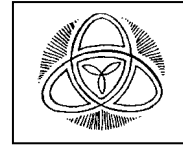


Holy Trinity Church, Rothwell



## 3 BEFORE ADVENT

6 November 2011

### SERVICES TODAY

8.00 am	Eucharist – Revd Mandy Rhodes
10.00 am	All Age Worship – Canon John Holmes
11.30 am	Eucharist: BCP – Canon John Holmes

#### ***The Collect***

Almighty Father,  
whose will is to restore all things  
in your beloved Son, the King of all:  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,  
and bring the families of the nations,  
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,  
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.     **Amen.**

#### ***Reading:     Amos 5.18-24***

Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light; as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt-offerings and grain-offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

#### ***Gospel Reading:     Matthew 25.1-13***

Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

### ***Post Communion Prayer***

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life:

look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

### **Hymns today**

825 If I were a butterfly

900 Think of a world without any flowers

(391 Jubilate Everybody)

833 I'm gonna click, click, click

108 Colours of Day

### **Diary this week**

Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b><u>REMEMBRANCE DAY</u></b>	
	"We Will Remember Them" – in church	10.45 am
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b><u>AUTUMN FAYRE</u></b>	10.00 am
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b><u>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</u></b>	
	Eucharist	8.00 am
	Parish Eucharist followed by a Service at the War Memorial: The Revd. Andrew Pearson	9.30 am
	Reading: Isaiah: 2: 2-5    Gospel: John 15: 9-17	

## **NOTICES**

### **CHURCH SOCIAL EVENTS**

#### **AUTUMN FAYRE – 12 NOVEMBER**

The Autumn Fayre fast approaches! Please think of how you might help, what stall you might run, and the things to gather together. There is a list at the back of church, please put your name down if you can run a stall. Things needed are as follows:

Bottles (full of course)	Tombola prizes
Cakes & buns	Surprise Parcels
Books	Costume Jewellery
Fancy Goods	Bric-a-brac
Toys	Raffle prizes

Anything you have for the Autumn Fayre can be either given to a churchwarden or taken into the office from 24 October.

#### **FAMILY PARTY**

Saturday 10 December 5.30–10.30

ROTHWELL PARISH CENTRE

Adults £2.00, Children £1.00

Family Ticket £5.00 up to 3 children

PLEASE BRING SOME PARTY FOOD TO SHARE

party games and dancing.

Do keep in touch via our website  
[www.rothwellholyltrinitychurch.co.uk](http://www.rothwellholyltrinitychurch.co.uk)

### **CHURCH BONFIRE**

Please note there WILL NOT be a Church Bonfire this year. This has been decided upon for Health and Safety Reasons.

### **BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

The Holy Trinity Bible group meets on a Monthly basis. We are an informal & friendly group with a shared interest in looking further into and learning from The Bible. For anyone interested the next meeting of the Bible Group will be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. Venue Christine & Ian Lands' @ 30 Haighside Way, Rothwell. Tele No.0113 2829362 All very welcome. If anyone would like further details on the group Valerie Kirby or Ian Land would be delighted to discuss with them with you.

### **ARMISTICE DAY – FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup>**

On Armistice Day 11th there will be a short service "We will Remember them" at 10.45 am in Church.

### **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – next Sunday – service at 9.30 am**

Please note that the service next Sunday begins at 9.30 am so that we can get to the War Memorial in good time.

### **PETER BURROWS**

Many of you will have heard that the Archdeacon of Leeds, The Ven Peter Burrows, is to leave us. He has been appointed to be the next Bishop of Doncaster and will be consecrated by the Archbishop of York in York Minster on 2nd February next year. Peter has been a good friend to Rothwell, particularly during the Interregnum. We shall have an opportunity to say goodbye to him as he will now be opening the Autumn Fair on November 12th at 10 am.

### **CHRISTMAS CARDS AND CALENDARS ON SALE NOW**

Christmas cards and calendars will be on sale TODAY in the Parish Centre after the 10.00 am service. Please take a look, they are cheaper than the local shops.

### **WEDDING KNEELERS**

Thank you for your generosity in contributing to the cost of a new wedding kneeler. We are now only £25 short, so there will be a retiring collection at the back of church until we have managed to make that £25. Please give generously. Thank you.

### **LADIES CLUB**

9 November Bingo

16 November Sarah Tennant – Christmas cards and parcels

### **CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES – OCTOBER OPENING**

Last call for Children's Society boxes. If you want yours emptying please hand it in to Sue in the office this week. Don't forget if you want a box see Sue – she has spare ones

### **ITEMS FOR AUTUMN FAYRE**

Please look at the list at the back of church to see what stalls are being run at the Autumn Fayre and either give any items to the people running the stall or take them to Sue in the office who will distribute them accordingly.

Costume Jewellery - Margaret Allsop or Christine Land

Bottles (Anything in a bottle, wine, beer, shampoo, sauce) - Ann or Roger Ward

Tombola items - Wardens

Toys – Jennifer Ward or G.F.S leaders

### **CONFIRMATION**

We are planning to arrange a Confirmation Service during Lent for the team area, probably on Sunday evening 11th March at St. John's Oulton. If you are interested in knowing more about this please see Jeremy as soon as you can. Young people should have reached Year 8 at School although if you're younger and dead keen please ask. Parents please note that since this is about people showing how grown up and mature they are you cannot ask for your children!

Adults, if you're not yet confirmed you're never too old (My oldest candidate was 102!) so please ask!

### **WAKEFIELD HOSPICE – LIGHT UP A LIFE**

At Christmas we often wish to remember those who are special to us. Wakefield Hospice therefore invites you to honour a loved one who may have passed away or be absent during the Christmas season by sponsoring a light on their tree of lights, which will be illuminated at dedication services being held on Thursday 1 December @ 6.00 pm outside Wakefield Town Hall and on 4<sup>th</sup> December @ 2.00 pm and 5.00 pm at Wakefield Cathedral. See Sue Franks or Pat Shute for a form if you are interested.

### **BEER FESTIVAL**

We have now received the final funds raised at the Beer Festival in April. We are pleased to announce that we raised a massive £4100 for church funds. Needless to say there is another one planned next April. Thanks to everyone involved for their hard work and commitment.

### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

I hope you are having fun filling your boxes. We have the first box already. I saw it in the office on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October! Thank you Dot Fowler.

It's a shame we couldn't get the DVD to work in Church, I showed it in various Schools and the children and staff alike were very moved and enthused.

Our boxes this year as last year are going to Swaziland. At least the first shipment. If we have any over from the Sherburn Warehouse they will go to Belarus and Serbia. The distributors split Swaziland into 4 regions. Each region takes its turn in getting shoe boxes. So the regions have boxes delivered on a four year cycle. Within that region the communities, take turns also. Depending on your age you might only receive 1 shoe box in a lifetime, others may receive more.

Date to remember –

25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> November Church open from 10-4 for Shoe Box Drop off.

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November -10am- Shoe Box Sunday Service.

Happy box packing – Ann