

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, BIRCHFIELD

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18th March 2018 - 5th Sunday of Lent

11am Sung Eucharist

WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!

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 fundraising 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 - Palm Sunday

10.45am Sung Eucharist

- please note the earlier time - and remember to put your clocks forward one hour.

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

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

COLLECT

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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

JEREMIAH 31: 31-34 p794
HEBREWS 5: 5-10 p1204
JOHN 12: 20-33 p1080

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Please pray for those who are in need in our communities, and keep the following people in your prayers this week.....

Yvonne French,
Rebecca Simpson, Mr Coley, Mrs Coley,
Winston Hippolyte, Mr Sharpe,
Mrs Samuels, Mrs Elsie Malcolm,
Miss Sandra French.

Holy Trinity Birchfield's project 'Building a New Future for Birchfield' is:



LOTTERY FUNDED

THIS WEEK

MONDAY

TUESDAY

8am Morning Prayer

7.30pm PCC MEETING

WEDNESDAY

10.30am Holy Communion

11.30am Lent course at Wilton Road URC

7.30pm Bible Study

THURSDAY

8am Morning Prayer

10am Job Club

11am MRS STEWART'S FUNERAL

6.15pm Choir practice

FRIDAY

8am Morning Prayer

SATURDAY

11am MOTHERS' UNION AGM

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

RECENT COLLECTIONS

March 11th	£1049
March 4th	£201
February 25th	£706
February 18th	£1133
February 11th	£604
February 4th	£830

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

THE CHURCHES OF PERRY BARR & HANDSWORTH

The Lenten programme, "Jesus and His Passion - The Journey" finishes at Wilton Road URC on Wednesday at 11.30am.

SPRING BALL

As last year's Ball was a great success, Pamela Nelson is organising another one: on **Saturday 26th May at 7.30pm** at Tally Ho.

Tickets available today: **£45.**

We need good raffle prizes for this event, so donations of suitable items would be most appreciated.

We need more people in the church choir. Short audition. See Brian Perry or Jillian De Costa if you are interested.

HOLY TRINITY'S AGM

The AGM will take place after the 11am service on **15th April**. Please hand reports to **Marcia Barnett** no later than 31st March or send them via email to trinitybirchfield@yahoo.com

HOLY TRINITY'S LENT SONG

1. Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.
2. Before our Father's throne,
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts, and our cares.

3. We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.
4. When we asunder part,
It gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart,
And hope to meet again.
5. From sorrow, toil, and pain,
And sin we shall be free
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity.

John Fawcett (1740-1817); published 1782

MRS CLARIS STEWART'S FUNERAL takes place in church on Thursday at 11am

THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT HOLY TRINITY Sunday 22nd April at 4pm. The Town Hall Gospel Choir will be singing during this service.

PASSOVER SUPPER - one of the highlights of Holy Trinity's year - Maundy Thursday, 29th March at 7.30pm in the church hall. It's a 'Bring and Share' event so please bring some food, and a **cushion** to sit on. Tickets available today from Anthony Pitts: **£4** if bought today or next Sunday; **£5 on the night.**

Donations are requested, please, to help us renovate the vestry.

EASTER FLOWERS

The flowers team will be collecting money for Easter flowers today

HOLY TRINITY ACADEMY

The Easter Service will be held in church on **Tuesday 27th March at 10am.**
All welcome!

Bible Study continues on Wednesday:
the 6th session of "Joseph - How God builds character". The notes are on the table at the back of church.

GAMES AFTERNOON

The Brotherhood is organising a second Games Afternoon: **Saturday 21st April**, in the church hall, 2-6pm.

FOOD BANK

Many thanks to those people who continue to bring food for Holy Trinity's Food Bank. In 2017 we gave food to **245** callers at the vicarage. So far this year we have given food to **40** people.

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.

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 bin. Without your contributions we would be unable to help the many callers at the vicarage.

2015 we gave food to 153 such callers.
2016's total was 311 people.

In 2017 we gave food to 244 people. Please continue to bring such items as tinned food, food in packets and jars, sugar, tea bags, biscuits.

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.
