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From the VicarageChange

Dear Friends,

“For everything there is a season”, so says the writer of the Book of Ecclesiastes (words also used by the Byrds in ‘Turn! Turn! Turn!’ from 1965).

Liturgically we are also in a new season, the season of Lent. A season during which we are called to move on, to undergo personal change and to grow in our relationship with God.

We live in a rapidly changing world, a world in which long held values are the subject of continual challenge, and a world in which truth and proof are valued and sought. As people of faith we are of course not immune to the effects of change. Indeed, many changes have brought untold benefits to the lives of many.

The challenge for each of us, is that we are called to be faithful to the constant and unchanging reality of the sacrificial love of God in the person of Jesus Christ.

However, we are also called to be agents of change; to help to change the world around us for the better, to be part of the voices

which challenge unjust regimes, and to work to transform injustice in our society.

Many of the great reformers acted out of convictions underpinned by their faith. One of the greatest was the Earl of Shaftesbury who worked tirelessly to improve the lives of those who had nothing.

So this Lent, our challenge is to be both inward looking as we seek to deepen our relationship with God, and to be outward looking agents of change, who work for the coming of God’s Kingdom.

With my prayers and best wishes,

Fr Glen



Worship & Prayer Diary - March 2023

Date	Day	Worship Times	Intention
Wednesday 1st	St David	9.00 am Low Mass	Temptation
Thursday 2nd	St Chad	6.00 pm Low Mass	Wisdom & gentleness
Friday 3rd		9.30 am Low Mass	World Day of Prayer
Saturday 4th			Our Lent Study
+ Sunday 5th	Lent Two	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Choral Evensong	Faith & order
Monday 6th		12 noon Low Mass	Victims of the Earthquake in Turkey & Syria
Tuesday 7th	Ss. Perpetua, Felicity et al	10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Anniversaries of death
Wednesday 8th	St Felix, Bp	9.00 am Low Mass	Courage
Thursday 9th		6.00 pm Low Mass	Musicians
Friday 10th		9.30 am Low Mass	Mothers
Saturday 11th			People of the Ukraine
+ Sunday 12th	Lent Three	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Evening Prayer	Police Service
Monday 13th		12 noon Low Mass	Our Church School & Nursery
Tuesday 14th		10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Healing
Wednesday 15th		9.00 am Low Mass	Repentance
Thursday 16th		6.00 pm Low Mass	Vocations

Worship & Prayer Diary - March 2023

Date	Day	Worship Times	Intention
Friday 17th	St Patrick	9.30 am Low Mass	The People of Ireland
Saturday 18th	St Cyril of Jerusalem		Teaching the Faith
+ Sunday 19th	Mothering Sunday Lent Four	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Evensong & Benediction	Mother Church
Monday 20th	St Joseph, Husband of BVM St Cuthbert	12 noon Low Mass	Conversion of England
Tuesday 21st	Thomas Cranmer	10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Liturgy & Worship
Wednesday 22nd		9.00 am Low Mass	Scientists
Thursday 23rd		6.00 pm Low Mass	Deliver us from evil
Friday 24th		9.30 am Low Mass	Our inner prayer life
Saturday 25th	The Annunciation		Blessed Virgin Mary
+ Sunday 26th	Lent Five	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Evening Prayer	Community of St John Baptist
Monday 27th		12 noon Low Mass	All those in employment
Tuesday 28th		10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Conversion
Wednesday 29th		9.00 am Low Mass	Emergency Services
Thursday 30th		6.00 pm Low Mass	Men
Friday 31st		9.30 am Low Mass	Our Lady of Walsingham

Lent Course 2023



Our Lent Course will begin
on
Wednesday 1st March 2023
at
1.30 pm
in the Choir Vestry



Over the five weeks of Lent
we will be following the '**Bread of Life**' course
This will allow us to reflect on the deeper meaning of the Eucharist and why
this plays such an integral part of our faith as Christians
For more information speak to Fr Ryan
Everyone is very welcome

Lent Giving 2023



We will be offering the opportunity once again this year to support
Additional Curates Society, and boxes will be available for use during Lent.

If you are able please take one and use it during Lent to support the
work of the ACS who provide much needed financial support to poorer parishes.

A Prayer for Lent

Dear Father in Heaven

In this month, when Lent begins, we remember Jesus' experience in the wilderness. The world today can seem like a wilderness. So many difficult, incomprehensible things are going on. It is tempting to turn away in horror or denial, tempting to look out for ourselves, tempting to take the easy path, to pay attention to whatever the culture dangles before our eyes.

Lord, please help us. We need your word to guide us. We need your Holy Spirit to fill and strengthen us. Help us to give our attention and our worship only to you.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Thank you, Father, for Jesus, who by his death and resurrection, opens the way to you.

Help us to renew our trust in Him and through him, to walk with you every day. In His name, Amen.

By Daphne Kitching

The Crucifixion for Aid

Sunday 26th March 2023

'The Crucifixion' by Sir John Stainer (1840 - 1901) is a beautiful composition for choir, two soloists and organ accompaniment. 'The Crucifixion' includes five hymns for congregational or audience participation; these rank amongst the finest of their genre.

Our aim is to raise as many funds as possible for both charities by involving as many people as we can to sing this wonderful work for the UNICEF Crisis Appeal and for Fylde Foodbank, which provides essential support to local families, including a number of families from Ukraine.

We warmly invite everybody who might not wish to participate, to come and hear our performance at 7.00 pm.

Last year we raised over £2,800 for UNICEF and, this year, particularly as we are dividing the proceeds between these two charities, we need to raise as much, hopefully considerably more, with this year's performance.

Those participating include:

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Audience Donation: £5.00

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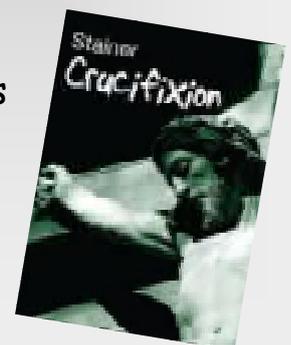
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If you wish to be a member of the audience please just come along on Sunday 26th March for a 7.00 pm start.

Refreshments will be available following the performance.

Please bring as many members of your family and friends as you possibly can.

Thank you.



Mothers' Union from Christine Buckley



Once again, it is the time of year to enjoy the beautiful snowdrops and the multi-coloured crocus which are appearing everywhere. I love gardening, but I am still waiting for warmer weather to really make a difference in our garden. I shall have to settle for a little pruning and tidying for the time being.

Mothers' Union members met in the Parish Rooms on 14th February. We were pleased to welcome our guests and delighted that Fr Glen and Fr Ryan joined us. We are always delighted to have new members and we were so pleased that Fr Glen was able to enrol four new members before our Annual General Meeting.

We then looked at the events over the last year and discussed our plans for 2023. This was followed by a most informative talk by Rachel Sykes about 'The Showtown Museum' in Blackpool. It is not open to the public yet, but much work has been done to organise facts and memorabilia about the many aspects of the history of Blackpool and arranged into different categories. These categories included the tower, the piers, the stars of showbusiness and the various theatres, along with other places of entertainment, including the circus. I could not help but tell everyone that in 1938 my mother had been an exhibition swimmer and a member of a group who performed in the circus. At the end of the show the floor of the circus ring dropped and the water rose, allowing the ladies to swim through channels into the ring. They had to take great care to avoid any animal droppings! This does not bear thinking about. We wish the museum every success when it is fully open.

As usual March is a busy month, starting with the World Day of Prayer, taking place this year on Friday 3rd March at St Joseph's RC Church in Ansdell. All the churches in Lytham St Annes are invited to join in the worship together. The following week, on Friday 10th March, members are invited to the Deanery Quiet Afternoon. This will be led by our own Fr Ryan and held at Christ Church, Wesham, at 2 pm.

Mothers' Union meets in church on Tuesday 14th March, when we worship together at the 10.30 am. Service. This will be followed with refreshments, fellowship and joyfully another enrolment.

On Saturday 18th March at 10.00 am we will be preparing posies in preparation for their distribution on Mothering Sunday, 19th March at the 10.30 am service, which is the fourth Sunday in Lent.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all our members who are unable to meet at church but never ever forgotten.



Advance Notice

Holy Week & Easter Services

Our services for Holy Week and Easter Day
are as follows:

Holy Monday - Mass at 12 noon

Holy Tuesday - Mass at 10.30 am

Holy Wednesday - Mass at 9 am

Sacrum Triduum

Maundy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper & Watch
7.30 pm

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross
10.30 am

Solemn Liturgy of The Passion
3.00 pm

Holy Saturday

Paschal Vigil & First Mass of Easter
8.00 pm



Easter Day
Parish Mass
10.30 am



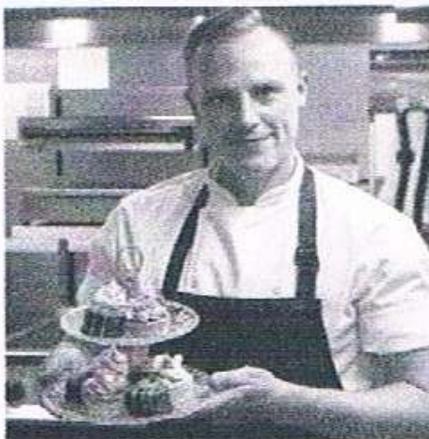


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if you would like to order one or two!

Poppy Cascade



**Calling anyone who can knit, sew or crochet.
We need your help please.**

For Remembrance Sunday 2023 the Bell Ringers would like to produce a cascade of poppies from the ringing room window to the ground at the front of church, similar to the one in the photograph .

Hopefully we will be able to display this cascade every year leading up to Remembrance Sunday.

We are going to need lots of poppies to make this happen! If you are able to contribute any knitted, sewn or crocheted poppies that would be very much appreciated. Any pattern of your choice is fine, so long as the finished poppy is 2"-5" (5cm-13cm) in diameter. Thank you.

For more information about this project please contact Monica Hollows:
monica.r.hollows@btinternet.com

The knitting pattern we are using is as follows:

- ◆ Double knitting wool (red & black) with size 9 needles.
- ◆ Cast on 60 stitches in red wool
- ◆ (Knit 2, Purl 2) repeat to end of the row
- ◆ Repeat for 10 rows
- ◆ Row 11 - knit 2 together, to end of the row
- ◆ Row 12 - (slip 1 stitch, knit 2 tog, slip the 1st stitch over) continue to end of the row.
- ◆ This will leave you with 10 stitches.
- ◆ Cut a longish length of wool and thread back through the stitches, pull into a round and stitch together. You now have a poppy.
- ◆ For the centre of the poppy, using black wool, cast on 10 stitches and knit one row and purl one row for 10 rows.
- ◆ Cut a length of wool and thread back through stitches and draw up and attach to centre of poppy. OR use a black button or embroidered black centre instead of the knitted centres.



Christmas Quiz 2022

Thank you to everyone who entered the Christmas Quiz. It was very close with only one & a half points separating the top three places. Congratulations to the winners!

1st - Paul & Susan McMahon = 219.5
2nd - Alan & Fiona Norris = 219
3rd - Joanne Walmsley = 218

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2023

This year's pilgrimage to Walsingham will be from Monday 4th to Thursday 7th September.

The cost is £325, depending on the number of people attending. If interested please have a word with Kath Hall or Gerald Wilson. New pilgrims especially welcome.



We celebrate Mass together as a group on the last Friday of the month, please see the Prayer Diary for details.

Notices from the Pew Sheet

The Eco Pod: The Eco Pod @ Heyhouses School, Clarendon Road - Over 65's Afternoons at the Warm Ecopod on Thursdays, 9th March and 23rd March from 1.30 pm - 3 pm. For more info contact Tel: 0790 9960915 or call the Main Office at Heyhouses School - 722014 - Ext 3

Tea & Chat: The next one will be held on Monday 6th March at 10.30 am, see page 21 for more details,



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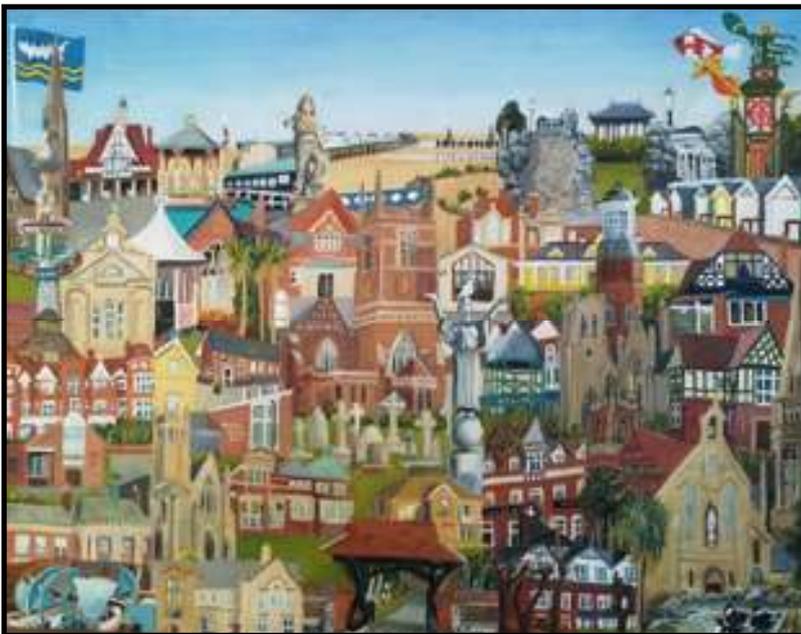
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St Annes Parish Church **Bell Project - Update**



A big thank you to everyone who has and, indeed, still continues to generously support the Bell Appeal.

The PCC has now given authorisation for the full refurbishment and augmentation project to proceed, ahead of full funding being secured, such that work is completed in time for 150 th Anniversary of the Church on 6 th August 2023.

The work will see the church getting six newly cast bells, combined with the existing back four bells which will have been fully refurbished.

Ownership of the existing front four bells which are being replaced will pass to the Keltek Trust (a bellringing charity), meaning these four bells will be saved from a heritage perspective. St. Anne's Parish Church will be getting a tonally superior ten bells, with a lighter front six, hung in all new fittings, which will not only greatly assist their ease of ringing, but also make teaching and training much easier.

Obviously, there will be a period of time when the existing bells will have to be removed from the tower. Exact dates are yet to be confirmed, but potentially this could happen sometime before Easter, with refit three months later.

The Bell Appeal Fund, comprising monies received through donations, sales of items and grants, together with pledges and commitments already made, now totals around £85,000 out of the £120,000 total price, leaving around £35,000 still to be raised.

Naturally, fundraising initiatives, including the sale of pictures, notelets and gin will continue, along with further donations and grants being sought. There will also be the possibility of a coach trip being arranged to visit Taylor's Bell Foundry at Loughborough in May to see some of the new bells being cast. This is bound to be popular, so please email me if you are interested in going, noting that first priority will be given to St. Anne's ringers and significant donors.

Two further opportunities have arisen, which I would like to make people aware of:

- Each of the ten bells will be fitted to a new metal headstock. As part of the casting process, personalised inscriptions can be added on each side of the headstock. It has been decided that any donor contributing at least £1,000 to the Bell Appeal will be offered the opportunity to have a headstock inscription (for example, in memory of a loved one). Eighteen donors currently fall into this category, effectively leaving two headstock sides still available for use.
- Bell Inscription - Each of the existing eight St. Anne's bells bears the name of a member of the Clifton family and these names are being reproduced on the four bells being recast. There is the opportunity for the four other sides of the bell to have new inscriptions on them. Any major donor contributing at least £5,000 will be offered the opportunity to have a bell inscription. Three major donors currently fall into this category, effectively leaving one side of a bell still available for use.

If anyone would be interested in the opportunity of making a donation to secure a permanent family inscription, either on a headstock or a bell, please contact me or the Parish Office.

Thank you again.

Stuart Newton - Tower Captain

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Dates for Your Diary 2023

Friday 17th March - Lenten Jacob's Join - 6.30 pm
Parish Rooms - see page 19

Friday 5th May - 7.30 pm - Eccleston Brass Band - in church
to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III

Tickets will be £10 including refreshments
Please bring your flags!

We celebrate the church's 150th Anniversary this year, so various events are being planned for July & August

See the Pew Sheet for further details of these and new events planned for the coming months



Quote for March



"One moment of impatience may ruin a whole life"

Let's make 19th March a MOTHERING SUNDAY On 19th March most churches will celebrate their 'mothers'. £millions will be spent on Mother's Day gifts and cards, and children will give flowers to women in church. It's a joy to honour mothers for their love and caring, but our blessings are lessened when we forget the Day's original purpose.

The Mother's Day we know today began on 12th May, 1907, in America, when a woman called Anna Jarvis held a service in her late mother's church to honour her work of organising women's groups to promote friendship and health. The idea spread, and in 1914 Mother's Day was declared an official celebration.

However, the European Mothering Sunday goes back to the 16th century, and was altogether more faith-based. On the fourth Sunday of Lent people went 'a-mothering', going to their 'mother' church, the main church in the region, for a special service. In those days domestic servants rarely had free days, but they were given a day off during Lent, so they could go along with their mothers and families. Times changed, and by the 1900s Mothering Sunday had largely changed into Mother's Day - a celebration of mothers more than mother churches.

Many Scriptures describe the mothering qualities of God, for example Isaiah 66:13 - 'As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you.' We also see it in women without children. I remember a spinster head teacher in a poor district in Wales mothering and bringing the best out of 'her' children. We see it in our housing and care homes, in older women who have never been mothers as well as those who have, as they comfort a carer who has had a miscarriage, or who needs encouragement. We see it in pastors, and in men who nurture others.

Let's thank God for His gift of 'mothering', wherever we find it.

St Patrick's Social

Jacob's Join & Beetle Drive

On **Friday 17th March**
at **6.30 pm**
in the **Parish Rooms**

There is no charge for this event but we would ask everyone attending to contribute to the Jacob's Join.

A list of foods required is at the back of church. Please sign the list to indicate if you wish to attend and then add your name next to the food items to indicate what you will be providing.

Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

In addition we ask everyone to bring items (tinned and dried goods) that can be donated to the Food Bank.

The deadline to sign up for this event is Sunday 12th March. The Clergy and members of the Social Committee will answer any questions you may have.

Thomas Cranmer - 21st March

Archbishop of Canterbury & Reformation Martyr

If you have ever been caught up in a great event at work, which has gone on to change your own life, then Thomas Cranmer is the saint for you. He was the first ever Protestant Archbishop of Canterbury, following King Henry VIII's decision to pull away from Rome, and set up the Church of England.

Born in Nottingham in 1489, Thomas Cranmer became Archbishop of Canterbury in 1533. He was adviser to both Henry VIII and Edward VI. He helped Henry with the annulment of his marriage to Catherine of Aragon, and along with Thomas Cromwell, supported the principle of Royal Supremacy (where the king is sovereign over the Church in his realm).

Under Edward VI, Thomas Cranmer made major reforms to the C of E. He put the English Bible into parish churches, compiled the first two versions of the Book of Common Prayer, and worked with continental reformers to change doctrine on everything from the Eucharist and veneration of saints.

However, kings and queens, like American presidents, change, and the Catholic Queen Mary I was determined to wipe out Protestantism. Thomas Cranmer was imprisoned for two years, found guilty of heresy, and burned at the stake on 21st March 1556.

MARK F.H. RAE



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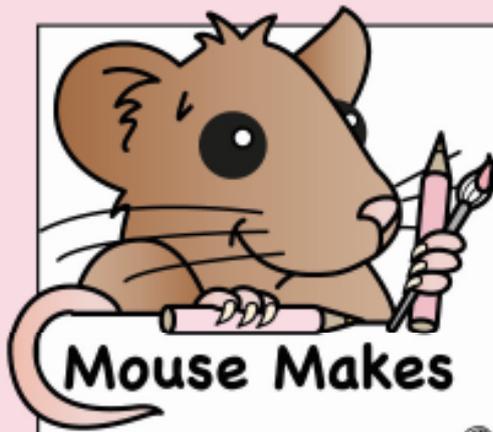
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Activities for the Younger Members





BIBLE MOTHERS
Who had two sons called Cain and Abel?

— — — — —
Genesis 4:1-2

Who was 90 years old when she had her son Isaac?

— — — — —
Genesis 17:19

Whose prayers for a child were answered by God?

— — — — —
1 Samuel 1:20

Who was Ruth's Mother-in-Law?

— — — — —
Ruth 1:1-5

Eunice was Timothy's mother, but who was her mother?

— — — — —
2 Timothy 1:5

Who saved her baby by putting him in a basket in the river?

— — — — —
Exodus 6:20

Look up the Bible verses and find out who the Bible mothers are.



M — — — — —
Matt 1:16

O — — — — —
2 Tim 1:5

T — — — — —
1 Kings 1:11

H — — — — —
1 Sam 1:20

E — — — — —
Gen 34:1

R — — — — —
Gen 30:22

WHO IS MY MOTHER?



- | | |
|---------|-----------|
| CAIN | ELIZABETH |
| ISAAC | HANNAH |
| JESUS | RACHEL |
| JACOB | REBEKAH |
| TIMOTHY | EVE |
| JOSEPH | MARY |
| SAMUEL | SARAH |
| JOHN | EUNICE |



How many other words can you make from:

MOTHERING SUNDAY

?

Look up the Bible verses then find the answers and the names below in the word search



- REBEKAH
- ELIZABETH
- EUNICE
- RUTH
- MARY
- RACHEL
- LEAH
- ZIPLAH
- MOTHER
- MUM

E E L O I S Z I L A M J H
 U V N Z M A R Y Z U O Z R
 N E A D U R U T H L T I A
 I J O C H A B E D E H L C
 C I M B J H M U M A E P H
 E L I Z A B E T H H R A E
 R E B E K A H A N N A H L



Fasting

Canon Paul Hardingham continues his new series on the spiritual disciplines that help us to grow and deepen our faith.

Spiritual disciplines are practices designed to help us grow as disciples of Jesus. This month we are looking at the practice of *fasting*.

Fasting can be a neglected discipline, but plays an important part in the Christian life, especially during Lent. Jesus began His earthly ministry by fasting in the wilderness for 40 days and taught His disciples to fast:

'When you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen.' (Matthew 6:17,18)

Why Fast?

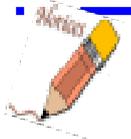
Firstly, giving up something in my life underlines my desire to put God first in my life. Secondly, fasting shows me how much I depend on things other than God in my life, so I can surrender my idols to Him. Thirdly, fasting encourages me to have a deeper hunger and dependency for God in my life. Therefore, fasting gives me space to focus on God for His strength, provision, and wisdom and leads to a more intimate relationship with Christ. It also enables the Holy Spirit to reveal my true spiritual condition, leading to repentance, and a transformed life and a more attentive heart towards God.

How can I Fast?

Usually fasting involves missing one or two meals during the day, although some can't abstain for medical reasons. It might also include abstaining or limiting the time I give to television, alcohol or social media. However, Lent can also be a time to embrace new spiritual disciplines e.g. joining a study group, *'random acts of kindness'*, or giving more time to prayer and Bible Study. Whatever you do, make Lent count this year!

'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.' (Matthew 5:6)

Note from the Editor:



Welcome to the March edition of the magazine. How wonderful to see the church yard full of snowdrops, with the crocus and daffodils not far behind. Spring is definitely on its way.

We are now in the season of Lent and the preparations begin. We will spend the coming days and weeks in fasting, prayer & giving as we walk with Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem and beyond.

The April magazine will be published just before Easter, so if you have anything for the next magazine, then, as always please send them to:

stannesparishmag@gmail.com

Thank you

Head for the Wilderness

The wilderness is a place where we all go at some point in our lives...



And he said, 'Which way shall we go up?' And he answered, 'The way through the wilderness...' 2 Kings 3:8

The only way into the Promised Land is through the wilderness. One Bible scholar has called it 'God's killing field'. He says: 'That's where the things that cause us to stumble in our walk with God are permitted to die; where God 'weeds out' those who want only a momentary, superficial relationship with Him, from those who want their lives really to count.'

If your life is a wilderness at present, take heart: God is there with you the whole time. It's where you learn to stand and to cast all your cares on Him (1 Peter 5:7). Sometimes God will lead you there abruptly, especially if He's been trying to get your attention. He may want to talk to you about the call He's placed on your life, but you haven't had time to listen. Now you find yourself in the wilderness, and you realise that God is the only one who can get you through this.

Here, He permits you to be stripped of pride, so that you can be clothed with humility; stripped of self-sufficiency, so that you can be brought to the place of total dependence on Him. If you're there today, don't think that God's punishing you or that He's forsaken you. No, He's simply allowing some things in your life to die, so that other things can be born and grow into life and fruitfulness.

You'll get through this and by God's grace you'll reach your destiny.

The truth is – there is no other way to the Promised Land other than through the wilderness.

A Reflection on The Lord's Prayer

Reflection on The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:1-18)

Our Father in heaven, please help us.
We, your children, learn slowly.

So often we say nothing when your name is mis-used.

Often our lives do not reflect your ways,
Mostly we do what we want on earth,
And this can make heaven unimaginable.

We expect so much more than we actually need each day.

Sometimes we think we don't need forgiveness,

Sometimes we think we are unforgivable,
And we forget that other people make these same errors of thinking.

When it comes to temptation, we find our own ways,
We are confused about what is and is not evil,
We are confused about deliverance,
We are confused...

And here is the wonder, the grace and the mystery,

That you know us completely,
Our failings, our secrets,
And still love us forever and ever.

Amen





Food Donations Supporting the Parish



There is a basket at the back of church for any tinned or other non-perishable donations which we are passing to our church school, Heyhouses C of E Primary School, each week
These items are used to support our school and thereby the families in our parish

Sadly, even within the sound of our church bells, some families face the difficult decision of heating or eating

So we extend a huge THANK YOU to everyone who donates goods

It is very much appreciated by our local community and the school

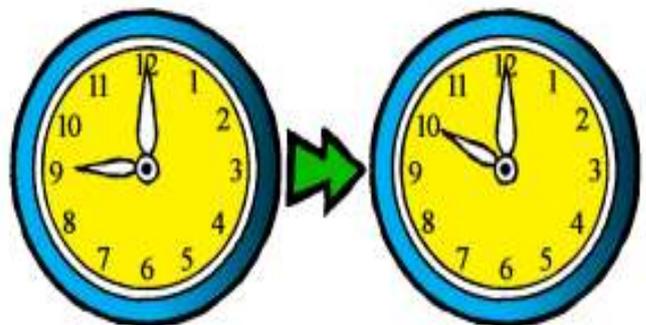
Donations can be brought to any of the church services and

CHURCH IS OPEN EVERY FRIDAY between 1-5 pm
Please check that all items are well within their "Use by" date



As the servers's strike entered its third week, the Army was called in.

Clocks go Forward



26th March

Don't Forget!

Or you will be late for church.

Time for a Spring Clean?



*Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
(Psalm 51:77)*

People used to have an annual 'Spring clean' when they would clean the house from top to bottom. Perhaps it was a way of marking the new season or because the longer days and increasing sunlight rays made the dust stand out. Certainly, the coal fires used all winter before central heating would have made the houses dusty!

If you do have a clean-up, why not have a clear-out as well? Some of us are not good at throwing things away. Even if we don't use the thing, we can have a sentimental attachment to it, and not want to let it go.

However, what do you do with the stuff you no longer want, without simply adding to landfill? There are online places to sell second-hand goods and local online organisations that advertise things people want to get rid of. You could also have a garage sale (called a yard sale in America) where you sell stuff, or even go to a car boot sale.

Another way of passing things on is via a charity shop. Our area has numerous charity shops all supporting excellent causes. This is an excellent way in which we can support our charities. Some will even collect larger items. The 'Book Shop' in the square supporting Brian House, the children's hospice, takes books of any age, raising additional funds.

If you want to raise money for church funds, how about holding a church or village jumble sale? If you decide to go ahead, just give yourself time to plan it well in advance with rules about what you will accept, how you will publicise it, how you can keep everyone safe, and who will manage the money. Help for everyone!



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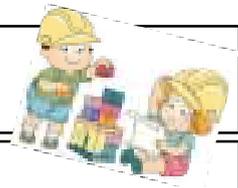
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Baby & Toddler Group



We meet in the Parish Rooms from
2.00 pm to 3.30 pm on **WEDNESDAYS** during **TERM TIME**

Everyone is welcome - Mummies & Daddies, Grandparents,
Childminders, Carers

You will all be given a warm welcome with your little ones
Come and have a cup of tea or coffee and a chat while your children
play in a safe environment

For more details contact the Parish office - 01253 722736

*Church of St Anne Guide Book only £2.50, available from the church
bookstall. Highly recommended*

WE ARE A GIVING CHURCH - CHARITABLE DONATIONS 2022

We donate 10% of our planned-giving income to charity. Most recently we supported the Centre for Legal Aid Assistance and Settlement, North West Blood Bikes, St Anne's Friends of Trinity Hospice, The Stroke Association and other individual causes identified by the clergy.
More information is on our website: www.stannesparishchurch.org

Nursery Praise

The worship, prayers
and story time will be
followed by
refreshments

All young children are
welcome, together with
parents and carers

**This will resume as
soon as possible**



Babies & Toddlers

Come and join us
in the Parish Rooms on
Wednesday afternoons
in **term time** from

2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Everyone is welcome
Mums, Dads,
Grandparents,
Childminders and Carers

Come and join us for tea
and a chat with plenty of
toys for the toddlers



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Articles for inclusion in
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before 12 pm on
FRIDAY 17th MARCH

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Church Registers



Baptisms



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Logan
Elisha



Marriages

Andrie
Morgan-Short
&
Lia
Murphy



Recently Departed

Please pray for those who have died recently, among them:

Gillian Dalton
Jimmy Thomas
Joan Kendrew

*'May they rest in Peace and
rise in Glory'*



Memorial Chapel Lamp

The Memorial Chapel Lamp is sponsored by Bill Bloss in Memory of Mike Fitzsimmons



Lady Chapel Lamp

The Lamp in the Lady Chapel is sponsored by The St Annes Cell of Our Lady of Walsingham



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE



It is possible to have names of departed loved ones placed in the Memorial Book. Please simply take a form from the back of church and return it to the Parish Office.



Donations given with names for entry will be placed in a special memorial fund, to be used in memory of loved ones, according to the church's needs.

Diocesan Communications Update

Information from the diocese is available to view on the diocesan website: www.blackburn.anglican.org. If you are reading this online you can click on this link [Blackburn Diocese](http://www.blackburn.anglican.org) or search www.blackburn.anglican.org

Lots of useful and interesting information with links to photographs, articles and diocesan initiatives.

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Usual Services at St Annes Parish Church

Sunday

10.15 am Children's Church
(2nd & 4th Sundays)

(Unable to meet at present, awaiting new leadership)

10.30 am Parish Mass

6.30 pm Evening Prayer
(see Worship & Prayer Diary for details)

Weekday Services

The Mass is usually celebrated at the
following times:

Monday 12.00 noon

Tuesday 10.30 am

Wednesday 9.00 am

Thursday 6.00 pm

Friday 9.30 am



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