

Fundraising and maintaining the church

Giving to Church

Maintaining the church is expensive. We currently pay around £5,000 per month to cover our regular running costs, including what we pay to the diocese (the 'parish share') for clergy stipends and other shared costs. That's a lot, but it has not increased significantly over the last ten years. But we do face rising bills in the coming years, especially an increase in our parish share this year. To meet this bill, we depend overwhelmingly on what we as a congregation can give: that accounts for 70% of our income. The PCC would therefore like to invite everyone to consider what they can and should give. We know that many members of our congregation have little income, but give generously of their time instead. For everyone else, the Church of England recommends that we should aim to give 5% of our after-tax income to the church. Nationally, the average level of giving is now 3%.

If you are already part of the regular giving scheme – via a standing order or numbered envelopes – please consider whether you are able to increase your giving. If you are a taxpayer, you should also sign a Gift Aid declaration so that we can reclaim the tax on your donations, which increases their value by 25%.

Please speak to Stuart Jones for more information.

Gift Aid claims are now managed via an online system, mygiving.online. Regular donors who would like to see their own donor record should let Stuart know (stuartjones22@btinternet.com).

EasyFundraising

When you shop online, there's an easy way of raising funds for church at the same time. Just register with easyfundraising.org.uk, and select Holy Innocents as your nominated cause, and participating retailers donate a percentage (typically 1.5%) of the value of your purchase. You can download a 'Donation Reminder' as an add-on to your browser, and this will remind you whenever you are shopping on a participating site.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/holyinnocentsfallowfield/>

HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD

SEPTEMBER 2019

Keep innocency and do what is right



Contemplation – Action – Learning – Living

September marks the start of the academic year. As children return to school, new and returning students prepare to move in droves into this parish to begin or continue their studies. It means that our parish population changes by up to 75% each year. It also affects rental costs in this area, putting houses beyond the means of lower income families and individuals. We are in the position as a parish of having a group of people who would like to live near their church – but can't afford a property. This is something that those of us who live in the parish or nearby might like to discuss with our elected representatives!

Our 'niche' welcome to students consists of treating them as if they were perfectly normal human beings who just felt drawn to come into church and welcoming them as anyone else would be welcomed. A quiet and prayerful atmosphere, sound liturgy, some good music and Fair Trade biscuits....sorted. But seriously, we hope that students will feel at home in a multi-generational setting, with friendly and interesting people and feel that they can be part of a community while they are away from home.

Please take time to read this leaflet – most of the information is as accurate as it can be at the time of printing. We occasionally change some of the music due to the availability of our singers and other musicians.

The end of September will see the start of a new rota. Please speak to Lynda or Hilary if you would like to take up a new ministry: reading, leading prayers, helping with coffee or being on a welcome team. If you are on a sidespersons' team, please check the dates you are on duty and if you can't be here, arrange a swap!

در پایان ماه سپتامبر برنامه جدید گروه های کاری کلیسا شروع می شود. اگر مایل به بر عهده گرفتن مسئولیت جدید می باشید، لطفاً با هیلاری یا لیندا صحبت کنید. مسئولیت ها شامل خواندن متن، خواندن دعا، کمک به توزیع قهوه و چای و حضور در تیم استقبال و خوش آمد گویی است. اگر در حال حاضر در تیم افراد کناری هستید، لطفاً تاریخ هایی را که نوبت شماست بررسی کنید و اگر نمی توانید در اینجا حضور داشته باشید، با شخص دیگری جای خود را عوض کنید. این افراد جلسه ملاقات کوتاهی بعد از مراسم روز اول سپتامبر خواهند داشت.

SERVICES AND EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

Sunday September 1st Trinity 11 Proper 18

President and Preacher: The Revd Richard Young

Readings

Proverbs 25.6-7

Psalms 112

Hebrews 12.18-end

Luke 13.10-17

Church of God, elect and glorious

Gospel Acclamation

And now, O Father, mindful of the love

I heard the voice of Jesus say

Hymns

Other music: How can I keep from singing? Bread for the world (Farrell).

Thursday September 5th 4.30pm A Quiet Place

Sunday September 8th Trinity 12 Proper 19

President: The Revd Richard Young Preacher: The Revd Jane Walker

Readings

Deuteronomy 30.15-end

Psalms 1

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14.25-33

Come down O love divine

Gospel Acclamation

O thou who at thy Eucharist didst pray

King of glory, king of peace

Hymns

Other music: In heavenly love abiding; Wondrous Cross

Sunday September 15th Trinity 13 Proper 20

President and Preacher: The Revd Canon Michael Ainsworth

Readings

Exodus 32.7-14

Psalms 51.1-11

1 Timothy 1.12-17

Luke 15.1-10

Let all the world in every corner sing

Gospel Acclamation

Of the glorious body telling

How great thou art

Hymns

Other music: Wisdom shines like the sun; He shall feed his flock

PLEASE NOTE:

Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th September:

Wilbraham Road will be **closed** between Wellington Road and the Church car park entrance, while the Bardsley Builders team remove key large plant from their site. If you travel to church via Wilbraham Road (eg from Chorlton or Princess Road) you will need to make a detour to get to the car park from the junction onto Wilmslow Road.

Saturday September 21st 10am -3pm

Quiet Day

Sunday September 22nd Trinity 14 Proper 21

President: The Revd Jane Walker; Preacher: The Revd Richard Young

Readings

Amos 8.4-7

Psalms 113

1 Timothy 2.1-7

Luke 16.1-7

Ye that know the Lord is gracious

Gospel Acclamation

Jesus the name high over all

I'll praise my maker while I've breath

Hymns

Other music: We cannot measure how you heal.

Sunday September 29th St Michael and All Angels

President: The Revd Richard Young

Preacher: The Revd Canon Alma Servant

Readings

Genesis 28.10-17

Psalms 103.19-end

Revelation 12.7-12

John 1.47-end

Come let us join our cheerful songs

Gospel Alleluia

Ye holy angels bright

Hark, hark my soul, angelic songs are swelling

Hymns

Other music: Sweet sacrament divine; Ubi Caritas

Cake Sale for McMillan Cancer Relief:

after the service on Sunday 29th September – please see Jo Gait if you can contribute. Please come and buy cake for yourself or someone else..

Weekday Services in September:

There is a short celebration of the **Eucharist** on a Monday and a Thursday evening at 7.30pm. **Morning Prayer** is said on a Friday morning at around 8.30am. (This is currently led by Stephen Pennells – if anyone would like to volunteer to support this ministry, please speak to Stephen.)

Our monthly **Quiet Days** continue: this month on the 21st, starting at 10am with the Eucharist and ending at around 3.30 with Evening Prayer.

In addition, the **Quiet Place** meetings for meditation and discussion begin on Thursday 5th September at 4.30pm.

Further details of these activities are on a separate leaflet on the table near the door.