

This Week

Wednesday 21st February 2024
10 am – Holy Communion



Our Prayers are asked for:

World

For the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice & truth. We pray for peace & the laying down of weapons in Ukraine. We pray for restraint on all sides in the violence in Israel & Gaza & Yemen.

Church

Our Bishops David, Mark & Mathew. Archdeacon David & Area Dean Daniel Revd Paul, Revd Christine and all visiting clergy. All who work in the background to provide a welcoming Church.

Community of the Parish

Staff & Pupils at Hey with Zion Primary School, Springhead Primary & Junior School. The staff & residents of Oakdene Care Home, Millfield Care Home. The street of our Parish – Sunhill Close, Woodhead Close.

The Sick

Jean Smith, Grace Stansfield, Terence Davies, Reverend Canon Marcia Wall, Baby Jonah Wolfenden, Michael Brogan, Richard Makinson, Geoff & Hazel Gee, Pat Menzies, Jean Hurdus, Samantha Lewis – Badgett & any one close to our own hearts.

Day-by-Day

19 Feb – Anniversary memories of Mum & Dad –
Annie & Benny Thompson.

What do I do at Communion?

If you receive Holy Communion at any Christian Church, you are welcome to receive it here. Otherwise please come forward with everyone else to receive God's blessing, keeping your head bowed. If you are unable to come forward, please speak to a warden to arrange for Communion to be brought to you.

Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee/tea and biscuits after the 9.30 service in the Church Hall.
This week we have a Fair-Trade stall in the Hall.

St John the Baptist Hey



Receiving & Sharing the Love of God Everyday

Sunday 18th February 2024
1st Sunday of Lent

8.00 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Family Service

Readings & Hymns

Processional	422	Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
First Reading		Genesis 9.8 - 17
Second Reading		1 Peter 3.18 - <i>end</i>
Gradual	169	Father, hear the prayer we offer
Gospel Reading		Mark 1.9 - 15
Offertory	556	O Jesus, I have promised
Final	413	Just as I am, without one plea

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; 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.

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Heavenly Father, you Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Please take this pew sheet home to guide you in your bible study, aid your prayers and remind you of forthcoming events.*

## Notices

### **Pastoral Care**

If you know of anyone who is sick or unwell and would like a telephone call or visit or would like a name adding to the pray list, please contact Freda Davies 07901806748 or Ann Knowles 07751567645.

### **Food Bank Donations**

We have reinstated the box at the back of the Church for donations to the St Barnabas food bank. Please remember those in need when you are shopping and purchase an additional item which can be placed in the box.

### **Candle Recycling**

We have agreed to trial the recycling of candles. Place any candles into the box at the rear of the Church. It doesn't matter if they are in a glass container etc., the wax will be removed and the container recycled.

### **Book Exchange**

We have a collection of books at the rear of the Church. You are welcome to bring your books you have read and exchange them for another. There is also a box for any cash donations.

### **Batteries & Printer Cartridges Recycling**

Used batteries & printer cartridges can be placed in the boxes at the back of the Church for recycling.

### **Fire Safety**

Leave the Church by the nearest exit.

Front right of the Church.

Back of the Church through main door or through the Church Hall.

## Finances

### **The Day-by-Day Scheme**

You can choose a date, for example in memory of a dear one, a birthday or wedding anniversary, or any day that has a special meaning to you, when you would like to give thanks by sponsoring the Church upkeep. We record that date and show it on the Pew Sheet and include it in the prayers of intercession. For further details, speak with Veronica Royle – 0755 2225220

### **Weekly envelopes**

If you would like to start donating by envelope each week, there are spare sets of envelopes available at the back of Church. Just take a set and fill in your name and contact phone number and add your name to the corresponding sheet.

### **Gift Aid**

Gift Aid is an arrangement that allows the Church to reclaim tax on donations made by a UK taxpayer. This means that every donation to St John's will be worth 25% more at no extra cost to the giver. If you would like to discuss or take forward gift aid, please contact our gift aid officer Stewart Morrish - 079 485 46097/email: giftaid.stjohns@gmail.com

### **Standing Orders/Gifts**

**No cash and want to donate to Church? We now have a contactless donation device at the back of Church.**

If you wish to set up a standing order or wishing to make a gift to the Church, are banking details are:

Hey, St John, the Baptist Church  
Virgin Bank  
05-06-46  
60865731



"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." –  
*Philippians 4:13, NKJV*

St John the Baptist Church, Hey, Lees Oldham OL4 3LH  
stjohnhey@gmail.com  
www.st-john-hey.org  
0161 626 3630

Please forward any items to be included in the pew sheets by the end of Wednesday each week to  
Stewart Morrish  
pewsheetstjohn@gmail.com  
079 485 46097



## **Lent & Holy Week Services for Churches Together.**

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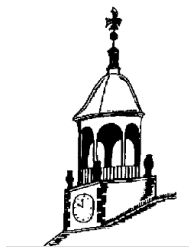
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