

March 2018 Company News

Happy Easter to everyone!

Brigade will close this week for Easter, next week is Holy week when there will be services and events every night. You and your families are invited to any of them. See inside for details

As a consequence of finishing early we will return to Brigade on Wednesday 11th April 2018 which is during the second week of the school holidays. With the holidays falling as they have, we will not have a Parade Sunday in April.

Our May Parade will be one week later than usual to coincide with Whit Sunday. Our Whit Walk is on Sunday 20th May 2018 starting after the Morning service. We should be finished for 12:30pm. We want all members on Parade that day with the rest of the congregation.

If you are going away for Easter have a lovely time.

Christmas Charity collection.



Prior to Christmas, our Senior members and leaders decided to support the Oldham Foodbank. Thanks to Sarah for taking all the food that we all collected. As you can see, there was quite a lot. Well done and thank you all

Band Practices

Come on Band Members! We still have a Band practice every Friday night, well at least 3 of us did last week. It was a National Band weekend so some had excuses BUT we are in the National Music and Drill Competition at the end of September and need some commitment if we are going to perform.

So this Friday is the last practice before Easter.

When we return on Friday 13th (ARGH!) We will be practicing until Midnight (not really) 9pm every week and we need everyone there more regularly. You should also start preparing for the Solo and Ensemble competitions. We can help with music and ideas but you need to start practicing..

Church Holy Week and Easter services

Monday 26th Said Eucharist at St Anne's at 7:30pm

Tuesday 27th Final session Lent course at St Mark's at 7:30pm

Wednesday 28th Passover Meal at St Anne's at 7pm.

Thursday 29th Maundy Thursday Eucharist at St Mark's at 7:30pm

followed by Stripping the Altar and vigil.

Friday 30th Good Friday Service at St Mark's at 10:30am

Ecumenical Service in Royton Precinct at 12 Noon.

Stations of the Cross at St Anne's at 1:30pm

Saturday 31st Easter Vigil at St Anne's at 7:30pm.

Sunday 1st April Easter Sunday Eucharist at 10:30am at St Mark's.

Bonus Ball Club update.

Winners of our £20 weekly draw since the last Newsletter:

03-Feb-18	38	Sandra Prestidge
10-Feb-18	13	Darrell Blakeley
17-Feb-18	56	NO WINNER
24-Feb-18	7	Paul Roberts
03-Mar-18	36	NO WINNER
10-Mar-18	50	NO WINNER
17-Mar-18	39	Dave Brookes

Our Easter £100 bonus will be drawn on:

Wednesday 28th March 2018

THANK YOU ALL, for your support!

If you want to help support Brigade, financially, join our Bonus Ball club for £1 per number per week. As you'll notice above, we do have some spare numbers at the moment so if you want to help us and have a chance of winning, please join our Bonus ball club now.

Manchester Regimental Camp 2018

28th July to 4th August 2018

Bookings are being taken now for this years Camp at Aberfoyle in Scotland. Forms are available the all-inclusive price is £330 for all members and leaders. Transport, accommodation, all activities and all food is included and a great time is guaranteed.

All JTC and Senior members can attend.

Speak to anyone who has been previously for a recommendation.

National AGM.

All Leaders are invited to attend the National Annual General Meeting on Saturday 28th April 2018 at St Ambrose Leyland, Moss Lane, Leyland, PR25 4XA

Dates for your diaries

March 23rd Brigade Closes for Easter. Maundy Thursday 29th Good Friday 30th **April** 1st Easter Sunday 11th Back to Brigade 21st - 22nd Young Leaders Training weekend CL&CGB National AGM at Leyland. 28th May 4th - 7th National Band Concert Weekend (Concert at York - 3pm 6th May) 5th - 6th Bag packing for Regimental Camp. 8th Regimental Commanders meeting Parade Sunday & Whit Sunday 20th Changed from 2nd Sunday Brigade closes for Half term 25th June 5th Diocesan Safeguarding Training - Holy Trinity, Dobcross 6thBack to Brigade 10th Parade Sunday Diocesan Safeguarding Training - St Peter's Ashton Under Lyne 21st Regimental Commanders meeting 26th July 8th Parade Sunday Brigade closes for Summer 20th 28th - 4th Aug Regimental Camp at Aberfoyle.

<u>August</u>

31st - 2nd National Band Recruitment Weekend.

<u>September</u>

29th National Music and Drill Competition at Hermitage Centre, Whitwick Commanding Officer: Susan Corbishley (0161 633 2266)