

Welcome to
Holy Trinity Church



All Souls

Sunday 4th November 2018

A Warm Welcome to Holy Trinity, Gosport!

A Church of England Church in the Anglican Diocese of Portsmouth

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Welcome! If you are new to Holy Trinity this morning, we hope that you enjoy worshipping "in the round" with us. Everything you need for the service is contained in this booklet. The notices (other service times and coming events) are also in the back of this booklet.

If you are not familiar with our style of worship (perhaps you have never been to a service in a circle, or experienced incense [holy smoke!] or bells) then we are sure you will find it valuable to experience Holy Trinity more than once, and gradually find out more about the meaning and symbolism of our worship. At the time of Holy Communion the church family gather around the altar - please come forward with them. If you are used to receiving Communion in ANY Christian Church you are welcome to receive communion here. If you would prefer a blessing, do still come forward and **hold a service booklet.**

A collection will be taken during the second (offertory) hymn.....please make a donation to our work as a church, and if you are a tax-payer you can use the giving envelopes to increase the value of your donation, at no cost to you.

After the service, do stay for a chat, and please come for refreshments in the Capper Room upstairs near the entrance (lift and stairs available!) and make yourself known to us.

Please turn off, or mute your mobile phone before Mass.

**The Vestry Bell will ring five times at 10.55am.
Please keep silence from that point.....**

Organ: Prelude "Rhosymedre" (Lovely) No 2 of 3 Preludes on Welsh Hymn Tunes
(R Vaughan Williams)

Opening Sentence: Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted".

Hymn: The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want, he makes me down to lie
in pastures green, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill.
For thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes,
my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me.
And in God's house for evermore my dwelling place shall be.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayers of Penitence: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate
the sacred mysteries, let us first call to mind our sin.

You were sent to heal the contrite. Lord, have mercy
All Lord, have mercy

You came to call sinners. Christ, have mercy
All Christ, have mercy

You plead for us at the right hand of the Father. Lord, have mercy
All Lord, have mercy

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and
strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**

Gloria (Tune: "Praise my Soul, the King of Heaven")

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son'

Glory to the Holy Spirit, ever three and ever one;

As it was from the beginning, evermore shall be, Amen.

Gospel Acclamation



It is the Father's will, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, and that I should raise it up on the last day.

(Repeat Alleluia)

Gospel Reading: The Lord be with you **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark

Glory to you, O Lord

When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said, 'In truth this man was the Son of God.'

When the sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, went to the tomb, just as the sun was rising. On entering the tomb they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right hand side and they were struck with amazement. But he said to them, 'There is no need for alarm. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he has risen, he is not here. See, here is the place where they laid him.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Repeat Alleluia)

Sermon

We then sit in silence, as the names of those who have died are read out.

(Several times during the reading of names, we will use these responses)

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

All and let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace

All and rise in glory.

We will then be invited, as quiet music plays, to come and light a candle.....

(If there is a departed loved one who has not been named already, please give their name to be written down when you come to light your candle.)

.....additional names may then be read, then the next hymn is introduced:

Offertory Hymn A COLLECTION will be taken during this hymn

The bread and wine being presented today has been sponsored by
Elizabeth Hodgson in loving memory of **her mother, June Ashmore.**

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens, Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
help of the helpless O abide with me.

Swift to its close, ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
change and decay in all around I see,
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour,
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine O abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,
ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? where grave thy victory?
I triumph still if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes,
shine through the gloom and point me to the skies,
heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee,
in life, in death O Lord, abide with me.

The Peace: Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled,
neither let them be afraid.'

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of that peace.

It is suggested that you only share the Peace with those immediately around you.

Now, as we gather round God's Holy Throne we offer ourselves, our gifts and our prayers, and prepare ourselves to receive the gifts of the kingdom.

Incensing Song



(Cantor) I have called to you Lord; hasten to help me! Hear my voice when I cry to you. Let my prayer arise before you like incense, the raising of my hands like a pure morning offering.



Offertory Prayers

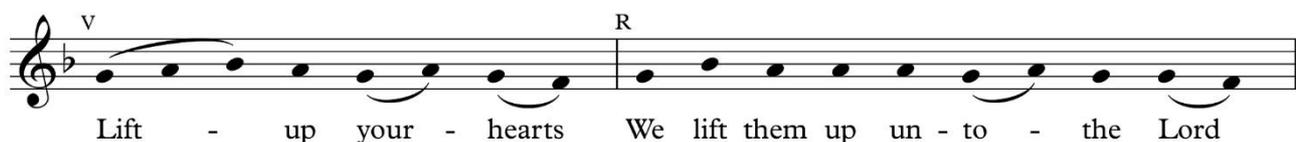
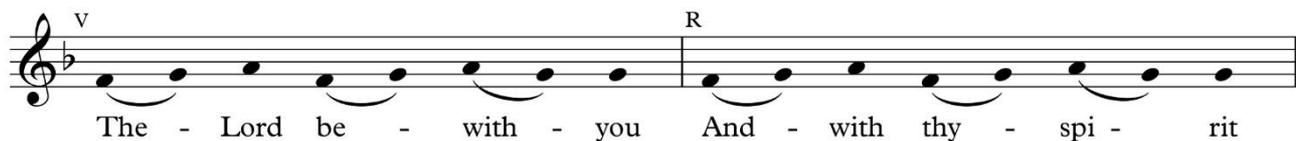
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this **bread and wine** to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made; it will become for us the bread of life and the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

Let us pray my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Church.

Prayer over the Gifts: Lord, draw us from hatred to love, and make the frailty of our praise a dwelling place for your glory. **Amen.**



Preface: Father, all powerful and ever living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord. In him, who rose from the dead, our hope of resurrection dawned. The sadness of death gives way to the bright promise of immortality. Lord for your faithful people life is changed, not ended. When the body of our earthly dwelling lies in death we gain an everlasting dwelling place in heaven. And so, with all the choirs of angels in heaven we proclaim your glory and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po-
wer and might, Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry.

Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Acclamation

Christ has died: Christ is ri - sen: Christ will come a - gain.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ

our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, forever and ever. Amen.

Let us pray with confidence, in the words our Saviour gave us:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one Body, because we all share in one Bread.

(Organ) Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world, have mer - cy on us. world, Grant us peace.

[A period of silence is kept, to prepare to receive Christ.]

Communion Antiphon: I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies, he will live.

If you have ever received Communion in ANY Christian church, you are welcome to do so here. If you have never received Communion before, but have been baptised/ christened, than you can also receive Communion – this includes children, if those responsible for them are happy for them to. (Ask the priest if you have any questions). If you are not receiving Communion, but would like a blessing, please hold this service booklet in your hands.

Music will play quietly during Communion:

Prelude from Church Cantata "God's is the best time" (J.S. Bach)

Communion Hymn: Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us we pray,
your bliss in our hearts Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us we pray,
your strength in our hearts Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us we pray,
Your love in our hearts Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us we pray,
your peace in our hearts Lord, at the end of the day.

Prayer after Communion: Lord God, may the death and resurrection of Christ which we celebrate in this Eucharist bring all who have died to the peace of your eternal home; we ask this through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices *(verbal notices may be given. Other notices are in the back of this booklet)*

Final Hymn

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar, lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

(Please face the High Altar for the Blessing)

The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Organ: Fantasia in C minor in five parts (J.S. Bach)

Coffee and tea are served in the foyer today, for those who would like to stay.....

TODAY [4th bef Advent / ALL SOULS]

Christ Church, 8.00am Holy Communion (with Healing Prayer)

Christ Church, 9.30am Parish Communion (with Healing Prayer)

Holy Trinity, 11.00am Parish Mass [All Souls]

Holy Trinity, 3.30pm Tea-Time Concert-The Speranza Quartet

Christ Church, 6.00pm All Souls Service

Holy Trinity, 6.00pm Vespers and Benediction

THIS WEEK

Monday November 5: (*The Vicar takes Monday as a day off*)

Christ Church, 6.00pm Choir Practice

Tuesday November 6: Holy Trinity, 9.30am Mass

Christ Church, 7.30pm P.C.C.

Wednesday November 7:

Christ Church, 10.00am Holy Communion (**with Healing Prayer**)

Holy Trinity, 1.30pm Church Cleaning

Holy Trinity, 6.30pm Mass (**The Revd Margaret Hay**)

Thursday November 8: Christ Church, 10.30am Funeral (David Hall)

Christ Church, 7.00pm, Ladies' Group

Friday November 9: Holy Trinity, 1.30pm Church Cleaning

Christ Church, 1.30pm Newtown School Remembrance Service

Holy Trinity, 5.00pm Mass

Saturday November 10: Christ Church, 10.00am Church Cleaning

NEXT SUNDAY: November 11th [REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY]

Christ Church, 8.00am Holy Communion

Christ Church, 9.30am Parish Communion

Christ Church, 11.00am Act of Remembrance

Holy Trinity, 10.50am (NB time) Parish Mass

Holy Trinity, 6.00pm Vespers and Benediction

Our Weekly Pattern

Please check the weekly Calendar above for any deviations.

Mondays: Christ Church, 6.00pm Choir Practice
(*The Vicar takes Monday as a day off*)

Tuesdays: Holy Trinity, 9.30am Mass

Wednesdays: Christ Church, 10.00am Holy Communion
Holy Trinity, 1.30pm Church Cleaning
Holy Trinity, 6.30pm Mass

Fridays: Holy Trinity, 1.30pm Church Cleaning
Holy Trinity, 5.00pm Mass

Key Dates in the next Two months

Events for today and through to next Sunday, are above.

There is an online Calendar - which you could save as a *Bookmark or Favourite*. Just go to our church's website.

Wednesday November 14:

Christ Church, 11.00am Holy Communion at Hazeldene Nursing Home
Christ Church, 1.00pm to 3.00pm Prayer Spaces session for Newtown School
Holy Trinity, 7.00pm P.C.C.

Thursday November 15:

Christ Church, 1.00pm to 3.00pm Prayer Spaces session for Newtown School

Saturday November 17: Holy Trinity, 12noon Baptism (Milburn)

Sunday November 18:

Christ Church, 10.00am All-Age Communion & **GIVING** Service

Monday November 19: Holy Trinity, 1.00pm to 1.30pm Organ Recital

Christ Church, 1.00pm to 3.00pm Prayer Spaces session for Newtown School

Tuesday November 20:

Christ Church, 1.00pm to 3.00pm Prayer Spaces session for Newtown School
7.00pm Mother's Union

Holy Trinity, 7.30pm Joint P.C.C.

Wednesday November 21:

Christ Church, 1.00pm to 3.00pm Prayer Spaces session for Newtown School

Thursday November 22:

Holy Trinity, 10.00am Greek Orthodox Funeral (Hunter)

Christ Church, 1.00pm to 3.00pm Prayer Spaces session for Newtown School

Friday November 23:

Holy Trinity, 6.30pm St. Andrews Night Dinner

Tuesday November 27:

Christ Church Centre, 11.30 to 2.30 "Last Tuesday Lunch Club"

Wednesday November 28:

Holy Trinity, all day, Bay House rehearsals and evening concert
(no cleaning or 6.30pm Mass)

Friday November 30:

Christ Church, 7.00pm to 9.00pm Preparation for Christmas Fair

Saturday December 1: Joint Christmas Fair (at Christ Church)

Sunday December 2:

(Christ Church, Healing Prayer at 8.00am and 9.30am Services)

Holy Trinity, 3.30pm, Tea-Time Concert

Monday December 3: Christ Church, 6.30pm Christingle-Making

Tuesday December 4: Christ Church, 6.00pm Christingle

Wednesday December 5:

(Christ Church, Healing Prayer at 10.00am Service)

Saturday December 8: Christ Church, 10.00am Church Cleaning

11.00am to 12noon, Churches together in Gosport: Carols in the High Street

Sunday December 9: Holy Trinity, 6.00pm **Civic Carol Service**

Monday December 10: Christ Church, 7.00pm Scout Carols

Tuesday December 11: Christ Church, 6.00pm Beavers Christingle

Wednesday December 12:

Holy Trinity, 6.30pm Mass (The Revd Margaret Hay)

Thursday December 13: Christ Church, 7.00pm, Ladies' Group

Sunday December 16: Christ Church, 6.30pm **Masonic Carol Service**

Monday December 17: Holy Trinity, 1.00pm to 1.30pm Organ Recital

Tuesday December 18:

Christ Church, 1.30pm Haselworth School Christmas Service

2.00pm Mother's Union

Wednesday December 19:

Christ Church, 11.00am Holy Communion at Hazeldene Nursing Home

Christ Church, 1.30pm Newtown School Christmas Service

Thursday December 20:

Holy Trinity, 7.00pm Ruby Funerals Service for the Bereaved

Christmas Eve, December 24: 6.30pm Christ Church "Candlelight" Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass at Holy Trinity

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Christmas Day, December 25: 8.00am Holy Communion at Christ Church

10.00am Mass at Holy Trinity

11.00am Informal Carol Service at Christ Church

Saturday December 29:

Holy Trinity, 5.30pm Wedding (O'Byrne and Pointon)

Sunday December 30: Christ Church, 8.00am Holy Communion **(1662)**

Christ Church, 9.30am Poetry, Carols and Communion

Holy Trinity, 11.00am Parish Mass (No Vespers at Holy Trinity)

Wednesday January 2: (Christ Church, Healing Prayer at 10.00am Service)

Notices

NEXT Sunday November 11: is Remembrance Sunday. The Mass will begin at 10.50am, with an Act of Remembrance, so please be here earlier!

NEXT SUNDAY is also: Fair Trade Stall.....so bring some money to spend!!

Changes in Gosport Deanery: *Fr Andy writes:* "The Diocese proposes to merge our two parishes with Forton and Elson. On the 19th June next year, it is proposed that I will be given six months' notice that my post as Vicar of Christ Church and Holy Trinity is being dissolved. During those six months, it is proposed that new posts will be advertised, to work within our four parishes, and within the other proposed new unit of Rowner and Bridgemary. There would be some - but fewer - parish clergy posts, and some "pioneer" (community based) posts - that could be filled by either clergy or lay people (there will be more full-time posts than before, but different ones). Those posts will begin in January 2020, so they will be filled during the period that the present deanery clergy are "working out" their notice. Along with several of my clergy colleagues in the deanery, I will be "welcome to apply" for any of the available posts in the deanery (i.e including the Pioneer posts) but because all the posts will be advertised, we could all be unsuccessful. If we are unsuccessful (or choose not to apply) there is a "redundancy package", whereby we will receive our stipend, and be housed somewhere (or receive an accommodation grant) for a period of a year. Also, of the four church buildings, it is (apparently) proposed that at least one will remain a parish church, whilst the others may become "mission hubs" (it is not clear at this stage what that might mean in practice....). Our PCC's have until 30th November to respond to the proposal to merge the four parishes.

- I have already drafted a written response to the diocese.
- the four churchwardens will meet with me to discuss and amend the draft.
- the amended draft will be presented through our already planned PCC meetings: (Christ Church, 6th Nov, Holy Trinity, 14th Nov)
- **it will then be circulated to both congregations for comments and questions.**
- there will be a special, "Joint PCC" to finalize the written response.
- the final version of the written response will be submitted to the Diocese very soon after.....and before the 30th November deadline.

Joint Christmas Fair!

Christ Church, Saturday December 1st, 10.30am to 2.00pm

(Optional "Prep Session": 7.00pm to 9.00pm the night before)

WE NEED: *Raffle Prizes, Cakes, Jams and preserves; Bottles; high quality Bric a Brac; Jewellery; Craft items; Toys; Books; New or nearly new clothes; CDs/DVD's and Jigsaws, etc, etc.....*

The Joint Summer and Christmas Fairs so far have raised lots of money and brought in many people from the local community! Let's keep the momentum going! *Remember: if you are muttering about one of the fairs not being at "your" church, and don't get involved, you will simply miss out on a great community event.....and less money will be raised for "your" church!*

Can you donate raffle prizes, or good quality items to sell?? Can you help on the day?? Can you work with someone from the other church without catching something nasty(??!!) PLEASE SPEAK TO/CONTACT THE VICAR WITH ANY OFFERS, COMMENTS, IDEAS!!

Donations for Christmas Giving Once again, we are looking for cash donations so that we can 1) buy some Christmas presents for local people who might not otherwise receive them; 2) make a donation near Christmas to a crisis abroad.....
There are special envelopes available – donations will be taken to Christ Church, to add to what is being donated there, so that the gifts are given jointly by our two parishes.....

St Andrew's Night Dinner: Friday 23rd November, 6.30pm. Cock a Leekie Soup with Crusty Bread; Haggis, Champit Tatties and Bashed Neeps; Fruit Pie for dessert; (Vegetarian Haggis available and for those not keen on the little beastie, Salmon will be an option for them!) Bring your own choice of liquid refreshment and your own glasses. **Cost £10.00 per person.** Scottish Dress - Tartan of your Clan, Formal or smart casual wear - Your Choice. **Get your Ticket Now if you wish to attend** - Numbers are strictly limited - **Closing Date is Sunday 18th November.** **Further information contact Geoff or Chrissie O'Neill on 023 9235 8974 or gjdoneill@aol.com**

Prayer List: Praying for people by name during our services is important and special. But to save the list getting longer and longer, please let us know if a name can be removed.....

Are you a Knitter? If so, Karen Haycock (who has recently joined Christ Church) has a knitting group at her house (6 Herbert Road, Gosport). It meets once a fortnight, and the next one is on Thursday 1st November, 12.30pm to 2.30pm. For more details, you can contact Karen on 07969537564

The Revd Margaret Hay: will be presiding once a month at the Wednesday 6.30pm Masses on these dates: 7th November, 12th December.

Civic Carols: We are delighted and honoured to – once again – be hosting the Civic Carol Service, in the presence of the Mayor, which is on Sunday 9th December at 6.00pm.

Christingle: There is a Christingle Service at Christ Church on **Tuesday December 4 at 6.00pm.** Children receive a decorated orange, with a candle in the top, which is a sign of Jesus, the light of the world. The services usually take place during Advent or near Christmas, and collect money to support the work of the Church of England charity, The Children's Society.

Carols in the High Street – “Churches Together in Gosport” (CTiG)
On Saturday 8th December, from 11.00am to 12noon, there will be Carols – in Nat Gonella Square, outside the main entrance to the Town Hall in the High Street, with

the Mayor present, and readings and reflections from "Churches Together".....do come along and join with other local Christians!

Uniformed Groups – Carol Services: For the first time this year, Christ Church is hosting the Scout Carol Service on Monday 10th December at 7.00pm, and the Beaver's Christingle Service on Tuesday 11th December at 6.00pm. As District Scout Chaplain, the Vicar will take both services.

[UPDATED!] "Heart for the Homeless": WE NEED (as we are running out of the following and the weather is getting colder, especially at night time) Sleeping bags (no duvets or pillows); track trousers (Men/women) or thick trousers small waist 32"/34" (not many over-weight homeless); women/ men's trainers and boots or strong shoes; warm weather proof coats (men/women); warm cotton sweaters; socks (men/women's); small toiletries always welcome (they can't carry large bottles etc.); packets of cough sweets; small tubs of sudocrem, Vick or Vaseline. We at Heart for the Homeless really appreciate your kind and generous donation "Heart for the Homeless" is a "Churches Together in Gosport" (CTiG) project, which is actively supported by members of Christ Church and Holy Trinity. There is a free lunch in Christ Church Centre: 1.00pm to 3.00pm every 4th Sunday. Please spread the word about the lunch....

Supporting our Food Banks: by placing gifts of non-perishable food and other useful items in the shopping trolley in church. Gosport Basics Bank have thanked us for the very generous donation of food and other basic needs which we made at Harvest. The need goes on throughout the year and the Bank is finding that more and more people have to call for help, and this is likely to increase further as Universal Credit is rolled out. Among items in short supply at present are jam, sugar and size 6 nappies. UHT milk is always needed. All donations are greatly appreciated. Please remember that food banks can only give out food which is in date.

Sunday Raffles! Two recent Sunday Raffles were enhanced by a couple of additional donations bringing the total to £150.00 for Cystic Fibrosis. We started doing the Sunday Raffles in September 2009 and **we have now passed the £10,000.00 mark!!** A superb achievement (and thanks to the wonderful support from those who have donated prizes and bought raffle tickets). We have raised money for Holy Trinity and for good causes (*which has included donations to; Street Pastors, The Yemen Crisis Appeal, The Grenfell Fire Appeal, Cystic Fibrosis and the annual Bishops Lent Appeals*). If you are able to support this venture by providing a prize, a list is on the table at the back of the Church. **Well done everyone!**

Sponsoring the bread and wine on a Sunday: You have the opportunity to sponsor the bread and wine which is presented at Parish Mass, for a donation of £5.00. It can be for a departed loved one or for a birthday, wedding anniversary, etc. The details will appear in the Sunday booklet. See the list on the back table.

Prayer Cards: When you light a candle for someone, you may wish to let them know that you have remembered and prayed for them at Holy Trinity. Why not take one of our prayer cards, which says, "**a candle has been lit for you and a prayer said today**"? You can give it to them, send it to them, or put it through their door, perhaps with a personal message written on the back. The cards are in small boxes where we light candles - by Our Lady and by St Francis; and on the

table in the foyer. Our thanks are due to Tessa and David Bloodworth for passing on the idea and for sponsoring the first batch of 1,000 cards; and to Geoff O'Neill for the design and for organising printing.

Fair Trade Stall Thanks to David and Tessa Bloodworth, there is a Fair Trade stall here at Holy Trinity (usually on the Second Sunday of the month, but this may vary) for you to peruse after Mass. Established in 1979 as a Christian response to poverty, Traidcraft is the UK's leading fairtrade organisation. Its mission is to fight poverty through trade, pioneering, practising and promoting approaches to trade that help poor people in developing countries transform their lives. David and Tessa take no profit and cover their own costs - so the prices are 10% less than in the catalogue. **David and Tessa write:** *"Some will have heard that Traidcraft, sadly, are in difficulties. We should like to reassure our supporters that nothing will change before the end of the year and orders will go in as usual. We hope to stock up with ginger cookies and other favourites if necessary and possible."*

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) "This regulation comes into force on 25 May 2018 and puts much greater accountability on organisations, including churches and charities, to be transparent about how they use personal data. The information you give to us for our planned giving schemes including Gift Aid envelopes will be held securely and only used for making a Gift Aid repayment claim. It will not be used for marketing nor shared with, or sold to, any other person or organisation. The donations you kindly made under the planned giving schemes to Holy Trinity Church last year enabled us to claim almost £8,000 from H M Revenue and Customs (HMRC) from those who are able to gift aid their donations to us." (Geoff O'Neill - Hon. Treasurer & Planned Giving & Gift Aid administrator.)

Could you be a Gargoyle? Could you spare two hours a week to provide a welcome to visitors, and help ensure our beautiful church is open for a while every day? We try to be open on weekdays from 1.30pm to 3.30pm and on Saturdays from 10.00am to 2.00pm; and we need to have at least two people in the church at the same time. Could you help?or, if you couldn't manage a two hour slot per week, could you be on a list of "reserves", for stepping in as required?

Please help keep the church clean! Church cleaning is done **EVERY WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY**, while the church is open from 1.30pm to 3.30pm....please help!

Organ Book and DVD: We have a beautiful book about the history of our famous "Handel Organ". Copies available for just £5.00!and now a DVD (with commentary by Pam Rhodes) for just £10.00!

@CofE Portsmouth - Brand New Magazine: Our diocese's brand new, quarterly magazine @CofE Portsmouth has replaced the monthly *Pompey Chimes*. The four editions each year come out in March, June, September and December. Designed to give churchgoers and non-churchgoers an insight into life in our parishes and church schools, combining longer features with stories about people and columns written by the bishop and others on significant issues. Topical news stories and forthcoming events can be found more easily on the Diocese of Portsmouth website: www.portsmouth.anglican.org

Church Chairs: There are dedication plaques on many of our chairs. If you would like have one dedicated to someone (living or departed) there are forms on the back table. A donation of £40.00 is asked.

"Friends of Holy Trinity": If you are not yet a member, and would be happy to pay £12 per year for individual membership, or £20 a year for couple/family membership, please ask Fr Andy for a form. Last year we raised £500.00! We'd like that total to increase year on year, as we use the money to enhance our building.