



# November 2025 Brigade News

## Christmas is coming!

The run up to Christmas is usually very busy time for families. As a Christian organisation we do support the events that are happening in Church. If you can join us for any of the services and events you will be most welcome.

### Highlights include:

- **Festival of Remembrance at the QE hall in Oldham**
- **Remembrance Sunday in and after Church.**
- **Quiz and Games Night**
- **Manchester Regimental Carol service**
  - We join other Brigade members from around Manchester.
- **St Marks Carol Service**
- **St Nicholas Service during our Brigade night.**
  - We are joined by Father Christmas collecting for the homeless.
- **Children's Christmas Eve service with the Coverdale puppets.**

**See the back page for dates and times.**

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### Half-Term re-opening

We return to Brigade on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> & Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

### Christmas break

Brigade closes on **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025**  
and re-open on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**

## Bonus Ball Club update.

We still have some spare numbers if anyone wants to join.

***You have to be in it to win it!***

Winners of our £20 weekly draw.

23-Aug-25	5	Norman Sefton
30-Aug-25	16	Tammy Robertson
06-Sep-25	24	Stacey Butler
06-Sep-25	24	Mark Ford
13-Sep-25	10	Alison McDonnell
20-Sep-25	22	Denise Fitton
27-Sep-25	59	Matthew Robinson
04-Oct-25	42	Carole Colebrook
11-Oct-25	53	No winner
18-Oct-25	19	Simon Colebrook
25-Oct-25	55	Alison McDonnell

**Our Christmas £100 Bonus draw will be drawn on Wednesday**

**24<sup>th</sup> December 2025.**

**We are very grateful for everyone's support.**

## We are recruiting!

Can you help us? We are looking for new Martins members. Anyone aged 4 to 7 can join our Martins on Friday evenings -

**SPREAD THE WORD!**

**BUT.....**

**At the moment we do not have room for anyone else in the JTC. We have a waiting list!**

## Band

Our next major event will be at the Queen Elizabeth Hall for the **Royal British Legion "Festival of Remembrance"** when we team up again with All Saints Heaton Norris to open the event on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025 starting at 7:00pm. Anyone can attend, pay on the door £5 each and support our band. Don't be late - we perform at 7:10pm!

**Band practices** - It has been great to welcome some of our learners to our Friday night Band Practice, they have been making fantastic progress and we hope you are all enjoying the extra time we can give you.

We are always open for new members at any time, so just ask John if you want to start learning to play. We have plenty of instruments of all shapes and sizes if you want to join us, **lessons are free.**

## **Friday Night practices.**

**Learners** in the lower hall

6:15pm to 7:15pm

**Senior Band practice** in the

Upper Hall

7:15pm to 8:00pm.

## **\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\***

There will not be any lessons on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November as the senior band and leaders are performing at the

**RBLA Festival of Remembrance** at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in Oldham.

## Remembrance Sunday

On **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025** our Parade Service will start at 9:15am as usual in Church. Following the service, refreshments will be served in Church before we move outside at 10:45 for our :

### **Act of Remembrance at the Heyside War Memorial**

The short service will include a two minute silence at 11am and the Last Post being sounded. Please join us, in Uniform or Polo shirts.

### St Nicholas Service:

**During our Brigade night Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 7pm.**

All sections and parents (and Church members can join us in the Lower hall for this short service when Father Christmas joins us to collect gifts from us. We ask for chocolates, biscuits and warm hats, gloves, socks or scarves that he will take to the homeless at the Booth Centre in Manchester,

### Carol Service in Church

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

Join us for a traditional service of Carols and readings where our band will be joining Tim on the organ to play the carols. We start at 6pm

### Carol Singing round the parish

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2025 7pm**

Join the band as we go Carol singing round part of our parish, collecting for Martin House Children's Hospice. Children must be accompanied by a parent. Wrap up well it's usually cold and wet! We need singers and collectors.

### Welcome to our new members:

- **Martins:**  
**Otto Blythe & Charlotte Anderson.**
- **JTC:**  
**Cora Maloney & Maisie Hardwick**  
**enjoy your time in Brigade**

### Support our Church.

#### Christmas raffle.

We are collecting prizes for the raffle if you would like to donate any. Otherwise, would you be able to buy some Raffle tickets or sell some to your friends for us.

**Tickets are £1 each and come in books of 5.**

**See John for Tickets.**

**We are still collecting food for the Oldham Foodbank**

## Dates for your Diaries

### November

- 5<sup>th</sup> Back to Brigade
- 7<sup>th</sup> **(Friday) RBLA Festival of Remembrance at QE Hall Oldham**
- 9<sup>th</sup> **Parade Remembrance Sunday**, Service in Church at 09:15am.  
Act of Remembrance around the Memorial at 10:45am.
- 15<sup>th</sup> St Mark's Quiz & Games Night - 7:30pm in the Church Hall
- 22<sup>nd</sup> St Thomas Moorside Christmas Fair 11am to 2pm.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Regimental Band Practice for the Carol Service. St Marks at 7pm.

### December

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Church Advent course on Zoom (Tuesdays at 7:30pm)
- 7<sup>th</sup> **Manchester Regimental Carol Service at All Saints & Martyrs Langley at 4:30pm with Bishop Mark.**
- 10<sup>th</sup> **St Nicholas Service in the Lower Hall at 7pm.**
- 14<sup>th</sup> **Parade Sunday & Christingle Service** in Church at 09:15am.  
**Carol Service in Church** at 6pm with our Band.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Brigade closes for Christmas
- 21<sup>st</sup> St Thomas Carol Service at 7:30pm.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> **Carol Singing round the parish with the band**
- 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve Childrens service with The Coverdale Puppets in Church at 3pm  
Bonus Ball Christmas £100 draw  
Midnight Mass at 11:30pm in Church
- 25<sup>th</sup> **(Thursday) Christmas Day service at 09:15 in Church**

### January 2026

- 7<sup>th</sup> Back to Brigade
- 11<sup>th</sup> **Parade Sunday**, Service in Church at 09:15am.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Brigade closes for Half term

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Manchester Regimental Camp CLCGB**

See our pages on the Church website at :

**<https://stmarksheyside.org.uk/>**

Contact us on: **[johncorbishley@btinternet.com](mailto:johncorbishley@btinternet.com)**

The poster features a vibrant background of light blue and green rays emanating from the center. The words 'QUIZ' and 'NIGHT' are written in large, bold, white letters with blue outlines, each letter on a different colored square. A yellow banner with black text reads '& Games'. The design is decorated with several yellow stars and question marks.

# QUIZ & Games NIGHT

**Teams of up to 6  
Adults & Children.**

**£1 Adults & 50p Children.**

**Saturday**

**15<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

**General Knowledge, Trivia and Music.  
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**Children's rounds and table quizzes**

**St Mark's Church Hall**

**Doors open at 7pm, Quiz starts at 7:30pm**

**Bring your own drinks.**

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Carols with the Brass Band followed by a Light Buffet

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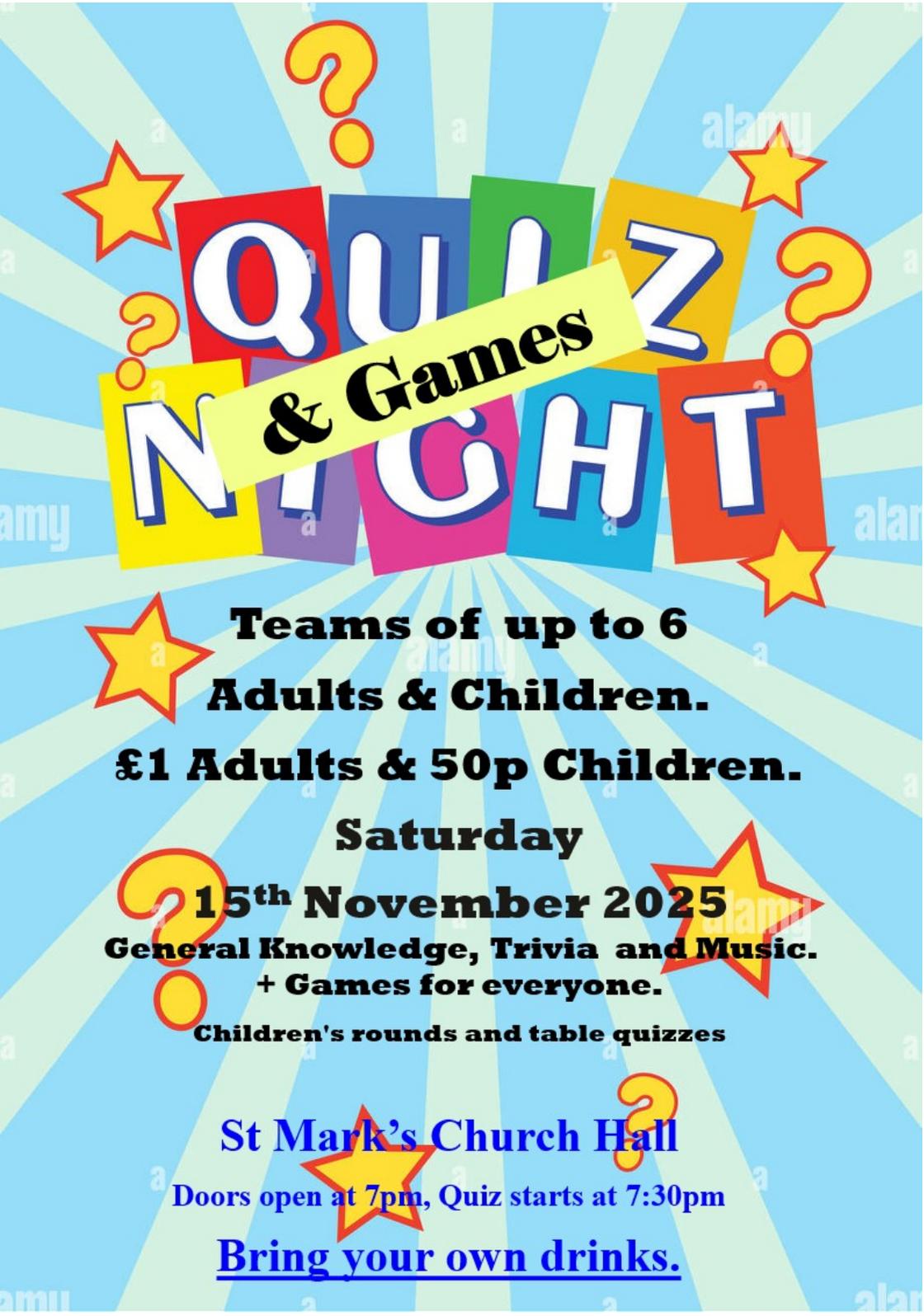
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