

The Parish Church of St George, Stalybridge



FAITH IN GOD

HOPE IN JESUS

LOVE AND SERVICE TO ALL

Mothering Sunday

30th March 2025 Welcome to St George's Church

We seek to serve our local community and share friendship, support, encouragement in times of difficulty and of joy. If this is your first visit, please do say hello to one of the churchwardens or welcome team.

> For all enquiries, including Baptisms, weddings, Home Communion or home visits, please contact the **Revd Denise Owen**

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Upcoming services at St. George's:

| Tuesday 1 st April | 10.30pm | Midweek Eucharist |
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| Sunday 6 th April | 9.30am | Parish Holy Communion with hymns |

The Collect for Mothering Sunday

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer:

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

Exodus 2. 1-10 Ps: 34.11-20 Luke 2.33-35

Today's Hymns

- 57 Awake, awake, fling off the night
- 413 Lord of all hopefulness
- 411 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us
- 631 Tell out, my soul

Hymns During Communion

- 605 Sing we of the blessed Mother
- 182 For Mary, Mother of our Lord
- 437 Make me a channel of your peace

PRAY FOR THE CHURCH THROUGHOUT THE WORLD Pray for persecuted Christians throughout the World.

PRAY FOR THE DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER Pray for our Diocesan Bishop: Bishop David Walker. Suffragan Bishops: Bishop Mark. The Revd Dr Matthew Porter: Bishop of Bolton. Archdeacons: Karen Best, Rachel Mann, Karen Smeeton. Area Dean: Daniel Ramble.

PRAY FOR THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD Please pray for our King and the people and leaders of all Nations. For peace in the world and for all working for peace and an end to terrorism. For all refugees and asylum seekers.

PRAY FOR THIS PARISH AND COMMUNITY Please continue to keep in your prayers, Revd Denise Owen, the Wardens and PCC.

FOR THE SICK, THE BEREAVED, THOSE IN TROUBLE please pray for those who are known to you.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED Please pray for all those recently departed.

ANNIVERSARIES: Norman Stokes, William Forde Clarke, John William Arthur Dale, Maureen Bebbington, Tom Grimes, Mark Press, Irene Jones, Alan Wilson, Fred Peck, William Dawson, Joan Brocklehurst, Christine Hall (nee Higgins), Grace Lee, Geoffrey Birch, Percy Dudleston

12th April: Easter Activities in church

We are hoping to provide simple craft activities for children and families on Saturday 12 April from 10 until 12. Could you help? Please see Revd Denise if you'd like to know more.

St George's Church Plant Sale

There are forms in church with details of plants you can order ready for planting. The form has details how to pay and when the plants can be collected. Please take on for yourself and anyone else who may be interested.

10th May: Spring Fair

The fair will soon be upon us and we are asking for donations for the following stalls:

- Toiletries please give to Julia.
- Bottles for the bottle tombola please give to Michael.
- Raffle prizes please give to Chris or Val.

If you can help on the day, please speak to Chris or Val.

Unfortunately Val will not be able to do the mystery gifts at the spring fair due to her operation. However, she will be doing it at the Christmas fair, so please hang onto your goodies. If you do need to get them out of the house, please give to Chris to store at church.