



St. John the Baptist, Hey June 2017  
*Receiving and Sharing the Love of God Everyday*

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# 275 YEARS

# 1742-2017



# A Brief History

In 1742, at a time when fines were levied for non-attendance at church, a "Chapel of Ease" was built in the hamlet of Hey, on the Lancashire – Yorkshire border so that the inhabitants of the district could attend Divine Service without having to travel three or four miles to the mother church in Ashton-under-Lyne. Indeed the church authorities were responsible for appointing a constable to pursue the miscreants with the fines being used for the benefit of Hey Sunday School.

Built of local stone, by local people, the structure was originally four windows long and was extended twice, in 1772 and 1843. With galleries on all four walls and high-backed box-pews, the building could accommodate 730 people.

In the mid-nineteenth century the chapel closed for a year while major alterations were made to the interior. On 24th June 1869, the chapel re-opened and two months later was assigned a parish with boundaries of its own, no longer tied to Ashton.



Around 1870, the stained glass east window was installed, and is shown in this picture with the original Georgian semi-circular topped windows still in place on the southern elevation.

Over the next 20 years, Gothic-style stained-glass windows were installed depicting scenes from the life of Christ and were designed by Capronnier of Brussels. For nearly a century the layout remained the same, with blocks of pews and two aisles. There were galleries on three sides and an organ loft at the

west end. The second storey stained glass was installed after a fund raising Bazaar in 1905.

There have been 17 incumbents at St John during its history, the longest serving of whom was George Docker Grundy who is commemorated in the brass plaque on the south wall of the church together with the adjacent stained glass window; this window depicts most of the second chapter of St Luke's gospel. When Rev Grundy arrived at St John it was customary for the adults in the parish to attend school on a Sunday to learn to read and write; Rev Grundy put a stop to that, saying Sunday is for church. During his time Rev Grundy administered the opening of 7 schools in the parish, adults were able to attend these schools after work during the week, much more detail is given in the history book.

In 1987 a serious fire destroyed much of the woodwork and organ and damage from water and subsequent damp led to rot in the floor, screens and walls. A decision was made to remove all flooring, galleries and pews and to re-order the whole interior. The altar was brought forward to provide a more flexible use of space, and there is now a central aisle with chairs on each side. Fortunately the windows, although damaged were repairable and the fine Reredos escaped unscathed. The cupola was also restored and was short-listed for the John Betjeman prize in 1991. It is an attractive focal point in the parish. Over the years the Reredos had been painted over several times, in 2012 it was fully restored and can now be appreciated in all its glory as it would have been when installed.

Edited from the history by David Green

The picture on the back of this newsletter is the bottom row centre panel of the east window, behind the altar, and depicts St John the Baptist Baptising Jesus. A history of the church is available to purchase which covers the whole period from 1742; a guide booklet to the stained glass windows is also available.



# Diary Dates

## Major events during World War 1 will be shown on their centenary date

Sun	4 Jun	<b>Pentecost</b>
	8am	Holy Communion – Book of Common Prayer
	9.30am	Parish Communion
	11am	Depart with Band - Whit Walk
	Noon	Churches Together United Service at Leesfield
Mon	5 Jun	Hey with Zion term restarts

**WW1** - Death recorded on this day a century ago and named on our memorial:  
**Wheeler Thomas Knott**

Wed	7 Jun	10 am	Holy Communion - BCP
		11am	Holy Communion at Oakdene

**WW1** - The Battle of Messines Ridge. The British take the ridge with few casualties, as it is preceded by the detonation of 19 mines under the German front lines. The explosions are reportedly heard from England.

**WW1** - Death recorded on this day a century ago and named on our memorial:  
**Private James Kenworthy**

Thu	8 Jun	7pm	Come & Praise!
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Sun	11 Jun	<b>Trinity Sunday</b>
	8am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Parish Communion

Tue 13 Jun

**WW1** - Germans launch the first major heavy bomber raid over London. Bombs dropped from 18 Gotha GV aircraft kill 162 people and injure 432.

Wed	14 Jun	10 am	Holy Communion
Thu	15 Jun	7pm	Come & Praise! with Holy Communion
Sat	17 Jun	1.30pm	Wedding of Alex Arundel & Sarah Hilton

Sun	18 Jun	<b>The First Sunday after Trinity</b>	
		8am	Holy Communion
		9.30am	Come & Praise!
Tue	20 Jun	7pm	Rehearsal Confirmation tbc
Wed	21 Jun	10 am	Holy Communion
		11am	Holy Communion at Millfield

**WW1** - Death recorded on this day a century ago and named on our memorial:  
**Private Harold Buckley**

Thu	22 Jun	7pm	Come & Praise!
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*If you wish to read **Crux** the Diocese of Manchester newsletter, you will find a link to it on the newsletter page of our web site: [st-john-hey.org](http://st-john-hey.org)*

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<b>Fri 23 Jun</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Confirmation at Hey</b>
<b>Sat 24 Jun</b>	<b>10-2pm</b>	<b>Open Church - Coffee morning and History of church</b>
<b>Sun 25 Jun</b>	<b>Birth of John the Baptist</b> ( <i>transferred from 24 June</i> ) ( <i>The Second Sunday after Trinity</i> )	
	8am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Parish Communion Bishop Mark preaching Followed by church Fair with band

**WW1** - First US troops arrive in France.

Wed 28 Jun	10 am	Holy Communion
Thu 29 Jun	7pm	Come & Praise!

Sun 2 Jul	<b>The Third Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	8am	Holy Communion - BCP
	9.30am	Parish Communion
	11.15 am	Baptism Taylor
Wed 5 Jul	10 am	Holy Communion - BCP
	11am	Holy Communion at Oakdene
Thu 6 Jul	7pm	Come & Praise!

**WW1** - Death recorded on this day a century ago and named on our memorial:  
**Private Philip Hennelly**

Sun 9 Jul	<b>The Fourth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
	8am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Parish Communion
	11.15am	Baptism - L'Amie

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# Bible Readings

## **4 Jun Pentecost**

Acts 2.1-21

John 20.19-23 or  
John 7.37-39

## **11 Jun Trinity Sunday**

Isaiah 40.12-17,27-31 or  
2 Corinthians 13.11-13

Matthew 28.16-20

## **18 Jun First Sunday after Trinity**

Exodus 19.2-8a or  
Romans 5.1-8

Matthew 9.35-10.8 (9-23)

## **25 Jun St John the Baptist**

Isaiah 40.1-11 or  
Acts 13.14b-26

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Luke 1.57-66,80

## **2 Jul Third Sunday after Trinity**

Jeremiah 28.5-9 or  
Romans 6.12-23

Matthew 10.40-42

## **9 Jul Fourth Sunday after Trinity**

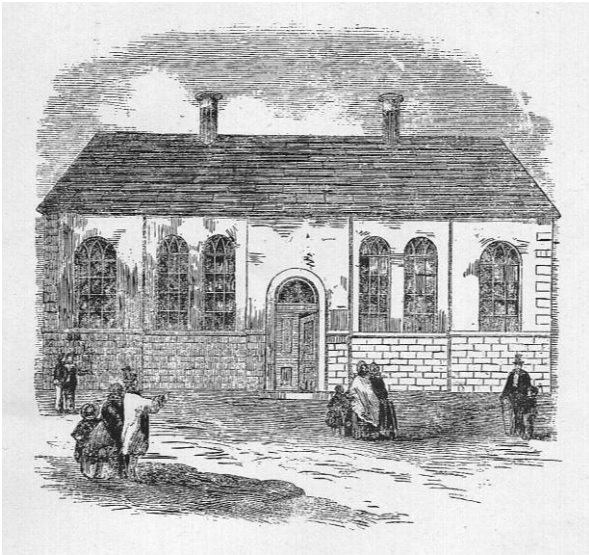
Zechariah 9.9-12 or  
Romans 7.15-25a  
Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

## Humour

"The fasting and prayer conference includes meals"

"The sermon this morning 'Jesus walks on water' the sermon this evening 'searching for Jesus'"

From Alan Forster



The Girl's school from 1839; boy's from 1841, and today



Confirmation 2016



Wrong date on the restored clock



Restoration of the Reredos 2012



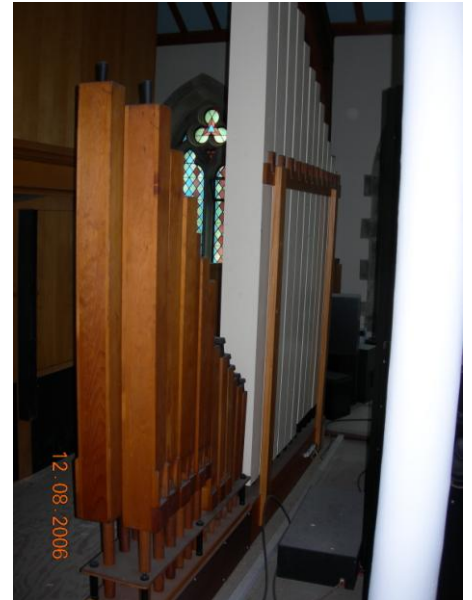
Donation to the foodbank

The next 3 pages show a selection of pictures taken since 2009















# Day by Day Scheme

Thank you to all those who are helping to ensure the future fabric of our church by supporting the Day by Day Scheme.

3 Jun	Loving memories of Richard on his birthday
5 June	Mother & Father's wedding anniversary and in memory of Alan
10 Jun	My birthday - Thanks to Mum & Dad
13 June	Remembering with love Fred Thorpe's birthday
22 June	Albert Hacking's Birthday
26 June	Celebrating all children

## Recent Entries in our registers

### Holy Matrimony

**Please pray for those planning weddings at Hey this year**

Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Alex Arundel & Sarah Hilton
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Aug	David Clarke & Laura Miller
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Tom Dransfield & Emma Shepard

### Holy Baptism

We welcomed into our worshipping community

30 April	Lydia Kiki Lees, Daughter of Andrew & Rachael Lees
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### The Faithful Departed

The under named who died on the date shown were laid to rest

25<sup>th</sup> April Kevin Morris

"Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord  
and let light perpetual shine upon them"

## Street Prayers

<i>Week</i>	<i>Street</i>
4 June	Holcombe Close & Ash Grove
11 June	Hillspring Road & Helsby Close
18 June	Astbury Close
25 June	Beechfields Close

Prayers for these streets will be offered in Church on the Sundays shown

Any requests for specific prayers  
please ring the parish office 626 3630

Let us witness to the presence of the church to all in Hey Parish

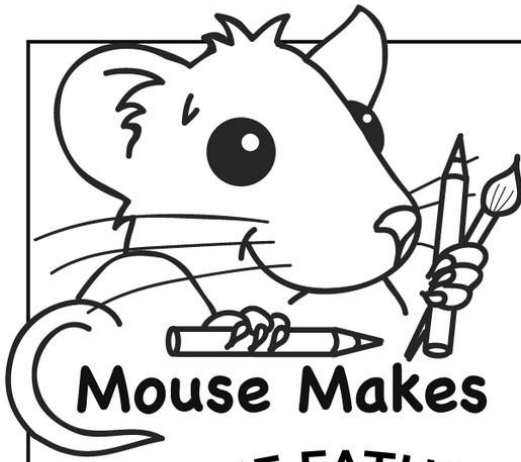
## Pentecost

On that long ago first morning of Pentecost, Jerusalem was crowded with thousands of visitors, for it was one of the most popular feast-days in the Jewish calendar – the Feast of Firstfruits, looking forward to the wheat harvest.

In one small room of that great city, a small group of people who had followed Jesus were praying. There was nothing else for them to do: Jesus had died, He had risen, and He had ascended, promising to send them 'a Comforter'. They were left alone, to wait at Jerusalem. And so they waited – on Him, and for Him. They were not disappointed: for that morning the Holy Spirit fell upon that small room, and transformed those believers into the Church, Christ's body here on earth. Pentecost was not the first time that the Holy Spirit came to the world – throughout the Old Testament there are stories telling of how God had guided people and given them strength. But now His Spirit would use a new instrument: not just isolated prophets, but the Church, His body on earth.

Acts opens with the preaching of the gospel in Jerusalem, the centre of the Jewish nation. Within 30 years the gospel had spread throughout the northern Mediterranean: Syria, Turkey, Greece, Malta... to the very heart of the Roman Empire: Rome. The Church was on the move – God was on the move! He was calling people from every nation to repent, turn to Jesus for forgiveness of their sins, and to follow him.





"May the *grace* of  
the Lord **JESUS** Christ  
and the *love* of **GOD**  
and the *fellowship* of  
the **HOLY SPIRIT** be with you all."

2 Corinthians 13:13



## GOD - THE FATHER

C R E A T O R  
J O N E L H O L Y  
E A I L M G N O A  
H S A V I O U R H  
O J M A G D I D W  
V U O N H I G H E  
A D F A T H E R H  
H G I M Y K I N G  
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Can you find all the  
names of the Trinity  
in this 3 in 1  
word search?

## GOD - THE SON

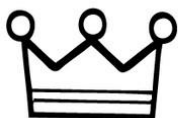
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L O R D O O R



LORD • GOD  
JEHOVAH • I AM  
YAHWEH •  
HOLY • ONE  
SAVIOUR • KING  
ETERNAL  
ALMIGHTY  
CREATOR • JUDGE  
FATHER • ON HIGH



JESUS • CHRIST  
SAVIOUR • LORD  
EMMANUEL  
SHEPHERD  
LAMB  
WAY • SON  
DOOR • LIGHT  
BREAD • WORD  
MESSIAH • VINE

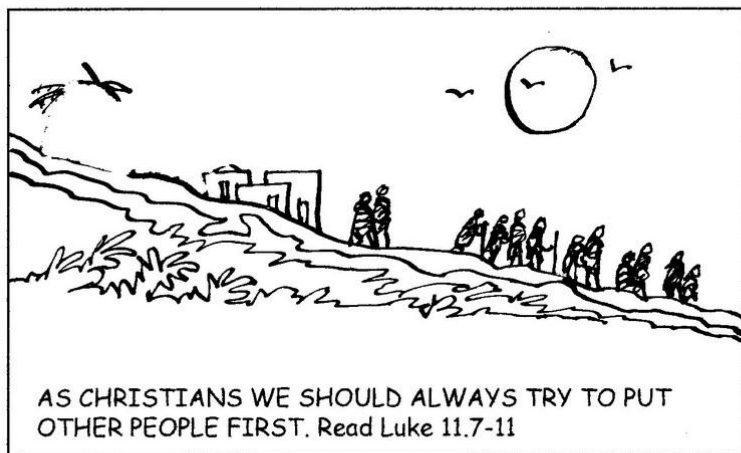
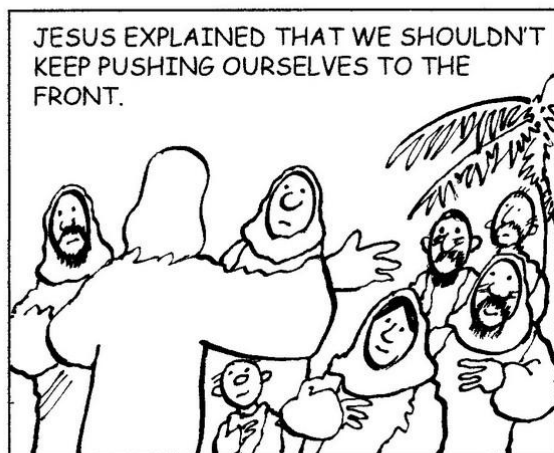
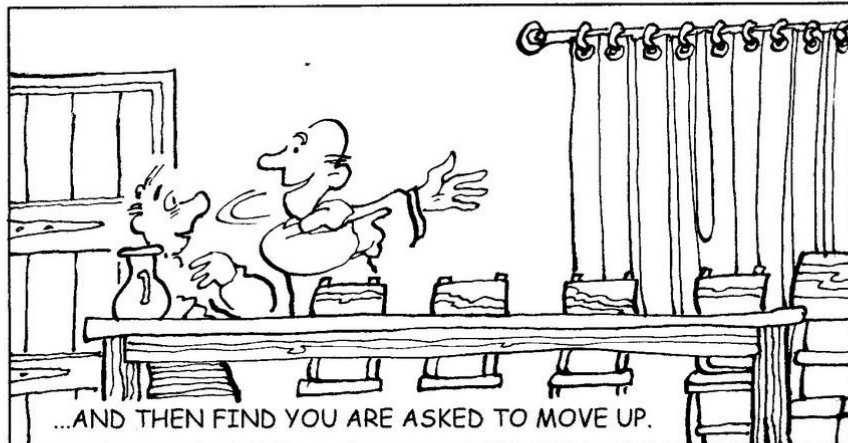
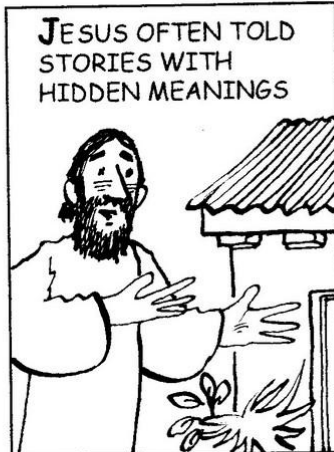


## GOD - THE SPIRIT

HOLY • SPIRIT • COMFORTER • TEACHER • GUIDE  
HELPER • TRUTH • POWER • WISDOM • BREATH • ETERNAL

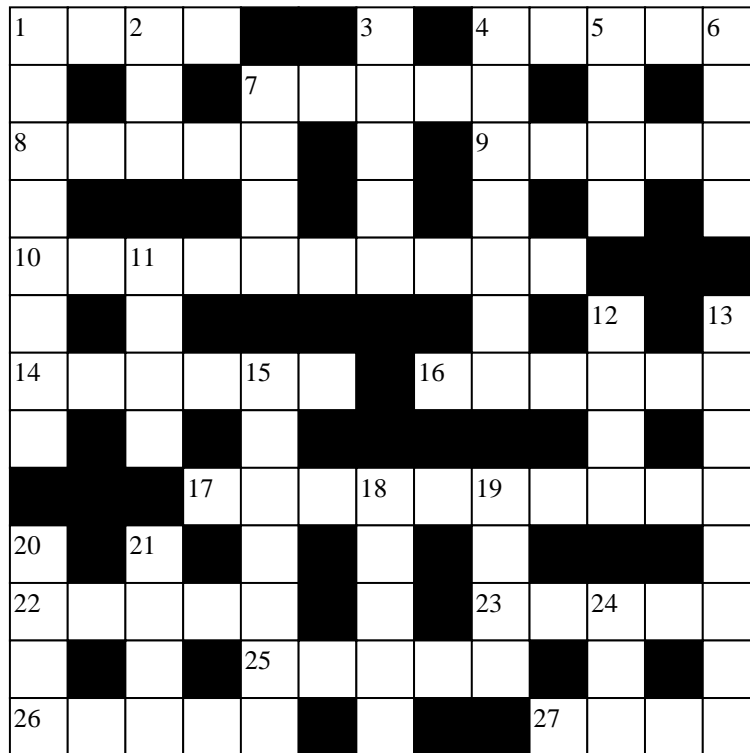


*Hiding in one of the puzzles is the word 'TRINITY', can you find it?*





## JUNE CROSSWORD



### CLUES

#### ACROSS

1. Run the eyes over (4)
4. Pale (5)
7. Man-eating giants (5)
8. Criminal (5)
9. A unit of scoring (5)
10. Biggest portion (5,5)
14. Cutting tools (6)
16. Get away (6)
17. Puffing Billy (5,5)
22. Different (5)
23. Bishop's headdress (5)
25. Have the same opinion (5)
26. Reside (5)
27. Fishy singer (4)

#### DOWN

1. Exactly realistic (8)
2. Lubricate (3)
3. Collide with obstacle (5)
4. Aims for (7)
5. Musical tresses (4)
6. Memorandum (4)
7. Burden of responsibility (4)
11. Miss out (4)
12. Epic tale (4)
13. Follows a winding course (8)
15. Captivate (7)
18. Fruit of the oak (5)
19. Domesticated (4)
20. Small area of water (4)
21. Footwear (4)
24. Afternoon drink? (3)

Solution to May crossword. Across: 1. Etch, 3. Staggers, 9. Embargo, 10. Lie in, 11. Greensleeves, 13. Suffer, 15. Beetle, 17. Hope and Glory, 20. China, 21. Fretful, 22. Reassess, 23. Trod. Down: 1. Energise, 2. Cable, 4. Trolls, 5. Golden eagles, 6. Everest, 7. Sing, 8. Bronze medals, 12. Recycled, 14. Florida, 16. Snuffs, 18. Offer, 19. Scar.



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