

WELCOME

If you are visiting for the first time please do fill in a welcome card- help us to get to know you.
May you find peace and love here

EVERYONE please join us for coffee and tea after the 9.30 am service in the hall at the back of church

FIRE SAFETY

leave the church by the nearest exit.
These are situated: **Front** right of church, **back** of church through main entrance or via the hall.
Please remain calm

Inclusive church

St John's strives to be an inclusive church.
If you feel this is not the case please see a warden.

POLICIES & PROCEDURES For the wellbeing of all at church

A folder is now at the back of church which lays down policies and procedures that lead to a safe church & environment. Please do not remove but do read it.



Sunday School Attendance

Parents who have children that come to church / Sunday school who are pre secondary education are encouraged to register weekly attendance.



Babies and Toddlers

Most Sundays we have a crèche facility in the hall. You are welcome to keep your children in church or take them to the crèche and stay with them until they are settled.

What do I do at communion?

If you receive Holy Communion at any Christian Church you are welcome to receive it here. Otherwise please come forward with everyone else to receive God's blessing, keeping your head bowed. If you are unable to come forward please speak to a warden to arrange for communion to be brought to you.



Hearing Aids

We have a t loop system. Please switch your aid to the "T" position. Feel free to move to the front to aid lip reading.



Need a lift to Church?

If you need a lift call Geoff on 652 1602 before 6pm on Saturday. He will try to arrange a lift.



Sick, lonely, isolated?

If you know of somebody who is ill or who would like us to pray for them, or is in need of a visit, please inform the parish office.



DEFIBRILLATOR IN HALL

Forthcoming events on board or in folder

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Communications

Parish phone number **061 626 3630**
Church e mail address **stjohnhey@gmail.com**
Church website **st-john-hey.org**
Church blogsite **st-john-hey.blogspot.co.uk**
Church Facebook **www.facebook.com/stjohnshey**



Welcome to
St John the Baptist
Hey

We welcome all and greet everyone in Christ's name

Third Sunday of Advent December 16th

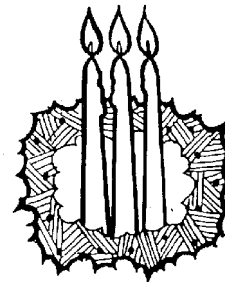
Thursday

7pm Come & Praise!
With Holy communion

Sunday

8 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Come & Praise!
3pm Carol Service
followed by sherry and mince pies.

This week's gospel - Luke 3:7-18



ADVENT CANDLE 3

**1. Advent candles tell their story
as we watch and pray,
longing for the Day of Glory,
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,
changed for gladness on that Day.**

**2. John the Baptist, by his preaching
and by water poured,
brought to those who heard his teaching
news of hope restored:
'Keep your vision strong and steady,
and be ready for the Lord.'**

**Our mission is to receive and share
the love of God - Every Day**

| Hymns and Reading | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Reading | Luke 3:7-18 |
| 535 | Oh Come Oh Come Emmanuel |
| 650 | Calypso Carol |
| 713 | Holly & the Ivy |
| 233 | Go tell it on the Mountain |
| 588 | Sussex Carol |

Our Prayers are asked for

World concerns – We pray for the plight of the people in Indonesia.

Our Diocese – Bp David, Bps Mark Middleton & Mark Bolton; Archdeacon Cherry; Our Dean and cathedral staff.

Our companion Link Dioceses – Tampere, Lahore & Namibia.

National / Local concerns – Those without homes as the weather grows colder.

Vocations – Lyn, Paul and the Lay ministry at Hey.

Street prayers – Belmont Ave Higher.

Sick – Sheila, Tony, Lesley, Philip and Catherine.

Those still in our prayers – Nigel, Janet, Evelyn, Margaret, Enid.

Anniversaries of Death – Vera Austin, Doris Lord, Bill Tuncliffe, Harry Crompton, Jessie Whittaker, Charles Shelmerdine.

Recently Departed – Melvyn Lancashire, Barbara Kenyon.

Day by Day December

19th - Remembering the anniversary of Doris Lord's passing

Coffee & Chat

Every Wednesday 10.45am, in the Church Hall

This is a community event and everyone is welcome. As Christmas approaches please remember those that may not have extended family around them, this is a good opportunity for them to get out and see others. All ages are welcome!

QuickInk

Recycle and raise funds for church! Please bring any used ink cartridges you have and place them in the box at the back of church

This week

Tuesday 18th December

1.30pm Funeral, Melvyn Lancashire

Wednesday 19th December

9.15am Hey with Zion School
Christmas Service

10 am Holy Communion

10.45am Coffee & Chat

11am Holy Communion at Millfield

Thursday 20th December

7pm Come & Praise!

Sunday 23rd December

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

8am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Communion

Coming up

Christmas Eve

6 pm Christingle / Nativity

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

9.30am Parish Communion

Nativity & Christingle Christmas Eve 6pm

If you have any nativity or animal costumes your children have grown out of would you please consider donating them to church?

And if you know you will be here please encourage your child to dress for the nativity and join in

Asian Christian Trust

During this cold weather a collection of any unwanted children's and adult coats is being made for local asylum seekers. Please hand in at the back of church.

Church Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who worked so hard and supported the fair on Sunday. It was a good day out and a great success.

We raised £2147.11 to support our work in both the church and the local community.

This is not the final figure as we usually get additional donations from people who want to support the event by could not be there on the day.

Poinsettia Christmas Remembrance

The church is decorated this year with the glorious red of the poinsettias. Each pot represents a loved one to be remembered at this special time. The names are on each pot.