

January 21st 2018 (3rd Sunday of Epiphany)



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



8:30am Holy Communion (BCP)

10:30am Praise Service with Holy

Communion (welcome to our guest preacher
Revd Jenny MacGregor vicar of St James' Church.)

Reading: John 2:1-11

6:30pm "Barnabas The Musical" at St Nick's
Church, Whiston, free entry with retiring collection.

Opening Prayer All Loving God, who knows the longings of our hearts, transform the ordinariness of our lives, through the generosity of your love. Inspired by your Spirit, may we celebrate your goodness, invited by your Son, may we be ready for your table. Through the same Jesus Christ, a guest at a wedding, and our host at the heavenly banquet prepared for all people. **Amen**

Confession Most generous God, by whose bountiful goodness we are so often surprised, we have set limits on what we believe you can do, and denied our own part in your world. We have acted as though the wine will run out, and failed to live by the hope we proclaim. Forgive us for our low expectations, teach us to trust you, to watch for your glory to be generous ourselves and to serve those around us, that your love for the world will be celebrated, today and for ever. **Amen**

Collect God of life and hope, who keeps the best for later, fill us with the knowledge of your love. Help us to live in faith, as Mary did, bringing to you our concerns and trusting you to transform them. May our joy be complete and our hope be fulfilled, through Jesus who reveals your glory. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer We thank you, Jesus our teacher and our friend, for giving us the good wine of God's Kingdom. As we recognise your glory, help us to believe in you as did those first disciples. Give us the courage to trust you, and the wisdom to wait for your help, as that we may rejoice in your abundant generosity. **Amen**

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Monday 22nd January

9am Stanley Bear Club in church

4pm Holocaust Memorial Reflection Rainhill Library

Tuesday 23rd January

9am Clergy Assembly in School (All PCC Welcome)

Wednesday 24th January

12noon Middy Prayer

7:30pm Churches Together Prayer and
Worship (everyone welcome)



Thursday 25th January

9:30am Holy Communion with Y4 from St Ann's School

Sunday 28th January Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

8:30am Holy Communion (BCP)

10:30am Holy Communion with
Platform 2 in the Millennium Centre



Hot Pot Friendship Lunch in the Millennium Centre, after the 10:30am Sunday service on 25th Feb. All welcome. Further info soon. *Socials Comm Insure with Ecclesiastical and Raise funds for church.* To celebrate their 130th Anniv Ecclesiastical Insurance will pay £130 to St Anns for every new insurance policy taken out. Details on notice board. **Pray for St Helens.** You can join a 12month prayer campaign to celebrate St Helens 150th Anniv. Leaflets at back or sign up at prayerforsthelens.org

For Your Prayers This Week

The sick: Alice Griffiths, Lorraine Loughborough, Irene Rogers, Lin Collins, Vera Barnes, Roni Hellier, John Schofield, Ros Tigwell, Keith Molyneux, Ron Stellfox, Nick Wells, Barbara Wilson, Joanna Lowry, Geoff Ardern, Anne MacDonald, Geoff Pollitt, Ken and Anne Andrews, Ken Hall, Edna Holden, Ollie Watkinson. **The recently departed:** Joseph Walker, Christine Gaynor, Vera Bennett, Ernest Fairclough and **from our Memorial Book** Barbara Fenney, Peter Hamlett and the families of all those who remember the anniversary of a loved one.

This Weeks Daily Readings

Mon Ps 108, Gen 11;27-12:9; Matthew 26:1-16	Thurs Ps 66, Ezek 3:22-end; Phil 3:1-14
Tues Ps 36, Gen 13:2-end; Matthew 26:17-35	Fri Ps 65, Gen 16; Matthew 26:57-end
Weds Ps 46, Gen 14; Matthew 26:36-46	Sat Ps 68, Gen 17:1-22; Matthew 27:1-10