

St. John's Church Mosley Common



*A part of the Astley, Tyldesley &
Mosley Common Team Ministry*

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Information

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Church Services

There is a service every Sunday morning at 10.30am. Other services are held at various times and various days according to season. Details are given in this magazine.

The Rowans

There is a regular Holy Communion service in the Rowans Lounge on Lindale Road. For details see the Diary Dates page in this magazine.

Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals

These can be arranged by contacting the Vicar.

Prayer Chain

For urgent prayer requests contact Glennys Worthington on 0161 702 8566 or Nick / Adele Hardman on 01942 888786

Prayer Meeting

Every Sunday 9.15am. All welcome.

Music

Our Organist is Alan Wood ('phone 0161 790 7544) and the leader of the Music Group is David Barnes ('phone 0161 702 8104)

World Mission

We support several societies working at home and abroad, especially Stephen and Tabita Bell working with the European Christian Mission in Croatia and Hansi and Kath Jain in India.

Magazine

This is published every two months throughout the year. The Magazine Secretary is Glennys Worthington ('phone 0161 702 8566) and the Editors are Andrea & Sylvia Taziker ('phone 0161 799 5754). We will deliver a copy to anyone who places a regular order.

Activities

Toddler Group

This meets in the Church Lounge on Thursdays from 9.30am until 11.30am. The leader is Jennie Kennedy ('phone 07870212777)

Brownies

The 4th Tyldesley Brownies meet in St. John's School on Tuesdays at 6.30pm. For information contact Kathryn Clare ('phone 01925 763799)

CYPEC

This is the name given to our children's and young people's groups which meet in Church on Sunday mornings.

Women's Fellowship Group

This meets in the Church Lounge on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm. The Leader is Ann Haigh ('phone 0161 799 6672)

Fellowship Groups

There are several groups meeting regularly in members' homes and in the Church Lounge for Bible Study, Fellowship and Prayer. For the latest information, contact Mike Stuckey ('phone 0161 357 0155) or Keith Worthington ('phone 0161 702 8566)



Earlier this summer I was out cutting the grass around the vicarage and church. I stopped for a moment to admire the view across the fields and saw a combine harvester at work. So I put my lawnmower away, fetched my camera and went out to take some photos. After all, it's not a sight we'll see there much more.

Plans are well in hand to relocate farmer Ian, his family and his cattle and to build around 600 houses on those fields. It's thought that building could begin as early as next year. So maybe some of my photos will one day be found in the local history archives showing the way things were!

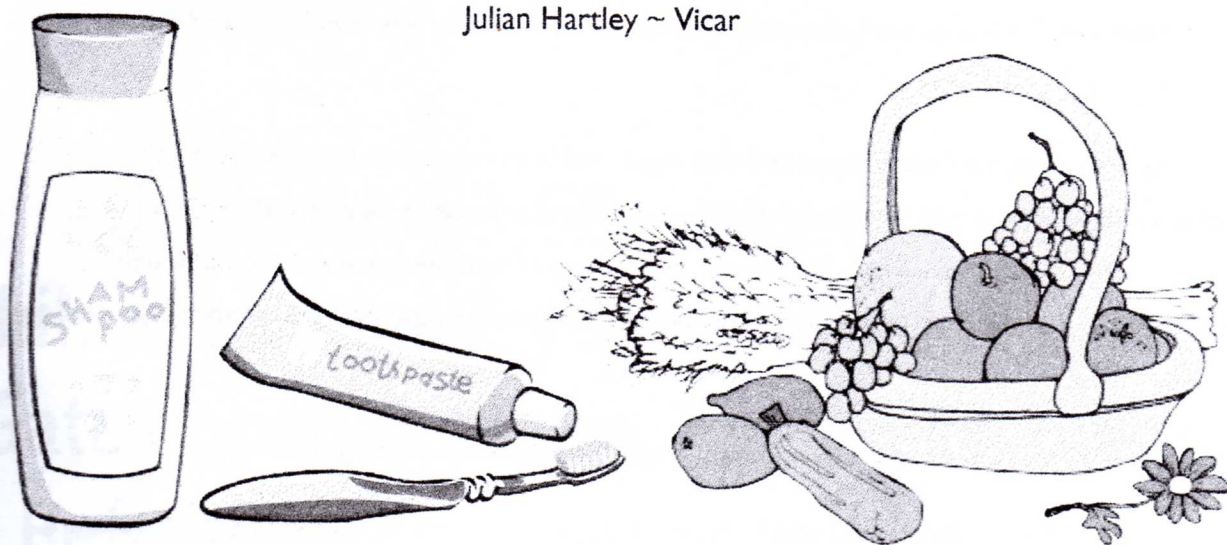
I know that many people would rather we could keep things the way they are. But the Government has worked out that a lot of new houses are going to be needed - and I happen to believe the Government's right. The debate is about what sort of houses and where they're going to be built. Yet once all the houses have been built, I'm sadly certain that we'll still have people who are homeless and street dwellers in our society. And despite a plentiful harvest, I'm sadly certain that we'll still have people around us who are hungry and in need of clothing.

The combine harvester that I saw was out gathering in the grass to provide winter feed for the cattle. When winter comes and fields cannot be grazed, the farmer will provide food and shelter for his cattle. But what about the homeless and the hungry people on the streets of Manchester? Who will provide for them?

Long ago, back in the time of Moses, God established the harvest festivals for his people. God also established another harvest rule: "When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. Leave them for the poor and the alien." That's in Leviticus chapter 23. Now in our time, as Christians - God's people today - it's right that we continue with the harvest festival tradition. It's also right that, out of our plenty, we make provision for the needy.

So we shall continue with our tradition at St. John's. For our Harvest Festival on October 13th please bring or send in to church an offering of tinned and packet foods and toiletries, socks and underwear etc. These will be given to the Barnabus Project for its work with the homeless in Manchester.

Julian Hartley ~ Vicar



The PCC Secretaries Notebook

A few weeks ago I spent a very pleasant evening at Nick and Adele's beautiful home, along with other friends from our church. It was a lovely warm summer evening. When I was ready to go home it was raining cats and dogs, literally pouring down. Not to worry, my car was only just around the corner. Nick and Adele waved me off and I set off with my handbag over my head, eyes to the ground watching where I was walking as I am quite prone to veering off somewhere if not concentrating. When I did look up I expected to see my car but it wasn't there. I stood trying to get my bearings. It was strange because there were no familiar landmarks. I couldn't go back to Nick and Adele's home as I quite literally didn't know where I was and there was no one around to ask.

I walked around and then looked down one particular road. There was no one around except for someone sat on a bicycle quite literally across the middle of the road so I walked down that road. After all one road is as good as another when you are lost. The person on the bicycle was a young boy about maybe 10/12 years old. He was already soaked to the skin but was just sat there astride his bike. I stopped and asked him what he was doing just sat there in such heavy rain. He said he was staying with people on the estate but had been locked out. He didn't seem bothered at all. So that made two soaking wet souls.

I told him where I thought I had parked my car and he said he would take me to it. We continued down the road which was really leading nowhere except into the woodland. I should have been wary but the funny thing is I wasn't. We ended up in the woodland in the dark, in the pouring rain and soaked to the skin. He walked alongside me and kept turning the handlebars from side to side. He said this was to light the way for me and show me I was safe. For a young boy he seemed so grown up and very polite and actually took control of the situation. He eventually led me to my car. I asked him if he wanted to sit inside for a while out of the rain. Not that it mattered at that point as we were both absolutely dripping. He said no, and that he was fine. I unlocked my car, looked up and he was gone.

I can't get out of my mind what happened that night, and I can't explain it, but it is absolutely true. If that wasn't some spiritual experience then I am privileged to have spent a very strange experience with such a lovely lad. Not one second was I frightened or suspicious although I know I should have been. He was just there, sat on his bike in the pouring rain just when I needed someone to help.

By the way, being soaked to the skin without a coat is really a liberating experience.

Mavis PCC Secreta



Mosley Common
**Firework
Display**

Tuesday 5th November
St. John's School
Mosley Common

Admission £3.50 - pay at the gate
Children under 2 years old admitted free
Gates open 6.45pm, Fireworks 7.30pm
Refreshments & more will be on sale

Favourite hymn – 1st November All Saints Day

For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their
Might;
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought
fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave, again, and arms are strong
Alleluia, Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest
coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless
host,
and singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia!

This wonderful hymn is traditionally sung on the 1st November for the 'Feast of all Saints'. It was written by William Walsham How, the Bishop of Wakefield in 1864 and set to the tune 'Sine Nomine' (Without name) by Ralph Vaughan Williams which has been called the 'finest hymn tune of the 20th century'. Since I started researching this hymn I have not stopped singing it all day! I love a song you can belt out, I especially like the last verse!

All Saints Day, sometimes known as All Hallows' Eve, is an opportunity for Christians to remember saints and martyrs. In the Roman Catholic Church it is followed by 'All Souls' Day' on the 2nd November when the faithful departed are remembered and relatives visit their graves. In Mexico it is known as the 'Day of the Dead' and people have picnics on graves and decorate their houses and transport with lively images of the dead.

William Walsham How was involved in the ministry in Shropshire for over 30 years and wrote many poems and religious books whilst there, also finding time to found the first public library in Oswestry. He is perhaps most known however as the 'children's bishop' when he worked in the East End of London working with the industrial poor especially children. He was made the first Bishop of Wakefield in 1888 but died on holiday in Ireland and is buried at his favourite parish at Whittington in Shropshire.

Ralph Vaughan Williams is one of the best known English composers of the 20th century and a great collector of traditional folk songs and tunes. He was friends with Holst, Parry and many other composers and was the great, great grandson of Josiah Wedgwood and great nephew of Charles Darwin. He is seen as the quintessential English composer and wrote symphonies, ballets, songs, operas, film music and lots of other stuff!

**St. John's Church and School
Mosley Common**

Christmas Fair

Saturday, 30th NOVEMBER
in School at 1.30p.m.

Singing by the children

cafe - stalls - cakes – books – toys
plants - tombola – hot dogs - cards
chocolates - face painting
make your own peg doll – etc.
and of course

Father Christmas!

Apple and cider sausage casserole

Ingredients:

6 thick sausages
50g butter
125g cider
125ml double cream
1 small onion chopped
300g of chopped eating apples
1 tbsp plain flour

Melt $\frac{1}{2}$ the butter in a heavy frying pan and fry the sausages until brown on all sides, remove from pan and leave. Put the other half of the butter into the pan, add the onions and cook gently until softened. Add the chopped apple and cook for about a minute, sprinkle in the flour to make a roux. Pour the cider over and mix into a smooth sauce. Slowly bring to the boil and reduce then add the cream and salt and black pepper to taste. Return to heat and cook slowly for about 20-25mins until tender and cooked through.

Auntie Sarah's Lancashire Parkin

Ingredients:

2 cups of flour
1 cup of Oatmeal
1 cup of milk
1 cup of sugar
 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb margarine
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoons treacle
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon ginger

Put flour, oats, sugar into a bowl and mix.

Put bicarb, baking powder and ground ginger into the cup of milk and stir before adding to rest of ingredients.

Add treacle (easy way to get treacle from tin 'clearly' is to dip spoon into a mug of really hot water).

Mix all ingredients together until a lovely tan colour (no white lumps of flour) and bake in 8inch square cake tin, Gas number 4 for 1 hour.

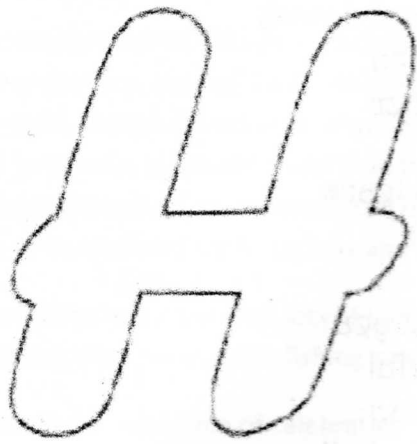
THE FOOD PAGE

Recently in a popular daily newspaper, which shall remain nameless, I was amazed to see in a recipe for Lancashire Parkin a huge long list of ingredients! Honestly it seemed to go on forever! When I remembered my Auntie Sarah's recipe which is short and easy I was amazed! It is also absolutely delicious! I make it for Andrea to take into her school for revision classes for her pupils and it has got quite famous in the school. Sylvia

(It is amazing how free cake and pop will drag in the most reluctant student! If there is any left - not often - it is put into the staffroom where the teachers fall on it like gannets! It disappears in seconds once news goes round!)

It great to eat on Bonfire Night so here is the recipe and a lovely tasty sausage recipe that will warm you up after standing in the cold gazing at the -hopefully- clear exploding sky! Enjoy!

By Andrea Taziker



is for Harvest!



A friendship to treasure

By Margaret Howarth

I often stop and think about
How close we've always been
We've shared so many ups and downs
and moments in between
We've helped each other
through them all
We've dried each other's tears
And our friendship's
Never wavered
It's strengthened with the year
For this I'm truly grateful
And I simply want to say
the friend I treasure most of all
means more to me each day.

Love from Margaret



Who put the colours in the rainbow?

Who put the salt into the sea?

Who put the gold into the sunshine?

Who made you and me?

Who put the hump upon the camel?

Who put the neck on the giraffe?

Who put the tail on the monkey?

Who made hyenas laugh?

Who made whales and snails and quails?

Who made hogs and dogs and frogs?

Who made bats and cats and rats?

Who made everything?

Who put the gold into the sunshine?

Who put the sparkle in the stars?

Who put the silver in the moonlight?

Who made Earth and Mars?

Who put the scent into the roses?

Who taught the honey- bee to dance?

Who put the tree inside the acorn?

It surely can't be chance!

Who made the seas and leaves and trees?

Who made snow and winds that blow?

Who made streams and rivers flow?

God made all of these!

I didn't write this hymn but I wish I had. My grandson is at St.John's School and when I showed him this hymn he said "I know this Nana" and he sang it for me – so perhaps children will read it and I hope we can learn it at church with the help from Alan and the music group – I'm sure we'll manage it.

Margaret Howarth (Hymn 831 New Hymn Book)

MC @ MC



Messy Church Update –

It happened! MC@MC (Messy Church @ Mosley Common) had its first outing on the 5th July and what a great time was had by all. 34 children with their parents and carers along with the leaders and helpers along with some St John's school staff members and we spent a fab two hours enjoying lots of fun, crafts, celebration and food in St John's school on the 5th July. It was a great opportunity to get messy (very messy in some cases!) doing crafts around a seaside theme. The children played games as they arrived while parents and carers enjoyed a cup of tea.

The craft time was great with lots of tables set out with opportunities for painting, colouring, sticking and making things along with fishing games and general messiness.

We then had a short time of celebration with a talk by David Kendrick and lots of songs with actions.

The afternoon was rounded off with fishy tea with Ice cream for afters. It was very different to our 10.30 services on a Sunday but still very much CHURCH but in a different form.

After weeks of planning the messy church venture was a great achievement for all the team and helpers. It exceeded our expectations and we have been encouraged by it. Please pray for our next Messy Church on Friday October 11th again at 3.15pm. Posters will be going up and the banner outside school. More details can be found on the Messy church page on St John's church web site at <http://www.mosleycommonchurch.org.uk/>

Thanks again to all those who worked so hard in the background, planning, working on crafts, food, washing up, publicity, assembly and helping out generally. It needs a large team to make this all happen so thanks!

Some dates for the diary

Next messy church

Friday 11th October 2013 @ St John's school hall at 3.15pm

And the following date is

Friday 29th November 2013 @ St John's school hall at 3.15pm

Feel free to come a join us, it would be great to see you.

Nick Hardman on behalf of the Messy Church @ Mosley Common team

Some October dates of Interest!

From the Wardens Yearbook with additional exciting facts!

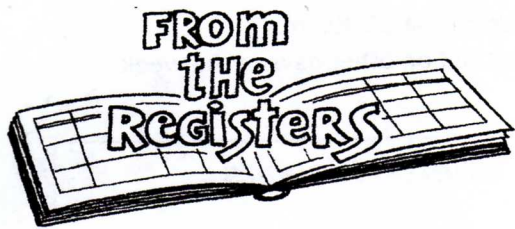
Friday 4th October. Francis of Assisi.

There will be more on St Francis in later magazines but the nearest Sunday to this day is Animal Welfare Sunday. This day is promoted by the Anglican Society for the Welfare of Animals. The theme for 2013 is endangered species of which there are many even in the UK for example the Red Squirrel and the Watervole.

'Animal Welfare Sunday is a day in the Church's calendar on which we take time to think more deeply about our fellow creatures. On Animal Welfare Sunday, we address issues of the well-being of non-human animals, the suffering that human activity causes to our fellow creatures and our responsibility as Christians to alleviate suffering and promote the welfare of all of God's creatures. We also take time to think about the place of animals in God's Kingdom.'(ASWA)

First Sunday In October. Harvest Festival of the Costermongers.

On this day the Pearly Kings and Queens assemble at St Martin in the Fields on Trafalgar Square for a service of thanksgiving. Costermonger is a term used to describe street traders often of fruit and generally in London, they joined together to protect their trades and had Kings and Queens. They wore traditionally corduroy trousers and at least one neckerchief and bright buttons often in Mother of Pearl. These developed into the pearly costumes that are worn today; these can have up to 20 000 buttons and weigh up to 60lbs! They also wear wide brimmed hats with towering ostrich feathers. In 1951 a pearly King and Queen of London were first elected during the Festival Of Britain and the Marriot family hold the post hereditarily until 2051 when there will be another election. The Pearlies are famous for their charity work organised initially by Henry Croft a Victorian road sweeper and rat catcher who started work at the age of 23. He decorated his outfit with pearly buttons and collected money to help the needy in the same way as the costermongers helped each other (you can see a marvellous silent Pathe film of his funeral in 1930 on the Internet). He was so successful in his flamboyant costume that he asked other costermongers to help and this charity work soon spread. His family are still involved and his great granddaughter is the Pearly Queen of Somers Town. They recently raised £65 000 in Hackney for a hydrotherapy pool for a local pool and at every coronation there is a real cockney 'knees up' which raises money for supported charities recently 'Help For Heroes'.



Baptisms

August 18th

Holly Patricia Bruce
Abigail Sianna Bruce
James David Bruce

Wedding

August 18th

Sarah Lord & Neil Bruce

Wedding Blessing

August 24th

Adele & Andrew McEntee

Funerals

August 8th

Derek Dobell, aged 79
Ronald Woodward, aged 88

August 14th

Patricia Walton, aged 69

August 30th

Leslie Robson, aged 86

September 3rd

Irene Carr, aged 88

Thanks to -

*Julian, Ann and all at St. John's,
for cards, flowers and prayers in
our sad loss of Susan. Many thanks
to all who came to Agecroft for the
Service, it was lovely of you and
much appreciated.*

*Love and God Bless,
From Betty, Len and Lucie. xx*

A Message from Jack Bell

"Jack Bell thanks those of you who thoughtfully signed the 90th birthday card you sent to me, also thanks to the congregation for the plant given to me. It was a delightful weekend celebration and you made your contribution to it".

SERVICE OF WELCOME AND ENTHRONEMENT OF BISHOP DAVID

The Service of Welcome and Enthronement of Bishop David Walker, the next Bishop of Manchester, will be held at Manchester Cathedral on the Feast of St. Andrew, 30th November 2013 at 2pm.

Further details will be available soon. In the meanwhile you are asked to remember Bishop David and his family in your prayers as he prepares for Episcopal ministry and leadership of our diocese.

Sunday Rotas

These rotas are for our usual Sunday morning services at 10.30a.m.

Volunteers are requested for services at other times of the day and on other days of the week

Sidesperson's Rota

Oct 6 th	Ann Hilton & Marian Blundell
Oct 13 th	Graham and Lilian Ridge
Oct 20 th	Marjorie Owen & Janette Lee Taylor
Oct 27 th	Sylvia Taziker & Mavis Wright
Nov 3 rd	Ann Haigh & Mavis Wright
Nov 10 th	Joan & Eddie Taylor
Nov 17 th	Jean & David Kendrick
Nov 24 th	Jean & Jim Baker
Dec 1 st	Neville & Joan Owen

Church Flowers

Oct 6 th	Betty & Lucie in memory of Eric
Oct 13 th	Christine & David Barnes in memory of Terry Connor & Eddie Kershaw
Oct 20 th	Mike & Marie Stuckey
Oct 27 th	Karen Lawson & family in memory of James Anderson
Nov 3 rd	Julian Hartley
Nov 10 th	Remembrance Sunday
Nov 17 th	Ann Hilton in memory of Edith Hilton
Nov 24 th	Ann Haigh
Dec 1 st	Maureen Knox & David Tong in memory of Connie & Percy Tong

Bible Readers

Oct 6 th	James Baker
Oct 13 th	David Barnes
Oct 20 th	Ann Haigh
Oct 27 th	Adele Hardman
Nov 3 rd	Nick Hardman
Nov 10 th	David Kendrick
Nov 17 th	Stella Hopkinson
Nov 24 th	Pam Hartley
Dec 1 st	Vic/Gladys Jackson

Intercessions

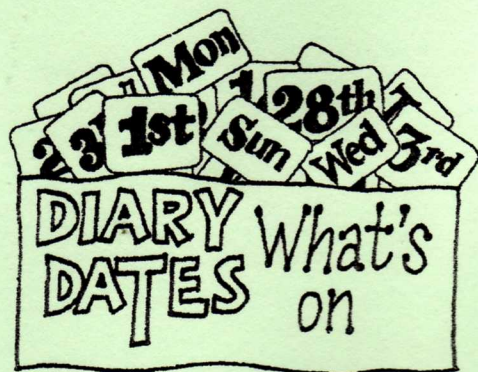
October 6th	Mike & Marie Stuckey
October 13th	Keith Worthington
October 20th	Sue Bloor
October 27th	Ann Haigh
November 3rd	Nick & Adele Hardman
November 10th	Pam Hartley
November 17th	Margaret Howarth
November 24th	Vic Jackson
December 1st	David Kendrick

Coffee Rota

Oct 6 th	Christine Barnes & Marie Stuckey
Oct 13th	Ellen Fenwick & Diane Leakey
Oct 20th	Sandra Phillips & Karen Lawson
Oct 27 th	Jean Bayliss & Annette Hewittson
Nov 3 rd	Marian Blundell & Ann Hilton
Sept 29th	Betty Hartley & Carole Priestley
Nov 17th	Christine Barnes & Marie Stuckey
Nov 24 th	Ellen Fenwick & Diane Leakey
Dec 1 st	Sandra Phillips & Karen Lawson

Lay Assistants Rota

October 6th	Glennys & Keith Worthington
October 20th	Jim Baker & Christine Barnes
November 3rd	Ann Haigh & Vic Jackson
November 17th	David Barnes & Nick Hardman
December 1st	David Kendrick & Peter Leakey



Women's Fellowship

October 2 nd	Films; Harry Lord
October 9 th	Womens Fellowship
October 16 th	Speaker
October 23 rd	Speaker
October 30 th	Women's Fellowship
November 6 th	No meeting
November 13 th	Women's Fellowship
November 20 th	Stephen Bell
November 27 th	Bazaar Preparations
December 4 th	Meal
December 11 th	Preparation for Christmas.

Women's Fellowship closes then until February 2014

Monday Group

.Monday October 14th
Monday November 11th
Monday 10th December

Services at the Rowans

Holy Communion services will take place in The Rowans at 1.45pm on:- Monday October 14th
Monday November 11th

Services

Sunday October 6th
10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday October 13th
10.30am Harvest Festival

Sunday October 20th
10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday October 27th
10.30am Baptism Service

Sunday November 3rd
10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday November 10th
10.30am Remembrance Sunday Service

Sunday November 17th
10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday November 24th
10.30am Baptism Service

Sunday December 1st - Advent Sunday
10.30am Holy Communion

Wednesday Afternoon

"Housegroup"

First Wednesday's in the month at 2.30pm; October 2nd, November 13th and December 4th.

Magazine Deadline

3rd November 2013