



NOTICES THIS WEEK

Sunday 25 January 2026
Third Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday

9:30am **Eucharist** at St Mary's: President: Revd Irene Thirkell; Preacher: Revd Marie Pattison; followed by light refreshments.

11:00am **Eucharist** at St TJ's: President: Revd Irene Thirkell; Preacher: Revd Marie Pattison; followed by light refreshments.
WELCOME to Jim playing the organ

The week ahead

Monday (26th) 10:00am (- 1:00pm) **Warm Spaces** continues every Monday morning at St Philip's Community Centre with drink, biscuit, chat and chance to meet new friends on offer

Wednesday (28th) 10:00am **Eucharist** at St TJ's; followed by light refreshments

Friday (30th) 10:15am (- 11:30) Following coffee, **Team Friday Friends Study Group**, at St Thomas and St John's. All welcome as we study the Book of Daniel
12 noon **Team Intercessions** at St TJ's, followed by bring-your-own-lunch eaten together if you wish to stay

Saturday (31st) 10:30am (- 12:30pm) Saturday **Café** at St TJ's, with Vestry Hour and at **10:30am a group to make the Christingle oranges for tomorrow's service (please help - all welcome)**

Sunday (1st) **PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS)**
During morning service in each church, Christingle will be celebrated.

9:30am **Eucharist** at St Mary's: President: Revd Marie Pattison; Preacher: Revd Irene Thirkell; followed by light refreshments; followed at 10:45am by graveyard tidyup

11:00am **Eucharist** at St TJ's: President: Revd Adele McKie; Preacher: Revd Irene Thirkell; followed by light refreshments.
You are invited to bring gifts of non-perishable food and toiletries for our first-Sunday-of-the-month Porch Boxes ingathering

1:00pm **Baptism** at St Mary's of Rowan David Keith Madden and Emma Johnson

Please pray for ...

• Prayers for healing:

- **St Mary's:** Catherine, Berenice Carey, David Duckworth, Colin Embrey, Margaret Embrey, Margaret Embrey, Christine Firth, William Firth, Peter Gorman, Chris Hollis, Pauline Holt, Priscilla Holme, Terry Houlgrave, Harry Melling, Sue Ormrod, Margaret Ratcliffe, Peter Savage, Ray Vernon, Ian Williams, Denis Wright, Janice Wright.
- **St TJ and elsewhere:** Marilyn Alldred, Lawson Bant, Revd Dougie Bird, Carol Cain, Reg Dee, Jacob Dewar, Zohreh Galati, John Heutze, Claire Jones, Louise Peart

• Those recently bereaved: family and friends of Sue Ormrod, Mauve Lamont, Patricia Parton, Norman Simms and Florence Madden

• Those recalled in our Books of Remembrance:

- **St Mary's:** Barry Evans (26th); Denis Ashworth, Ronald Jenkins (27th)
- **St Thomas and St John's:** Harry Wilson, Lily Redshaw, Doris May Dennis (27th); James Houghton Topping (28th); Tom Jenkinson (29th); Seth Olive (30th)

Notices

Bury Homeless Project

We are still collecting warm clothing in good condition – gifts may be placed in the cardboard box at the back of church (St Thomas and St John's). Thanks for all recent donations.



Mission Community Eco Recycling

Items that we can receive in church to be recycled in various ways: old spectacles, hearing aids, foreign currency, postage stamps, bras, ink and toner cartridges (branded only).

Vicky at St Mary's writes: "Our St Mary's WAG's are once again taking part in the Race for Life at Heaton Park this year. This years event is on Sunday 5th July and anyone wanting to join us can use the link below. The cost to enter has increased this year but if you sign up before 31st January using code RFL26NY you will get 30% off. There is a St Mary's team which you can also join once you have entered. Please speak to Vicky (07533 894392) if you need further details.
<https://raceforlife.cancerresearchuk.org/>"

Dates to note:

Wednesday 18 February, Ash Wednesday: as well as the usual Team Wednesday morning Eucharist at 10:00am, there will be an evening Team Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes at 7:00pm at St Thomas and St John's.

Friday 6 March: service for the annual World Day of Prayer will this year be at 2:00pm at Bridge Community church. See posters in church and later in the electronic Notices. Thursday 19 March at Manchester Cathedral. The Archbishop of York shares the meaning and significance of The Lord's Prayer. 6:45pm refreshments; 7:15pm start

Giving to church

Our Churches depend on income from fees paid for some of our services, from fund-raising, from activities at St Philip's Community Centre and – *most particularly* – from monetary gifts from worshippers and other supporters. In each of our churches, donations can be made via digital giving machines using credit or debit cards.



Above: St Thomas and St John
Below: St Mary

Also, you can use these QR codes to give



Please speak to us for advice on gift aiding your offering, so that each £1 you give becomes £1.25 – at no extra cost to you.

To be in touch with the clergy, please contact Rev Marie, Team Rector (07795 805767), Rev Irene, Curate (07435 657865) or Rev Adele, Associate Priest (07946 383024).

To discuss baptisms or weddings, please go to Vestry Hour from 10:30 on Saturdays at St Thomas and St John's, or from 10:45 on Sundays at St Mary's.

Please supply future information to lesandkathleen@btinternet.com or to 0161 724 5696.

Please see below a prayer list from our Mission Community covering first the coming week, then the month.

In the coming week the Churches of our Mission Community will be:

- Giving thanks for the links, connections, support and friendships which have developed between individuals and Churches within our Mission Community.
- Praying for all those who will be involved in the Mission Community Task Group meeting this coming week.
- Praying that there will be someone from each Church who feels inspired to be part of these groups.
- Giving thanks for the ideas and initiatives which have been generated by this group so far.

* Praying that the Holy Spirit will guide and inspire us as we seek new ways of working together to grow, nurture and serve our worshipping communities.

Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community Prayer Diary



January 2026

1 st	We give thanks for all that has been achieved by & through the Churches of our Mission Community throughout the past year and pray for inspiration & guidance as we & our Churches prepare for the year ahead.
2 nd	We pray for mission & ministry at All Saints Stand.
3 rd	We pray for the team at St. Andrew's, Radcliffe, that they may have wisdom as they consider the options with regards to their Church boiler, as the boiler room has flooded once again.
4 th	On World Braille Day, we give thanks for the use of Braille & for all who raise awareness of blindness issues.
5 th	We pray for the staff & children of our local schools as they prepare to return after the Christmas break.
6 th	We celebrate & give thanks for the visit of the Magi to Jesus.
7 th	We give thanks for the children & families who come to MidWeek Praise at Christ Church Ainsworth, we pray that through this Service, the seeds of faith may be sown in young hearts.
8 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. George's, Unsworth.
9 th	We pray for all those who attended Christ Church Walshaw, or any of the Churches within our Mission Community, for the first time in 2025; that they would find or rediscover faith.
10 th	We pray for mission & ministry at Emmanuel Community Church, Radcliffe.
11 th	We give thanks for the congregation at St. Andrew's, Hillock & all who support the work of 'Mopane Tree', supporting rural communities & schools in Namibia. Praying also for the communities who will benefit from their input.
12 th	We pray for mission & ministry at Christ Church Ainsworth.
13 th	We give thanks for & pray for our Church Officers, Lay Leaders & Volunteers.
14 th	We pray for the Radcliffe Team, their volunteers & helpers, and give thanks for all that they do.
15 th	We pray for & give thanks for the work of the Anna Chaplaincy Team in Whitefield.
16 th	We pray for discernment for the team at St. Andrew's, Radcliffe as they seek to discern how God is calling them to serve their community.
17 th	We give thanks for those who represent their Churches at Deanery Synod & pray for all who will be attending the meeting & Carbon Literacy Training Session this morning.
18 th	We give thanks & pray for all Incumbents, OLMEs, NSMs & SSMs & those who have Permission To Officiate throughout our Mission Community.
19 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Andrew's, Hillock.
20 th	We give thanks & pray for all those who are involved with ministry for children & families.
21 st	We pray for mission & ministry at Christ Church Walshaw.
22 nd	We give thanks for those who will be part of the Prayer & Spirituality Group meeting this evening; we pray that there will be someone from each Church who feels called to be a part of this group.
23 rd	We pray for & give thanks for all who are involved with funeral ministry; praying also for the families that they serve & support.
24 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Mary, Radcliffe.
25 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe.
26 th	We pray for & give thanks for the work of the Food Pantry Team at St. Andrew's, Hillock; praying also for all of the individuals & families who access this service.
27 th	On International Holocaust Remembrance Day, we remember not only the victims of the holocaust, but of all genocide.
28 th	We give thanks for the work of BRF Ministries & pray for those who will be attending the Bible Reading Fellowship Group at Christ Church Ainsworth this afternoon.
29 th	We give thanks for those who will be part of the Task Group meeting this evening; we pray that there will be someone from each Church who feels called to be a part of these groups.
30 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Andrew's, Radcliffe.
31 st	We give thanks for the work of Mothers' Union within our parishes & beyond. We pray for Mothers' Union members throughout our Mission Community.

"What wings are to a bird, & sails are to a ship; so prayer is to the soul."

Please join us in prayer for the people of Iran

— for peace, for protection, for comfort for grieving families, and for hope to shine in the midst of great darkness. We also **hold in prayer those members of our community from Iran**, who are deeply concerned for their loved ones back home.

We share [this prayer written by the Rt Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop of Chelmsford](#) and unite together in praying:

Ever-loving God,
who hears us in our anguish and distress,
and longs for us to be free.

We pray for the people of Iran and the wider Middle East,
at this time of fear and uncertainty.

Be near to those who are anxious;
bring comfort to all who are suffering.

Guide those with the power to make decisions,
and lead them in the ways of wisdom, compassion and moderation:
that people of goodwill would seek harmony and reconciliation.

Join us with our Christian brothers and sisters in all places,
in praying for peace with justice,
through him who is the prince of peace,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



WARM SPACES

Why not come along for a
drink/biscuit and a chat
and meet new friends

**At St Philips Community
Centre**

**Higher Dean Street
Radcliffe**

10-00am till 1-00pm

**Mondays (except
Bank Holidays)**

Being stewards of God's creation and doing our bit as Christians for the planet, if you have any of the following lying around your home then please bring them to be recycled 



RECYCLE FOR CHARITY

Did you know, many of your unwanted items could be recycled?

Do you have any of these items stuck in a drawer or cupboard ?

Please bring along your glasses, hearing aids, foreign currency, stamps, keys, ink & toner cartridges (branded only) & bra's & place them into the boxes provided in church.

All items will be collected at the monthly Mission Community Task Group meetings where they will be sorted and sent to where they are needed most.

Thank you



RADCLIFFE & WHITEFIELD MISSION COMMUNITY

Eagle's Wing is a mutual support group of friends made up of local people, asylum seekers and refugees living in this area. It meets at the United reformed Church, Parsons Lane, Bury BL9 0LY, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10am to noon (term time only). "Come as strangers, stay as friends" – they say.

Other information

Please explore the information available in church. It includes prayer points suggested by our Mission Community, and its latest Newsletter.

**Children
Are Welcome**

At St Thomas & St John with St Philips
We have 3 ways to help your child to feel welcome in church
Just speak to someone at the back of church

For young children we have some
Baby Bags
Containing some soft toys and picture books



For toddler children we have
Play Packs
With story books and colouring sheets



In the Children's Corner at the back of church
There are some small quiet toys, some colouring pages and reading books.

You and your child are more than welcome
to enjoy using these resources during the service
PLEASE STAY WITH YOUR CHILD AT ALL TIMES



Our churchyard is maintained by a group of volunteers on a monthly basis, who try to keep on top of the cutting, trimming, weeding and tidying. We try to ensure that our grounds are a calm and welcoming environment for visiting families. We rely on the regular giving of our parishioners and one-off donations from visitors in order to find the funds to maintain our beautiful church building and grounds. If you would like to make a donation please see the information given below. Thank you

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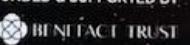
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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

A service for everyone!

Friday 6 March

I will give you rest, come

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When: 2:00 pm

Where:

Bridge Community Church
10 Milltown Street
Radcliffe M26 1WD

Who:

ALL WELCOME



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Lord's Prayer Evening with Archbishop of York

March 19 @ 6:45 pm – 9:00 pm

Come along for a special evening of prayer and reflection at Manchester Cathedral on Thursday 19th March, led by the Archbishop of York.

This inspiring gathering will focus on the Lord's Prayer, bringing together people from across our diocese to explore its meaning in our lives today.

Whether you're part of a church, school, chaplaincy or simply curious to learn more, this evening is for everyone.

Doors open for refreshments at 6.45pm and the event starts at 7.15pm.

Please add the date to your diary and join us for what promises to be an affirming and uplifting event.

Book tickets at <https://www.manchester.anglican.org/event/lords-prayer-evening-with-archbishop-of-york/>

or ask for help to book