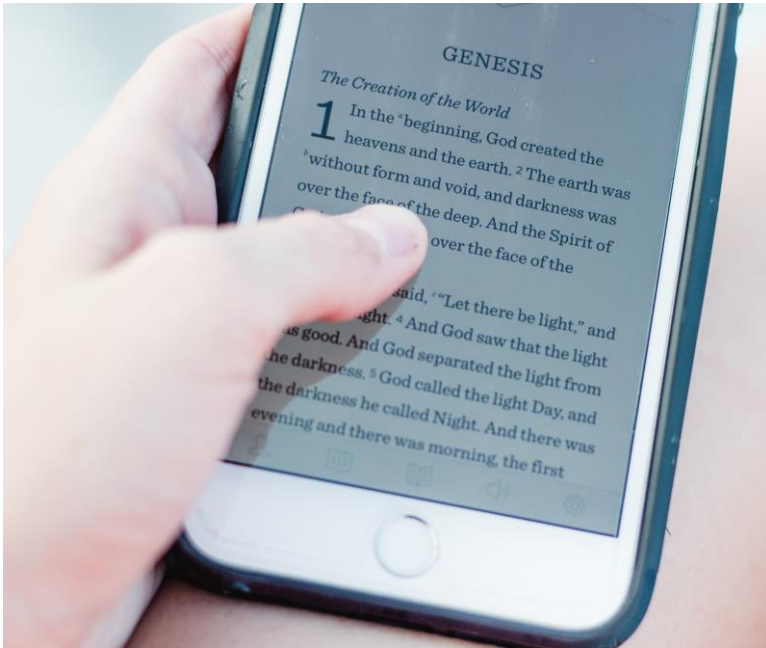




**Christ Church Walmersley  
and  
St John with St Mark Bury  
in the United Benefice of Walmersley Road**



**CREATION SEASON**

**SEPTEMBER 2018**

**50P**



**THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND**  
Diocese of Manchester

**CHURCH  
FOR A  
DIFFERENT  
WORLD**

## ***REGULAR SERVICES***

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### **Sunday**

8.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	St John w St Mark (Barritt Room)
9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)	Christ Church
10.30 a.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Communion 2 <sup>nd</sup> Family and Parade 3 <sup>rd</sup> Holy Communion 4 <sup>th</sup> Service of the Word	Christ Church
10.30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist 2 <sup>nd</sup> Parade Service	St John w St Mark
10.30 a.m.	5 <sup>th</sup> United Service	Alternately CC/SJM

### **Monday**

7.30 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Listening Prayer	150 Walmersley Road
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### **Tuesday**

7.30pm	Christian Meditation	St John w St Mark
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### **Wednesday**

10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	St John w St Mark
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### **Thursday**

2.00 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> First Thursday Prayer	Christ Church Hall
7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion	St John w St Mark

Other services as announced  
Evening Prayer will be said in St John w St Mark's Church  
Monday - Thursday at 5 p.m.

If you need transport to church please contact the wardens.

Both churches have Fairtrade status



## *Lemons in Miles Platting*

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Hello I hope this finds you all well and in good spirit this September. I don't know if many of you know that I like gardening and growing things at my garage in Manchester. I actually manage to produce Miles Platting lemons. I don't know how the tree survives but it does.

Anyway it occurred to me the other day how fast the nights have started drawing in and that the change towards autumn and winter are well underway. The seasons are changing fast now and the trees are losing their leaves and lots of my plants are dying back.

Some people think that this is a good time for gardeners then to take a break and leave the garden alone. Alas no, if I want any return from my plants next year I have to start now preparing well before they grow again if I expect a good yield.

And that is sadly at the moment a reality at churches. I have noticed congregations starting to wither and losing numbers. They, like my plants, are dying back. They're losing their fruit off the vine for one reason or another. The question is what can we do to help rebuild congregations and draw more people in. It's a hard question and many better people than me have tried to answer it.

All I can say is we must not give up or concede to the fact of fewer people. Instead we must be confident and try new approaches in our efforts for growth. As in the analogy above about gardening I don't wait for my fruit to arrive to tend my trees and plants. The work starts a long time before or there would be no fruit to harvest. The same is what we should be doing in church. No matter how many people attend we must invigorate and prepare the ground if we are hoping to grow more people on the church vine.

If my little lemon tree can grow in Miles Platting I'm sure we can grow our church.

God bless Darren

## ANNOUNCEMENT

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THIS ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE  
IN BOTH CHURCHES IN THE BENEFICE ON 15 JULY

*The Revd Gill Barnett has been appointed as Priest in Charge of Healey, Hamer and Belfield in the deanery of Rochdale.*

*She will become Team Vicar when the Central Rochdale Team Ministry comes into being later in the year.*

Gill's last service as Assistant Curate in Walmersley Road will be at Christ Church on 30 September – which is a joint benefice service. Her licensing will take place in October.

Please pray for her as she prepares to move to Rochdale.

## CAFÉ CHURCH 2018

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Our Cafe Church services this year have a common theme based on the report released by the Archbishops' Council in Feb 2017, '**Setting God's People Free.**'

This challenging report looks at 'the true treasures of the Church' – i.e. YOU and why change is needed for church growth. We are investigating how the majority in church can be empowered and liberated for fruitful, faithful mission and ministry not just on Sundays but throughout the week too.

### NEXT CAFÉ CHURCH SERVICES –

**St John with St Mark:**  
**2 Sept** (please note new date)

**Christ Church:**  
**9 Sept**



## ***BIBLE READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER***

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Sep 2	<b>14<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>		
	Deuteronomy 4.1-2,6-9	James 1:17-27	Mark 7:1-8, 14, 15,21-23
Sep 9	<b>15<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>		
	Isaiah 35: 4-7a	James 2: 1-10, 14-17	Mark 7: 24-37
Sep 16	<b>16<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>		
	Isaiah 50: 4-9a	James 3: 1-12	Mark 8: 27-38
Sep 23	<b>17<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>		
	Jeremiah 11: 18-20	James 3: 13- 4:3, 7-8a	Mark 9: 30-37
Sep 30	<b>18<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>		
	Numbers 11: 4-6, 10-16, 24-29	James 5: 13-20	Mark 9: 38-50
Oct 7	<b>19<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>		
	Genesis 2.18-24	Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12	Mark 10.2-16

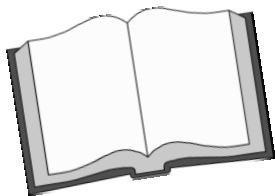


## ***FLOWERS IN CHURCH***

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At Christ Church

Sep 2	Mr J. Clegg
Sep 9	Alan and Margery Spencer
Sep 16	Mrs B Murray in memory of her mother
Sep 23	In memory of Phyllis Magnall
Sep 30	In memory of the Birtwistle and Slater families



## **FROM THE REGISTERS**

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### **Baptisms**

July 22                George Jonathan Moore  
July 29                Kayson Bradwell, Corey Bradwell

*"In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit....."*

### **Weddings**

August 4            James Andrew & Isobel Webster

*"Those who God has joined together let no one put asunder"*

### **Church Funerals**

June 19            Maureen Nuttall  
July 27            Geoffrey Bennett  
August 2           Olive Wolfendale  
August 6           Jackie Yates

### **Interment of ashes in the garden of remembrance**

June 17            Hilda Johnson  
June 28            Ellen Warburton

### **Funeral Services held at the Crematorium**

July 20            Harry Jessop  
August 7           Derek Ryan

*"I am the resurrection and the life....."*

# **"CHRISTIAN MONASTIC CONTEMPLATIVE PRACTICES"**

ALL ARE WELCOME

To a day of **introduction to the Christian Monastic Contemplative Practices** of the World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM), led by Benedictine Oblates of the WCCM, Lancashire "Cell".

**ST JOHN with ST MARK, ST JOHN CHURCH HALL,  
PARKINSON ST, BURY, BL9 6NY**

**SATURDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER 2018**

Arrival 10.30am for tea or coffee.

Start 11.00am to finish approximately 15.30pm.

A DVD by Fr. Laurence Freeman, "**WHEEL OF PRAYER**", will open with a contemplative perspective to the day which will include the Benedictine Monastic Contemplative practices, in a collective sharing manner, of the **DIVINE OFFICE**, reflection, **LECTIO DIVINA**, on **SCRIPTURE**, the **RULE OF ST. BENEDICT** with contemporary commentaries and **MEDITATION**. Time permitting a period of contemplative artistic colouring, hopefully being inspired by the tradition of Benedictine monks replicating icons.

**Bring own lunch. Refreshments provided. Donation £7.00**

Booking required, to assist provision of possible resources, etc., thank you.

Contact Angela Gregson. Mob: 07706 083 942.

Email: [rydal2814@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rydal2814@yahoo.co.uk)



To keep up with WCCM events in Lancashire visit the website:  
**[christianmeditationlancashire.co.uk](http://christianmeditationlancashire.co.uk)**

## ***THANK YOU***

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The family of Maureen Nuttall sincerely wish to thank all relatives and friends for their cards of condolence, kind expressions of sympathy and their generous donations to Maureen's chosen charities, St John with St Mark's and the Royal Foundation, the total kindly donated was £403.45.

Special thanks to everyone who attended the funeral service and all the clergy, and the helpers who gave their time on the day; it was a great comfort to know that there were so many people who helped in many ways. Thank you from Roy and his family.

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Alan and Margery Spencer wish to thank everyone at both churches for their offers of help, cards and prayers before, during and after Alan's stay in hospital. He is well on the way to recovery and it would not have been possible without a great deal of help from many people. Thank you.

## ***BOTTLE TOPS***

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Are you able to use any bottle tops, or do you know of any groups or organisations that could make use of some?

Margaret Duckworth has approximately 4000 bottle tops, which were being used for a Scouts project however they are now no longer required.

Before we throw them away we would be interested to know if anybody could find any use for some, or all of them, as it would seem a shame if we throw them away and they could be used by somebody else. If so, please contact Margaret via St. John with St. Mark Church.

Thank You

We continue in September to open Christ Church each Tuesday from 2 – 4pm so people may take the opportunity to look around, to sit quietly, to pray, . . .



There are two people present at all times, so if you are able to steward please let us know.

In September two new initiatives begin (see below). Please spread the word that the church welcomes everyone.

**Mondays**

**8.30 to**

**9.30 am**

**in Church**

**drop in**

**for**

**tea &**

**toast**



**from 10 September**



**Pop In**

**Tuesdays**

**9.15 to 10.15 am**

**in the Hall,**

**School Lane**

**from 11 September**

**for all adults**

**with**

**young children**

## From the Vicarage

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- \* As church life resumes after the summer break – rather like education, September always seems the start of a new year! – it is an opportune time to encourage new ideas and initiatives. There will inevitably be a number of changes to our ministry in the weeks and months ahead. If anyone would like to get more involved in church activities, please have a word with me.
- \* Thanks as ever to those who contribute to our regular copper collections. These are always well received by the charities we donate to and we welcome new suggestions of organisations to support.
- \* This month's meeting of the MOB – Men of the Benefice – will be held on Monday 24 September. We meet at the Sundial from 8.00pm.
- \* The Ministry Team consisting of all the Clergy, Licensed Readers and our Authorised Lay Minister meet every month – usually on the second Monday evening. If you have an issue that you would like us to discuss, please contact one of the team.
- \* Porch Boxes are desperately in need of food items to meet the current demand. A box is available at the back of both churches. Please support this worthy cause.
- \* Any enquiries about baptisms or weddings /marriage banns etc should be made at the Parish Office at St.John with St.Mark's Hall any Wednesday evening between 6.30-7.00pm.
- \* Both the churches in the United Benefice of Walmersley Road are now on Facebook! Search for both 'Christ Church Walmersley' and 'St John with St Marks Church' and "like" and "follow" to receive messages from the site. We now also have a twitter feed – the twitter handle is @cofewalmersley or search for 'CofE on Walmersley Road'.
- \* If you would like to donate towards the cost of the flowers in church, perhaps in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event, please speak to Betty Winterbottom (Christ Church) or Rosemarie Ashworth (St.John with St.Mark).

\* Both of our Church Halls are available for a whole range of activities for use by church and community groups. Please however check with the bookings officers (June Banks for St.John with St.Mark and Jennifer Wood for Christ Church) if the building is otherwise occupied before anything is arranged.

\* Material for the parish magazine should be given in by the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the previous month. Articles may be sent via email to [wrub@live.co.uk](mailto:wrub@live.co.uk)



## PARADE SERVICES

*at both ST.JOHN with ST.MARK & CHRIST CHURCH*

14 October (HARVEST)

11 November (REMEMBRANCE)

All at 10.30am



***"Unleash your creativity"***

**Need a tutor?** There are vacancies in the Art Groups on Friday mornings and Friday afternoons. Mavis Nwokobia is talented artist and tutor who is able to assist with work in all media, Sessions begin Friday September 7<sup>th</sup>

**Do it Yourself?** There are vacancies in the Art Workshop which meets on Monday Mornings from 10am until 12 noon, There is no tutor but we do help each other. Sessions begin Monday September 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Margery Spencer



### **Joint PCC meeting of 12th July 2018**

The two PCCs met, after the service of Thursday evening Holy Communion at St. John with St. Mark, for their bi-annual meeting to discuss and update the latest from the joint Mission Action Plan.

It was felt we were doing well with social events with regular meetings of Men of the Benefice, Girls out Alone and also the walking group. Any other ideas are welcome.

We need to do more to encourage vocations to lay and ordained ministries across the Benefice, with the thought that we need to look at which areas we require a particular development in and which roles need filling.

Social media has developed with the introduction of Facebook pages and Barbara Taylor has now also set up a Benefice Twitter account under the name of CofE on Walmersley Road.

The magazine was discussed following reports that this was running at a loss. It has been confirmed that this is not the case, even though it was noted that we do have additional copies left over at the end of each month. It was agreed that we may need to push the magazine sales with ideas including putting a note on the weekly sheet on the last Sunday of each month, when it comes out, and announcing during the Sunday notices that the new magazines are available.

The next joint PCC meeting is expected to be just before Christmas.

### **St. John with St. Mark PCC meeting of 21st June 2018**

The only upcoming social date is the summer buffet on Sunday 26th August after the 10.30am service.

The old Website is now obsolete as of the end of June 2018.

Disabled access is still being looked at, particularly the route from Church to Hall near the table store.

It was noted we were unable to open Church during the 'Thy Kingdom Come' week in May due to a shortage of volunteers.

We will be continuing with the theme of 'Setting God's People Free' at our Café Church services on 2nd September and also in December. People said they had enjoyed the last Café Church service in June more and the attendances were slightly higher.

Jews for Jesus have acknowledged the money that was donated to them following the Seder Meal in March.

Ian has made us aware of some First Aid training that was being organised by the British Red Cross if anybody is interested.

Recent expenditure included servicing of fire extinguishers at £301 and heating at £792. Despite the lower numbers at the Summer Fair it was noted that we had made an amount of £1200 so thanks to all for their help and those who attended and spent. We have received a legacy of £1000 from the estate of Jean Chesters.

Following the new GDPR legislation that came into effect in May, we have had responses from 60 people. The list of responders will be reviewed in case we need to drop a gentle reminder to anyone prominent who may have forgotten the form. We now need to be careful how we contact people.

Health & Safety – PAT testing needs finishing; the cost of a defibrillator will work out at £750. If we go ahead with one, we will need to ensure there are adequate volunteers who are trained up to use it.

Following an increase in the number of people now attending the 8.30am service, it has become difficult to administer communion. The Choir stalls were not deemed suitable therefore it was noted that this service will now take place in the Barritt Room from 1st July.

The next PCC meeting will be on Thursday 6th September at 8.00pm.

Members spent a most enjoyable afternoon at Pendle Heritage Centre at Barrowford. There was time to explore the house and gardens in gloriously sunny weather before partaking of a delicious afternoon tea. If you haven't been to the Centre it is well worth a visit (just off Junction 13 of the M65).

For our second July meeting Barbara Silvester, Reader and Mothers' Union member, led a service of said Evensong, according to the Book of Common Prayer – having first told us some of its history.

Cath Hilton (Diocesan President) and Christine Sharp (Diocesan President elect) presented a evening on MULO (Mothers' Union Listens, Observes, Acts) to help us consider how we can make a difference in our own community and worldwide. Plenty of thoughts and ideas were generated from members.

Forthcoming meetings include our 109<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party and a talk by Jean Slater on Holman Hunt. Please let me know if you would like a lift to our Deanery Festival at St Peter's.

More details will soon be available of our Celebration Evening.

Everyone is welcome at all our meetings - hope to see you there.

On a sad note George Fryer, the husband of one of our members, passed away recently and the branch extends its sympathy, love and prayers to Sybil and the family.

Bob Taylor  
Branch Leader

**Dates for your diary:**

Sep 5 <sup>th</sup>	Branch Birthday Party, with Bring and Buy stall
Sep 19 <sup>th</sup>	"Holman Hunt"
Sep 24 <sup>th</sup>	Deanery Festival, 7pm at St Peter's
Oct 29 <sup>th</sup>	Evening of Celebration at the Stoller Hall
Nov 9 <sup>th</sup>	Provincial Celebration Eucharist at York Minster

## ***MEN OF THE BENEFICE***

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Following a break during March & April for Holy Week, and also APCM's, the men met a couple of times during the Spring & Summer months to make the most of good weather and certain sporting events.

On Friday 18th May, Geoff led a small number of us for an evening walk that covered areas within our boundaries. The walk took us along Rowlands Road past Falshaw Farm and then through Summerseat via the Waterside Bridge. Once in Summerseat we made a stop off at the Footballers Inn for brief refreshment before continuing to pick up the route through the Burrs past the garden centre. It was a lovely evening and there was just enough daylight to allow us to complete the walk around 9.45pm. However we did stop off again at the Brown Cow before making our way home later. We probably covered about 3.5 miles altogether, which wasn't bad to say we didn't set off until 8.00pm. In June, we brought our monthly meeting forward a week to Monday 18th June to take advantage of England's opening World Cup match against Tunisia. We made use of the screen in the Barritt Room and despite a few technical difficulties before kick-off we managed to settle down for the 7.00pm start. Thanks to all who attended and brought nibbles and drinks etc. There was enough to keep us going through the entire tournament.

PS – Full time score was 2-1 England if you didn't know.

We did not meet in July owing to holidays and also because the ladies came up with the offer of watching Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again on our night, but it is expected we will be meeting again on Monday 24th September at The Sundial.

If you are able to suggest any future events or outings for MOB then please feel free to speak to the Vicar. Our intention is to get together in a more relaxed atmosphere, usually with a theme. If you have any interests, or wish to discuss your life story with us, then again let us know. It does not have to be at a hostelry. There are small rooms at both Church buildings if you wish more quiet surroundings. We may need to check availability first.

David Robinson

## QUIET MOMENTS IN SEPTEMBER

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### Week One

September is a time of new beginnings for many people,

For children starting school

For children moving from Junior School to High School

For young people moving into employment or Further Education

For young people leaving home to attend University or College.

We pray for all these asking that they may find the challenge rewarding and use the opportunities they are given wisely.

### Week Two

Within the circle of my family and friends

May I be a source of peace

a hand to hold

accessible

generous

loving - **A blessing**

Within the circle of my acquaintances

May I be a steady rock

a ready shoulder

dependable

trustworthy

caring - **A blessing**

Within the circle of my community

May I be a light that shines

a love that flows

discernible

accessible

healing - **A blessing**    *Faith and Worship.com*

## Week Three

Gracious God,  
teach me that though I cannot put the clock back  
and undo what has been done,  
I can nonetheless put the past behind me and move on;  
that you are always ready to give me a second chance,  
wiping out my mistakes as though they have never been.  
Whatever my blunders then,  
whatever my faults,  
give me faith in your transforming power  
and the future you hold in store. Amen.

## Week Four.

We thank you God our Father,  
for the gift of human friendship  
and for all the joy and enrichment it brings to our lives.  
Strengthen our love for our friends.  
and deepen our understanding of their needs;  
May we never withhold the helping hand, the encouraging smile  
the comforting hug or the kind word.  
May we grow worthy of that perfect friendship  
which your Son offers to all who trust in him.

## An extra!

Meg Schofield used this at Mother' Union and again at Christ Church during a service.

*"We are all angels with one broken wing  
and the only way we can fly  
is to hold on to each other."*



For our meeting on Wednesday 11th July, we were pleased to welcome Elizabeth Bailey, John & Margaret Brennan's daughter, to talk about her work as a teaching practitioner at Turton High School near Bromley Cross. The school was awarded an overall rating of Good in its last Ofsted Inspection.

Elizabeth is a Religious Education teacher, however the subject is known as Faith & Ethics at Turton High. It was an eagerly anticipated talk as this is also a non-faith school, so we were looking forward to hearing how Elizabeth's role fitted in at the school. She came armed with various text books and literature, which were handed round. "It's just like being back at school this", I heard one of our members say in a light-hearted way.

Elizabeth spoke briefly about how she had always had a passion for teaching and how she came to where she is now. We were then shown a YouTube video clip which interviewed pupils of high school age and asked what they thought of Religion & Ethics and whether it was relevant today. It is quite clear the subject is still very important, as we could hear from their views in the video.

The subject gives the opportunity for pupils to become involved in diverse debates and discussions, but how they also show respect and compassion for each others views. The pupils still learn about the major world religions, including Christianity, Islam & Hinduism, amongst others, which reflect the community we all now belong to. There are also opportunities to discuss local and international issues such as prejudice, war and discrimination.

It became quite clear that Elizabeth values her work enormously and is extremely passionate about her profession. As a teaching practitioner you can spend more time with pupils to develop their knowledge and confidence, a role Elizabeth clearly enjoys.

After time for questions, we had tea & coffee, when there was also an opportunity for another look at the different books that had been brought along.

It was a very lively and informative talk from Elizabeth, and we were grateful for her time to come to the Open Group.

There was no meeting of the Open Group in August

### NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 12th September at 7.30pm in the Barritt Room

Led by Reverend Paul Sanderson

'Myself and my story so far'

All are welcome

David Robinson

A poster for the Community Prayer Café at The Manna House. The background is a dark, grayscale image of hands clasped in prayer. On the left, the text 'Community Prayer Café @ The Manna House' is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font. To the right of this text, there is a vertical white line. Further to the right, there is a list of dates and times for the café, preceded by a paragraph of introductory text.

**Community  
Prayer Café  
@ The Manna  
House**

Once a month we will open the church up for people to drop in to pray.  
This will be open across lunch time between 12:30 and 1:30pm.  
Please feel free to bring some lunch with you - drinks will be provided at the Manna House.  
There will also be an opportunity to submit prayer requests on behalf of friends and folks that you know who need prayer and we will pray for them whilst we are together.

This is open to everyone to attend and even if you can only drop in for some of it please do!

The dates are as follows:  
Monday 23/7/18  
Monday 13/8/18  
Monday 24/9/18  
Monday 22/10/18  
Monday 26/11/18  
Monday 17/12/18

Manna House is situated on Irwell Street. If you are unable to attend the organisers are happy to receive prayer requests. Please email [ann@gordonjoyce.eclipse.co.uk](mailto:ann@gordonjoyce.eclipse.co.uk)



## **SATURDAY WALKING GROUP**

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Our walk on 7th July took place at the height of the Summer heat wave that we have experienced. (At the time of writing this report we were still blessed with the sunshine – whether that is the case when you read this magazine is something different). We originally hadn't planned anything as Paul was due to set off on another two week venture, so it was a last minute decision to make the most of the lovely weather. Although we did set off half an hour earlier before the afternoon sun would become too hot.

We set off from St. John with St. Mark Church Hall at 9.00am and headed off through Clarence Park towards Freetown. Our walk took us past St. Thomas' Church and Pimhole before we picked up the Roch Valley Greenway and along the banks of the River Roch for a short while before reaching Blackford Bridge.

Crossing the main road, we then made our way through the housing estate and we walked through Springwater Park, where we experienced the Summer colours. We headed out towards Radcliffe Metrolink station and our intended route onto the old Manchester, Bolton & Bury canal. However the Pioneer Mills footbridge had become unsafe and is therefore closed for access so we were forced to make a detour back through Radcliffe centre to pick up the canal path. We paused at this point for refreshment before walking the distance of the path to Wellington Street. For those of you not familiar with this route, it takes you past Elton Reservoir and the site of the former Farmer's Arms.

After crossing under Crostons Road, we headed towards Woodhill and into the Burrs Country Park. We arrived at the Brown Cow at 1.00pm and enjoyed refreshment before going our separate ways to either the Scouts delicious Cream Tea or England's World Cup quarter final tie. It was an extremely enjoyable walk and we had covered about 8 miles altogether.

Best foot forward, David Robinson

The next **Light Lunch**

will be on

**September 20th**

at 12.00 noon in the Hall at Christ Church

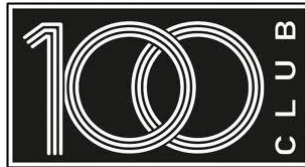
Everyone is welcome to share food and fellowship  
– so please bring your friends.



**JUNE 2018 WINNERS**

1st Prize ~ Phyllis Holt

2nd Prize ~ Wendy Keir



**JULY 2018 WINNERS**

1st Prize ~ Steve Tanner

2nd Prize ~ Margaret Duckworth

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL**

## EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

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### **COFFEE MORNING & BOOK FAIR**

St John with St Mark Church Hall

Saturday 1st September from 10.00am

**BOOKS**

**TEA, COFFEE & REFRESHMENTS**

**CAKES**

**OTHER STALLS**

ALL PROCEEDS TO CHURCH FUNDS

### **SATURDAY 15th SEPTEMBER**

10am-12noon

**BACON OR SAUSAGE SANDWICHES**

TEA OR COFFEE

£3-50

Display of Old Walmersley Photographs

CHRIST CHURCH WALMERSLEY  
CHURCH HALL



Ramsbottom RNLI would like to invite you to



## **A PUDDING PARTY**

at Christ Church Hall, School Lane

Tuesday 25 September 2018

2 -4 pm

***EAT AS MANY PUDDINGS AS YOU LIKE***

(trifles, tarts, cheesecakes, etc)

Raffle and souvenirs

£5 including tea and coffee

## **BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND – AFTERNOON TEA & BOOK FAIR**

Following the success of our inaugural afternoon tea in April,  
we are going to do it all again this  
month.

Dainty sandwiches, cakes & tea or coffee  
all on the best china we could lay our  
hands on.

Saturday 29th September from 2.00pm  
in the Church Hall & Barritt Room

Tickets ~ £4.00 ~ Please contact  
June Banks.

There will also be books for sale for those long Autumn nights



Gateway Ministries is a group of Bible believing Christians, who are on a mission to bring hope, encourage faith and inspire revival. Starting **Saturday 8th September at 18:30**, we will be meeting every Saturday night in the Walmersley Church Hall.

There will be some singing and some prayer, but our main focus will be teaching on the book of Revelation, and what this final book of the Bible has to say to us today.

### **WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO COME ALONG...**

...it doesn't matter what you wear or where you are at.

...it doesn't matter if you have lots of faith or very little.

...it doesn't matter whether you've ever read the Bible or whether you know it cover to cover.

...it doesn't matter whether you go to Church or not.

...whether you are married, single or divorced, young or old, tattooed or scarred, rich or poor.

...whether you have got it all together, your life is falling apart or you are somewhere in between.

Just remember **God loves you**, and we believe God wants to speak to you and us on these Saturday nights.



God Bless You

The Gateway Ministries Team

## **WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER**

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Sat 1    10.00am    Coffee morning and Book Fair (SJM)

Sun 2                    **14<sup>th</sup> after Trinity**  
Services as usual

                  10.30am    Café Church (SJM)

Tue 4        2.00pm        Church open (CC)

Wed 5       7.30pm       Mothers' Union (CC)

Thu 6       8.00pm        PCC (SJM)

Sat 8        6.30pm        Gateway Ministries Meeting (CC)

Sun 9                    **15<sup>th</sup> after Trinity**  
Services as usual

                  10.30am    Café Church (CC)

Tue 11      2.00pm        Church open (CC)

Wed 12     7.30pm        Open Group (SJM)

Sat 15     10.00am        Bacon Butties and  
Old Walmersley Photographs (CC)

Sun 16                    **16<sup>th</sup> after Trinity**  
Services as usual

Mon 17     7.30pm        PCC (CC)

Tue 18     2.00pm        Church open (CC)

                  7.30pm        Churches Together in Bury

Wed 19     7.30pm        Mother's Union (CC)

Thu 20     12 noon        Light Lunch (CC)

Sun 23                    **17<sup>th</sup> after Trinity**  
Services as usual

Mon 24	7.00pm	Bury Deanery Mothers' Union Festival
	8.00pm	MOB (Sundial)
Tue 25	2.00pm	Church open (CC)
Sat 29	2.00pm	Afternoon Tea (SJM)
Sun 30		<b>18<sup>th</sup> after Trinity</b>
		Early Services as usual
	10.30am	Joint Service (CC)
	7.00pm	Sunday @ Seven (SJM)

***and LATER DATES***

### **ALL SOULS**

Service for the bereaved,  
including the reading of a list of those whom we love  
but see no longer.

SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER at *3.00pm*  
*St. John with St. Mark*

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### **Mothers' Union PROVINCIAL CELEBRATION**

York Minster

11 am on Friday, 9 November  
with Archbishop John Sentamu presiding and preaching

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### **CHRISTINGLE SERVICES**

MONDAY 3 DECEMBER at 6.30pm  
At both: CHRIST CHURCH and ST. JOHN with ST. MARK  
Please bring a toy for a local child in need.  
Toys will be distributed via Wood Street Mission.

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### **ALL ARE WELCOME**



The Walking Group vary  
in number,  
in the areas they cover,  
and in the distances they  
walk



and they would love you  
to join them

See the magazine archive  
for past walks and notice  
sheets and social media  
for details of future ones.

