Reading: Matthew 25:31-46

³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

³⁴ "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

³⁷ "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

⁴⁰ "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

⁴¹ "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'

⁴⁴ "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'

⁴⁵ "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

⁴⁶ "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Financial Giving

If you would like to give to the work of Holy Trinity, do join the Planned Giving Scheme, please pick up a form from the Foyer. If you wish to make a cash contribution and are a taxpayer, please ask for a Gift Aid envelope.

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Welcome to Holy Trinity. If this is your first visit to Holy Trinity, or if you have recently joined us, we'd just like to say how great it is to have you with us. We are a church full of people who are trying to live lives that reflect Jesus and would be so pleased if you would consider joining with us. Please don't go away today without touching base. You can do that by

filling in one of the 'Welcome Cards' in the foyer and joining us for refreshments after the service in the Hall. All the information on our church family life is on our website:



www.trinitytewkesbury.org.uk We look forward to getting to know you. With our blessing, Stephen and Sharon Walker



Weekly Events		
Mondays	Life Group	10.30am
Tuesdays	Youth Life Groups, Sch Yrs 7-13 (Term time only)	7.00-9.00pm
	Music & Movement Group	10.30-11.30am
Wednesdays	Coffee Morning	10.00am
	Holy Communion	10.30am
	Life Groups	7.30pm
Thursdays	Smarties - for parents & carers of pre-school Children (Term time only)	10.15- 11.45am
	Life Groups	7.30pm
Fridays	Life Group	10.30am

Christmas Blessings Appeal by Tewkesbury Foodbank

In order to bless clients Foodbank are aiming to give every family a **foodbank** bag containing 'luxury' foods, e.g. chocolate biscuits, Christmas cakes, savoury biscuits, mince pies, Christmas puddings and



custard, tinned ham, children's chocolate novelties (e.g. a chocolate Father Christmas or chocolate selection packs) and adult chocolates, (bars or boxes). In addition, they would welcome any 'stocking filler' toys or gifts. If anyone would like to donate these items; Foodbank need to have your donations by the week ending 14th December.

Our Mission Partners at Christmas

Don't forget to pray for our Mission partners at Christmas - some will be involved in special events - and send them Christmas greetings. You don't need to know them personally. Contact details on the Mission Board (don't forget to say you are from HT Tewkesbury!)

Giant Church Christmas Card

Consider signing the giant Christmas Card in the Foyer to fellow Church Members and make a donation, in lieu of cards, in the box to Embrace the Middle East, in support of Syrian Refugees.



12 Days of Giving Campaign

Ecclesiastical insurance is giving £120,000 to good causes as part of its annual 12 Days of Giving Christmas campaign. Ecclesiastical is inviting people to nominate a registered charity close to their hearts to benefit from this festive boost. Nominations are open now, and you can vote for your charity at <u>www.ecclesiastical.com/12days</u>

Days of giving

Our Mission Partners for December are Chris and Suzy Wilson and student Ochalla Omot Cham

See the Mission Board for more news and prayer points for this month.

Old Mission Hall Update

Things are progressing well, but we need to remind you not to visit the OMH as it is a building site and is therefore closed to visitors. If you have any comments/ questions/input would you please address them to 'our man of the spot' David Rogers. Thanks and keep praying, The OMH Project Team

Mulled wine and Mince Pies

If you are able to donate any mulled wine or mince pies for the Carol Service on 16th December, do get in touch with Sharon Walker.



Ladies Christmas Craft Evening, Friday 14 December 7.00pm

Join us to make some lovely Christmas crafts plus drinks, cheese and biscuits. Sign up with Sharon after the service Cost: £5

Alpha Course Wednesday 16th January 7.30pm

The next Alpha course will run for 9 weeks from Wednesday 16th January, 7.30 -9.30pm in Room 2. Please pray about who you might be able to invite to come along to this course.

Prayer ministry after the service



This is such an important part of our worship together that we value your help and support in facilitating this quiet space so that ministry can take place uninterrupted. If we could move away from the prayer area immediately after the service and encourage the children to do so as well before engaging in conversations, that would be a great help. Thank you.

Stay Connected with us during the week

Stay connected with Holy Trinity on Twitter @HolyTewkesbury and Facebook HolyTrinityChurchTewkesbury as well as through our website, trinitytewkesbury.org.uk. Link to previous services and see what's coming up through your preferred platform.

Church Weekend Away 2019—Deposits are now due!

Please drop them into the church office or the red Administrator letter box in the foyer.