

Sundays

This Sunday: 31st December (First Sunday after Christmas)

8.45am: **Holy Communion**

10.30am: **Holy Communion**

Bible readings: Galatians 4:4-7 (NT p186); Luke 2 15-21 (NT p56))

The Collect (weekly special prayer)

Almighty God,
who wonderfully created us in your own image
and yet more wonderfully restored us
through your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
so we may share the life of his divinity;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Next Sunday: 7th January 2018 (Baptism of Christ)

8.45am: **Holy Communion**

10.30am: **Holy Communion** with the Baptism of

Isabella Rose Barker (daughter to Daniel Barker & Jessica Hulton)

Bible readings: Acts 19:1-7 (NT p135); Mark 1:1-11 (NT p33)

6.00pm: **Churches Together Annual Covenant Service, St John's Church**

Usual Sunday Pattern of services at 10.30am at St. Catherine's

1st Sunday in month – Holy Communion (traditional)

2nd Sunday in month – All Age worship

3rd Sunday in month – Holy Communion (informal)

4th Sunday in month – Holy Communion (informal)

5th Sunday in month (4 times a year) – Special morning worship.



Our mission is: to grow in God's love, and to show that love to others,

so that St. Catherine's Church will be:

a church where God is evident among us and the Holy Spirit works in us,

a church where people can come into relationship with Jesus Christ, and grow in faith,

a church where we grow in our understanding of what He is teaching us in the Bible,

a church which seeks to serve the community and the wider world around us.



31st December 2017
St. Catherine's Church
A church in the Horwich and Rivington Team
Website: www.bhrmp.co.uk

Welcome to St. Catherine's Church.
Welcome especially if you are here for the first time

This Week:

Monday 1st January 10am **New Years Day Communion Service at Holy Trinity (All Welcome)**



Wednesday 3rd January – Sorry no Tiny Tots (restarts 17th January)

Wednesday 3rd January 9.30am **Holy Communion at St Elizabeth's**



Next Week:

Monday 8th January 7.30pm **Parochial Church Council Meeting**

Wednesday 10th January Sorry no Tiny Tots (restarts 17th January)

Wednesday 10th January 9.30am **Holy Communion at Holy Trinity**



Saturday 13th January 10.00am – 12 noon **Church Working Party.** If you are able to spare a couple of hours to help to clean the church it would be much appreciated.

If you are wearing a **hearing aid** and would like to make use of our Induction Loop System, please switch your device to the 'T' position.



Please pray for: The wardens, vicar and church council as they seek to lead our church on in faith.

Revd Terry and Sandra Litherland and especially Terry now that he has been licensed to officiate at St Thomas's Church in Exeter.

Caroline Tracey and **Gill Smart** and **Joanne Smith** our team curates. **Peter Harley** (associate minister) and **Stephen Fletcher** our Team Rector.

Mrs Karen Graham, the head teacher at St. Catherine's school,

Those you know without Christ in their life

and for an opportunity to lead them a step nearer to him.

Those unwell including: Marjorie Sims, Brenda Marshall, Frank Marsh, Kathryn Staunton (Jane Staunton's sister), Edward Holmes (grandson of Judith Lopez), Gordon Pritchard, Kathleen Warwick, Darren Hickey, Barry Waterworth (Joyce Doughty's nephew), Barbara Ronson, Mark Brownlow (cousin to Anne Morgan), Connie Owen, Iris & Joe Bridge, Bill Wilson, Pat Naylor, Jane Boyce, Margaret Watkins, Lesley Jackson, Mildred Taylor, Lieke Dickinson (Aria Powell's mum), Gill Waugh, Denise Nelson (Claire Hardman's mum – recovering after an operation), Anne Wilson, Edna Woodhouse, Gladys Winnard, Adrienne Beeby (Jean Beeby's daughter-in-law), Bill Staples, Geoff and Marian Holt, Hayley Wood (in Salford Royal after suffering another brain haemorrhage), Colin Craston, Wilf Tomkinson and Elizabeth Ginniff. If you know anyone who is unwell who would like to be added to the prayer list please let Michael know.

Those mourning the loss of loved ones.

Those remembering the anniversaries of the deaths of: William Goodman, John Roberts, Elsie Shearman, John Tickle, Harold Whalley, Gladys Gaythorpe, Nellie Atherton, Harry Moss, Herbert Allsebrook, Ernest Watkins, Leigh Curbishley, Mary Pennington and William Banks.

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Baptisms: Those thinking about baptism for their children should ask for a copy of the "First Steps" leaflet after the service.

Church Council: Janet Adamson, Michael Behrend, Ruth Bisley, Christine Cornes, John Horne, Kathryn Jackson, Eileen Jepson, Lyn Mitchell, Carol Parry, Marjorie Sims, Pam Smith, Suzanne Walker, Bill Wilson and Ian Winnard.

Gluten free communion wafers are available in communion services.

Please let one of the wardens know before the service if you will require one.

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Youth Minister Appointment: we are pleased to announce that, after interviews this week, **we have appointed our first Horwich and Rivington Team Youth Minister**. As this appointment is subject to DBS clearance and Reference checks, we are not yet able to announce their name, but will do so as soon as we can. Thank you for your prayers and support that have got us to this point – please continue praying for the Youth Minister who will join our leadership team at the beginning of February.

Bear Grylls: 'My favourite way to start the day!' – search for the 'Bible In One Year' App & make 2018 a year in which you grow your faith in Jesus through prayer & Bible reading! The App is free. You can either read or listen (great if you are busy!). If you don't have a tablet or smartphone you can sign up to receive free daily emails.



Donations towards the Christmas floral decorations would be welcomed. Donations can be placed on the plate provided at the back of church or given to Pam Smith. Thank you. We would also like to thank Pam for her continued work in purchasing and arranging the flowers in church,

Flower list: The flower list for 2018 is available on the display board near to the book trolley. If you would like to put your name down to donate flowers on a particular week, perhaps in memory of someone, please put your name on the list together with the name of the person whom the flowers are in memory of, or the special occasion that you are donating the flowers for in the space provided this information will appear on the notice sheet each week. If you are able to arrange the flowers please also indicate your willingness to do so on the sheet.

Slimming World – will be meeting weekly at St.Catherine's on Mondays from 1st January. Just come along or contact Hollie on 07788 543151

Christmas Dinner on Jesus! A huge thank you to everyone who contributed After Dinner Mints. 1300 Christmas hampers with a Christmas meal were given away throughout Bolton.

Christian Aid Christmas Appeal every £1 you give to the Christian Aid Christmas Appeal (until 5th February) will be matched by the Government. For every pound you give the UK government will add another £1, so even more families across Sub-Saharan Africa can be saved from the life-threatening effects of malnutrition. See: christianaid.org.uk

