

St Clement's Monthly News

November 2025



November always seems to be a bleak month bringing us into noticeably shorter days, skeletal trees and fading gardens and the realisation that another year is approaching its end but Christmas hasn't quite arrived yet! The four weeks of November also bring the Church's year to a close, with the New Year for the Church beginning on Advent Sunday, 30th November. These four weeks are called "The Kingdom Season" and culminate in a celebration of Christ the King. The inscription that Pilate had placed on the cross of Jesus read "Iesus Nazarenus Rex Iudaeorum" abbreviated to INRI and translates as "Jesus of Nazareth King of the Jews." Jesus was himself a Jew and brought in a new covenant, or promise, a Christian faith with Jesus as our Lord and King, One in the Trinity with God the Father and the Holy Spirit. A belief we declare in the creed which we recite Sunday by Sunday in the Eucharist.

November is also a season of Remembrance. It begins with All Saints day when we remember the example of those people whom we know as Saints, and who, in their lives have been, and still are, examples to us of holiness, through their trust and faith in Jesus Christ. All Saints Day is followed by All Souls Day when we remember all those people who have been our personal examples of goodness and faithfulness, our family and friends who have influenced our lives for good but are with us no longer, and we give thanks to God for blessing us with knowing them and having them in our lives. As the month moves on we see people wearing their poppies for Remembrance of all those who, through the two World Wars and other conflicts have given their lives in service to our nation and we give thanks for the freedoms they have bought for us and the sacrifices they made. Our churches and our nation rightly honour them in our services and in the silence we hold in respect of their selflessness and bravery through the horrors of war.

These are the times this month when we look back and reflect with memories and gratitude before our Church year ends and before we turn our attention to look forward to prepare ourselves through Advent for the coming of Christ into our world as one of us. He came as a helpless babe, born in poverty and becoming a refugee before being able to return to his homeland where he grew up in a small village community experiencing everything that human beings experience as they mature and find their way and purpose. He found his purpose in showing us the extent of God's love and the way into God's kingdom, becoming our Saviour, our King, our Lord and our God.

Rev'd Cath Faulkner

Diary for November

Sun 2nd	10.30am	All Saints Day Eucharist Parish Church
	10.30am	Morning Worship Branch Church
	7.00pm	All Souls Service
Mon 3rd	9.00am	Walking for Health
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tues 4th	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Wed 5th	10.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Welcome Coffee Morning
	2.00pm	Mothers' Union Service in church
Fri 7th	7.00pm	Choir Practice
Sun 9th	10.30am	Remembrance Sunday
		Eucharist Parish Church
Mon 10th	9.00am	Walking for Health
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tues 11th	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Wed 12th	10.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Welcome Coffee Morning
Fri 14th	7.00pm	Choir Practice
Sat 15th	9.30am	Pre- Advent Quiet Morning
Sun 16th	10.30am	Eucharist Parish Church
Mon 17th	9.00am	Walking for Health
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tues 18th	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Wed 19th	10.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Welcome Coffee Morning
	7.00pm	Men's Group
Thurs 20th	2.00pm	Mothers' Union
Sat 22nd	10.30am	Christmas Fair
Sun 23rd	10.30am	Eucharist Parish Church
		Christ the King & St Clement's Day
Mon 24th	9.00am	Walking for Health
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tues 25th	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	7.30pm	Advent Course at St Mary's 1 st of 4
Wed 26th	10.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Welcome Coffee Morning
Fri 28th	7.00pm	Choir practice
Sun 30th	10.30am	Eucharist Parish Church
	6.30pm	Advent Carol Service by candlelight

THE BRANCH CHURCH HUMPHREY PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

Morning Worship
10.30am Sun 2nd November
Brownies 6.00pm Every Tues
Meeting in the Parish Hall
Contact Samantha
5urmstonbrownies@gmail.com

PRE-ADVENT QUIET MORNING SAT 15TH NOVEMBER 9.30am – 1.00pm

St Mary's Church, Davyhulme
*An opportunity to take some time away
from the busyness of life to be still with God*

CHRISTMAS FAIR SAT 22ND NOVEMBER 10.30am-3.00pm

In the Parish Hall & Parish Church

Father Christmas Grotto
Lots of Stalls, Refreshments, Tombola
Grand Raffle

Admission:

ADVENT COURSE TUE 25TH NOVEMBER 7.30pm at St Mary's, Davyhulme

The first of 4 Sessions entitled
Embracing Humanity
The course will give opportunities for Bible
study, discussion, prayer and reflection.
All are welcome.

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ADVENT SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 6.30pm Advent Carols and Readings by Candlelight

Come and get ready for the Seasons of Advent and Christmas
at this service of Advent Carols and Readings by Candlelight