

# All Hallows News



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## Re-new not Re-old

I was recently listening to an interview with the Bishop of Islington, Ric Thorpe. He used a phrase that I really liked. He said that we need to re-new the Church, not re-old the Church.

He was referring to the impact that the pandemic has had on the Church, as well as the rest of society. There are so many people who would quite like the Church to go back to being the way it was before the pandemic. But, as the world has changed that would be foolish of us. The Church needs to be renewed, not 'reolded'. How we do things needs to fit the world we now live in.

This summer we are looking to push forward in our being renewed. We want to be more mission minded, and reach the people of our community with the light of Jesus - both by word and action.

We are going to start this by intensifying our praying. There is no point in us doing anything for the Lord unless we are following his lead and his hand is in what we are doing. So, we are going to be praying more.

We are going to do more to make contact with people from our community. Whether that be through pressing on with the great things

that we are already doing, or whether it is something new. We want to show people the love of Jesus and explain it to them too.

We are going to be creating more opportunities for us to invite people to things at church. That might be some of the different activities that we hold, or it might be church services. In June and July we are going to be having a 6 week series of Visitor Services, where we will restructure our Sunday morning services a little, to give them more of a focus for those who don't usually go to church anywhere.



As we do these things we want to be honest and up front about who we are and why we do these things. We love God and we love our neighbour as ourselves. We live as we do because we want to serve God and we want to serve the people of our wider community.

The whole world is going through this unsettling time of transition. The pandemic was a hugely significant part of that, but since the start of the pandemic we have also faced other huge issues. Racism, climate change, women's rights, war and a cost of living crisis have all come to the fore too. As Christians we want to lead the way of renewal in these matters, and show people God's perfect ways for us to live.

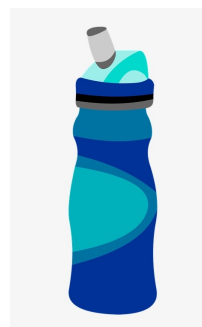
God bless,

*Paul*

## The Green Zone

In this new newsletter segment we aim to share ideas of simple and practical things that we can all do to live in a more environmentally friendly way.

This week's suggestion is to take a reusable water bottle with you as you go out each day. This saves on the lugging of packs of water bottles from the supermarket and the obvious filling up of bins with the bottles when they are finished. It also saves us money as we then don't need to buy a drink when we are out.



# Pray, pray and pray

Prayer is always the most important thing that we can do in our lives, as we connect with our loving heavenly Father. We are also called to pray in the Bible for God's kingdom to come and his will to be done in this world. We can all pray on our own, in our families, in our home groups and at our church services. But, here are some more specific ways that we can join together in praying as God calls us to.

**Monday Zoom Prayers** - During the first lockdown we started a Monday morning Zoom prayer meeting, at 10:00. That has continued and is a great place for people to pray together at the start of the week.

**Prayer Triplets** - In the recent history of All Hallows a number of people were part of prayer triplets, where 3 people meet up regularly to pray together. We want to encourage us all to consider setting up such triplets with other people from church.

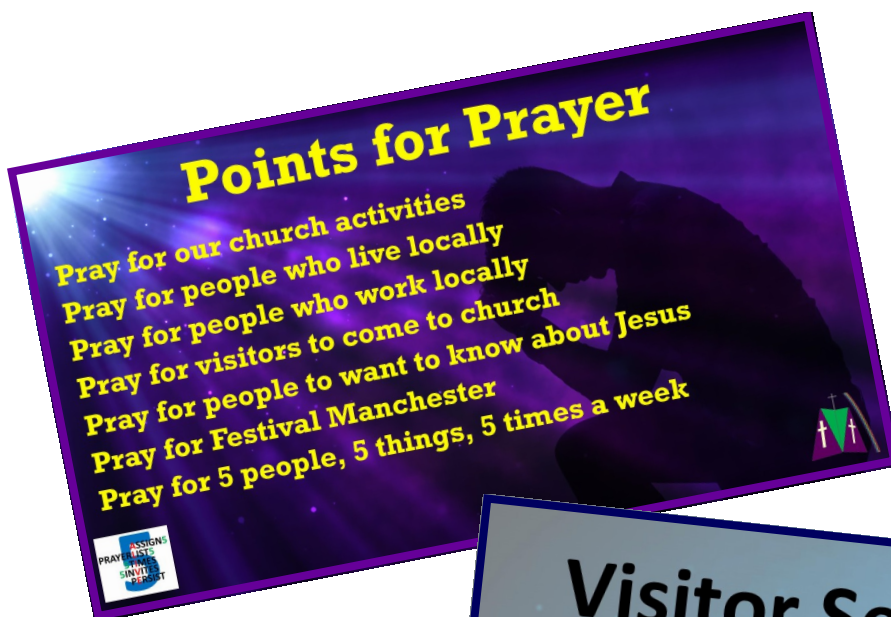
**Prayer Saturdays** - On Saturdays we take a half hour slot each, meaning that as a church we pray on a rota throughout the day.

**Thy Kingdom Come** - This is an international interdenominational initiative, where Christians pray for 5 people to come to faith in Jesus and that God's kingdom would come in this world.

**Text Prayer Chain** - We also have a prayer chain for those in need, where prayer requests can quickly be sent to those on the prayer chain, and they will pray for the person or situation mentioned.

**5 Alive** - Choose 5 non-Christian people you know to pray for. Find out 5 things to pray for them, including that they would come to know Jesus (and consider whether you could be the answer to those prayers). Pray for those people 5 times a week. Invite them to one of the 5 invite events that will be

available at church. Keep going in praying for them and gently inviting them to events and activities.





# What's on?

**OPEN WEDNESDAYS**

**9:00AM - 2:00PM**

**SERVING BREAKFAST,  
LUNCH, HOME MADE  
CAKES & FREE DRINKS**



**TODDLERS**

**EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE**

**9:00AM - 12:00AM**



**All Hallows Church  
Cheadle**



**MESSY TODDLERS**

**10:00-11:30  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May**

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**CAP**

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DEBT  
HELP**

## Free Debt Help Available

All Hallows has recently partnered with CAP in order to help people out of debt.

If you need support to get out of debt then contact the CAP Enquiries Team on **0800 328 0006** and they will get you booked in for your first appointment.

## Social Night



**7:30-9:00 on the last Wednesday of the month.**



Ladies Bible Study takes place at 10:30 on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

# New or Visiting?

## First Time Here?

If it's your first time here then welcome! It's great to have you with us. Here are a few short notes that you might find helpful.

**Relax** - You're our guest, so make yourself at home. If there is anything that you would like to know then ask a member of the Welcome Team.

**Sign the kids in** - The Welcome Team can show you where to take your children. Sometimes we are all in church together, but on other weeks...

**Pre- School**; There are green tables in church with some activities for young children. Please, please don't be embarrassed if they make any noise during the service. **Ages 4+**; Sunday School meet in rooms at the end of the hall, down the ramp. **Sunday Youth** meet in the room off from the main worship area. All leaders have proper DBS checks.

**Fill in a Communication Card** - Drop it in the box on the Welcome Desk in the foyer or give it to the service leader on the way out. Please use it to ask questions, offer feedback or request prayer.

**We don't expect guests to give** - For those who are members or regular attenders of our churches there is an offering plate at the back, but we don't ask our guests for any money.

**We have a Loop System** - Switch your hearing aid to T-coil. You might find it useful to sit towards the middle.

**Hang around afterwards** - Come and join us for a cup of tea or fresh coffee, and for a chat.

**Prayer Ministry** - If you would like somebody to pray with you about something for yourself or somebody that you know then there are people who would love to do so after the service. Please make yourself known to the service leader.

## Next Steps

We are all on a journey through life, and our faith is no different. Depending upon where you are on your journey with God here are some 'Next Steps' you could take

**COMMIT YOUR LIFE TO CHRIST**  
Commit to follow Jesus today!

**RE-COMMIT TO CHRIST**  
It's never too late for a fresh start with faith.

**DECLARE YOUR FAITH THROUGH BAPTISM**  
If you feel you've made a commitment to God but have never been baptised, then this could be a great step for you.

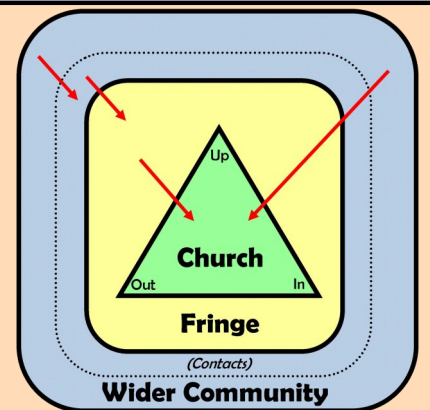
**JOIN A HOMEGROUP**  
If you're not in one, there are a number of groups that meet in homes throughout the week to get to know each other better, look at the Bible and pray together.

**BE PART OF THE MISSION**  
There are lots of ways you can use your gifts to serve God, his Church and the wider community.

**Loving God.**

**Loving each other.**

**Loving the people of Cheadle.**



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