

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, BIRCHFIELD

<http://www.holytrinity-church.co.uk/>

14th January 2018 - Second Sunday of Epiphany

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 - Epiphany 3
11am Sung Eucharist

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

COLLECT

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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

REVELATION 5: 1-10 *p1236*
1 SAMUEL 3: 1-20 *p273*
JOHN 1: 43-51 *p1064*

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.

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



LOTTERY FUNDED

THIS WEEK

MONDAY

TUESDAY

8am Morning Prayer

WEDNESDAY

10.30am Holy Communion

7.30pm BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAY

8am Morning Prayer

10am JOB CLUB

10am Church cleaning

FRIDAY

8am Morning Prayer

12-3pm HLF *Sharing Your Story*

SATURDAY

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**

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES for 2018 are available on the small table at the back of church. Please collect yours.

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BIBLE STUDY resumes on Wednesday at 7.30pm. We shall be looking at 'Joseph - how God builds character'. The notes are on the table at the back of church.

ALL WELCOME!

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A new rota for readers will soon be needed. Please see Mrs Callender or Revd Eve if you would like to join or leave the rota.

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**CAROL SINGING AT 'ONE STOP'** on 16th December raised **£272.55** for Save the Children.

David Wright sends his thanks to those who took part.

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Invitation to Citizens UK

If you would like to attend an event at Birmingham Town Hall on **Wed 7th March, 5-7pm**, to celebrate the news that Birmingham will host the Commonwealth Games in 2022, book your free ticket by visiting www.7March2018.eventbrite.co.uk.

Holy Trinity's HLF project - volunteers required

We are looking for up to 5 people to work with our researcher, Dr Angelina Osborne, and learn how to record our church members' stories for the project. You will receive training in using recording equipment and guidance on how to listen to another person's story. We expect to arrange group sessions for recording and also individual interviews. Dates will be confirmed at a later date.

If you are interested in oral history, or would like to learn something new for the New Year please speak to Revd Eve or Marcia West after church. Alternatively, please email Marcia West at trinitee101@googlemail.com with your contact details and your name will be passed on to Dr Osborne.

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Holy Trinity's HLF project - sharing your story events

Now that our HLF project has been launched, our project researcher, *Dr Angelina Osborne*, started her research with church members on Friday. At first she is talking to some of the older members of the congregation to listen and record your memories of life at Holy Trinity over the years. Another date has been arranged for her to visit and speak with church members:

Friday 19th January

Venue: Church Hall, 12pm to 3pm
Refreshments will be served

If you are interested in attending, please give your name to either Revd Eve or Marcia West so that we know rough numbers for catering. You can also just come on the day. We really want to hear your story, so please come along.

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.

RECENT COLLECTIONS

December 10th	£66
December 3rd	£929
November 26th	£516
November 19th	£827
November 12th	£771

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

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.

2017 we have given food to 244 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.

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 **7** people.