

CHURCH DIARY Events & Activities August 2026	
Wednesday 5 th	9.30am Midweek Communion
Thursday 6 th	11am – 1pm Warm Welcome Light Lunch
Sunday August 9 th Trinity 10	9.15 Informal Worship – Summer Church 11am Holy Communion
Tuesday 11 th	7.00pm Baptism preparation in church
Thursday 13 th	10.30am -12.30pm Coffee Morning in church
Sunday August 16 th Trinity 11	9.15 Informal Worship – Summer Church 11am Holy Communion
Thursday 20 th	10.30am -12.30pm Coffee Morning in church
Sunday August 23 rd Trinity 12	9.15am Informal Worship – Summer Church 11am Morning Prayer
Thursday 27 th	10.30am -12.30pm Coffee Morning in church
Sunday August 30 th Trinity 13	9.15am Informal Worship – Back to School Sunday 11am Holy Communion with baptism (Prayers for healing to be offered after the service)

HELPFUL NUMBERS FOR CLERGY & CHURCH OFFICERS		
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Newsletter Items to Mike Foster by midday Wednesday and also to have this Newsletter sent by email m.foster.hpc@gmail.com

Warm Welcome we are enjoying our summer sessions (when elections allow!) - on the 1st Thursday of the month there is a light lunch from 11am to 1pm. On the Thursdays in between, we have a coffee morning from 10.30am to 12.30pm. If you are unsure, please check the dates in the diary on this newsletter. We look forward to seeing you and hopefully the weather will be on our side!
Thank you for your support. Margaret – 01204 690283

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 Tel 01204 690283.



Holy Trinity Church
*To be a worshipping, growing a
transforming presence at the heart of the town
of Horwich*



Holy Trinity

Newsletter

Sunday August 2nd, 2026

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

*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.*

Sunday's Services 9.15 Informal Worship – Summer Church 11am Holy Communion
Sunday Services Bible Readings Romans 9: 1-5 Matthew 14: 13-21



In your Prayers this week, please ask for God's healing:
Jacob Bleasdale, Scarlett Kendall, David & Keith Turton,
David Crankshaw, Gloria Farrell, Grenville & Eileen Hartley,
Vince McGeever, David Hawes, Jenny Dagnall, Gwen Haslam & Jessica Forrest.

And for God's Comfort: for those recently bereaved especially the family of: Alice Humphreys & Rosemary Amin.

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.



On Friday 7th August at 11.00am, the Places Project team are planning a prayer walk in Horwich. They would love anyone who feels able to take part as we come together to pray for the children and families of Horwich.



The Open Door

The next Open-Door meeting will be at 7.30pm August 13th
Speaker Brian Smith- Subject 'Going Wild in Lockdown'
ALL WELCOME- In church
£5.00 per Evening including Refreshments

Team Vicar Licensing – Rev'd Stuart Samuels

This will take place at St Elizabeth's Church on Sunday 6th September at 7.00pm and will be conducted by the Bishop of Bolton.
Please do pray for Stuart as he prepares to join the team here, and also for the churches he leaves behind as well.

Tower Appeal: It's great to see the scaffolding has now come down after so long, but we still need to raise **£71,500** to pay for the work that has been done. We urgently need to raise this money and wonder if anyone has any ideas about how we might do this and would be willing to help. If you are able to help, please speak to Susan Preston or email susan.preston8@hotmail.com

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 11th August**.

Summer Sundays at 9.15am Come along and share breakfast with us before we look at a different Bible story about meals that Jesus shared with his friends.



Thanks to all who donated to the Christian Aid Venezuela earthquake Appeal which raised £43.76 - Miranda



A DATE NOT TO BE MISSED

Holy Trinity on Saturday 26th September 2026 6.30pm
Musical Entertainment with "Banjo & Beyond "



Pasty and Peas supper (vegetarian and vegan options available) and deserts!
Food at 7.00pm
followed by the entertainment
Sign up to join us by adding your name to the list at the back of church and paying £15

As many of you will already know there has been a Manchester Diocesan link to parishes in Namibia for many years. The direct link ended directly with this team of churches with the formation of an independent charity, *The Mopane Tree*. I have been asked to share that three people, Deb & Shaun Cooper (Horwich Evangelical Church) and Revd Michele Ryan (Hillock & Unsworth Church) are heading out to Namibia, July 30th – August 15th. They would value our prayers for this trip. Should you wish to know the itinerary, then please do contact Rev Nicola Butterworth and she will forward this to you.

The following prayer points have been identified:

Please pray for:

- Shaun, Deb and Michele – For safe travel to Namibia, for good health, being able to survive the heat, for energy to visit all the planned schools and kindergartens and to be able to face the challenges of lack of water, electricity etc. For safe travel between visits and villages.
- Shaun as he preaches on each of the Sundays, that God will inspire him with the words that will touch the hearts of all those who are listening.
- For each of the children who will receive a Bible, that they will be blessed by being able to study God's word. For their teachers who will receive a study Bible so that they can help the children to understand what they read.
- For the visits that we can be a blessing to those we meet and forge strong relationships with those who God puts in our path.
- For the projects we visit, that it will be clear what people need and how we can do our part to help and for God to show us how best to help the most vulnerable.
- For those who need food to be identified and receive rice and grain from us.