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*HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES IN OUR
TEAM CHURCHES*

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US

DATE	HOLY TRINITY	ST ELIZABETH'S	ST CATHERINE'S	RIVINGTON
PALM SUNDAY 29/03/26	9.15am Informal Worship 11am Holy Communion with Healing	9.30am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
MAUNDY THURSDAY 02/04/26	7.30pm Holy Communion	7pm Passover meal with Holy Communion (booking required)		
GOOD FRIDAY 03/04/26	10am All Age Worship 2pm Reflection	10am Reflection	2pm Reflection	10am Reflection
HOLY SATURDAY				7.30pm Easter Vigil
EASTER DAY	10am United Service Holy Communion	8.30am Holy Communion 9.30am Holy Communion 7pm Alive+ Free	11am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion

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We welcome contributions from you—articles, poems, photos, humour (clean!), reminiscences etc - it is your magazine! Details of who to contact are on page two.

OUR CHURCHES

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Revd Nicola Butterworth on 07706979393

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Revd Nicola Butterworth on 07706979393

St Elizabeth's:

Revd Gill Smart on 01204 468271

Due to occasional necessary changes to our service format, please check our churches on the **A CHURCH NEAR YOU** website for up to date information.

To access our churches' Web pages please go to:

www.achurchnearyou.com/16052 for Holy Trinity; [16053](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/16053) for St Elizabeth's; [16054](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/16054) for St Catherine's and [16056](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/16056) for Rivington



BISHOP MATTHEW

NOTICES

Check out Bishop Matthew's column every other Saturday in the BOLTON NEWS

[https://
www.theboltonnews.co.uk
/news](https://www.theboltonnews.co.uk/news)

"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." — John 20:29

"Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other." — 1 John 4:11

BELOW THE PIKE

Below the Pike is published by the Team Council of the Anglican Churches of Horwich and Rivington. Its aim is to link the Team Churches with each other and the wider community of Horwich. The contents are not exclusively religious, but encompass any matters of Christian or local interest or concern. Anyone who would like to make a contribution—article, photo, review, anecdote or event through the Editorial Team is most welcome. **Please be aware that articles do not necessarily reflect the thoughts of the Editor or Editorial Team, who are:**

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1st Sunday of the Month—6.30pm for 7pm, (refreshments from 6.30pm)

St Elizabeth's Church, Cedar Avenue, BL6 6EU

April 5th — Easter Reflection with Revd. Peter Harley

ALL WELCOME!

**MONTHLY MUSING
FOR
EASTER**

**This month is about—
WALKING THE FAMILIAR, DISCOVERING SOMETHING NEW**

**By
Revd Nicola Butteworth**

A few days ago, I walked along a couple of beaches in Northumberland, beaches I have walked on more times than I can count. I love taking my shoes off and walking on the sand, dipping my toes in the water, no matter what time of the year it is. And yes, the sea was cold, it usually is in the North-East, but I simply cannot resist the urge to do it.



There are many times when we visit places, we have been countless times, but there is something which draws us back to the familiar, it is something which is comforting and not out of our comfort zone.

As I walked and paddled, I found myself thinking about people who have walked on that same beach, people who I know and love even though they are no longer with us. In that moment I had an overwhelming sense of that is what we do in Lent and throughout all our Easter celebrations. We walk

As we journey through the well-trodden paths of Lent towards Easter, it can be tempting to let tradition dull our senses to the wonders that still await. We are in danger of missing out on that Resurrection morning joy. Each year, we walk familiar roads; we sing and hear the same cherished hymns or pieces of music, retell the story of resurrection, and we share greetings of hope and habit can cause us to lose that sense of awe, wonder, joy and the purpose which Jesus came to earth for. But if we pause and open our hearts, we find that even what seems routine, what feels familiar can reveal new depths of meaning. We re-discover our first love for the Lord we serve.

Perhaps this Easter, as we gather with friends and family, we might notice unexpected moments of grace. We might hear or speak a kind word. We may discover a renewed sense of purpose. Or simply glimpse a quiet joy in ordinary things, ordinary things which God transforms into the extraordinary as his light and love touch them.

In revisiting the story which we know so well, we are reminded that Christ's message is not confined to the past; it breathes life into every fresh encounter, inviting us to look anew at our world and our faith. May our familiar walk this season be transformed by new discoveries and blessings and let us celebrate as Easter people.

HORWICH AND RIVINGTON TEAM CHURCHES APCMS 2026

Our CHURCH APCMS (ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS OR AGMS) are held yearly to say thank you, to review the accounts and update on other matters—however it is also a time to elect new committee members and volunteers, so this is your opportunity to do more to support your church in one of the very many roles available. The burden of volunteering is falling onto much older shoulders year by year—we need younger, healthier, willing shoulders! WE NEED YOU!

Make A Difference



HOLY TRINITY MARCH 22nd between the 9.15 and 11am services;

RIVINGTON 29th MARCH after 11am service;

ST ELIZABETH'S 19th APRIL after 9.30am service;

ST CATHERINE'S 26th APRIL before 11am service.

SLEEP OUT 2026

On Friday 27th February, I swapped both my bed and home to sleep on the concrete floor of Bolton Wanderers Stadium as part of the Stadium Sleepout 2026. The aim of the event was to raise vital funds for Bolton Wanderers in the Community and Urban Outreach Bolton and raise awareness of those facing homelessness.

Unfortunately, homelessness affects a wide range of people, including those who are sleeping rough and sofa surfing. It also includes those who will soon be without a permanent home and those in temporary accommodation. It is a complex issue - many homeless people are vulnerable and have become homeless for a variety of reasons.

Sleeping out was cold and uncomfortable and yet this only gave me a brief touch of what it must feel like. For me it was one night and I was safe with friends and had a supply of hot drinks and some food. For others this is every night and many affected by homelessness are lonely, afraid and hungry. Thank you to all who sponsored me and thereby helped others - it is hugely appreciated. *Revd Nicola Gillard.*

Well done to Nicola, and even though it was just for one night, it is still a very brave thing to do. You can still sponsor Nicola: <https://urbanoutreach.co.uk/bolton-wanderers-sleep-out.co.uk/>



AND TALKING OF URBAN OUTREACH.....HOW ARE YOUR SANDWICH FILLING MUSCLES?

Here's an opportunity to get them exercised! And burn off some Easter Egg calories!

This Easter, Urban Outreach will be supporting Bolton Council's HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) projects by providing sandwiches for children attending activities across the borough.

To help make this happen, we're putting out a **call for sandwich makers**. We're looking for volunteers who would be willing to give around **half an hour in the morning** to help prepare sandwiches.

📅 **Dates: Tuesday 7th April – Friday 17th April** 🕒 **Time: Starting at 7:00am each morning**

You're very welcome to volunteer **for just one morning, a few mornings, or even every day** if you'd like. The early start makes it ideal for **early risers or anyone who would like to volunteer on their way to work**.

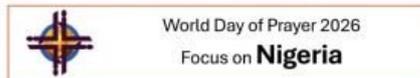
We know mornings can be busy, so please be assured that this is **simply half an hour helping with sandwich making – there won't be any other tasks to do**, meaning you can come along, help out, and then head off to start your day.

Your help will ensure that children and young people taking part in the HAF activities receive a good, fresh lunch each day.

If you'd like to get involved, please reply to this email admin@urbanoutreach.co.uk or get in touch with the team to let us know which mornings you might be available: **01204 385848**

Thank you so much for your continued support of Urban Outreach and the families we serve across Bolton.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2026



This year was prepared by an ecumenical group of Christian women from Nigeria. The theme was:

I WILL GIVE YOU REST, COME (Matthew 11 vs 28—30).

An annual event open to all genders and faiths the service is put together by women from a different country every year, highlighting the issues they face and how their faith helps them.

We met on Friday March 6th having had to change venue from Rivington Church to New Chapel URC due to unforeseen circumstances.

There was a good attendance and the Worship Service features a playlet about a young girl named Chioma and stories of three Nigerian women: Beatrice, Jato, and Blessing. Their experiences reveal how God



provides rest through community support, faith, and hope. The Bible Study explores divine rest



from creation to Jesus' time, examining wisdom traditions and Jesus' transformation of rest from rigid rules to liberating mercy. The Country background provides comprehensive information about Nigeria's history, culture, and contemporary challenges, with special attention to the achievements and struggles of Nigerian women. There was a traditional Nigerian song and relevant traditional hymns that we all sang. The service was followed by brews and catch ups with each other. Photos show the Horwich and Rivington WDP team and the table decorated with produce and relevant Nigerian items/ symbols. More info at:

<https://www.wwdp.org.uk/2026>

Our thanks to Linda Gillett and the URC team for providing the venue and refreshments at such short notice.

UPDATE ON INTERNATIONAL AID TRUST (IAT) AND UKRAINE

from Rev Bernard Cocker, Founder & CEO **“Ukraine: Four Years On — Faith, Courage, and Hope.**

First of all a huge thank you to all of you who have supported our work in Ukraine. We could not have done it without you. 35 years ago I visited Ukraine for the first time, I saw images of pain and suffering that would never leave me. And for 35 years, we at IAT have had the privilege of serving in Ukraine. I have walked its streets, preached in its churches, prayed with its priests and pastors, and witnessed the friendship, faithfulness, spirit, resilience, bravery and strength of its people. After the invasion our efforts increased dramatically. Four years ago, the course of the Ukrainian Nation changed. This evil invasion shocked the world, Russia used greed, murder, death and destruction.

But the UK - and most of the world - responded with love. Just in the last four years we at IAT have sent £23 million of aid, along with 73 ambulances and 4x4 Pickups. We will continue until Russia is defeated - and then we will help rebuild Ukraine.

We have seen devastation, Families separated, Lives lost, Futures taken away, Cities destroyed and scarred. But we have also seen something else - identity, dignity, a statement that culture, faith, truth and hope cannot be bombed into silence. Please continue to pray for our work and the Ukrainians plus please continue support through prayer, financially, through practical donations and by giving your time.”

EASTER

WORD SCRAMBLE



1. TABKSE _____
2. NBYNU _____
3. HICCK _____
4. ALCOTECHO _____
5. ANYDC _____
6. OECETADR _____
7. SERETA _____
8. SGGE _____
9. WFROELS _____
10. BJESNLAEYL _____

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HELP! I CAN'T HEAR YOU!



St Catherine's Church is in great need of an updated audio-visual system so that everyone can see the screen and hear everything that is said/ sung/played. It will cost £7,100, so please, if you are able to make a donation, no matter how small, these are the details you need:

ACCOUNT: RBS: St Catherines Church,
Sort Code: **16-12-53**,
Account number: **19257931**.
St Catherine's Church Christmas Appeal



Saturday 18th April 7.00pm

Organstoppers

Plays



Sing along to all the classics
Dress in 70s fashions: optional!

Alan Beedie, organ

Holy Trinity Parish Church, Church Street,
Horwich BL6 6AA

Adults £5, children free

Wine and soft drinks available from 6.30pm!

All proceeds to the Tower Appeal

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THE DAY THAT LOVE WAS CRUCIFIED

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” (St. John 3 :16)

The day that love was crucified
And man’s worst deed was done.
Thick darkness covered all the earth
In mourning for God’s Son.
He came to manifest God’s Grace,
Salvation to proclaim;
But sinful men poured ridicule
Upon His Holy Name.

It looked as if God’s cause had failed
When Jesus Christ was slain
And that His life and Ministry
Had wholly been in vain.
Around the Cross, the jeering mob
Their virulence expressed
Whilst those who’d been His friends now lacked
The courage they’d professed.

The Roman soldiers cast their lots
His clothing to acquire.
Much less concerned with Him were they
Than with the Lord’s attire.
But, of their number there was one
Who stood abashed and awed.
“In truth”, he said with reverence
“This was the Son of God.”

The intuition he displayed
Was given by Heaven above,
For there upon that Cross he saw
A Father’s seal of love.
The nature of that Holy Death
To which the crowd was blind
Was shown in him; in Christ he saw
The Saviour of mankind.

In time to come the others, too,
Would finally perceive
That God’s forgiveness was for all
Who would this truth believe.
In token of Divine intent
To set the sinner free,
The Temple veil was rent in two
When Christ died on that tree.

Now Jew and Gentile can rejoice
With all the heav’nly host
And praise the God Who would not have
A single one be lost.
For His redemption is for all
Who will their sins confess
And trust in Him Who died that day
Their erring souls to bless.

John W. Brown



DID YOU KNOW? The origin of the Easter hymn “THERE IS A GREEN HILL FAR AWAY” — Mrs Alexander was the daughter of a major and the wife of a bishop. She was a tireless visitor, going from cottage to cottage in all weathers, supporting her husband’s work in his diocese in Northern Ireland.

This hymn, dating from before her marriage, was written at the bedside of a child who was ill. The profits from *Hymns for Little Children*, where it first appeared in print, went to a school for deaf and dumb children in Londonderry. Mendelssohn’s friend William Horsley, who wrote the famous tune, was organist for eighteen years at a home for orphan girls in London. The girl for whom the words were written recovered from her illness, and always regarded the hymn as hers, even when she grew up.

FROM THE REGISTERS

FUNERALS

We offer love and sympathy to the relatives and friends of:

5th February Diane Eddowes

17th February Ian Hornby

26th February John Martin



A 10 YEAR COMMEMORATION

March 7th was a rare dry day which meant the ground underfoot was comparatively dry and easier to walk on than of late, as a group of approximately 50 Horwich residents—many born and bred here along with others who were ‘newcomers’ (such as myself who has only lived here since 1981!) gathered at Ridgmont Cemetery to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Memorial erected to commemorate the one hundred and 98 men, women and children who were buried here in the ‘paupers’ graves’ between 1920 and 1977. This term refers to people who had died but as there were no family funds to pay for a grave they were paid for at public expense and therefore unmarked.

There were leaders or representatives of the various Horwich churches and organisations. Wreaths were laid, including one by our Town Mayor, Cllr Victoria Rigby. This was followed by a short service led by the Revd Nicola Butterworth, Team Rector of the Anglican churches in Horwich and Rivington. It was very moving and whilst feeling sad at the reason for our being there, there was also a good feeling that although their names are not known to us they are all known to God and also that Horwich will make sure that they will always be commemorated. After the main service, representatives of the ‘free’ churches made their way further up the



cemetery to lay wreaths and say prayers for the paupers from their churches who were buried separately. *Margaret Broadfoot*

In 2016 civic leaders and members of Horwich Heritage formed a committee to restore the signs and markings of the area of the graves, which were in a bad state. A new headstone, donated by Liveseys Funeral Services, was commissioned and engraved and now quite clearly marks the area of the graves.

(photo © Horwich Heritage)

REFRESHING ONE'S MIND

I leave aside my shoes, my ambitions,
undo my watch, my timetable,
Take off my glasses, my views,
Unclip my pen, my work,
Put down my keys, my security,
To be alone with you,
The only True God.

After being with you,
I take up my shoes to walk in your ways,
Strap on my watch to live in your time,
Put on my glasses to look at your world,
Clip on my pen to write up your thoughts,
pick up my keys to open your doors.



©Graham Kings 'The Prayer Stool' from 'A Touch of Flame—an anthology of Contemporary Christian Poetry'

GROUPS AND SESSIONS FOR ALL AGES



Time 4 Twos! Fridays 10.30am (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 . [Time For Twos | Bolton | Facebook](#)



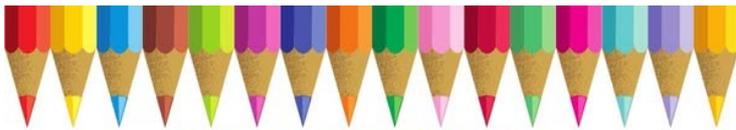
FAMILY FUN AT MESSY CHURCH—29th March @ St Catherine's 3:30pm suitable for all ages: crafts, talk, songs, free food. Held at St Catherine's Church, Richmond Street. Any queries check out St Catherine's Facebook page. www.facebook.com/stcatherineschurchhorwich.



INSPIRE For those in school years 5 to 9 - now at St Catherine's Church, Richmond Street, on Wednesdays (term time) 7pm to 8.15pm. For more information contact Graham Smith (tel. 01204 699875).



OPEN DOOR Usually 2nd Thursday of the month. All welcome in the **Narthex at Holy Trinity Church at 7.30pm**. £5.00 per evening including refreshments. A variety of speakers and outings throughout the year so please come along. Next meeting **April 9th**. Speaker: Miranda Williams—"My Fair Trade Journey"



HORWICH PARISH WIGGLE TOTS

WE MEET EVERY MONDAY (TERM TIME): 9AM – 11AM

IN THE PARISH HALL

YOUNG CHILDREN FROM BABIES TO SCHOOL AGE WITH PARENTS OR CARERS.

SESSIONS INCLUDE FREE PLAY, CREATIVE ACTIVITIES, SINGING, AND STORYTELLING WITH WIGGLE THE BIBLE BOOKWORM.

EVERYONE WELCOME – NO COST TO ATTEND



Email Sue for more info: suzeerayner@yahoo.co.uk

THE VICTORIA HALL, 37 -39 KNOWSLEY STREET, BOLTON, BL1 2AS

12th—19th APRIL: EASTER PANTO—THE WIZARD OF OZ—VARIOUS TIMES

14th APRIL: K-POP UNIVERSE—THE ULTIMATE K-POP TRIBUTE SHOW 6.30pm

Tickets from: BOX OFFICE OPENING TIMES **TUESDAY 10:00 - 12 NOON SATURDAY 10:00 - 12 NOON** NOTE - TIMES MAY VARY CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES . **PHONE NUMBER 01204**

522569 website: www.victoriahallbolton.co.uk

BABY BABBLE AND BOND



FREE fun and interactive group session for families with babies 0-12 months.

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Fridays

9:30am-10:30am

&

1pm-2pm

No booking required, just turn up.

Term Time Only - Please see Family Hub Guide for details.



HAPPY BIRTHDAYS AND CONGRATULATIONS:
Happy April birthdays to: Susan Preston; Renee Hart;
David Griffiths; Maureen Price; Bill Wilson;
Dorothy Shaw and Evelyn Chamberlain - all enjoy
your special day!

WHAT'S ON IN THE COMMUNITY



St Catherine's Church

invites you and a guest to

AFTERNOON TEA

Tuesday 14th April 2 - 4 pm
Company, conversation, & food

Please ring Kath Jackson on 770598 (or mobile 07823 476002)
or Pam Smith on 699875 (or mobile 07968 337045)
by Friday 10th April to book your place.
Please tell us if you have any special dietary requirements.

This is a social event not a fundraising event, and is free of any charge.



HORWICH HERITAGE

THE CENTRE OPENS MON—FRI 2—4pm and SAT 10am to 12.30pm - off Beaumont Road, Horwich.

email: kathleen.arkwright@ntlworld.com or ring: **General Enquiries: 01204 847797**

Membership: 07789 367677 Family History: 07784 737660

MONTHLY MEETINGS AND GUEST SPEAKERS (free to members, £2 for visitors)

April 14th David Lloyd - Lost Plans for Bolton

Exhibition: Feb 21st to May 28th—Famous Horwichers—

Come and see how many people you can recognise who have made an impact on Horwich and the wider world.

HORWICH LIBRARY—Jones Street. Lending Library—books, DVDs etc; Help with using computers; Knit and Knatter Group; Quiz afternoon and lots more—pop along to see what's available.

THE REPAIR CAFÉ—Got something you think can't be fixed? Try the Repair Café—third Saturday of the month 1.30-3.30pm, at Brazley Community Centre, Cedar Avenue, horwichrepaircafe@gmail.com Free but donations welcome to help with overheads.

HORWICH COMMUNITY CENTRE, BEAUMONT ROAD, Tel: 01204 668157 Something for everyone—classes; exercise groups; writing; toddler groups; support groups; arts and crafts etc horwich.hrc20@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR A FRIENDLY CHAT, WARM FOOD, COMPANIONSHIP?

COME ALONG TO ONE OF OUR WARM SPACES PLEASE CHECK FOR EASTER OPENING TIMES

DAY	VENUE
Mon	Horwich Evangelical Church, Wright Street 12pm – 1.45pm Waiting list 07835-749496
	Talking Tables, Chill at the Cowshed 10.30 – 11.30am Just turn up!
	KD Over 50s Lads Club, Community Centre, Beaumont Road 2– 4pm £3 subs Just turn up!
Tues	Horwich Community Centre, Beaumont Road 12 – 2pm Lunch and entertainment. Small charge. 01204 668157
	Talking Tables, Blanco Lounge, Middlebrook 10.30—11.30 am You purchase what you want while you sit and chat Just turn up!
	Horwich URC, New Chapel Lane 10.30am—12.30pm Brews, soup, roll, biscuits and games, quiet time 01204 696424
4th Tues	Rivington Church, Hall, Horrobin Lane 11am Faith and Fellowship
Wed	Food and Friendship, St Elizabeth’s Church Hall ,Cedar Avenue 11am – 1pm 07967 585670
	The Bridge, Rock Street 9.30am – 11.30am Warm welcome and a cuppa 01204 361704
	St Mary’s Church, Chorley New Road Luncheon Club—waiting list 01204 468209
	St John’s Methodist Church, Victoria Road 10.30am – 12.30pm 07581 181862
	Lend-a-Hand, The Bridge Inn, Church Street 10am 07939 500591
Thurs	Warm Welcome, Horwich Parish Church (Holy Trinity), Church St. 11am – 1.30pm . 01204 690283
	Talkin’ Tables, Brewed Coffee, Lee Lane 11.00am to 12pm Just turn up!
2nd & 4th Thurs Over 50’s Club, Horwich Community Centre, 12.30—2.30pm 0800 804 4343	

DONATE FOOD HERE



FOOD COLLECTION FOR URBAN OUTREACH

The day for the Food Collection is now on a **Wednesday** at

St Elizabeth’s 11.00am-1.00pm

April Weds 15th and 29th

May Weds 13th and 27th

June Weds 10th and 24th

Food can be left in the Grub Tubs in the churches if you are unable to bring the donations to St Elizabeth’s.

NO fresh foods please—but all tinned and packet goods along with UHT milk are needed as are babies items—nappies, soap, shampoo etc. Adult toiletries and sanitary goods always needed as well. Toilet rolls, tissues, Kitchen roll, washing up liquid, bleach are also on the list—there should be a list in each of our churches to help you. Thank you so much for your generosity and kindness. The weekly food deliveries to those in need are very much appreciated.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, Church Street, Horwich BL6 6AA:

SUNDAY SERVICES:

4th Sunday: 8am Holy Communion

Every Sunday: 9.15am Informal Worship

(occasional United Services at 10am)

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays: 11am Holy Communion

4th Sunday: 11am Morning Prayer

5th Sunday: 11am Holy Communion with Healing

Weekdays: Every Wednesday at 9.30am a said service of Holy Communion

RIVINGTON PARISH CHURCH Horrobin Lane, Rivington, BL6 7SE:

SUNDAY SERVICES:

1st Sunday: 11am Family Service

2nd, 3rd. 4th Sunday: 11am Holy Communion (with occasional service of Morning Prayer)

5th Sunday : Holy Communion (BCP)

Weekdays: 4th Tuesday of the month: 11am in the Church Hall

ST. CATHERINE'S CHURCH, Richmond Street, Horwich, BL6 5QT:

SUNDAY SERVICES ALL AT 11am

1st Sunday: Sunday Worship with Communion

2nd Sunday: Informal Worship

3rd Sunday: Sunday Worship with Communion

4th Sunday : Morning Prayer

ST. ELIZABETH'S CHURCH, Cedar Avenue, Horwich, BL6 6EU:

SUNDAY SERVICES:

1st Sunday: 8.30am Holy Communion BCP

9.30am All Age Worship (occasionally communion)

7pm Alive & Free (1st Sunday of month)

2nd , and 4th Sunday: 9.30am Holy Communion (occasional service of Morning Worship)

3rd Sunday: 9.30am All Age Worship

For information about groups and sessions for babies, toddlers and young people, please refer to the relevant pages in the magazine.

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07740 464810

Rivington

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Secretary:

St. Catherine's

Church Wardens: Kath Jackson 01204 770598

Treasurer: Joshua Dayavaran

Secretary: Pam Smith

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St. Elizabeth's

Church Wardens: Sharon Sharrocks

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Graham Smith

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Treasurer: Richard Skidmore

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Secretary: Lynne Croston

BAPTISMS: Initial enquiries for baptisms to

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WEDDINGS: Initial enquiries for weddings to

Revd. Peter Harley at 01204 694611 or email:

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