

- › **Welcome to *the first Sunday of Advent!*** The countdown is definitely on as we quickly make our way now to a huge celebration in the Christian calendar – the celebration of the Saviour’s birth!
- › Can we please just reiterate our **huge ‘Thank you’** for all who took part in our recent **Gift Day**, raising money for the refurbishment of the church kitchen which is used so much in our ministry. We want to thank the Lord for all of you... Some monies are still coming in and next week we hope to have a final figure for you.
- › Our **congratulations** to **David & Jean Hall** who were married on Friday morning. It was a lovely service with a great banquet to follow.
- › **Bible Reading Booklets** over Advent and the coming year are available; please see Jon Fisher.
- › Anna Holme’s mother’s **funeral** is this Tuesday at South Manchester Crematorium at 2.00pm. Heather & Elouise’s nana’s funeral is this Thursday.
- › Please bring in your **menus and money** for the Banquet on 17<sup>th</sup> Dec.

**Coming up:**

<b>Today</b>	9.30am 10.30am 11.50am	<b>Men’s Prayer Group</b> <b>Morning Service:</b> ‘The Two Beginnings’ Communion <b>Choir meeting after coffee</b>
<b>Monday</b>	7.00pm	<b>Preparing Christmas Cards for the community</b> (Meeting in the hall)
<b>Tuesday</b>	12.00pm	<b>Dinnaz</b> (weekly diner)
<b>Wednesday</b>	10.00am 2.30pm	<b>Toddle-in Group</b> <b>Study Group</b> at Viv’s
<b>Friday</b>	7.45pm 2.00pm	<b>Study Group</b> at Mike & Marion’s <b>China Cup Café</b>
<b>Sunday 10 December</b>	10.30am 3.30pm	<b>Morning Service:</b> ‘The New Testament’ <b>‘Carols at the Farm’</b> Wythenshawe Park!

**Readings and Prayers:**

- › We pray for Anna, Heather & Elouise attending funerals of loved ones and for all bereaved recently

- › We continue to pray for **Sheila** recovering from pneumonia, making steady progress
- › We have delivered ‘Welcome to the Community’ leaflets along with some flowers to the new homes across the road – pray for our new neighbours
- › We pray for the elderly in our congregation in this cold period
- › Please pray for *Carols at the Farm* next Sunday afternoon!

**Monday** Reading Heb 9:11-10:18  
Pray for Peter & Babs Hewitt

**Tuesday** Reading Heb 10:19-39  
Pray for Margaret Flanagan

**Wednesday** Reading Heb 11  
Pray for Anna Holme and family

**Thursday** Reading Heb 12  
Pray for Marjorie Hopwood

**Friday** Reading Heb 13  
Pray for Claire, Terry, Liam & Chloe Humphreys

**Saturday** Reading: Gen 47:1-12  
Pray for Sebastian, Claudia & Nathan Ianos

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Dec** Reading Gen 47:13-31  
Pray for Tim & Alison Ingram