak to Janet and Nick D'Anzi or Will for more information.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

As in previous years, we are inviting people to prepare Christmas Shoeboxes to go to poor communities in Romania. Our boxes will be distributed through Mana church in Sighisoara. Pilu, known to many in Holy Trinity, is pastor there and they have a great work in the villages and communities around the town. Boxes should be standard shoebox size (no bootboxes please) and are for families so please include something for mum, dad and children. Please wrap entirely in Christmas paper with at least £2 attached to the outside to cover transport costs.



See leaflets at the back of church or contact Paula Chester for more details – Paula has some empty shoeboxes if you need one and has also made up a sample box to give you an idea of what's needed. **Boxes to be in by Sunday 13th November please!**

NEW WINE MEN'S DAY



MEN'S DAY

Saturday 19th November 9.30am to 4.00pm at St Mark's Harrogate - a day of teaching and encouragement to help us to grow in confidence in our faith. Speakers include Mark Melluish, Nathan Blackaby, Justyn Rees Larcombe, Phil Emeerson and Mark Tate. Cost is £22. Please book online

at www.new-wine.org but let us know you've booked so we can share transport.

SUMMER CONFERENCE

30th July – 5th August 2017 at Royal and Bath Showground, Somerset. Join us for a fantastic week of teaching, worship and fellowship! Book before 30th November for early bird discount rates.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT

Book Club Plus are hosting another creative afternoon on Tuesday 15th November from 1.30 – 4.00pm in St Matthews. Jacqui Watkins will be leading a workshop with some Christmas Craft ideas and there will be tea and scones available. £1.00 donation to cover costs and all are welcome. Please sign up at the back if you would like to attend.



RED CARPET AREA

We offer prayer in the side chapel area each week during communion and/or at the end of the service. There is also a large open space next to the side chapel in the chancel which is very tempting for children to run around and play in – but the two things don't go well together!



Could we ask parents to keep children out of this area so that those being prayed for are not disturbed? Many thanks for your help!

THANK YOU

Thanks to all who contributed to the Tear Fund Haiti appeal - £349.29 was raised and has been sent off.

The logo for Tearfund, consisting of the word "tearfund" in white lowercase letters on a yellow rectangular background.

BOOKSTALL



The bookstall has just been restocked with lots of new books. There may be something to read for yourself, or a book to buy for a Christmas present for someone? Please have a look.