

WEEKLY NOTICES 2nd December 2018

Tues. 4 th	11.30 a.m.	Holy Communion Service
	12.00 noon	Lunch Club
Wed. 5 th	7.15p.m.	CHORAL EVENSONG
		Responses: Reading
		Psalm: 29
		Hymn: 9
		Canticles: Wood in D
		Anthem: People look east
Thurs. 6 th	8.45a.m.	Tots & Toddlers Group
	2.15p.m.	Church Cleaning Group
Fri. 7 th	11.30a.m.	Mission 70 Service
Sat. 8 th	10.00a.m.	Christmas Coffee Morning <i>Hosted by Trinity Fellowship</i>
Sun. 9 th Dec.		2 nd Sunday of Advent
	8.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	10.15 a.m.	Parish Communion
	6.30 p.m.	Healing Service

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SOUTHPORT

2nd December 2018
Advent Sunday



WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Practising members of other Christian denominations are invited to receive Holy Communion. If you are not confirmed but would like to receive a blessing please come forward with other communicants and place your hands below the altar rail.

We hope you will join us for refreshments in the Parish Centre after the Service.

8.30 a.m.	HOLY COMMUNION
10.15 a.m.	PARISH COMMUNION
Setting:	Willan in D Motets
Introit:	25 <i>With One Voice</i>
Epistle	1 Thessalonians 3. 9 - 13
Gradual:	47 WOV
Gospel:	Luke 21. 25 - 36
Address:	Canon Roger Wikeley
Offertory:	52 WOV
Motets:	O thou the central orb - C Wood Panis angelicus - C Franck
Recessional:	Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory (<i>see Newsletter</i>)
Voluntary:	Wachet auf! – J S Bach

<u>6.00p.m</u>	ADVENT CAROL SERVICE
	Matin responsory - G P Palestrina
	On Jordan's bank - arr M Archer
	Magnificat in Bb - CV Stanford
	O thou the central orb - C Wood
	People look east - arr M Archer
	Lift up your heads - W Mathias
	Wachet Auf - harmonised J.S. Bach
	Organ music during service: Nun komm, der heiden
	Heiland BWV 659 - J S Bach
	Voluntary: Magnificat primi toni - Buxtehude ENT

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ADVENT AT TRINITY – Today is the start of the Advent season which will begin with the traditional lighting of the first candle on the Advent wreath at the 10.15am service. Our traditional Advent Carol Service begins at 6pm with Advent music from the choir and associated readings. This is always a very special service which starts in complete darkness and gradually moves forward into the light in keeping with the symbolism of the season.

You are encouraged to come and join us at this time of preparation and hope.

CHORAL EVENSONG Wednesday 5th December at 7.15p.m.

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP - We're looking forward to seeing you next Saturday 8th December Our Christmas Coffee Morning in aid of church funds is being held in the Parish Centre starting at 10.a.m. and it's only £1 to come and that includes a warm mince pie as well as coffee or tea. There is going to be a cake stall and a Bring & Buy stall with a variety of possible Christmas presents (!) as well as a book stall and of course a super duper raffle!

Do come along, I promise you it's well worth a visit!

We'd like to thank everyone who supported our Bottle Stall at the Autumn Fair. In all we raised £170 so we're very grateful for your generosity!

See you on Saturday! Everyone's welcome and do bring friends with you too! *Betty G.*

FOR YOUR PRAYERS: Elsa Dowling, Cyril Brown, Kath Pickup, Deborah Butler, Fay Redhead, Doreen Blagbrough, Bill Stead, Evelyn Shacklady, and the children: Jessica May Ruston, Noah Cunningham

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE Frank S Parker (2nd) Ann Tomlinson (4th) Philip Elliott(4th) Arlene Price (6th) Frederick Walter Wilburn (7th)

CAFÉ CHURCH - the next *Café Church* is on Saturday, 15th December in the Parish Centre at 3.30 p.m. when we will 'Celebrate Christmas'. There will be tea and cakes, family activities, games, crafts and songs.

Please let Joan Miller know on 512746 or 07775 706 593 if you can come and support this venture, and bring any family, friends and grandchildren to join in the fun. *Joan Miller*

THANK YOU – Janet Byard and family wish to thank the Trinity family for their kind messages, cards and prayers since David's death.

FUNDRAISING AT HOLY TRINITY - Last week Trinity staged its annual Autumn Fair which raised the magnificent sum of £1326 (and probably a little more by now!). As ever, the planning and organisation is a major contributor to the success of this event and thanks are due to Sue and Nancy for all they do in this respect. On the day a huge number of people are involved in donating, setting up, running and tidying away the stalls together with everyone who visits to contribute to Trinity funds in a sociable and fun way. Thank you everyone!

Fundraising events (and our Gift Day) continue to be vitally important to Trinity for two main reasons. Firstly, in our interregnum whilst we are striving to keep our costs down as much as possible, we are still at the whim of the general economic climate, for example oil costs for church heating, costs of keeping the church compliant, clean, tidy and in a good state of repair AND we have to pay our Parish Share to the Diocese. Secondly, we endeavour to put on events which enable us to enjoy ourselves whilst at the same time making a contribution to overall finances.

Unfortunately, we recently had to postpone the planned Promises Auction and there will be some in the congregation who will remember the annual Restoration Dinner which ran for a considerable number of years, courtesy of Doreen and Hilda, at this time of year, until relatively recently.

Therefore, we are very much hoping that our next event will be well supported by Trinity together with friends or families. The Christmas Bingo on Saturday, December 15th at 7.30pm is a fun event for ALL ages – children really enjoy this game. It really doesn't matter if you have never played before, this is Trinity Bingo not Mecca Bingo, 'have a go' in a relaxed, fun environment with the chance to win excellent prizes which are all Christmas themed! Planning is well advanced and tickets are already on sale £2.50 to include refreshments. The 'bingo books' will be sold on the night, depending on how many you think you can handle at once – the more books, more prize opportunities! We would welcome your company – please consider joining us.

NEW HOME - Rod and Christine are settling in their new home and have sent us their new contact details:

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SOUTHPORT BACH CHOIR'S CONCERT NEXT Saturday December 8th sees a performance of that best-loved of all choral works, Handel's "Messiah". Full of melodic beauty (I know that my Redeemer liveth), drama (Why do the nation's so furiously rage together?) and moments of sheer glory (The trumpet shall sound!), this work pronounces the Christian message to the world with triumphant joy. The Bach Choir is performing with orchestra and with young soloists from the Royal Northern College, just starting on their professional careers. Don't let this opportunity slip!
7.30 in Holy Trinity; tickets £12 on sale in the Parish Centre after the service, or from Sue, Daphne, Madeleine, Geraldine...you can't miss us!

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH 100 CLUB DRAW -

The final draw to be held in December - 1st Prize will be £100

Two 100 Club Draws were held in the Parish Centre on Sunday 25/11/2018

and the winners were :

1 st	7	Vera McGibbon
2 nd	79	Janet Byard
3 rd	101	Janetta Lawrance
1 st	93	Betty Watkinson
2 nd	88	Hilary Riley
3 rd	29	Michelle Butcher

N.B. All current members - Paul will be collecting subscriptions for 2019 from December onwards. New members always welcome to join, so please see Paul Williamson .

All money raised goes to the church fund.

CONGRATULATIONS to David Hawkins on his new job after many years of applying for work. He has now been accepted for work at Bates Dairy and begins his new position after Christmas. We wish him every success and hope he will be very happy there. *Sue Palmer*

CAROL SERVICE Just a reminder that our traditional Carols and Lessons Service is being held at 3p.m. on the 16th December.

WAITING FOR THE LIGHT - A Conducted Meditation for Advent

led by Canon Dr Rod Garner. This coming Thursday 6th December 7.30pm

Reflections, music, silence and readings to point us to the mystery at the heart of this Season. He will be joined by Rev'd Philip Caton.

All Saints Church Rawlinson Road Southport – All welcome – retiring collection

Bible Readings for December

2 nd	1 Thessalonians 3. 9 -13 Luke 21. 25 - 36	Alan Marston
9 th	Philippians 1. 3 - 11 Luke 3. 1 - 6	Dianne Sharrock
16 th	Philippians 4. 4 – 7 Luke 3. 7 - 18	Karen Vernon
23 rd	Hebrews 10. 5 – 10 Luke 1. 39 - 45	
30 th	Colossians 3. 12 – 17 Luke 2. 41 - 52	Vicki Butler

Elements - December

2 nd	Joan & Alan Marston
9 th	Jean Munro & Shelagh Henderson
16 th	Kathie & Neil McGrimmon
23 rd	Jane & Ian Howarth

Coffee Rota (Parish Centre) - December

2 nd	D.Roach, B.Watkinson, D.Butterworth
9 th	Trinity Fellowship:
16 th	Ann Ferguson, B.Carter, J.Howarth
23 rd	D.Sharrock, P.Appleby, S.Henderson
30 th	L.Knifton, L.Walker

Silver Cleaning December

w/e 8 th	J.Ryan & J. Byard
w/e 22 nd	J.Howarth & H.Stubbs

Church Cleaning December

6 th	At 2.15p.m
20 th	At 10.15a.m.

NEW CD Our new Acting Director of Music, John Hosking and soprano, Olivia Hunt have just released a new CD which will be available for sale following Sunday services at £10. The disc contains a wide range of music spanning five centuries and has been reviewed as follows: "In an age of specialization, it is rare to find performers that sound equally at ease in Purcell as in Gershwin, a feat accomplished here by the Hunt-Hosking Duo. Their versatility is eclipsed only by their remarkable musicality, making for a very enjoyable recording. Keyboard aficionados will appreciate Hosking's sensitive touch in Merula's Capriccio Cromatico, which constitutes a nice foil to his equally-haunting 'Hor ch'e tempo.'" (Isabelle Demers - Organ Professor, Baylor University, USA)

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Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

1 Thessalonians 3. 9 - 13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you?

Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you.

And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you.

And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Luke 21. 25 - 36

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves.

People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.' Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord,
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored,
He has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword,
His truth is marching on.

Glory, glory hallelujah!

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His truth is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never sound retreat,
He is sifting out the hearts of all before his judgement seat,
O be swift, my soul to answer him, be jubilant my feet,
Our God is marching on.

Glory, glory hallelujah!

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In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me,
As he died to make us holy, let us live that all be free,
Whilst God is marching on.

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