

# St Clement's Monthly News

## June 2026



The picture at the top of the page is very similar to one of the stained glass windows in our church. At the very top of the big East window that depicts Christ on the cross are three small windows each with one of the images that are in this picture. It denotes the Trinity, the three persons of the one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The hand is of God the creator of all things, the lamb represents God the Son, Jesus Christ, who was sacrificed for us so that we no longer have to offer lambs as sacrifice for our wrongdoings to be forgiven. The dove represents the Holy Spirit. At his baptism in the River Jordan we are told that the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus like a dove, and we think of the Spirit of God living and moving among us. The Trinity is a difficult concept, three persons yet one God, and to help explain it the three are often shown as intertwined, overlapping each other as in the picture, or as an unbroken trefoil. These images don't fully explain the Trinity but they can help us to understand. June begins the season of Trinity which began on Trinity Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May and is followed by many weeks of what the Church calls "Ordinary Time" when we begin to look at the ministry of Jesus, all the things he taught his disciples, his parables and miracles. In these weeks we can reflect on all that he said and did while he was among us on earth. In that time God experienced all that it means to be a human being through the person of Jesus Christ, and we can learn, through Jesus, about the nature of God who created all things, and loves and cares for everything and everyone of his creation. At this time of the year as Spring moves into Summer we can also think of creation as we care for and protect our land and sea, gardens, fields and forests just as we care for each other with our many different needs. In all that we do we can be working with God, the creator, God the Son sharing his love for us and God the Holy Spirit, urging us on, motivating and empowering us to be God's hands at work here on earth in our time and place.

Rev'd Cath

# Diary for June

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	9.00am	Walking for Health Group
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Welcome Coffee Morning
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Choir Practice
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Eucharist at the Parish Church
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Walking for Health Group
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Welcome Coffee Morning
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Choir Practice
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Coffee Morning in church
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Eucharist at the Parish Church
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Walking for Health Group
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Welcome Coffee Morning
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Mothers' Union
	7.00pm	Men's Group
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Choir Practice
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	Eucharist at the Parish Church
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00am	Walking for Health
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Welcome Coffee Morning
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Choir Practice
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	John's Ordination as Priest in Manchester Cathedral
<b>Sun 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>John's 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist at the Parish Church</b>
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Walking for Health
	4.00pm	Handbell Ringing
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Morning Prayer

**THE BRANCH CHURCH  
HUMPHREY PARK COMMUNITY  
CENTRE**

**SUNDAY June 7th  
10.30am Morning Worship**

**Brownies** 6.00pm Every Tuesday  
Meeting in the Parish Hall  
Contact Samantha  
[Surmstonbrownies@gmail.com](mailto:Surmstonbrownies@gmail.com)

**ORDINATION**

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June at  
2.30pm  
in Manchester Cathedral  
Rev'd John will be Ordained as  
Priest to serve in the parishes of  
St Clement and St Mary.  
On the Sunday afterwards  
June 28<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am he will  
preside at his First Eucharist.

This is an occasion of  
celebration as we come  
together to support John at this  
important stage in his ministry.

**THANK YOU**

To all my friends and congregation of St Clements and St Mary's for your many cards and messages of sympathy and condolence following the death of my husband, Terry. I can't express how much your prayers, love and support have meant to Christine, Robert and me over the past month.

We feel greatly blessed by your kindness.

Rev'd Cath