



Timperley Parish News

Christ Church and Holy Cross



Welcome to our new publication!

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This is the seventh edition of our 'new-look' quarterly Timperley Parish News, sharing some of what's going on at Christ Church and Holy Cross. If you'd like to continue to receive Timperley Parish News, either in paper or electronic form, please contact Revd Jim Bridgman on 980 4330 or timperleyparishoffice@gmail.com.

Services of Remembrance



In November, we had two opportunities to remember - on the evening of Sunday 6th we held our annual Service of remembrance at Christ Church, when we joined together with others who are facing the pain and sadness of bereavement, to remember, pray and give thanks for the lives of those we love but see no longer. The theme for our service this year was 'Valleys and Mountains', thinking about the hard journey of grief. During our service, we read aloud the names of those who have died, while lighting a candle for them.

We also had the opportunity to lay down a stone, in symbol of the grief that we carry and want to give to God. Then on Sunday 13th we had our Remembrance Sunday services at both churches, where we had a Act of Remembrance. At Christ Church we gathered around the war memorial in the graveyard, and Josh Thomas, a Yr 8 pupil from Wellington School played the Last Post and Reveille for us to start and end our time of silence. Also during the autumn, our Parish Craft Group knitted and crocheted Poppies in aid of the Royal British Legion [pictured]. They turned out to be so popular that they could hardly keep up with the demand, and as a result raised the amazing sum of £280 for this charity.



REGULAR SERVICES

SUNDAYS

8am	Communion	Christ Church
10.45am	Communion	Christ Church and Holy Cross
6.30pm	Evening service	Christ Church

*The 1st Sunday of each month is a joint **All Age service**, which alternates between the two churches.*

***Sunday school** meets at Christ Church on the 2nd Sunday of the month.*

***Breakfast Club** meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the Parish Hall (Holy Cross), starting at 8.45am*

MONDAYS

9.30am	Morning Prayer	Christ Church
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WEDNESDAYS

10am	Communion	Christ Church
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THURSDAYS

7.30pm	Communion	Holy Cross
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For more details and information about special services, please visit our website www.timperleyparish.org.uk

Bowls

Thanks to the Timperley Village Club Bowls section for letting some of us have a go at bowls in September (including Beryl Greenfield pictured with her best throw!) After some tuition, we had a couple of four-some games - there were mixed results (and abilities!), but we all had some good fun, and sore muscles the day after! And the Vicar was undefeated in his two games.... Hopefully we'll be allowed back next year!



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Timperley Country Fair

In September we once again had a stall at the Timperley Country Fair, selling a selection of homemade produce. Congratulations to the Parish Craft Group for their winning entries [pictured] at the Timperley Country fair! Their hard work, skill and dedication paid off with a first and third prize -well done! Thanks to all who helped and supported us.

Heritage Open Day

As part of the National Heritage Open day in September, we opened Christ Church for a Sunday afternoon. We had a number of our wedding and baptism registers on display, stretching back to the opening of the church, as well as pictures of clergy past and present, and displays about the life of the parish, including the choir, the Church Lads and Girls Brigade and the changing shape of our church buildings. There was also a chance for people to share their memories of the churches in the parish by writing on our Memory Wall. The day finished with a short service of thanksgiving for the life of the parish. It was great to see so many people sharing their memories of the parish - the church was filled with laughter and chatting, as friends remembered events in the life of the parish together. Thanks to those who came and shared!



Breakfast Club

In September, on Holy Cross day, we celebrated the second birthday of our Breakfast club with a special Breakfast BBQ and party [pictured], to which all church members were invited. This year our theme for each session is the Lord's Prayer, and we're learning a special way to remember it using actions as well as words. We also launched our new group, '7Up' for older children at Breakfast Club, who meet in Church after having Breakfast. We're always welcome to new people joining us: Breakfast club is held on the third Sunday of the month at 8.45am and is designed to be accessible to busy families, who are often not able to come to church later on a Sunday morning. Why not come along and start Sunday with us?!



Contact us

For enquiries about **weddings, baptisms and funerals**, as well as for pastoral or general enquiries, or for more information about the events detailed here, please contact the clergy:

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2016

All welcome!

Sunday 11th December 3rd Sunday of Advent

8.00am Communion *Christ Church*
10.45am Children's nativity and Communion *Christ Church*

come dressed as a character from the Christmas story!

10.45am Communion *Holy Cross*

6.30pm Evening Prayer *Christ Church*

Wednesday 14th December

5.30pm Carols at the Crossroads

come and sing carols round the Frank Sidebottom statue!

Sunday 18th December 4th Sunday of Advent

8.00am Communion *Christ Church*

9.15am Breakfast for all *followed by*

10.00am Christingle *Holy Cross*

come dressed as a character from the Christmas story!

10.45am Communion *Christ Church*

6.30pm 9 lessons and carols *Christ Church*

Christmas Eve

5.00pm Christingle *Christ Church*

come dressed as a character from the Christmas story!

11.00pm First Communion of Christmas

Christ Church & Holy Cross

Christmas Day

8.00am Communion *Christ Church*

10am All Age Communion

Christ Church & Holy Cross

Come and celebrate the birth of Jesus!