

SUNDAY SERVICES - DECEMBER 2018

1st	10.30am Mr Paul Bussey 4.00pm Revd. Helen Roberts. Close of Tree Festival.
9th	10.30am Mr Keith Kitson
16th	10.30am Worship Committee - Celebration of Christmas
23rd	4.00pm Revd. Helen Roberts - Carols by Candlelight
25th	9.30am Revd. Helen Roberts - Christmas Day
30th	10.30am Revd. Helen Roberts at Brockholes Methodist Church

TRINITY EVENTS IN DECEMBER - ALL WELCOME

Tues 11th	Circuit Leisure Group walk -meet at Holmbridge at 11.00am
	Tuesday Fellowship 2.30pm. Christmas activity and refreshments.
Wed 26th	Civic/Trinity walk to Berry Brow - led by Bert Neary 2.15pm

TRINITY ROTAS FOR DECEMBER

Date	Vestibule Steward	Church Stewards	Flowers	Coffee team Sylvia Hallas +
2nd	Eileen Marshall Peter Marshall	Glenys Pallister Pat Waite	Christmas Tree Festival	Linda Craven Barbara Leach
9th	David Refearn Ronnie Moncur	Bob Armitage Jane Armitage	Christmas tree	Jean Wood Ann Hirst
16th	Win Ainley Margaret Collinson	Margaret Armitage Penny Winterbottom	Christmas tree	Maureen Doran Joyce Draper
23rd	Marina Woodhead Roger Woodhead	Hilary Turner Carolynne Roberts	Christmas tree	Maureen Burley Pam Redfearn
30th	at Brockholes	at Brockholes	at Brockholes	at Brockholes

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The January News sheet will be available on 23rd December. No contributions!
Februarys Newsletter will be available on 27th January. Contributions to Vera Stanley (663670) or **Di Harris** (316109) **by 20th January.**



TRINITY CHURCH HONLEY NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2018

A Message from our Minister - Revd. Helen Roberts.

Christmas is coming

Christmas is coming, amid cries of 'where did the year go?', and complaints about decorations having been in the shops since September.

Christ is coming, pause and wait.

Christmas is coming, and expectations crowd in, maybe time, maybe money, finding the perfect gift.

Christ is coming, stop and wonder.

Christmas is coming, with waves of anxiety, about the family visits, the perfect meal, the costume for the school play.

Christ is coming, to an unprepared couple in a borrowed room.

Christmas is coming, the nights are dark and the days are short, loneliness may abound.

Christ is coming, God with us, always with us.

Christmas is coming, the smiles of loved ones, bad jokes in crackers, time together, time off work?, a change in pace, a marker in the year.

Christ is coming, light in the darkness – in a baby's cry. Amid the chaos, sorrows and joys of humanity.

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This December may you find joy and hope in the season, and if it is a tough time, may you find you are not alone.

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find us

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MESSAGES OF THANKS

FLOWERS Many thanks to everyone who has given flowers to church or donated to the flower Fund during 2018. Thank you also to everyone who has arranged the flowers in church, to Sylvia for taking the flowers to the sick and elderly after the morning service. The flower list for 2019 is displayed in the Lower Hall. If you would like to give flowers please add your name to the list.
Eileen Hirst

Sylvia would like to add her thanks to Eileen for the help she gives with the flower fund and the 'flower list'.

PHOTOGRAPHS Thank you to those of you who have given me photos of yourselves in 1969, or thereabouts, and current photos. If you have not already done so there is still time for you to add to the collection. They will be displayed during our anniversary year.
Di Harris

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP

Mr. David Cockman was the speaker at the meeting on 30th October. He illustrated his talk on the Local Suffragettes with slides and film. In their efforts to obtain the vote many women were imprisoned for protesting, often by chaining themselves to railings outside Buckingham Palace and the Houses of Parliament. Once in prison some went on hunger strike and were force fed.

A sixteen year old girl from Honley, named Dora Thewlis was arrested in London for protesting. The Daily Mirror printed a picture of her arrest by two policemen on their front page the next day. The wife of a local mill owner Florence Lockwood was very active in the movement, a gifted artist she made a banner that was used in three protest marches in London. It has survived and can be seen at the Tolson Museum in a special exhibition.

The National leader Mrs Pankhurst visited our area and spoke to large crowds in the Holme Valley but she was booed and pelted with rotten vegetables when she addressed the hostile crowd in Marsden. The first World War changed everything when women were needed to take on the jobs of men who went to war. As a result of the efforts of these brave women they were awarded the vote for over 30 year olds in 1918 and over 21's ten years later in 1928.

Margaret Sheppard thanked Mr Cockman for his most interesting talk.
Rachel Boothroyd

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT 23RD DECEMBER

Please bring a candle or a torch so that you are able to read the hymn book at this service. If you are bringing a candle please put it in a suitable container!

SERVICE 30TH DECEMBER.

This year we are joining our friends at Brockholes for their morning service on the Sunday after Christmas. In the past they have joined us but this year we look forward to worshipping with them. There are Trinity folk willing to help with getting people to Brockholes.

Meet at Trinity at 10am if you would like a lift.

More offers of help from drivers will be welcomed.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

The programme of events throughout 2019 is available this month. Please put the dates in your diaries and come along to Celebrate 50 years of Trinity as often as you can.

In January we have the 'Bring and Buy' sale. How creative have you have been with regards to the gold themed items? The other tables are expecting items of many colours..... so please continue to look out your unwanted bags, scarves, books, china, CDs and DVDs.

You will see from your Anniversary Programme that a 'Made in Honley' event is being held in March. We will have our own stall - an opportunity for you to show off your creative skills. We hope you have been 'crafting' as requested in the October newsletter. Whatever you make, however large or small, will be much appreciated.
Di Harris

TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP CHRISTMAS CONCERT

On 13th November Trinity Singers, conducted by Glenys Pallister, gave a delightful performance of seasonal musical items.

The programme also included humorous readings and poems. Kathryn Milward and Philip Smith at the piano were joined by Merran Smith on her flute. Marina and Steve treated us to a duet. A very enjoyable afternoon ended with refreshments.
Rachel Boothroyd

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Saturday 1st December - come along and see Trinity overflowing with Christmas trees decorated by community organisations as well as church groups. Food is available all day and there will be entertainment from Honley Ladies Choir and Honley Band.

Sunday 2nd December 2pm- 4pm - a quiet time to look at the Trees. The weekend concludes with a short time of prayer led by Revd. Helen Roberts.