



Team Newsletter

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Fortnightly newsletter

Sunday 15th October

9.15am	Holy Trinity	Church Parade
9.30am	St. Elizabeth's	Morning Worship
10.45am	St. Catherine's	Sunday Worship (with Communion)
11am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
11am	Rivington	Holy Communion

Sunday 22nd October

8am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
9.15am	Holy Trinity	Informal Worship
9.30am	St. Elizabeth's	Holy Communion
10.45am	St. Catherine's	Sunday Worship (with Communion)
11am	Holy Trinity	Morning Prayer
11am	Rivington	Holy Communion
4.30pm	Holy Trinity	Licensing service for Nicola Gillard

Sunday 29th October

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9.30am	St. Elizabeth's	Holy Communion
11am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion with healing
10.45am	St. Catherine's	Morning Worship with healing
11am	Rivington	Holy Communion
2pm	Holy Trinity	Church open for prayer and reflection (2pm – 4pm)
6.30pm	Holy Trinity	Annual Memorial Service

Wednesday 9.30am Communion services

October 18th at St. Elizabeth's*
October 25th at Holy Trinity
November 1st at St. Elizabeth's*
November 8th at Holy Trinity



*the venue may change due to upcoming building work at St. Elizabeth's

Harvest Appeal for Namibia

It is not too late to make a bank transfer donation to our Namibia harvest appeal using details: Holy Trinity Horwich Parish Church, Sort Code: 16-21-32 Account number: 10050551 with reference 'Harvest Appeal'. If you can gift aid this then fill in details on a harvest envelope and hand it in at church.

The money will support our link parishes of Okathitu and Ruacana in northern Namibia. We are in particular raising funds to support the establishing of kitchen gardens at two schools in Okathitu. Money will go towards buying seeds, tools and fencing (to protect the garden from animals) so that the children can be involved in growing pigeon peas, fruit and vegetables.



Harvest Volunteers Needed at Urban Outreach

We are truly in the swing of harvest now and getting to lots of schools and churches for their assemblies/services. Seeing so many generous people and donations really adds so much joy to what we do.

Due to the increased number of donations and a need for us to sort through them quickly we are holding extra volunteer sessions for sorting the harvest specifically. These will be at The Food Hub, Unit 4 (former Office Outlet), Trinity Retail Park, Springfield, BL2 1HY. Our sessions for sorting will be: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 2-4pm Wednesdays 7-8.30pm



We expect these sessions to run for about 6 weeks – until the harvest is sorted! There is no need to book – just turn up. However, we ask that if you are a regular volunteer planning on changing your volunteer sessions to do these – please let us know so we can make sure we have enough volunteers on our other sessions. Thank you so much for all of your support. We couldn't do what we do without you.

The Urban Outreach team

Confirmation Service

Our local confirmation service (for adults and young people in school year 10 or higher) is planned for the evening of Sunday 12th November at St. Andrew's Church, Over Hulton. For those who haven't been confirmed it is a chance to publicly affirm your faith. Anyone interested in being confirmed should contact Michael Behrend as soon as possible.

ALM Training



If you might consider training to serve as an Authorised Lay Minister, have a word with one the clergy. Training begins in January. More details can be found by [clicking here](#).

Concert at Horwich Evangelical Church

Sunday 15th October 7pm

Presented by 'No Words Aloud Choir' and friends, with special guest appearance from Blackrod Community Choir

Raising money for Motor Neurone Disease Association

At Horwich Evangelical Church (Wright Street)

Tickets £10 including interval refreshments

Limited tickets available from Deb on 07411 809118 or [click here to send an email](#)



Thank you for all your donations to Urban Outreach

Next Donation Day
Monday 16th October
at St. Elizabeth's Church
11am – 1pm

Tin, Packets and jars only. No fresh fruit and veg please. Grub Tubs are still in all four churches, so you can also drop off donations of food when coming to services. Every little helps.

Or you can [click here to donate money to Urban Outreach](#).



Baby Loss Support Service

Sunday 22nd October 2.30pm

at Manchester Cathedral

A service for anyone who has lost a baby in pregnancy, at birth or in early years, whether the loss was yesterday or 80 years ago. This event is also for those grieving that they have never been able to conceive.

To read more on the charity, please see the Saying Goodbye website, which you can find at: www.sayinggoodbye.org



Licensing Celebration for Nicola Gillard

Sunday 22nd October 4.30pm at Holy Trinity Church

Revd. Nicola Gillard will be having her Licensing Celebration presided over by the Bishop of Bolton, Matthew Porter. Come along whichever church you attend—let's give Nicola a very warm welcome after all her hard work to reach this stage in her faith journey. Refreshments will be served after the service and an opportunity to catch up with each other and meet Bishop Matthew!

A visit to the Laudate Si Centre

Wednesday 25th October 11am – 12noon

The Eco church task group invite you to join them on a visit to the Laudate Si Centre. The Centre, at Wardley Hall, Worsley has been set up as a response to call by Pope Francis to people of all faiths in his letter Laudate Si (Care for our Common Home). The aim of the Centre is to generate environmental hope, in the belief that we can all make a difference through the actions we take. So, if you would like to join us, it will cost £1.50 and we will need to car share. Please contact Miranda Williams by 21st October on 01204 667162 (or [click here to send an email](#)) so that we can provide them with numbers.

Messy Church at St. Catherine's

Thursday 26th October 3.45pm – 5.45pm

In a new venture we are trialling Messy Church at St. Catherine's Church.

Come along and enjoy the crafts and some food together.

It would help us to anticipate numbers if you could let Michael know if you think you might come. [Click here to send an email](#) or ring on 01204 697162.



Morning Prayer at Rivington Church

Saturday 28th October 10.30am

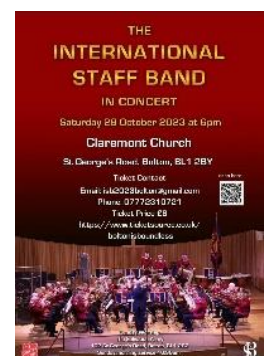
This is a traditional service of Matins following the Book of Common Prayer. Come and join us as we give thanks for all God's blessing, pray for those in need, and seek for God's help and peace in all the challenges that we face. There are drinks and conversation afterwards if you want to stay.



International Staff Band in concert

Saturday 28th October 6pm at Claremont Church St. George's Road, Bolton

Tickets £8 from 07772 310721 or [by email](#) or www.ticketsource.co.uk/boltonisboundless



Annual Memorial Service

Sunday 29th October 6.30pm at Holy Trinity Church

Our Annual Team Memorial Service is to remember those who have gone before us in life and faith. The Preacher at the service will be Revd. Simon Cook the Area Dean of Bolton.

If you wish the name of your loved one to be displayed on the screen and also read out during the service please [click here to email Susan Kerr](#) or phone her on 01204 692760. Please respond by 23rd October.



Alive and Free - Sunday 5th November 7pm

Our monthly contemporary worship service at St. Elizabeth's

ALIVE + FREE

The theme is Remembrance, and will include communion.

Journey into the Wild

Join Tony Vino and Mark Cowling for a Christian Men's Retreat suitable for men of faith and men still exploring faith.

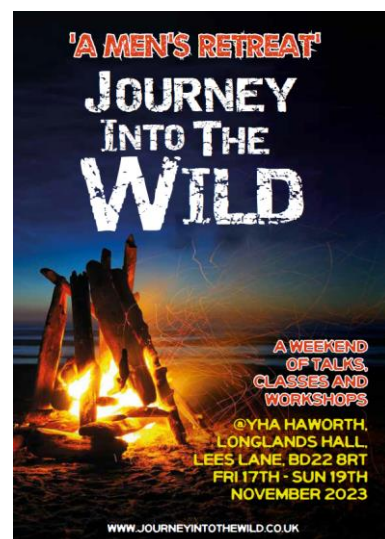
Dates are **Friday 17th November 12pm- Sunday 19th November 12pm** the fantastic YHA Haworth in West Yorkshire.

There are also 10 funded places for anyone needing financial assistance on a first come first serve basis

More info about the retreat on our website and social media pages

<https://journeyintothewild.co.uk/>

https://twitter.com/journey_wild



The Wabash Jazzmen

Saturday 18th November 7pm at Rivington Church

Tickets £12 per person (includes glass of wine or soft drink in the interval). All money will go to Bolton Hospice and Derian House Children's Hospice.

Tickets from Eunice Hawkins 07802 631599 or [by email](#) or ring Tim Booth on 01257 483377



The October edition of our team magazine, 'Below the Pike,' is available online ([click here to access it](#))

Please send photos, anecdotes, articles, poems, reminiscences, birthdays, anniversaries, congratulations etc to your church rep or to Margaret Broadfoot [by email](#)

Horwich Parish Wiggle Tots



Monday mornings 9am – 11am (during term time),
Horwich Parish Hall (Church Street) Sessions include free play,
creative activities, storytelling with Wiggle the Bible Bookworm. Free of charge.
[Click here to email Sue Rayner for more information](#)

Inspire

Tuesdays at 5pm during term-time at St. Elizabeth's Church

For those in school years 5 to 9.

For more information [click here to email Nicola Butterworth](#) (tel. 07706 979393)
or [click here to email Graham Smith](#) (tel. 01204 699875)



Tuesday Prayers

We are a small group who meet over Zoom on Tuesdays at 7.30pm to pray for mainly local and personal issues but also include national and international issues when needed.

For more information or if you would like to join, contact [Rev Gill](#)



A Wednesday Welcome!

11am - 2pm at Rivington Church

Rivington Church is open every Wednesday for people just to drop by for some peace and quiet, a space for prayer, a cuppa and a chat. This is open to everyone.

Friendship and Food

Wednesdays 11am – 2pm at St. Elizabeth's Church

Friendship and
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There will be plenty tea and coffee plus a lunch of homemade soup or sometimes stew (to keep you warm), bread and homemade cakes. Come along for a chat or play some games, dominoes, draughts etc. Everything is free. [Click here to email Rev Gill](#) or ring her on 07967 585670 if you would like more information.

Beer and chat

We normally meet weekly on **Wednesdays** via zoom as a way to catch up with people. It normally starts at 7.30pm until about 9.30pm but you can drop in and leave when you want. We talk about all sorts of topics. Beer isn't compulsory; tea, juice, wine, gin whatever is your choice. If you would like to join us please email [Gill Smart](#) for the Zoom code. We are a friendly and chatty bunch.



Warm Welcome - Thursdays at Holy Trinity Church

All welcome, and completely free! We offer friendship, chat, tea, coffee and biscuits. Also, a light lunch of soup, sandwiches and cake. Games are available as well if you want to exercise your brain?! We'd love you to come and join us. Just come along, or for more information, ring Margaret on 01204 690283 or [click here to email her](#).



Time 4 Twos –at St Catherine's

Fridays 10.30am during term-time

Children aged between 2 and 5 years are invited together with their parents/carers, so please pass the word around and keep an eye on the Time 4 Two's [Facebook page](#).

Prayers and Readings

Sunday 15th October ***The nineteenth Sunday after Trinity***

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Bible Readings

Click on the hyperlinks below to see passages

[*Exodus 32:1-14*](#)
[*Psalm 106:1-6,19-23*](#)
[*Philippians 4:1-9*](#)
[*Matthew 22:1-14*](#)

Sunday 22nd October ***The twentieth Sunday after Trinity***

God, our light and our salvation:
illuminate our lives,
that we may see your goodness in the land of the living,
and looking on your beauty
may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Bible Readings

Click on the hyperlinks below to see passages

[*Exodus 33:12-23*](#)
[*Psalm 99:1-9*](#)
[*1Thessalonians 1:1-10*](#)
[*Matthew 22:15-22*](#)

Useful Contact Details

Click on the blue hyper-links to send an email

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Prayer List Contacts

Our team churches want to keep our prayer lists up to date & available during this time of crisis, so please send prayer requests (*having checked that those being prayed for are happy to have their names on these lists online, please!*) to:

Holy Trinity: [Mike Foster](#) & [Susan Kerr](#)
St. Catherine's: [Michael Behrend](#) & [Ian Winnard](#)
St. Elizabeth's: [Gill Smart](#) & [Jill Harley](#)
Rivington: [Eunice Hawkins](#) & [Vicky Holden](#)

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Lay Ministry Team (including Authorised Lay Ministers)

Although ALMs have a 'home church' they are authorised to work across all four churches.

Sarah Ashworth (Rivington) ALM
Jenny Dagnall (Holy Trinity) ALM
Andrew Ferrier (St. Elizabeth's) ALM
Jill Harley (St. Elizabeth's) ALM
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Eunice Hawkins (Rivington) ALM
Vicky Holden, (Rivington) ALM

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Susan Rayner, (Holy Trinity) ALM
Graham Smith (St. Elizabeth's) ALM
Pam Smith (St. Catherine's) ALM
