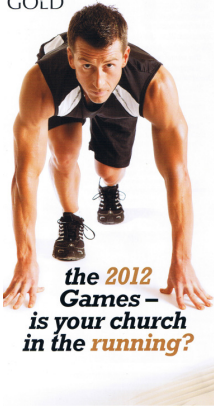


## OLYMPICS GAMES 2012



the 2012 Games – is your church in the running?

The Olympic and Paralympic Games next year will put sport firmly on the agenda of every household in the country. The events also offer us a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to use this interest in sport as a means of connecting with our community. There are lots of great ideas such as a dads and lads cycle event, 5 a side competitions, family sports day and picnic, Question of Sport evening, screening of events with BBQ, evening meal with Christian sports personality speaker, etc.

Would you like to be involved in planning and organising this? Have you some creative ideas? Pete Hunt has agreed to lead a team to put some of these ideas into action and there will be a meeting towards the end of this month. Please contact him if you are interested by email [pedero7@googlemail.com](mailto:peder07@googlemail.com) or through the church office.

## HYDE ADVENT COURSE

You are invited to join the Hyde Advent course which will be running on Monday evenings at St George's Hyde, 7.30-9.00pm and repeated on Wednesday mornings at St Mary's Newton, 10.45-12.00.



Session 1	Advent waiting through CAROLS	Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> / Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>
Session 2	Advent waiting through POETRY	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> / Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>
Session 3	Advent waiting through SCRIPTURE	Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> / Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>
Session 4	Advent waiting through ART	Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> / Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>



## PRAYER

*'I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.'*

Pray for Barry Edge in Burundi with a team from Flame. Pray for the safety and protection of the team and for reconciliation and healing for those they are working with.

Pray for Enid Bamford and The Bridge Coffee Shop team.

Pray for Janet D'Anzi and the work of IMAGE.

Pray for Jill and Sorin, Paul and Pam.

Pray for Norman Brierley who is in hospital.

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# HOLY TRINITY STALYBRIDGE

Sunday 27th November

## GOSPEL CHOIR

The Gospel choir will be getting together again for the Carol Service on December 11th.

Rehearsals will be in church on:



Today 27th November 5-6pm  
 Sunday 4th December 1-2pm  
 Sunday 11th December 5pm



Please see Sue Green for more details or just come along this afternoon.

## THIS WEEK

**Sunday 27th November**  
 10.30am Family Service  
 5-6pm Gospel Choir rehearsal

**Monday 28th November**  
 9.15am Family Forum  
 7.30pm Alpha Course

**Wednesday 30th November**  
 10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop  
 2.00pm Art For All Group  
 7.30pm Engage Youth Club

**Thursday 1st December**  
 7.00pm Prayer Meeting  
 8.00pm Worship Group

**Friday 2nd December**  
 12noon Carers Connect

**Sunday 4th December**  
 10.30am Communion and Toy Service with Young Church  
 1.00-2.00pm Gospel Choir rehearsal  
 7.30pm Youth Encounter at the Vicarage

## PRAYER MEETING

Our monthly prayer meeting will be in St Matthews this week on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 7.00-8.00pm. Come and make some space to be still before God and to pray for all the Christmas outreach events that are taking place. **Please make this a priority.**



WORSHIPPING GOD - BUILDING COMMUNITY - SERVING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

## WOOD STREET MISSION

As in previous years we are inviting people to support Wood Street Mission in Manchester who have had over 1,800 local children referred to them for a toy parcel this Christmas. Any donations of NEW toys or children's books (unwrapped please) would be most welcome. They also still require items of food from basic tins and packets to luxury items and treats. (Food must not have an expiry date before 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011.) The project will cost Wood Street in excess of £20,000 to run this year so any financial contributions, no matter how small, make a huge difference to the work.



If you would like to contribute in any way, we will be gathering our gifts together on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December** and at Family Forum the following morning for collection by Wood Street during that week.

## CAROL SERVICE

Our carol service this year will be on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm** and will feature the gospel choir. Invites are available from the back so ask your friends to reserve the date now.



We will also be Carol Singing with Churches Together from Salybridge on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December from 11.00am at Tescos** and on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 5.00-7.00pm at Salybridge Station and Buffet Bar**. It was wonderful last year to surprise commuters on their way home and shoppers at Tesco with a little Christmas cheer so come and help us to remind people about the reason for the season!

Any brass instrument players out there? Please speak to Tom asap.

## NATIVITY FROM SCRATCH AND SHARED LUNCH

Our next Shared Lunch will be on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December after the Nativity from Scratch Service in church. This is the service where we invite the whole congregation - adults and children - to come dressed as a character from the Christmas story and it's a great service for all the family. Why not invite some friends now to join you and to stay on for lunch?



## NEW WINE



A group of us will once again be attending the New Wine summer conference next year at Newark and Nottinghamshire County Show ground from Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2012. It's a fantastic week of worship, teaching, fellowship and fun. Why not join us? There is an early bird discount if you book before 30<sup>th</sup> November or why not think about serving on a team which grants you a free place? Check out the details on <http://www.new-wine.org/summer>

## 'HEAVEN TO EARTH' SCHOOLS WEEK

Local Schools will be visiting church during the week 5th-9th December to see a presentation called "Heaven to Earth" retelling the Christmas story.



The Christmas story presented by 'Scruff'  the dog and friends

If you would like to be involved, either by being part of the presentation or by helping with refreshments we would be very grateful. Please speak to Carol Wilson or Yvonne Bolton or ring 01457 839555.

## CHRISTMAS TREAT

Following the great success of our August Cream Tea, the team are putting on another tea party on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December from 2.00-3.30pm** with a host of Christmas treats such as mince pies, stollen and the like.

Tickets (which you need to get in advance so the team can plan the catering) are £2.00 each and available from Pete and Vera or from the church office.

