

## REAL LIVES 2016

Four churches from Mottram and Hattersley are holding a series of events and meetings with the theme '5 days, 6 lives, 1 story'. The five days are Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October and will feature 6 special guests from very different backgrounds but all sharing a similar story of how their Christian faith has impacted their lives. This will all take place in a big tent on the car park behind the Hub in Hattersley (next to Tesco) apart from one event with Fiona Castle at the Magdalene Centre in Broadbottom which will also be ticketed.

The speakers will be David Hamilton - former member of the UDF, Millie Houslow, Fiona Castle, Chris Matthewman and Lamp Collective theatre company, Michael Garry and David Donegani. All are welcome at these events and they would be great to take friends too. More details on the noticeboard and at [www.reallives2016.co.uk](http://www.reallives2016.co.uk).



September 25th 2016

### Sunday 25th September

9.15am Family Service

11.15am Family service with Baptism

*'Jesus, Friend of Sinners'*

Mark 9: 9-13

### Monday 26th September

9.15am Family Forum

7.30pm Alpha leaders meeting

### Tuesday 27th September

11.00am Book Club at The Roe Cross

1.30pm and 7.30pm CAP course

### Wednesday 28th September

9.00am Prayer meeting

10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop

2.00pm Craft, Art & Knitting

7.00pm Youth Engage

7.30pm 'Real Lives' begins in Hattersley

### Thursday 29th September

12.30pm Creative cookery  
in St Matthews

7.15pm Youth Encounter

7.30pm Worship Group

### Friday 30th September

6.00pm Ladies Social

### Sunday 2nd October

9.15am and 11.15am

Communion and Children's groups

*'Stepping out for God'*

Nehemiah 2:1-10

6.30pm Breathe Service

## WELCOME TO BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY !

We are delighted that you have joined us for our services today. You may be here to attend Rosie's baptism, because you were invited by a friend or you may have just come by chance this morning.

Whatever the reason, we're glad you are here and hope you enjoy your time with us.



## BREATHE

In the midst of our busy lives it is important for us to take time to be still and listen to God. That is the purpose of our evening Breathe services the first of which is **next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 6.30pm**. An opportunity to let God breathe his breath into us, to be still, to listen to his word, to go deeper.

## FOODBANK

Thanks to all who continue to support the Foodbank with regular donations of food.

We are in **URGENT** need of:

Fruit Drinks, Coffee, Custard and Sponge Puddings,  
Tinned Fish and Tinned Meat, Tomatoes and Tinned Fruit.

Please supply these items in preference to anything else if you can.  
Many thanks!



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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

WORSHIPPING GOD BUILDING COMMUNITY SERVING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

## SMALL GROUPS DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Small groups and Discipleship groups started last week. We are encouraging all members of Holy Trinity to get on board, so if you haven't signed up please speak to Will asap.

We're asking you to commit for one year which is only 38 meetings!



## ALPHA



Our next Alpha course will be starting soon. It will run on Monday evenings from October 3<sup>rd</sup> until December 12<sup>th</sup>. 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! Could this be for you or do you know someone who would benefit from doing the course? Please speak to Tom or Will if you are interested. Invitation forms are at the back.

## WORK PARTY

Thanks to all who helped at the work party on Saturday!



## LADIES' SOCIAL EVENING

All ladies are warmly invited to social evening in St Matthews this Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September from 6.00pm – 9.00pm. There will be pizza followed by a showing of the film 'Florence Nightingale'. Tickets are £4 to cover the cost of food and refreshments. Please speak to Beth Lindemann for more information or to let her know of any dietary requirements.



## HEALING MINISTRY TRAINING

There are details at the back of church about the next training weekend for learning healing ministry led by Bishop Graham Dow from September 30<sup>th</sup> to October 2<sup>nd</sup> at St Paul's church, Astley Bridge, Bolton. Please speak to Tom if you are interested.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note these dates – more details to follow.

Winning Women Worldwide breakfast, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 9.15am at Dukinfield Congregational Church.

New Wine Men's day, Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November in Harrogate – bookings now open on the New Wine website.

Hillsong and Worship Central Worship evening, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November in Huddersfield

Ladies' Weekend away - 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017

## HOUSEHOLD DONATIONS

We are aware of that many in our community are in need of household goods and at the same time many of us have more stuff than we know what to do with, so we are setting up a way that we can help those in need and de-clutter the things we no longer need. We are grateful to Matthew Edmondson who is going to head this up.

If anyone has any unrequired furniture, white goods, bedding, kitchen goods, bikes, etc please speak to Matthew or email ; [holy.trinity.donations@gmail.com](mailto:holy.trinity.donations@gmail.com) Alternatively, if there is anyone in need of such items can they also get in touch so we know what to be on the look-out for. Many thanks.



## HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

We could use volunteers to join teams to help in various areas – notably with Little Gems, Visuals, Sound and cleaning St Matthews. Please speak to the group leaders, Tom or Will.

## CREATIVE COOKERY

Book Club Plus are organising a Creative Cookery afternoon on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September in St Matthews from 12.30pm to 4.00pm. Everyone is welcome. Yvonne Bolton will lead by demonstrating how to make three different curries followed by a grand tasting session. £2.00 donation to cover costs. Please sign up at the back if you would like to come or contact Yvonne or Lucie Clucas for more information.



## 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!

## MEN'S FOOTY

We're organising another game of football on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October** at Astley Sports Village, Yew Tree Lane, Dukinfield. Kick-off is 3pm and we'll be playing on the outdoor astroturf pitch round at the back of the college. Cost will be £2 each. All abilities welcome! Why not invite friends and family to play?

For more information, or if you need a lift, please contact Chris Chester on 07982 615740 [mail@chrischester.plus.com](mailto:mail@chrischester.plus.com) or Jamie Shepherd on 07760435780 [jamiesheps@hotmail.com](mailto:jamiesheps@hotmail.com)



## 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!



## THANK YOU!

George Watkins would like to pass on his sincere thanks to all those who thought of him and visited him whilst he was in hospital and at the Millbrook Centre. He is now home and starting to feel much better.



## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land takes place with all three of our bishops next year from 28<sup>th</sup> March to 6<sup>th</sup> April. The aim of the visit is to better understand the historical and cultural context of the Bible and they will be visiting Jerusalem, Tiberias and surrounding areas. It is an amazing experience to visit the places where Jesus walked and will undoubtedly enrich the faith of anyone who is able to go.

The trip is inevitably expensive at £2141 but there are bursaries of £500 available to those who would find the cost prohibitive. Contact Diane Cookson on 0161 483 2633 or [st.saviours@virgin.net](mailto:st.saviours@virgin.net) for more information.

**Sharon Beech would love to go on this but is looking for a travelling companion to share accommodation and keep the cost down. Please speak to her if you're interested.**



## 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.



## PRAYER

Don't forget we have re-started our weekly prayer meetings on Wednesdays from 9.00 – 9.45am in St Matthews. Please join us if you can – a great way to start the day.

