



# PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW WESTHOUGHTON

St Bartholomew

St Thomas

St George

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – The Third Sunday of Epiphany**

## TODAY'S SERVICES

**8.00am Holy Communion at St Thomas'**

**9.15am Holy Communion at St Thomas'**

Hymns: **A&M 101, 102, 510, 775**

**9.15am Holy Communion at St George's**

Hymns as announced

**11.00am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's**

Hymns: **A&M 101, 97, 102, 493** During Communion **452, 446**

- We welcome everyone to worship today; if this is your first time with us, please introduce yourselves to the clergy, wardens or sidespeople
- During the Administration of Holy Communion we keep silence or join with the singing of the communion hymns.
- At communion please come forward following the direction of the sidespeople to the communion rail.
- Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please mention this to the clergy before the service.
- There are large print service and hymn books available if you need them.
- Coffee is served after all the services (except the 8am service)
- There is an induction loop at St. Bartholomew's – please switch hearing aids to the "T" setting

### We pray for:

**Those who are ill:** Steve Berry, Irene Booth, Christopher Davies, Lisa Ginniff, Jenny Harris, Betty Hilton, Derek Holroyd, Edith Ibbotson, Patricia James, Ailsa Maddison, Eileen Marsh, Isobelle Wallace, James Wright.

**Those who have died recently:** John Bailey, Trevor Wanless

**And on their anniversaries this week, we remember:** William Aspinall, Joseph Brocklehurst, Eric Cook, Phyllis Eastham, Ethel Fairhurst, Nellie Goodacre, Alice Heathcote, Frank Leyland, John Lowe, Alfred Naylor, Brian Smalley, Mary Smalley, Ethel Smalley, Vincent Smith.

**This week:** - during Christian Unity Week, we pray for all our fellow Christians worshipping throughout our parish and team.

**Today 3:00pm - A Millworkers Thanksgiving Service**, thought to be the first of its kind in Greater Manchester, will be held at **Bolton Parish Church**. The event has been organised by the Mayor of Bolton as a celebration of millworkers' lives and to give thanks to the men, women and children whose hard work helped make Bolton a prosperous and vibrant industrial town.

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30pm** – Induction rehearsal

**7:30pm** – St. George's Committee Meeting to be held at St. Bartholomew's

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:30pm** – St. Thomas' committee meets at St. Thomas' church

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January: 10:00am Holy Communion** at St Bartholomew's

**Also: 1:00pm** There is a special event to mark this occasion at Bolton Town Hall; please be seated by 1pm for a 1:15pm start. There are details on the posters in our churches and at [www.boltoninterfaithcouncil.org.uk](http://www.boltoninterfaithcouncil.org.uk)

### Coming Up: -

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January** – Licensing of Revd Carol Pharaoh as Team Rector at St. Bartholomew's church 7:30pm - all welcome.

**Lancashire Night: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 7:30pm at St. Bartholomew's church.** An evening of traditional Lancashire songs, verse and entertainment with Ged Robinson-Todd. Pasty and peas supper provided, please bring your own drinks. Tickets £10 available from Christine Andrews / Margaret Dolphin. Please do support this event – it promises to be a cracking evening.

**St. James' Church** – In 2019, their open mornings will move to **the first Saturday** of the month, starting on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 10:00am - noon. Everyone welcome for tea and a chat.

**Children's Society Boxes:** The Children's Society boxes are now due for emptying. Please bring your box along to church. If you need your box collecting or if you would like a box, please contact Andrew or Christine Jolley on 01942 815820. Children's Society Reps.

**The Coffee Concert Series at St. James', Daisy Hill** present the **Camira Trio** – flute / clarinet / bassoon – on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February** from 11:00am. Tickets are £6 and include coffee / tea and cake [under 18s are free if accompanied by an adult. All welcome – please see posters for booking or tickets on the door.

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 7:30pm:** Concert by the Houghton Weavers in aid of the Town Mayor's Charities. To be held at Brook field Hall on Peel Street, tickets £12 – further details on the posters in our churches.

### **Women's World Day of Prayer:**

This will be held on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 at Westhoughton Methodist Church. If anyone is interested in taking part in this service, there are two planning meetings coming up on **Fridays 25<sup>th</sup> January 7pm** at Westhoughton Methodist Church and 22<sup>nd</sup> February. For further details, please see Elaine Simkin.



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## The Collect

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 62. 1 - 5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

## New Testament Reading: I Corinthians 12. 1 - 11

Concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

## The Gospel:

John 2 1 - 11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.



## Post Communion Prayer:

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Next Sunday: The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Readings: Nehemiah 8. 1-3, 5-6, 8-10 / I Corinthians 12. 12-31a / Luke 4. 14-21

8.00am	St Thomas'	Holy Communion	Rev'd Angela Wynne
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9.15am	St George's	Service of the Word	Elaine Simkin
11.00am	St Bartholomew's	Holy Communion	Rev'd Angela Wynne

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