



Church of the Holy Spirit

Mossley Parish

(Charity Registration No. NIC103262)

Sunday 8th December 2024

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WELCOME to the Church of the Holy Spirit!

Thank you for joining with us for our in-church and online services. This week, as we continue our journey through Advent, we focus on the theme of love.

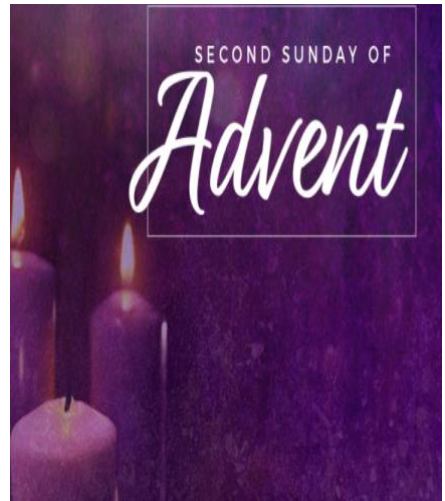
COLLECT OF THE DAY (Second Sunday of Advent)

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

Morning Malachi 3:1-4
 Luke 3:1-6

Evening Isaiah 40:1-11



GET IN TOUCH

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Our online service will be available on YouTube from 11am and Facebook, our website, and the dial-in facility at 12.30pm.

Announcements

Monday 9th December

- Splat Messy Play will be in the Main Hall from 9.30am – 12.30pm.
- Walk2Health Group will be in the Carntall Room from 9.45am until 1pm.
- Our Thoughts for the Day continue each morning at 10am.
- GB meets in the Parish Centre. All sections start at 6.30pm. Finish times are: Tinies 7.30pm, Explorers 7.45pm, all other sections 8pm.

Tuesday 10th December

- Sure Start '*Family Fun*' in the Main Hall from 9.15am – 11.45am.
- Our Bible Study Group will meet at 7.30pm in the Carntall Room. This week we are looking at Nehemiah 7:1-5a. An Online Study will be released at 7pm.

Wednesday 11th December

- Midweek Holy Communion at 10am.
- The Community Lunch Christmas Dinner will be held in the Parish Centre, meeting at 12.30pm to begin at 1pm.
- Gillian Jones Dance Academy is in the Parish Centre from 3.45pm until 5.45pm.
- Our Advent Service will be held in the church building at 7pm.
- Women's Guild meets from 7pm in the Carntall Room for a Christmas evening.
- Bowling Club meets at 7pm in the Parish Centre.
- The Prayer Fellowship meets in the Pentecost Room at 7.30pm.

Thursday 12th December

- Sure Start '*Abbey Fit & Creche*' in the Main Hall and Carntall Room from 9.15am – 11.45am.
- MusicMakers, a music club for children in P3-Year 8, will meet. Anyone interested in more details should speak to Jane.
- Choir practice continues in the church building at 7.30pm.

Saturday 14th December

- Bric-A-Brac sale from 8.30am until 12noon in the Main Hall. Any person who wishes to donate items should contact Alec Orr (02890836286).

- Youth Club meets in the Parish Centre (7pm – 9pm). This will be our final night before the Christmas break.

For Your Information

Tea Brew Rota

Thank you to all who have agreed to be part of the Tea Brew Rota.
December 8th, 15th, 22nd Maureen Irwin, Isobel Jack & Winnie Millar

Christmas Cards

You may have noticed the red post box in the church foyer. This is for any Christmas cards that are being exchanged between parishioners. Please post your cards in the box, with the name of the recipient on the envelope, and we will get them delivered.

Christmas Hamper Appeal

Thank you for your incredible support of the Christmas Hamper Appeal. The hampers will be assembled for distribution on Monday 16th December (7pm-9pm) and Tuesday 17th December (10am-12noon). If you can help at either session please speak to the Rector or Rev Louise.

Christmas Fair

A massive thank you to everyone who helped out with the Christmas Fair and to all who attended. We had a great day and were delighted that £2511.11 was raised for church funds.

Christmas Home Communion

It is possible for housebound parishioners to receive Holy Communion within their own homes. The Rector and Rev Louise will be starting these visits from Monday 9th December. If you would like, or know of someone else who would like, to receive Holy Communion, please inform the Rector.

Prayer List

If you want a name put on the prayer list, please fill in the prayer request slip in the church porch and then place it in the box provided. Alternatively, you can email them to rectormossley@hotmail.com

Eddie	Victor	Margo	Steven	Kelly
Isobel	Carter	Pat	Arlene	Jim
Ella	John	Albert	Gareth	Eileen
Walter	Paul	Elaine	Ian	Barry
Jean	Alan	Mark	Rosemary	Thomas
Marlou	Iris	Justin	Marlene	Gladys
Tomas	Lavina	Wilma	Ashley	Maureen
Angela	Jim	Louise	Phyllis	Arlene
Christine	David	Anne	Roy	Alan
Lisa	John	Brenda	Deborah	Marie
Thomas	Yvonne	Iris	Norma	Noah
Gemma	Jason	Jenny	Ben	Jack
Joyce	Barbara	Ruby	Lisa	Victor
Wesley	Aidan			

Prayer Focus

Local: Carnmoney Presbyterian Church and Rev Stuart Hawthorne.

District: Ravelston.

Parish Organisations: Give thanks to God for all our parish organisations as they have their Christmas events.

Connor Diocese: Bishop George Davison.

Church of Ireland: Archbishop John McDowell and the Diocese of Armagh.

Mission Partnerships: Tansen Hospital and SAMS Ireland.

Wider World: political stability in South Korea; an end to the conflict between Israel and Hamas; everyone impacted by the recent earthquake in California; the people of Delhi, India, as hazardous smog has enveloped the city; lasting peace and stability in Haiti; an end to gang-related violence in the Mexican state of Sinaloa; an end to riots and protests in Georgia; lasting peace and stability in Sudan; an easing of the global cost of living crisis; an end to the conflict between Ukraine and Russia.