

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, BIRCHFIELD

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13th August 2017- 9th Sunday after Trinity

11.00am Sung Eucharist

WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!

This morning we welcome the Revd John Nightingale as our president and preacher.

If this is first time you have visited our church and you are unsure about anything, please ask.

Our aim is to assist you and make you feel at home. Parents with small children are invited to use our children's play area.

Toilet facilities are available through the vestry.

To help Holy Trinity with its fund-raising we would ask all visitors to contribute a minimum of £3 to the collection.

Please stay for a cup of coffee, tea, or squash after the service.

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NEXT SUNDAY - Trinity 9

11.00am Sung Eucharist

If you have any items for the newsletter please give details to Anthony Pitts (tel 0121 356 4241) or email trinitybirchfield@gmail.com

COLLECT

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

TODAY'S READINGS

1 KINGS 19: 1-18 p360
ROMANS 10: 5-15 P1137
MATTHEW 14: 22-33 p981

Please pray for those who are in need in our communities, and keep the following people in your prayers this week..... MR COLEY, YVONNE FRENCH, REBECCA BACON.

RECENT COLLECTIONS

August 6th	£884
July 30th	£673
July 23rd	£878
July 16th	£717
July 9th	£807
July 2nd	£829

Remember: Holy Trinity needs over £900 each week, just to break even!

THIS WEEK

MONDAY

TUESDAY

8am Morning Prayer

WEDNESDAY

9.15am Lunch Club trip to a film at the MAC

(No Morning Service or Lunch club)

THURSDAY

8am Morning Prayer

10am Church cleaning

10-12.00 JOB CLUB

12.30pm Brotherhood outing to

Test Match

7pm Prayer Group

FRIDAY

8am Morning Prayer

SATURDAY

8am Morning Prayer

Vicar's Hour takes place on Monday evenings (not Bank Holidays), 7-8pm, in the

Vicarage for arranging *baptisms and weddings*.
Tel: 0121 356 4241

TRIP TO WEYMOUTH

Waveney and Angela would like to say a very big 'Thank you' to everyone, church members and non-church members alike, who supported the trip.

The profit of £600 will go into the Jubilee Fund.

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GEMS BALL is on Saturday 16th September in the church hall.

Tickets (**£30**) are available from Waveney, Angela, Barbara, Jenny, Gillian Thompson, or Heather.

Holy Trinity Open Day

We are having an open day on **Saturday 23rd September.**

We need volunteers for the following: welcoming, tea/coffee, giving a talk about Holy Trinity, devising a quiz.

See **Jillian De Costa** if you would like to help.

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The latest edition of the 'Praying Together' booklet is available at the back of church.

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Mrs West's funeral

There will no service on Wednesday morning at Holy Trinity as the funeral of Mrs Mavis West is taking place at **11am on Wednesday at Bethel United**

Apostolic Church, 2 Gibson Road, Handsworth, B20 3UE.

There will be a **PLAYSCHEME** at Holy Trinity from **Monday 28th August** until **Friday 1st September**, in the church hall, **9.30-4pm.**

Sunday 3rd September will be a '**Colour Groups Sunday**' so please try to be in church that day.

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Film at the MAC

There will be **no Lunch Club** on Wednesday as regular members are going to the MAC to see a film, '**Black Britain**'. Meet outside the vicarage at **9.15am prompt for the minibus.**

The film starts at **11am**. There is a questions and answers session at **12.30pm**, followed by food at **1pm**. The minibus returns at **2.30pm**.

This trip is open to 'elders' (over 50) - and is free. There are two places left on the minibus; please see Anthony Pitts if you would like to go.

55th Anniversary of Jamaican Independence

A Service of Praise and Thanksgiving at New Testament Church of God, 240 Lozells Road, B19 1NP, on **Sunday 20th August at 2.45pm.**

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Prayer Group meets in church on **Thursday at 7pm.**

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Please remember **Revd Eve** in your prayers during her break in Jamaica, August 16th to 25th.

**Jillian De Costa** is collecting children's books and men's clothes (new or good quality second-hand) for The Gambia.

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**GRIOT ELDERS PROJECT**

*The Griot Elders Project - is a project for anyone aged over 50 in the Aston, Nechells and surrounding areas.*

*Starting in September the following sessions will take place:*

**Movement and Wellbeing on Fridays** 10.45am at Plummers House, 21 Burlington Street, Aston, B6 4UB;

**Music on Thursdays** (from Oct 19th) at 10.45am at 16 Grosvenor Road, B20 3NP'

**Visual Art on Tuesdays** 10.45am at ACE Resource Centre, 1 Vauxhall Road, Nechells, B7 4HT.

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We need more volunteers to help with the **Job Club on Thursdays**, preferably people who are willing to advise jobseekers. Training is available.

*If you'd like to help (it need only be once or twice a month) please see Veronica Flowers or Anthony Pitts.*

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**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**

*This year we raised **£238.42**. Many thanks to everyone who contributed.*

*Elaine and Janice.*

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*There will be a Games Afternoon in*

*the church hall on Saturday 23rd September - dominoes, darts and more.*

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**GREETINGS CARDS**

There are cards for sale at the back of church - profits go to church funds. Jillian De Costa has done a colour code system to denote price.

***Please do not take cards without paying for them - see Jillian.***

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**2018 TOUR TO THE HOLY LAND**

***Sunday 4th to Monday 12th March.***

Cost: **£1695**

Contact ***Pastor Tom 07932 213651***

tom\_maginley@yahoo.co.uk

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**Planned Giving Scheme**

We would like everyone who has numbered envelopes to complete a **Gift-Aid form** - as it has not been done for some time.

The forms (green) are on the grey table at the back of church. Please return your form to Angela Watson, Christine Harris or Anthony Pitts.

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I would like everyone who attends Holy Trinity regularly (if you are healthy enough) to give at least **3 hours a month** to our church to do, for example, cleaning, serving on committees, fundraising.

Please see Revd Eve.

**FOOD COLLECTION BOX**

**We are very grateful to those of you who are supporting the food box.**

Without your contributions we would be unable to help the many callers at the vicarage. In 2015 we gave food to 153 such callers. 2016's total was 311 people. ***So far in 2017 we have given food to 135 people.*** Please continue to bring such items as tinned food, food in packets and jars, sugar, tea bags, biscuits.

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A reminder that we would like more people to arrange their giving to Holy Trinity via a **monthly standing order.**

Please see Anthony Pitts if you would like a form.

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**We need more cleaners on Thursday !** If you can come for only 30 minutes between 10am and 12 noon, your help will be much appreciated!

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