

## CHURCH DIARY Events & Activities January & February 2026

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| Wednesday January 7 <sup>th</sup>                          | 9.30am Mid-Week Holy Communion   |
| Thursday January 8 <sup>th</sup>                           | 11.30am – 1.30pm Warm Welcome in church                                      |
| Sunday January 11 <sup>th</sup><br>Epiphany 2              | 9.15am Informal Worship<br>11am Morning Prayer                               |
| Tuesday January 13 <sup>th</sup>                           | 7.00pm Baptism Preparation in Church   |
| Wednesday January 14 <sup>th</sup>                         | 9.30am Mid-Week Holy Communion   |
| Thursday January 15 <sup>th</sup>                          | 11.30am – 1.30pm Warm Welcome in church<br>7.30pm The Open Door (See inside) |
| Sunday January 25 <sup>th</sup><br>Epiphany 3              | 8am Holy Communion<br>9.15am Informal Worship<br>11am Holy Communion         |
| Wednesday January 21 <sup>st</sup>                         | 9.30am Mid-Week Holy Communion   |
| Thursday January 22 <sup>nd</sup>                          | 11.30am – 1.30pm Warm Welcome in church                                      |
| Sunday February 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Candlemas<br>Epiphany 4 | 9.15am Informal Worship with Church Parade<br>11am Holy Communion            |

## HELPFUL NUMBERS FOR CLERGY & CHURCH OFFICERS

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| Team Rector  | Nicola Butterworth | 07706 979393, <a href="mailto:n.butterworth@outlook.com">n.butterworth@outlook.com</a> |
| Churchwarden | Grenville Hartley  | 01204 279365   |

**Newsletter Items to Mike Foster by midday Wednesday and also to have this Newsletter sent by email - [m.foster@hpc@gmail.com](mailto:m.foster@hpc@gmail.com)**

**Warm Welcome** reopens on January 8th 2026 from 11am - 1.30pm in the Narthex - food, companionship, chat and warmth - all free and everyone welcome, we look forward to seeing you.

Regards Margaret

**BELOW THE PIKE** – The magazine of the Team churches, available in each of our churches and submissions always welcome. Please speak to a member of the Editorial Team (details page 2 of magazine) or the editor at [mbroadfoot283@btinternet.com](mailto:mbroadfoot283@btinternet.com) Tel 01204 690283.



# Holy Trinity Church

To be a worshipping, growing a transforming presence at the heart of the town of Horwich



Holy Trinity  
Church, Horwich

## Newsletter

**Sunday January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**Epiphany - Christmas 2**

*If you are visiting for the first time, we hope you'll feel at home. Please stay for refreshments after the morning services – we look forward to meeting you. Information Leaflets about church are in the Leaflet Rack or speak to the Clergy or Churchwardens. See back page calendar for weekly events.*

9.15am Informal Worship  
11am Holy Communion

### Sunday Services Bible Readings

Ephesians 3: 1-12  
Matthew 2: 1-12



*In your Prayers this week, please ask for God's healing: Jacob Bleasdale, Scarlett Kendall, David & Keith Turton, David Crankshaw, Carol Hinkinson, Gloria Farrell, Grenville Hartley, Eileen Hartley, Jean Cayton, Iris Short, and Andrew Holden.*

**And for God's Comfort:** for those recently bereaved especially the family of: Jean Chester, Geoff Seddon, and Paul Mossop.

Please consider donating to the work of Holy Trinity Church, either through standing order, by using the card reader in church or by using this QR Code Thank you for your Contributions.



**Message from the Treasurer:** The Finance and Building's Committee was informed that just for the month of October the cost of the Gas and Electricity bills for Holy Trinity was **£1350**.

We want to always keep our building warm and welcoming, but we would ask that you consider this as you consider your regular giving to church.

### **Consent Forms**

We are asking you to complete a consent form to allow us to continue to contact you with newsletters and other information and for pastoral reasons. This is to ensure that we are complying with data protection laws (GDPR).

These are available in the church narthex with a box for completed forms - Or you can email [susanlavinakerr@gmail.com](mailto:susanlavinakerr@gmail.com) requesting a consent form. - Thank you.

**Just a reminder that** we follow the guidance from the Church of England nationally and Manchester Diocese in regard to how Communion is distributed. Holy Communion is offered in both elements of bread and wine. If you prefer, you may receive the bread alone; however, the bread **must not** be intincted (dipped) in the wine. Please do not place those who are distributing the chalice into the uncomfortable position of having to ask you to refrain from this.

**Baptism Preparation** Baptism Preparation usually takes place 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm in Holy Trinity Church – open to all those wanting their babies or children baptised, this is also open to adults who would like to be baptised. The next one will be on **Tuesday 13th January 2026**



**Thank you to everyone** who helps with serving refreshments on a Sunday after the Morning Services" at Holy Trinity. It is really encouraging that some of our young people are also getting involved, particularly after the 9.15 a.m. services. This is a very important ministry within the church, but we still need more volunteers to help to ensure that refreshments are served each week. The more volunteers we have, the less times people will have to do it. Please speak with Dorothy Arnold if you feel you can help and be included on the rota for 2026



### ***The Open Door***

The next meeting will be on **Thursday January 15th**  
Annual General Meeting  
Cheese & Wine  
starting at 7.30pm.

**ALL WELCOME- In church**  
**£5.00 per Evening including Refreshments**