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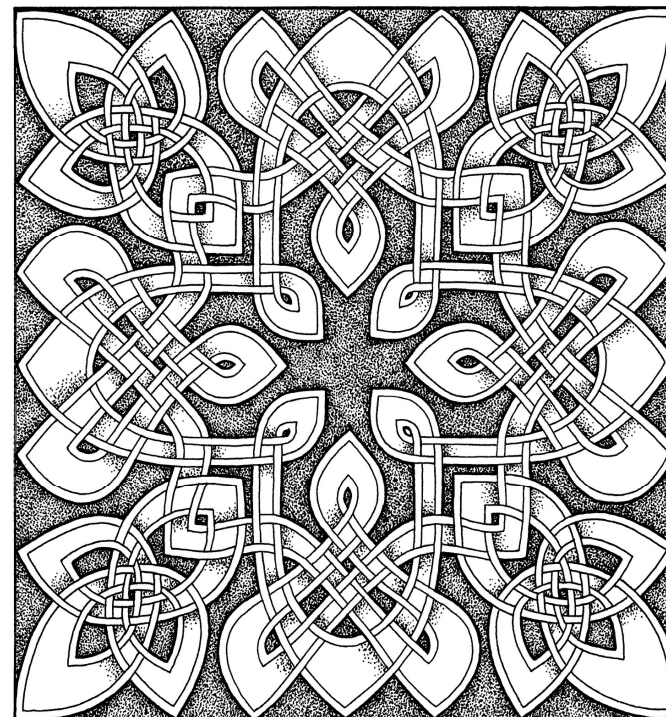
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 THE CHURCH
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June 2017

St George's Church Stalybridge



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Worship

Sunday

8.30 a.m. Holy Communion (2nd & 4th Sundays)

10.30 a.m. Sung Communion and Junior Church
(4th Sunday – Family Service)

18.00 p.m. Occasional Special Services as
announced

Tuesday

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion

To receive Communion at home when you are sick or housebound, or to have the name of a departed friend or relation entered in the Book of Remembrance, please contact Philip or one of the Wardens.

For Baptisms, Marriages or Funerals please phone Philip (Vicar) on 0161 338 2368. Baptisms are usually conducted at 12.30 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

From Our Book of Remembrance

Jun 2	Hilda Beswick	1977	Jun 17	Sidney Cooper	1970
	Pauline Margaret Turnbull	1995	Jun 18	Margaret Parkinson	1897
	Mollie Dorothy Darbyshire	2011		Renee Birch Hawley	2002
Jun 3	Marjorie Lofthouse	2015		Monica Ann Press	2005
Jun 4	Mary Alice Priestley	1985		Christopher Robert	2012
	Leonard Broadbent	1969		Pierce	
	Harry Bullock	2009	Jun 19	Colin Wilson	2016
Jun 6	Alfred Christian	1966	Jun 20	Linty James	1975
Jun 6	John Ambrose Stephens	1979		Hilda Wilson	1984
	Thomas Smith	1987		Mary Tonge	1989
Jun 7	Minnie Jones	1987		Dorothy Horner	2007
	William Webster	2002	Jun 23	Edward Cooper	1983
	Dinah Hannah Dale	1984	Jun 24	Edith Spencer	1995
Jun 8	Norman Radcliffe	1984		Hilda Holt	1979
	Thomas Booth	2000	Jun 25	Dennis Greenwood	1982
	Leslie Adnett	2012		Louise Pulm	2010
Jun 9	John Ollerenshaw	2013	Jun 26	Jack Williams	1998
	Judith Dalton	2014	Jun 27	Edith Olive Hughes	1980
Jun 11	Gladney Swift	1950		Andrew Christopher	1990
	Edward Jones	1985		Taylor	
Jun 12	Mona Coogan	1992		Charlotte Molly Ingham	2008
Jun 14	Gordon Alfred Trudgeon	2002	Jun 28	Mary Stephens Carter	1983
Jun 15	Lily Hardy Cooke	1979	Jun 30	Ann Humphries	1963
	Eva Jones	1996			
	John Edwin Ratcliffe	2007			
	Tessa Ruth Louise	2006			
	Meldrum O'Reagan				

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BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE



To have the name of a loved one entered into this special book, and remembered in our intercessions for their anniversary please have a word with one of the wardens or Philip.

The cost for the special inscription is £10 per entry

From the Registers

Baptisms

We welcome into the Lord's family

7 May

Leah-Rose Kenyon, Rodney Street, Ashton-under-Lyne

Albie James Thomas Redfern, Longridge Avenue, Stalybridge

21 May

Lydia Shuttleworth, Sandringham Drive, Dukinfield

Weddings

God is love and those who live in love abide in God, and God lives in them

6 May

Steven Edmund Thomas to Fallon Jane Newton

13 May

Glen Andrew and Khrystina Louise Keyworth-Jubb

Thanksgiving of Marriage and Renewal of Vows

27 May

Daniel John Graham to Deborah Ann Slack

Funerals

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord

9 May

Angela Primrose Kenney (aged 91 years) Buckton Vale Mews,
Carrbrook, Stalybridge

14 May

Dorothy Allsopp (aged 80 years) Holden Street, Ashton-under-Lyne
Interment of cremated remains

18 May

William Ernest Dunlop (aged 70 years) Hall Avenue, Heyrod,
Stalybridge

Dear All,



I have been unable to find a definitive answer as to why the month of June is often called 'Flaming June' but it is appropriate this year in terms of the celebration of the moveable feast of Pentecost (or Whitsuntide) which falls this year on 4th June, being seven weeks or fifty days, after, and including Easter Sunday. The Liturgical colour for Pentecost is red to denote joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit, and throughout the Anglican Church red vestments are worn. In some churches, members of the congregation also wear red – maybe you might like to wear red on this day too.

The Bible tells us that the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples at the first Pentecost in the form of tongues of flame. They spoke about God's deeds of power and the crowds, made up of many nationalities and speaking different languages so that each could understand what was being said.

As is the tradition in Stalybridge, we too, will gather in crowds with the other churches in the town, for a joint Act of Worship at 2.30p.m. on Whit Sunday in Armentieres Square. Please do try and come along, if not to walk with the church, then at least, to join with us in the service. There will be a chance to join in prayer with the whole family of God the Father to pray for the empowering of God the Holy Spirit so that we may be effective witnesses to God the Son, Jesus Christ. All of this is encompassed by Thy Kingdom Come – a great wave of prayer initiated by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, which is taking place throughout the United Kingdom between Ascension and Pentecost (25 May – 4 June) and we are all invited to join in by praying, with a particular focus on people coming to faith.

At the end of the month, we celebrate the 177th Anniversary of the consecration of our present building. On the evening of Sunday 25th June we are holding a special Festival Evensong at which the choir from Daresbury Parish Church (All Saints) will be our guests and the vicar, Revd Canon David Felix will be preaching. Besides the choir from All Saints, Daresbury, members of their congregation will also be attending. It will be a wonderful choral celebration and I hope as many of you as possible will try to come along to swell the numbers and to worship and praise God who has been so generous over these 177 years.



If anyone would like to take up the bread and wine at the offertory—to celebrate a special occasion, in memory of a loved one or just to take part, please have a word with one of the wardens for any Sunday this year.

On a more personal note, the 28th June marks the twenty-fifth Anniversary of my ordination as a deacon – the years have gone by very quickly and I am so very grateful for all the blessings that have come my way since that date. I am thankful to innumerable people who have helped and supported me along the way and who continue, daily, to do so.

The actual date of the Anniversary falls on the final day of the Manchester Diocesan Clergy Conference which is at Swanwick in Derbyshire. The conference is held every three years over the course of three days and all clergy employed by the Diocese are expected to attend. The theme of this year's conference is 'Church For A Different World' and the guest speakers include Professor David Ford from Cambridge and Loretta Minghella who is CEO of Christian Aid. Hopefully, as well as enjoying prayer and fellowship, we will all come away with ideas for spreading the Gospel in a way that is as relevant in today's world as it was at that first Pentecost.

With best wishes to you all
Philip

Prayer at Pentecost

Dear Heavenly Father,
We all come from different places,
a bit like that crowd on the first day of Pentecost. We are from
different backgrounds, with different experiences that form us. I can't
be just like somebody else and no one else can be just like me.
Thank you for the gift of your Holy Spirit to speak and reveal your will
to us in a way that is personal and unique. Help us to be open to
receive him every day. Please go on filling us with your Spirit Lord,
that we might be effective witnesses to Jesus our Lord and Saviour.

In his name,
Amen.

A prayer by Daphne Kitching

**With June being a popular month for weddings a prayer for all couples
'tying the knot' this month.**

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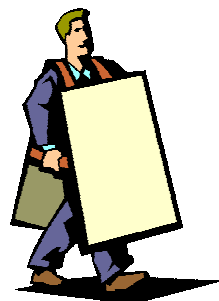
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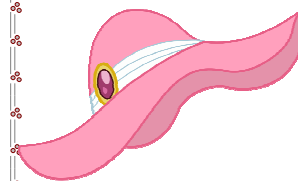
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Ladies! ...

.....time to get your glad rags on again
St George's is holding
a

Ladies Day

with a
Traditional Afternoon Tea and 'bubbly'
on Saturday 5th August 2017
2pm - 4pm

Ladies will be encouraged to wear hats or fascinators.

Last year's event was very successful so you won't want to
miss this - keep the date free! More details to follow.

Booking is essential for catering purposes and the
list will be put up in the church lounge soon.

Charity or love - what's in a name?
The King James Bible translates them the same.
Corinthians 13 tells the great theme
Of love everlasting, everyone's dream.

Loved by all brides on their wedding day
The verses they all want the preacher to pray.
The wonders of love that overrules all,
That holds on believing whatever befalls.

Love always trusting always prevails
Enduring, protecting, love never fails.
Faith hope and charity, virtues all three
But love is the greatest and ever will be

By Megan Carter

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"It's most kind of the church to donate these things but I wish they'd check there wasn't anything left inside, first!"

CHURCH FINANCES

April 2017 Weekly Giving

Date	Sunday	Open Plate	Envelopes	Total	Monthly Shortfall
30 Apr 2017	Easter 3	£42.50	£432.00	£474.50	
07 May 2017	Easter 4	£44.63	£487.62	£532.25	
14 May 2017	Easter 5	£74.61	£316.20	£390.81	
21 May 2017	Easter 6	£57.70	£366.00	£423.70	
28 May 2017	Easter 7 (Sunday after	£	£	£	
	Standing Orders etc		£864.00	£864.00	
	Monthly Total	£219.44	£1,608.20	£2,685.26	-£780.74

* Assuming £10 per adult per week needed for running the church this means we need £3,466 per month

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200 CLUB

The 200 Club winners for May 2017 are:

1st Prize	£25	105	Michael Davies
2nd Prize	£15	78	Ted Longden
3rd Prize	£10		Janet Vidler

The cost is £12 per year per number and there are still some spare numbers available and new members are always welcome. If you would like to join please see Rose Hayward or ring 303 1731.

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Smile Lines

Miscellaneous observations from modern life

Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes?
Come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller!□

The alternative to a holiday is to stay home, and tip every third person□you see. □

I accidentally went grocery shopping on an empty stomach, and am now the proud owner of Aisle 4.

Why are buildings called buildings when they are finished? Shouldn't they be called built?

Why is it that when you tell a man there are 400 billion stars he will believe you, but when you tell him there's wet paint he has to touch it?

If your supermarket is lowering prices every day, how come nothing is free yet?

If con is the opposite of pro, is Congress the opposite of progress?

A quiz – of sorts!

Q: At what time of day was Adam born?

A: A little before Eve.

Q Who is the smallest man in the Bible?

A: Some say it was Zacchaeus. But really it was Peter – he slept on his watch!

Q: Who was the most popular actor in the Bible?

A: Samson. He brought the house down.

Q: Who was the straightest man in the Bible?

A: Joseph. Pharaoh made a ruler out of him.

Q: What did Jonah do for three days in the belly of the big fish?

A: Sang, of course! Everybody sings in Wales!

Q: What sort of lighting did Noah have on the ark?

A: Not arc lighting – flood lighting!

Readings and Psalms for June 2017

Sun 4 th	Pentecost - <i>Whit Sunday</i> 10.30 Acts 2.1-21; Psalm 104.26-36,37b; 1 Corinthians 12.3b-13; John 20.19-23
Tues 6 th	10.30 1 Peter 1.10-16; Psalm 98.1-5; Mark 12.13-17
Sun 11 th	Trinity Sunday 8.30 Isaiah 40.12-17,27-end; Matthew 28.16-end 10.30 Isaiah 40.12-17,27-end; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13.11-end; Matthew 28.16-end
Tues 13 th	10.30 2 Corinthians 1.18-22; Psalm 119.129-136; Matthew 5.13-16
Sun 18 th	1st Sunday after Trinity 10.30 Exodus 19.2-8a; Psalm 100; Romans 5.1-8; Matthew 9.35-10.8
Tues 20 th	10.30 2 Corinthians 8.1-9; Psalm 146; Matthew 5.43-end
Sun 25 ^h	2nd Sunday after Trinity - <i>Feast of Dedication</i> 8.30 1 Kings 8.22-30; Matthew 21.12-16 10.30 1 Kings 8.22-30; Matthew 21.12-16 <i>Worship For All</i>
Tues 27 th	10.30 Genesis 13.2,5-end; Psalm 15; Matthew 7.6,12-14

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May Crossword Solution

ACROSS: 1, Baby. 3, Stimulus. 8, Liar. 9, Forsaken. 11, Episcopacy. 14, Eagles. 15, Clergy. 17, Strengthen. 20, Holiness. 21, Obed. 22, Bethesda. 23, Stay.

DOWN: 1, Believer. 2, Beatings. 4, Troops. 5, Musicology. 6, Like. 7, Sent. 10, Acceptance. 12, Prohibit. 13, Dying day. 16, Sensed. 18, Ahab. 19, Blot



Saint of the Month
8 June Thomas Ken,
Bishop of Bath and Wells,
Nonjuror, Hymn Writer, 1711

Thomas Ken was born in Hertfordshire in 1637 and reared by his half-sister Anne and her husband, the well-known angler Izaak Walton. Educated at Winchester and Hart Hall, Oxford, he was ordained and became Fellow of New College in 1657. After working in several parishes he became a tutor at Winchester in 1672. It was probably here

that he wrote the two hymns for which he largely remembered: the morning hymn,
Awake my soul,
 and the evening hymn,
Glory to thee my God this night.

In 1679 he went to The Hague as chaplain to Princess Mary, niece of King Charles II of England and wife of the Dutch Prince William of Orange. Ken publicly rebuked William for his treatment of his wife, which may well account for his return to England after only a year. Upon his return he was made personal chaplain to King Charles. When the king requested that Ken provide lodging for his current mistress, Nell Gwynn, as the chaplain's residence was conveniently close to the palace, Ken sent the king a bold refusal, complaining that he was the royal chaplain and not the royal pimp. Charles admired his honesty and bluntness, and made him Bishop of Bath and Wells in 1685. Some authorities have suggested that, when Charles died the same year, he asked for Ken's ministrations on his deathbed.

The next king, James II, was a Roman Catholic, and caused political turmoil by his heavy-handed attempts to favour Roman Catholics. He issued a decree – the Declaration of Indulgence – which attempted to override the legal restrictions on Catholics. The declaration was required to be read in churches, but seven bishops, among them Thomas Ken, refused, and were imprisoned in the Tower of London. But James was forced to release the bishops and to flee abroad. Parliament declared the throne vacant and then offered it jointly to the king's daughter Mary and her husband William of Orange.

But nine bishops – among them Ken – and some 300–400 clergy refused to take the oath to William and Mary on the grounds that their oath to King James was still valid. Known collectively as the Nonjurors, they were all deprived of their livings. In his enforced retirement Ken lived a celibate, ascetic life, initially working as a private tutor. A man who repeatedly put principle before personal comfort, Ken refused an offer of reinstatement at Bath and Wells in 1703. He died in 1711.

"May the *grace* of the Lord **JESUS** Christ and the *love* of **GOD** and the *fellowship* of the **HOLY SPIRIT** be with you all."
 2 Corinthians 13:13

Mouse Makes

Can you find all the names of the Trinity in this 3 in 1 word search?

GOD - THE FATHER

C	R	E	A	T	O	R
J	O	N	E	L	H	O
E	A	I	L	M	G	N
H	S	A	V	I	O	U
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V	U	O	N	H	I	G
A	D	F	A	T	H	E
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E	T	E	R	N	A	L

GOD - THE SON

M	E	S	S	I	A	H
S	J	M	O	S	T	T
C	E	M	N	V	W	R
H	S	A	V	I	O	U
R	U	N	O	N	R	T
E	B	E	D	H	A	W
S	H	E	P	H	E	R
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GOD - THE SPIRIT

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Left Side:
 LORD • GOD
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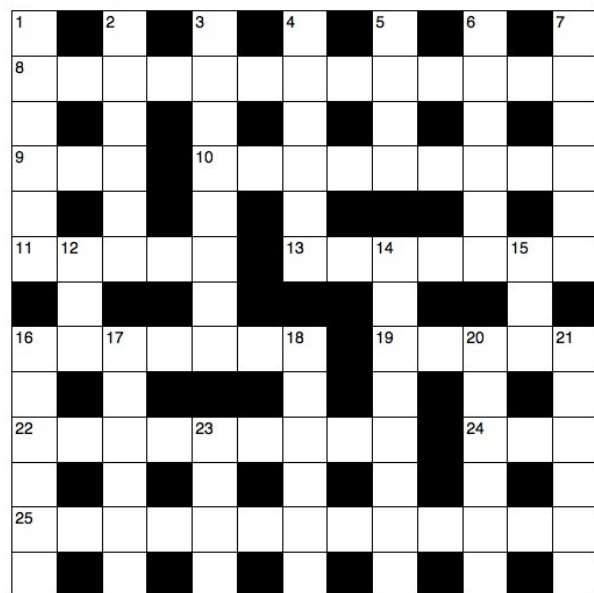
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Bottom Left:
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 HELPER • TRUTH • POWER • WISDOM • BREATH • ETERNAL

Bottom Right:
 WITNESS

Hiding in one of the puzzles is the word 'TRINITY', can you find it?

June Crossword



Across

8 Laban complained he had not been allowed to kiss them when Jacob fled with his family (Genesis 31:28) (13), 9 In favour of (3), 10 'The child's father and mother — at what was said about him' (Luke 2:33) (9), 11 Swagger (Psalm 12:8) (5), 13 'Terrors — him on every side and dog his every step' (Job 18:11) (7), 16 Bay bits (anag.) (7), 19 Preach, address an audience, speak in public (5), 22 Holy Communion (9), 24 'On their way to — out the land, Joshua instructed them, "Go and make a survey of the land"' (Joshua 18:8) (3), 25 Joseph advised Pharaoh to appoint these to administer his grain storage plan (Genesis 41:34) (13)

Down

1 'Assyria's pride will be brought down and — sceptre will pass away' (Zechariah 10:11) (6), 2 'And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in — with God and men' (Luke 2:52) (6), 3 The descendants of Esau (Genesis 36:9) (8), 4 The components of the crown that Jesus was made to wear before his crucifixion (John 19:2) (6), 5 Colour of cloth which was to cover holy objects in the tabernacle when moving camp (Numbers 4:6–12) (4), 6 One of the gold articles plundered from the Midianites offered to the Lord by the Israelite army 'to make atonement' (Numbers 31:50) (6), 7 'The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set — — ' (Jeremiah 31:29) (2,4), 12 Ate (anag.) (3), 14 'We ourselves... groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our — as sons' (Romans 8:23) (8), 15 Abram's nephew (Genesis 14:12) (3), 16 Rupture (Job 30:14) (6), 17 'Yet to all who received him... he gave the right to — children of God' (John 1:12) (6), 18 'I... asked him the true meaning of all — . — he told me and gave me the interpretation of these things' (Daniel 7:16) (4,2), 20 Military units (Exodus 14:20) (6), 21 'Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to — her to public disgrace' (Matthew 1:19) (6), 23 Diva (anag.) (4).

Some dates for your diary - June 2017

Thurs	1st	School Holiday No meeting of Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
Sat	3rd	8.00p.m. Quiz in the Lounge
Sun	4th	PENTECOST - WHIT SUNDAY 10.30a.m. Parish Eucharist 1.45p.m. Assemble at Church 2.00p.m. Walk to Stalybridge 2.30p.m. United Act of Witness
Tues	6th	10.30a.m. No Service of Holy Communion
Thurs	8th	7.00a.m. to 10.00p.m. Polling Day No meeting of Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
Sun	11th	TRINITY SUNDAY 8.30a.m. No Service of Holy Communion 10.30a.m. Parish Eucharist & Junior Church
Tues	13th	10.30a.m. No Service of Holy Communion
Thurs	15th	9.00a.m. Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs) 7.30p.m. Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	17th	2.00pm to 4pm Fair Trade Afternoon Tea
Sun	18th	FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY - PROPER 6 10.30a.m. Parish Eucharist & Junior Church 12.30p.m. Holy Baptism x 3
Tues	20th	10.30.a.m. Holy Communion 7.45p.m. Parochial Church Council
Thurs	22nd	9.00a.m. Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs) 7.30p.m. Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	24th	1.00p.m. Wedding of Ashley McMullin & Rachel Louise Cotton
Sun	25th	FEAST OF THE CONSECRATION OF ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH 8.30a.m. Holy Communion 10.30a.m. Worship For All 6.00p.m. Festival Evensong (with Daresbury Church Choir)
Mon-Wed	26th to 28th	Manchester Diocesan Clergy Conference at Swanwick
Tues	27th	10.30a.m. No Service of Holy Communion
Thurs	29th	9.00a.m. Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs) 7.30p.m. Tameside Community Voices Practice

For more information please go to our website www.stg.org.uk

Following the tragic events in Manchester on Monday 22 May this poignant poem was read by the poet at a vigil in Albert Square on Tuesday evening and celebrates everything that is great about Manchester and it's people.

This is the Place by Tony Ward (Longfella)

Manchester! This is the place in the North West of England
It's ace, it's the best and the songs that we sing
From the stands, from our bands set the whole planet shaking
Our inventions are legends! There's nowt we can't make and

So we make brilliant music. We make brilliant bands
We make goals that make souls leap from seats in the stands
And we make things from steel and we make things from cotton
And we make people laugh, take the mick summat rotten

And we make you at home and we make you feel welcome
And we make summat happen, we can't seem to help it
And if you're looking for history then yes, we've a wealth
But the Manchester way is to make it yourself

And make us a record, a new number one
And make us a brew while you're up, love. Go on!
And make us feel proud that you're winning the league
And make us sing louder and make us believe it

that this is the place that has helped shape the world
And that this the place where a Manchester girl
Name of Emmeline Pankhurst from the streets of Moss Side
Led a Suffragette City with sisterhood pride

And this is the place with appliance of science
We're on it, atomic, we strut with defiance
In the face of a challenge we always stand tall
Mancunians in union delivered it all

Such as housing and libraries, and health, education
And unions and co-ops, the first railway station
So we're sorry! Bear with us! We invented commuters!
But we hope you forgive us – we invented computers!

And this is the place Henry Royce strolled with Rolls
And we've rocked and we've rolled with our own Northern Soul
And so this is the place to do business, then dance
Where go-getters and goal setters know they've a chance

And this is the place where we first played as kids
And me Mam lived and died here, she loved it she did
And this is the place where our folks came to work
Where they struggled in puddles, they hurt in the dirt

And they built us a city. They built us these towns
And they coughed on the cobbles to the deafening sound
Of the steaming machines and the screaming of slaves
They were scheming for greatness, they dreamed to their graves

And they left us a spirit, they left us a vibe
That Mancunian Way to survive and to thrive
And to work and to build, to connect and create and
Greater Manchester's greatness is keeping it great

And so this is the place now we've kids of our own
Some are born here, some drawn here, but we all call it home
And they've covered the cobbles, but they'll never defeat
All the dreamers and schemers who still teem through these streets

Because this is a place that has been through some hard times
Oppressions, recessions, depressions and dark times
But we keep fighting back with Greater Manchester spirit
Northern grit, northern wit in Greater Manchester's lyrics

And there's hard times again in these streets of our city
But we won't take defeat and we don't want your pity
Because this a place where we stand strong together
With a smile on our face, Mancunians Forever

Because this is the place in our hearts, in our homes
Because this is the place that's a part of our bones
Because Manchester gives us such strength from the fact
That this is the place. We should give something back.

Always remember. Never forget. Forever Manchester.
Choose Love.

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