

# HOLY TRINITY BOSTON

Welcome Sunday 14 January 2024

## Sunday 14th January

8:00am	Holy Communion. In Church only
10:30am	Worship Together. Live in Church & online.
6:30pm	No service
7:30pm	CYFA

## Sunday 21st January

8:00am	No service
10:30am	Worship Together with Holy Communion. Live in Church & online.
6:30pm	No service
7:30pm	CYFA

## Opening Prayer

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

## Reading

Nahum 1: 1-15

## Verse of the week:

Nahum 1:7

## Thought for the Day: Rev Ian Ward

Last week we began looking at the Minor prophets. Twelve books in the Bible; Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi. Today Nahum. We don't know much about Nahum. He writes sometime before the fall of Nineveh in 612 BC. It is one unrelenting denunciation of Nineveh and the nation of Assyria for her cruelty as master of the nations. This is a very different message than Jonah written 150 years earlier. It is clear that God gives room for repentance but he never condones sin. In the middle of the condemnation comes some wonderful words of encouragement for God's people. "*The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him.*". God, our God may be the judge and ruler of all, but he is also our refuge, safety for all who trust in him.

## Weekly Update

**"Youth and Children's work at Trinity:** We are hosting a Vision Evening for our work with children and young people on **February 6th, at 7:15pm** in the Church Lounge. We 'll discuss what's been happening recently with our children and young people and also think and pray about what the vision is in terms of going forward. This event is open to the whole Church family, no matter your age or stage, so please come along and have your say!"

**Vision 2024:** Prayer is key as we go into a New Year. Jesus expected his disciples to pray and told them that it makes a difference. At the prayer meetings this month we will be praying for insights into what God is calling us into going forward into 2024. Please make these meetings a priority in your diary. If you have never joined a church prayer meeting this could be the first time. **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January** 10.30am on zoom (contact Penny Church) and 7.30pm in church lounge with Lis and Ian with a time of worship and prayer together.

**Mission Partner update from CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Boston Centre.** Well 2023 has been a very busy year for us. We are back to pre covid numbers as we are helping 24 households with debts ranging from under £5,000 to £80,000 pounds. We passed the 500,000 pound mark for debt cleared/paid off and debt that clients currently have. So, this year 4 households went debt free with over 50,000 debt cleared/ paid off. That is the good news. The cost of living is having a significant impact and this has led to major changes in the level of support clients need especially for food, energy and housing. We secured 19 top ups for clients this year for gas and electric and 250 pounds oil top up for one household. In relation to food, as a centre we have spent over £1,500 on food and supermarket vouchers for clients this year to date. This is unprecedented for us as a centre. It really is a difficult time, over 60% of our clients budgets are in deficit. We anticipate that This will be the case for the foreseeable future as it is expected that incomes will not catch up with inflation until 2027/2028. This reminds me of the story of Joseph and the famine that he planned for and managed. Just as basic essentials have become a major concern, so have housing and legal/court proceedings. So evictions and repossessions are back on the agenda. This year has seen one family evicted, one managed to avoid eviction and another at risk of eviction. We also have 3 families needing long term homes. We have helped 2 other families with court appearances. We have 2 other clients that need to sell their houses as a consequence of debt accrued in the pandemic. This is a difficult time for clients. On a positive note, we have been able to restart social events for clients, so we started the year off with a valentines dinner and a games evening at Easter and family craft sessions over the summer. This month will see us giving out Christmas hampers and Christian literature  
So I hope that gives you some idea how busy and difficult this year has been and how great the need is. For prayer pointers, .  
**1. Protection** over me so I am well enough to do the client visits.  
**2. Proclamation**- so that we will be able to pray with clients and share the gospel.  
**3. Perseverance**- for both myself and clients in the difficult times they face.  
**4. Prosperity**- so that the impact of cost of living will decline significantly  
Thank you for all your prayers and donations. God Bless, Helen

**Ladies Fellowship:** The next meeting will be on Saturday 27th January.

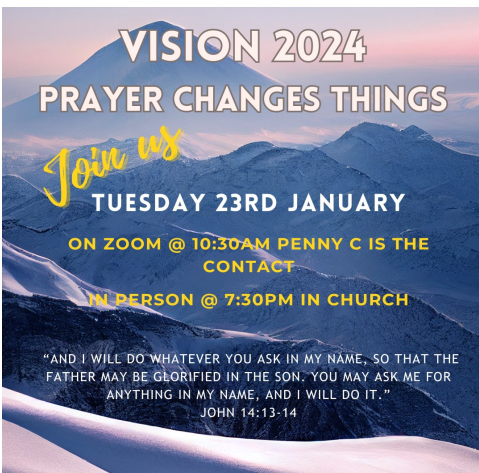
## The Team

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## This week's prayer pointers

**Church Outreach** : Discipleship Courses; Social Activities; Welcome Team/Sidespeople; Trinity Centre; Trinity Tots; Trinity Café ; Mission. **Mission Focus: YWAM & The Wrights**



**VISION 2024**  
**PRAYER CHANGES THINGS**  
*Join us*  
**TUESDAY 23RD JANUARY**  
**ON ZOOM @ 10:30AM PENNY C IS THE CONTACT**  
**IN PERSON @ 7:30PM IN CHURCH**

"AND I WILL DO WHATEVER YOU ASK IN MY NAME, SO THAT THE FATHER MAY BE GLORIFIED IN THE SON. YOU MAY ASK ME FOR ANYTHING IN MY NAME, AND I WILL DO IT."  
JOHN 14:13-14



**Men's Event**

Join us on Friday  
2nd February  
6:45 pm @ Boston Bowl  
Cost: £7

why not stay for a burger in the American diner afterwards or a drink in the bar?

*Please put your name on the sign up sheet as soon as possible so we know numbers or let Neil know your coming.*

## What's happening at Trinity

15 <sup>th</sup> Jan Monday	16 <sup>th</sup> Jan Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup> Jan Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup> Jan Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup> Jan Friday	20 <sup>th</sup> Jan Saturday
<p><b>10:00am</b> Partner Church meeting Grantham</p> <p><b>Small Groups</b> <b>2:30pm</b> Romans Course</p> <p><b>7:00pm</b> Blackthorn Lane</p> <p><b>7:30pm</b> Vicarage</p>	<p><b>1:30pm</b> Open the book</p> <p><b>Small Group</b> <b>1:30pm</b> Careys'</p> <p><b>7:30pm</b> Fabric and Finance</p>	<p><b>9:00am</b> Trinity Tots</p> <p><b>3.00pm</b> Milkshake Shack</p> <p><b>Small Group</b> <b>7.45pm</b> The Grays'</p>	<p><b>11:00am</b> Holy Communion</p> <p><b>11:30am</b> Trinity Café</p> <p><b>7:15pm</b> Romans Course</p>		
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