

This Week

Wednesday 1st January 2025
No Communion Service



Our Prayers are asked for:

The 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, Sudan, Yemen & the Middle East.

The Church

Our Bishops David, Mark & Mathew. Archdeacon Karen, Area Dean Daniel and visiting clergy. All those who work in the background to provide a welcoming Church here at St John's.

The 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 – the residents of Greeves Street, John Knott Street.

The Sick

Grace Stansfield, Terence Davies
Geoff & Hazel Gee, Jake and any one close to our own hearts.

Recently Departed

Richard Makinson

The Anniversary of Death

Annie Withers.

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.

St John the Baptist Hey



Receiving & Sharing the Love of God Everyday

Sunday 29th December 2024
First Sunday of Christmas

8.00 am. - Holy Communion

9.30 am. - Holy Communion

Readings & Hymns

Processional	649	See, amid the winter's snow
First Reading		1 Samuel 2.18-20,26
Second Reading		Colossians 3.12-17
Gradual	658	Silent night, holy night
Gospel Reading		Luke 2.41- <i>end</i>
Offertory	254	God rest you merry, gentlefolk <i>Versus – 1,3,5,& 7</i>
Communion	448	Little Jesus, sweetly sleep
Communion	59	Away in a manger
Final	584	Of the Father's love begotten

Collect

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; 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

Poinsettia

We will be decorating the Church with poinsettias for Christmas. If you would like to contribute to these in memory of loved ones, please complete the slip at the back of Church and hand in with your donation to Treasurer or any PCC member. Thank you.

Hetty & George Jones
Henry Ballantyne
Sal & Joe Hibbert
Fred & Margaret Thorpe
Collette Gartland
David Owen
Betty Heap
Rob, Tom & Alice, Alan
Stuart Hurdus
Joan Casey
Alma Kershaw
Eileen Kinder
Tony Reed
Shirley Williamson
Lesley Winterbottom

Wilfred & Vera Topping
Frederick William & Alice
Owen
Annie Amelia, Henry
& Harry Owen
Lily Buckley
David Green
Eric Oates
Tom Cooper
Hilda Cooper
Alan Cooper
Karlis & Zenta Borznicks
Nikola D'Adamo
Mavis & Roger Farrand

Vacancies

We currently have vacancies for:
Church Wardens
PCC Members
Deanery Synod Representative
Sunday School Teachers

If you feel you can help to fill any of these vacancies or know of anyone who you think may be able to, please see any member of the PCC.

Message from Dave Bussey

"We are currently doing small plumbing and electrical repairs on a voluntary basis (nothing too big) if the parishioner's need any assistance." - *Please see Eddie Baines for further details.*

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.

Psalm 148

Alleluia.

Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise him in the heights.
Praise him, all you his angels;
praise him, all his host.
Praise him, sun and moon;
praise him, all you stars of light.
Praise him, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens.
Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for he commanded and they were created.
He made them fast for ever and ever;
he gave them a law which shall not pass awa.
Praise the Lord from the earth,
you sea monsters and all deeps;
Fire and hail, snow and mist,
tempestuous wind, fulfilling his word;
Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;
Wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and birds on the wing;
Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;
Young men and women,
old and young together;
let them praise the name of the Lord.
For his name only is exalted,
his splendour above earth and heaven.
He has raised up the horn of his people
and praise for all his faithful servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Alleluia.



"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD." – *Psalm 150:6, NIV*