



Christ Church Weekly Newsletter

21st November – 27th November, 2021



COME AND JOIN US TO WELCOME AND WORSHIP THE KING OF GLORY!

Coming up - Sunday, 28th November for Children, Young People and Families

Please note there will be no meeting this week for Junior church 4-8yrs

Junior Church 9-13yrs at the hut 10.25 am

Little Fish in church

Children's Corner – For parents with young children. This is at the back of church. Please ensure that your children are supervised.

Holy Communion: For all our services offering communion, there is a choice to either come forward to receive the consecrated wafer and now wine (in individual cups) or to bring a small piece of bread and some juice/water and remain seated.

Refresh and Encounter- Restart dates!!

Refresh - Friday morning, 26th November 11.00 am.

Encounter - Sunday evening 5th December 7.30 pm.

Both events will be held at Christ Church, Parbold.

Soul Action Café next meeting Sunday, 28th November

For young people in year 7 and above.

Meeting between 6-7pm at the Hut.

Soul Action Café operates on a fortnightly basis,



September celebrations for next week:

21st November - Diane Powell

24th November - Judith Townsley, Eva Hampson

26th November - Molly Green

To add birthday or anniversary contact Joanna -

jashcroft@christchurchparbold.co.uk



Masks -We have two types of seating in church.

In the pews on the right as you enter and on the back bench, please **continue to wear a mask when singing or moving around**. Alternate pews only are to be used.

In the central and northern (far side) **pews, masks are now optional (including when singing)** and all pews can be used.

Our church family is important to us so please continue to keep 2m distancing when talking and sitting so that everyone is comfortable.

For those who are more cautious we also have Sunday 8am Communion most weeks (without singing) and Wednesday 10.30am Communion. At both services numbers are smaller so we can sit further apart.

Sunday Services:

Sunday 21st November 9.30am Muddy Church at the Hut.

An hour of fun and craft for all ages - toddlers to teens + parents and grandparents. No need to book, just turn up.

Theme: Choosing to Follow Jesus – using Advent as a time to choose to follow Jesus more closely, (think Buzz Lightyear!). We go ahead whatever the weather.

Sunday 21st November at 10.30am service.

The recording will be posted onto the website towards the end of the day.

Leader: Graham Fairbairn Preacher: Sue Timmins

Bible Reading: Song of Solomon 2: 8-11

Mercy Rescue U

update - Wed. 24th Nov. 10.30am service

and 28th Nov. Sunday services at 8am and 10.30am.

Barbara will be giving an update on her proposed visit to Mercy Rescue. This will be followed by an appeal for donations. To give online, please use sort code 089299 account number 65994889 payee Christ Church Parbold PCC and quote Mercy Rescue as the reference.

Helpers for foodbank deliveries between Jan and April

Fire Pit Social at the Vicarage Tuesday, 23rd November at

either 10.30-12noon or 1.00-2.30pm. You're all welcome

to our Fire Pit Social at the Vicarage where we'll be gathering around real fires. There will be hot drinks, (could you bring cakes and biscuits please) and if you're staying outside, your own chair. There's space for around 20 people inside, if you don't like the cold. No need to say whether you can make it or not- just turn up. Drop in for a few minutes or come for longer. As this is weather dependent, please check your emails on Monday for confirmation of time and whether we are going ahead. If **Tuesday gets rained off, we'll try Thursday 25th November, 10.30 – 12 noon, as a back up.**

The Return of 'Carols Around the Tree'. This seasonal favourite is back and is on Wednesday, 1st December in the Parbold Village Hall car park from 6pm (Event starts at 6.30pm).

For more details please see the poster attached to the notice sheet.



Church Family

Prayer Chain: If you would like special prayer, the first point of contact is: **Brian /Frances 01257 462058.**

If they are not available then it's **Lin 01257 46523 or John 01257 463919**

The requests go out to the chain at 6.30pm. but in emergencies will be sent out as soon as the request is received.

Coming up week beginning Sunday, 14th November 2021

Tuesday, 23rd Nov.- Online morning prayer meeting 9-10am.) [Details to join the meeting at bottom of page.](#)

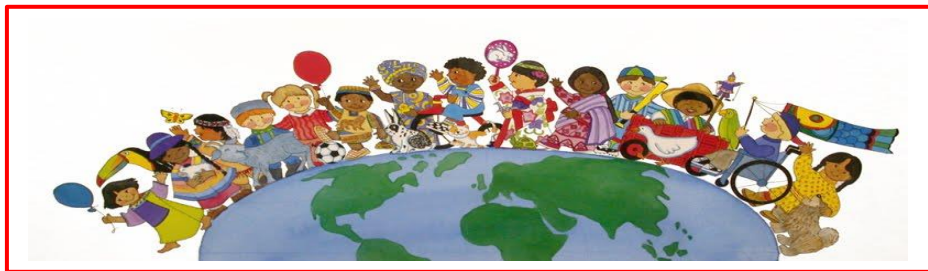
Wednesday, 24th Nov. 10.30am – Mid-Week Service. A quiet, said service to remember the Lord's last supper. Barbara to give **Mercy Rescue** update.

Thursday, 25th Nov. 1:30 pm. Cathartic Moments Club (CMC) at COFFEE ETC. in Station Road. Come for a chat and enjoy each other's company.. Contact: Barbara. blong@christchurchparbold.co.uk

Compline Service - a pre-recorded 10minute quiet service for a good night's sleep. You can use this link anytime, any day, as often as you want! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=141Dxy3wQHs>

Please Note: NHS QR Code. Please ensure that, when visiting Church, you scan the QR code, which is attached to the inner door, through your NHS COVID-19 App or sign a Test and Trace slip (please bring your own pen.)

Provision for children, young people and families



Sundays for families and children. There'll be some variations to keep you on your toes. Please keep checking your notices and ask if it's not clear!

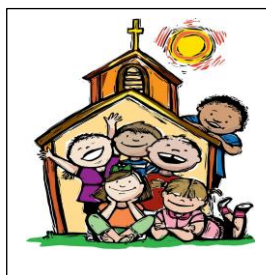
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Parent and Toddler

We have a number of parent and toddler groups at All Saints Church, for more information. <https://allsaintschurch.co.uk/> Look under the section 'groups'.

Church Meeting Place Details :-For each of the services below use

Webex: <https://mrs-osu.my.webex.com/meet/christchurchparbold2>

Phone: Dial in on 0207 660 8149 quoting Access Code 163 174 1534# and then selecting # again:

- Online prayer meeting every Tuesdays morning 9-10am.
- Live Virtual Services

Let Geoff know please, if you have any difficulties accessing these & check your phone tariff before using.

Strengthening Faith

The Diocese is running a 6 part series video/audio podcast about the church in these changing times; looking at how the church has had to pivot over the past two years, the challenges being faced now and where the church wants to be in the near future. The first 2 parts are available here:- [HopePod ... our new video/audio podcast series ... launches online | The Diocese of Blackburn \(anglican.org\)](#) Future ones available on Monday's from 9am.

Word for Today The Nov. Dec. Jan booklets are now available and can be accessed through the Church Website: christchurchparbold.co.uk See https://www.ucb.co.uk/signup?utm_term= for further details. Free booklets available in church or contact Jean on 01257 254004 or Geoff christchurchparbold.admn@gmail.com

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Charities needing support

Oaks Foodbank. Barbara will be collecting for The Oaks Foodbank in Skelmersdale. If you are able to donate any items, (they are in particular need of tins of food – beans, spaghetti, tomatoes, potatoes, peas, carrots, meat, soups canned or packets of, dry goods - pasta, rice, noodles, boxes cereal, tea/sugar/coffee and toiletries), would you please leave them in the Vicarage porch on Tan House Lane, Parbold, before 11AM on the collection day. Barbara's Mobile: 07745 729902 Email: longbg@btinternet.com Dates for next collections: 25th November, 9th December, 20th December, 6th January, 20th January, 3rd February, 17th February, 3rd March, 17th March, 31st March, 14th April, 28th April, 12th May

Can you help out with the foodbank deliveries between January to April. All that is needed is for someone to collect the donations every fortnight from the Vicarage and then to drop them off at the foodbank in Skelmersdale. If you can help, then please contact Geoff at christchurchparbold.admn@gmail.com

If you are wanting to make a cash donation instead, then please donate to: Account name: Skelmersdale and District Foodbank: Account number: 33703167: Sort Code: 60 19 49 quoting your name as the reference.

The Brick (working with poverty and the homeless in Wigan) The Brick has seen a considerable increase in the number of families using their services.

Weekly Offering As a church we are so grateful for the support of all our church family. We fully understand that for some your personal financial circumstances have been seriously affected by the current restrictions and you may not be able to give at this time. We must keep each other in our prayers.

If you find that you are able to carry on with your giving, here is some advice:

The best way to give is by standing order or bank transfer. The details you will need are:

- **Co-op Bank Sort Code: 08-92-99 Accounts: Christ Church Parbold PCC**

- **Account Number: 65994889 and please quote your name as the Reference.**

If you wish to continue with the weekly envelopes or cash donation then please keep it safe and bring it to church when we restart services. However, if anyone has accumulated money offerings and would like them to be collected, they can ring **Lin on 01257 463523** and she will arrange to collect it. This applies to Parbold residents. If anyone lives outside the village, then please contact Geoff on christchurchparbold.admn@gmail.co.uk. He will arrange collection. **Just Giving:** The Church has now opened Just Giving account which means that you can easily make one off card donations and Gift Aid them too. For more information and to make a payment, just click here <https://www.justgiving.com/parboldpcc>

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Contacts:

Vicar: Rev. Sue Timmins. Please note that Sue's usual day off is Friday. email suetimmins@christchurchparbold.co.uk Tel: 01257 462350.

Parish Administrator: Geoff Birchmore. Contact Geoff for all website amendments & updates. Note Geoff is unavailable from 18th - 23rd November. Tel. 01257 752242 . email christchurchparbold.admn@gmail.com

Safeguarding Officer – Margaret Monaghan. For further information please see our website or speak to Margaret. safeguarding@christchurchparbold.co.uk

If you want anything in the Notices, contact **Phil and Carol Prescott** before Tuesday 5 p.m. philandcarol@christchurchparbold.co.uk

Church website:

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The QR code will take you to the church website.



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