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From the Vicarage ...

Dear Friends,

I don't know about you, but I am struggling to remember when the sun last shone! The recent weather forecasts have predicted rain, followed by more rain, without any promise of the summer sun which we have all been looking forward to seeing. Summer is of course when many of us take a holiday, and I suspect that many of you will have travelled to parts of the world where the sun is guaranteed to appear.

Unless you are someone who likes to climb mountains, or trek across deserts, holidays are times of rest and recreation.

Rest and recreation are an essential part of our lives.

From a physical and physiological perspective, our bodies need sleep and rest to survive; from a psychological perspective we need to rest too, because it is only when we are properly rested that we can perform to the best of our abilities, and it is only when we are relaxed that we can fully enjoy the things that we like to do.

In one of the Psalms it says, "It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for God gives sleep to his beloved." (127:2). We can often get consumed by the pressures of work, by the chores needed to maintain a home, or by looking after family. We can all be very busy; but when we are busy, we can forget that we need time to rest. For Jews and Christians, God rested after the world had been created, and the Seventh Day, the Sabbath Day, was also a day on which

people were not allowed to work.

It is important for us all to think about how much we do, and to recognise that there are times when we may need to step back, relax, and spend time with our friends and family.

Recreation is re-creation: it is a time of making ourselves new. Sometimes, taking a moment to rest and relax is more productive than madly trying to complete that never-ending to do list.

We also need to make sure that we look after each other, to notice when those around us are 'burning the candle at both ends' and need to stop. Jesus said, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28).

There are times when we need to do this for others, to ask those around us whether there is anything we can do to help lighten the load that they are carrying. We all need that rest, and giving people rest can be one of the greatest gifts we can give others.

So, remember to rest and relax, and allow yourself to be re-created, ready for whatever lies ahead.

With my prayers and very best wishes,

Fr Glen



Worship & Prayer Diary - September 2023

Date	Day	Worship Times	Intention
Friday 1st		9.30 am Low Mass	The Apostolic Church
Saturday 2nd			Persecuted Christians
+ Sunday 3rd	Trinity 13	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Choral Evensong	For those children and staff who are returning to school or nursery
Monday 4th		12 noon Low Mass	For all those who are moving to the next stage in their education
Tuesday 5th	Blessed Teresa of Calcutta	10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Our school & nursery
Wednesday 6th		9.00 am Low Mass	Christian Missionaries
Thursday 7th		6.00 pm Low Mass	Anniversaries of death
Friday 8th	Birth of The Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30 am Low Mass	Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday 9th	Charles Fuge Lowder, Priest		The Society of the Holy Cross (SSC)
+ Sunday 10th	Trinity 14	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Evening Prayer	Those who lack food and water
Monday 11th		12 noon Low Mass	Health Care Professionals
Tuesday 12th		10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Increase in Religious life vocations
Wednesday 13th	St John Chrysostom	9.00 am Low Mass	Thanksgiving for the Church Fathers
Thursday 14th	Holy Cross Day	6.00 pm Low Mass	Healing

Worship & Prayer Diary - September 2023

Date	Day	Worship Times	Intention
Friday 15th		9.30 am Low Mass	Keeping the Sabbath Holy
Saturday 16th	SS Cornelius & Cyprian		Conversion of England
+ Sunday 17th	Trinity 15	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Choral Evensong & Benediction	God's victory over evil
Monday 18th		12 noon Low Mass	The Orthodox Church
Tuesday 19th	St Theodore of Tarsus	10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Vocations to the Priesthood
Wednesday 20th		9.00 am Low Mass	Martyrs of the Church
Thursday 21st	St Matthew	6.00pm Low Mass	Unity in the Apostolic Church
Friday 22nd		9.30 am Low Mass	Mothers' Union
Saturday 23rd			Those suffering from addiction of any kind
+ Sunday 24th	Trinity 16	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Evening Prayer	Church Musicians
Monday 25th		12 noon Low Mass	Against Heresy
Tuesday 26th		10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Protection of the Seal of the Confessional
Wednesday 27th	St Vincent de Paul, Priest	9.00 am Low Mass	Mental Health Services
Thursday 28th		6.00 pm Low Mass	Residential Theological Colleges
Friday 29th	St Michael and All Angels	9.30 am Low Mass Walsingham Cell Mass	Walsingham Cell
Saturday 30th	St Jerome		For our Sunday School

St Annes Parish Church

150th Anniversary - 6th August

Sunday 6th August 2023 marked the 150th anniversary of the consecration of St Annes Parish Church.

A weekend of celebrations began on Saturday afternoon with the displaying of the new and refurbished bells in church, complete with floral decorations by Jenny Edwards. Outside in the churchyard the grave of the infant, George Melling, who tragically died from scalding and who was the first interment in our churchyard, had been decorated with flowers, provided by Adrian Page and arranged by Val Streule. It was pleasing to see so many people visiting the church in spite of the inclement weather.

On Sunday, the Mass of the Transfiguration of the Lord and the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the consecration of the church was led by Bishop Glyn Webster, and during the service he blessed and rededicated the bells.

"Almighty God, we offer to you all the work that has been undertaken to restore these bells. Bless, Sanctify and Hallow all that has been done in this church. Bless with Your grace and skill all who ring here, and grant that the message of these bells may lift the hearts of all who hear them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen"

It was very fitting that former clergy, Fr Damian, Fr Keith and Fr David, were able to attend and assist in the celebration of mass with Fr Glen, Fr Ryan and Fr Ian. The service was enhanced with the wonderful music led by the choir and our church organist, Alistair MacKenzie.

The celebrations concluded with Sunday lunch at the Glendower Hotel. It was good to see so many people there and everyone appeared to enjoy the excellent food and fellowship. Sincere thanks must go to Pam Kinghorn for organising the lunch; it was so successful that there were calls for the event to be repeated.

Susan McMahon

There are more pictures on pages 10 & 16





Bell Update by Stuart Newton

It has been a busy few weeks following the return of the bells on 3rd August. All ten bells were put on display with their fittings, each with a beautiful floral arrangement by Jenny Edwards – thank you Jenny. We had an open afternoon in church on Saturday, 5th August, organised by Monica Hollows, which saw over 100 people take the opportunity to see the bells, take many photos, meet the ringers and have a go on our new mobile training bell.

The following day, as part of the 150th Anniversary Mass, the bells were blessed by the Bishop of Beverley. By the following Wednesday, all the bells had been raised up the tower and the large trapdoor closed again. Work then began to fix each bell in place, along with the installation of the associated bell fittings. We hope that the bells will be able to ring out by the end of August.

I really appreciate the support from many of our ringers, and also some members of the congregation, to the installation activity. Providing local free labour support to Taylor's Foundry enabled a significant reduction in the church's bill for the restoration work.

The Appeal Fund has also been bolstered recently by three successful grant applications, prepared and submitted by the ringers. The Garfield Weston Foundation awarded £10,000, Fylde Borough Council Community Fund £2,000 and the Duchy of Lancaster Benevolent Fund £1,000.

Thank you to everyone who has supported, and continues to support, the Bell Appeal. As a result of this support, you will soon hear our church bells ringing again.



Poppy Net Update



Thank you to everyone who has donated, and continues to donate, poppies. Up to 15th August we had about 6,200 poppies, which is brilliant! 10,000 poppies will completely fill the net, but we now have enough to ensure a good display.

We are now planning the assembly of the net. We will be having the following assembly sessions to which everyone is welcome. In fact many hands make light work, so please come and help if you can! Minimal skill is required - if you can tie a reef knot or use a pair of scissors you can help!

All sessions will be in Church from 2 pm - 4.30 pm, with a break for tea and biscuits in the middle, on the following Sundays:

3rd September

24th September

8th October

15th October

We are also planning an official "opening ceremony" for the poppy cascade, with Fr Glen blessing the cascade. This will be followed by tea and cake in Church. Everyone will be made most welcome, especially all who have contributed to the cascade in any way, as we want to say thank you. This will be held at 2.30 pm on Sunday 29th October; more details will follow. The cascade will then stay in place until Remembrance Sunday.

Thanks again to everyone who is supporting this project. It is very much appreciated.

Monica Hollows





St Annes Parish Church



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Holy Cross Day - 14th September

On Holy Cross Day the Church celebrates the Cross as a symbol of triumph, as the sign of Christ's victory over death. Holy Cross Day goes right back to 14 September 335, and we have the mother of a Roman Emperor to thank for it.

Helena was a devout Christian, and after her son, Constantine, was converted, they agreed that she should travel from Rome to Israel, and seek out the places of special significance to Christians.

Of course, much of Jerusalem had been destroyed by the Romans around 135 AD. But even so, Helena finally located what she believed to be the sites of the Crucifixion and of the Burial (and modern archaeologists think she may well be correct). The sites were so close together that she built one large church over them – the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

That church, built in honour of the Cross, was dedicated on 14 September 335.

The sign of the Cross has been used by Christians since early times. Tertullian, writing his *De Corona* (3:2) around AD 211, noted that Christians seldom did anything significant without making the sign of the cross.

What is its significance?

Well, people often put their initials or some sort of personal mark on something to show that it belongs to them. The Cross is the personal mark of our Lord Jesus Christ, and we mark it on ourselves as a sign that we belong to him. Even in the book of Revelation, we read that the servants of God are 'sealed' or 'marked' on their foreheads as a sign that they are His.

A preacher once put it this way: if you were explaining to someone how to make a cross, you would say:

"Draw an I." That is you standing before the Lord, saying, 'here I am'.

Then cancel that vertical stroke with a horizontal stroke – as if to say: "Lord, I abandon my self-will and make you the centre of my life instead. I abandon myself to your love and service."

On Holy Cross Day, we recall Jesus' wonderful promise:

"And when I am lifted up, I will draw all men unto me." (John 12:32)



Mothers' Union from Christine Buckley



We have been enjoying a very mixed summer so far this year, but at least we have not had to spend hours watering our gardens. I love my garden and we are enjoying eating our own fruit and vegetables.

We recently spent a day at the Shrewsbury Flower Show and we were fortunate to have a lovely sunny day. There were many tents displaying plants and all kinds of merchandise, and many stalls selling food and drinks. There were also arenas for horses and showjumping. Well known celebrities, including David Domoney and Clodagh McKenna, were giving talks and demonstrations.

On arriving in Shrewsbury it was suggested that we might like to have refreshments in the Church Hall nearby. After walking around the exhibits and listening to the bands and choir in the bandstand, which were most enjoyable, we visited the wonderful St Chad's Church. This is an iconic Grade 1 listed building and the only circular Georgian church retaining its original interior.

The church is absolutely breathtaking inside and the Friends of St Chad's work very hard to maintain it. Charles Darwin was baptised there in 1809. After enjoying refreshments in the Church Hall we returned to the Flower Show and listened to more music. Unfortunately we could not stay for the evening events and fireworks.

This outing to Shrewsbury occurred on the same week as we celebrated our founder, Mary Sumner. Mothers' Union branches all over the diocese were remembering her and we gathered at church on 8th August and later in the choir vestry. It had also been a very special time in our church because our new bells had just been delivered and blessed.

We gather in the Parish Rooms on 12th September at 1.45 pm for our next meeting when Fr Ian Hollin will be talking to us about "Acid Drops and Broken Biscuits". Some of our members will be going on the parish trip to Walsingham and Gerald Wilson will be telling us all about the "Wonder of Walsingham" at our meeting on 10th October at 1.45 pm in the Parish Rooms.

In our prayers we pray for all MU members and the diocese asks us to pray for our President, Gill Ireland, and for all the branches and events with which she is involved and visiting. We are invited to attend Lancaster Priory Church from 11th-28th September, 10 am until 4 pm, to view an exhibition of shoes that tell the stories of domestic abuse.

The Mothers Union was founded to promote Christian family life but unfortunately we have fewer new young members. We will continue to pray and try and encourage the continuing good work of the MU.

Love and prayers are sent to all our members, especially those with continuing health problems.

Churches Together - St Annes Carnival

Carnival weekend in St Annes this year saw some rather mixed weather, but not enough to dampen the enthusiasm of local church members and friends who were totally involved in the happy spirit of the occasion.

The theme for this year's Carnival, was 'We do like to be Beside the Seaside'.

Churches Together in St Annes organised a walking float, and members of many of the churches joined in the parade – including St Thomas, St Margarets, St Annes Parish, Fylde Christian Service Church, The Drive and Church Road Methodist Churches, St Albans and Our Lady RC - along with the URC and its Junior Church, Messy Church and 'Starfishes' Toddler Group.

A great deal of talent and imagination was evident from the preparations, and the walking float was awarded first prize by the judges in the Faith Groups-Charities section.

During the course of the parade 200 wooden fish were distributed to children who were watching the parade pass by.

Over the course of the weekend volunteers from the churches also helped out at the 'Churches Together' stand in Ashton Gardens.

A number of wonderful conversations took place with visitors to the stall. Donations were received for Christian Aid, children enjoyed making crafts, numerous booklets and leaflets were distributed (along with some lollipops), information about the town's churches was shared, and prayer requests were received.

On both days proceedings were brought to a conclusion in the late afternoon, courtesy of some spectacular thunderstorms, but all agreed that it had been very worthwhile and rewarding.

We are delighted that the 'Clifton Shield' now has 'Churches Together 2023' engraved on it, and is doing the rounds of all the churches involved!



David Croall and Janette Farley

Prayer of Thanks for Teachers

As our teachers and assistants in nurseries, schools & universities return to work this month we offer this prayer for the work which they do:

Dear Father,

Thank you for teachers. Thank you for their gifts of knowledge and communication.

Please give them patience and understanding in their work and most of all the wisdom to listen to you and to be directed by your Kingdom values. Thank you for Jesus – the best teacher of all. Help us all to learn from Him that greatest of all lessons, that you are the living God, His Father and ours, and that you love us and want us to know you.

Father, as we pray and trust in the name of Jesus, our teacher and Lord, may that close knowledge of you become our reality.

Amen.



Prayer for September

Dear Father in Heaven,

September is a time of change, a change of season, changes in many areas of our lives as a new term begins and new opportunities present themselves. It can be a time of challenge and uncertainty for many of us as well as excitement. Thank you Lord, that You never change, Your promises never change, Your Holy-Spirit inspired Word never changes. You are constant and rock-solid, always.

Help us to remember that You make all things new when we put our trust in Jesus. You give us new life and new ways of understanding, but help us also to remember that You never contradict Your revealed self. Help us always to check out our thinking with what You say in Your Word. Help us to be faithful to You as we take each step forward, each new day.

In Jesus name.

Amen

By Daphne Kitching

Prayer for October



Loving, Creator God,

Thank you for your wonderful creation. In these days of concern about climate change and the damage caused by modern lifestyles and choices, help us to be more aware. Help us to make good choices. Help us to be good stewards of Your creation.

You are so generous Lord. You provide for us – more than enough to meet the needs of all people. Help us to play our part in making sure there is fair distribution of all Your provision. Help us to reflect Your generosity, Your compassion, Your justice. Help us to care for Your world and Your precious children.

In Jesus name.

Amen

By Daphne Kitching

Smile Lines - Come Back to Church!

To encourage you to attend, what if we offered:

- Beds - for those who say Sunday is their day to sleep-in.
- Safety helmets - for anyone who fears the roof would fall in if they entered a church door.
- Blankets and hot water bottles - for those who find our church too cold.
- Fans and ice cream - for those who find our church too hot.
- Cushions - for anyone who find our seats too hard.
- Bicycles - for those who exercise on Sunday mornings.
- Hearing aids - for those who find the minister speaks too softly.
- Cotton wool - for those who find the minister speaks too loudly.
- Score cards - for all who want to rate the hymns/sermons/coffee.
- Ready-meals - for anyone who can't come because they have to cook Sunday lunch.
- Some flowers - for those who prefer to seek God in nature.
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Saturday 16th September - Heritage Open Day

Saturday 23rd September - Come & Sing Charity Event
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Friday 6th October - Pizza & Quiz Evening

Saturday 18th November - Concert by The Yard Dogs

9th-16th December - Christmas Tree Festival

See the Pew Sheet & website for further details of these and other events which are being planned for the coming months

St Michael & All Angels - 29th September

St Michael is an archangel, whose name means 'who is like unto God?' He makes various appearances throughout the Bible, from the book of Daniel to the Book of Revelation. In Daniel, he is 'one of the princes' of the heavenly host, and the special guardian of Israel. In Revelation, he is the principal fighter of the heavenly battle against the devil.

From early times, St Michael's cult was strong in the British Isles. Churches at Malmesbury (Wiltshire), Clive (Gloucestershire) and Stanmer (East Sussex) were dedicated to him. Bede mentions him. St Michael's Mount in Cornwall was believed to commemorate a vision there in the 8th century. By the end of the Middle Ages, St Michael had 686 English churches dedicated to him.

In art St Michael is often depicted as slaying the dragon, as in the 14th century East Anglian Psalters, or in Epstein's famous sculpture at Coventry cathedral. He is also found (in medieval art) as weighing souls, as at Chaldon (Surrey), Swalcliffe (Oxon.), Eaton Bishop (Hereford and Worcester), and Martham in Suffolk. St Michael's most famous shrine in western Europe is Mont-Saint-Michel, where a Benedictine abbey was founded in the 10th century.

The 'All Angels' bit of this feast-day was added in 1969 when Gabriel and Raphael were included with St Michael.

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Notices from the Pew Sheet

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- **Tip for our amazing poppy knitters** - By default a member of the congregation has discovered an easier way to make the centre of the poppy black without having to sew on a button. It is possible you have already worked this out, but if you knit the last two rows and decrease rows with black wool (4 rows) you have your centre. It saves time, especially if you are not keen on sewing!

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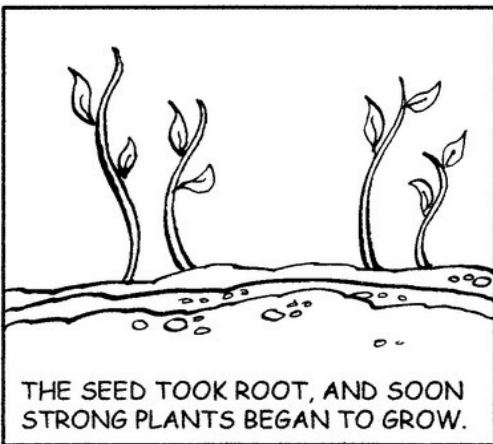
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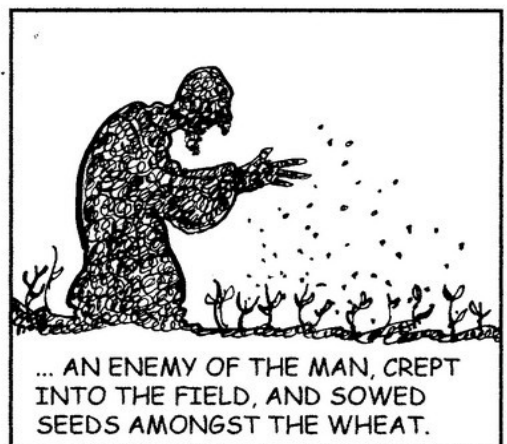
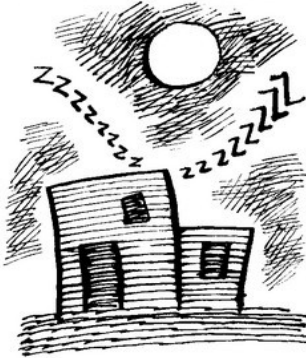


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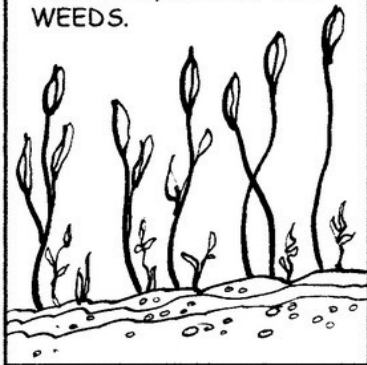
THE SEED TOOK ROOT, AND SOON
STRONG PLANTS BEGAN TO GROW.

BUT ONE NIGHT, WHEN
EVERYONE WAS ASLEEP...



... AN ENEMY OF THE MAN, CROPT
INTO THE FIELD, AND SOWED
SEEDS AMONGST THE WHEAT.

AS THE WHEAT BEGAN
TO GROW, SO DID THE
WEEDS.



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UNTIL HARVEST TIME!

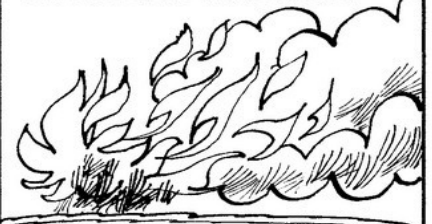


IF YOU PULL THEM UP NOW,
YOU MIGHT KILL THE WHEAT
TOO. WE'LL SORT THEM OUT AT
HARVEST.

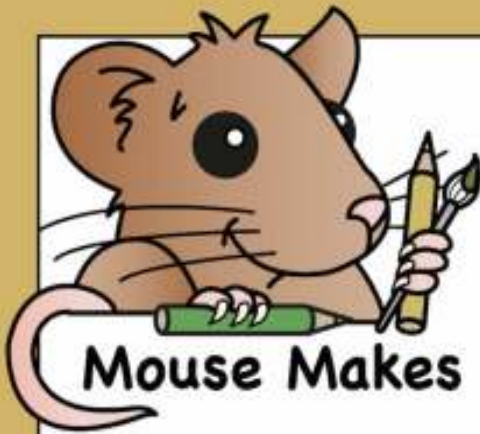


WHEN THE WHEAT WAS
READY, IT WAS HARVESTED
INTO HUGE BUNDLES.

BUT THE WEEDS WERE
BURNED IN A LARGE FIRE.



THE PARABLE TELLS US THAT
ALTHOUGH WE LIVE
ALONGSIDE BADNESS, WE
CAN KEEP SEPARATE FROM IT.

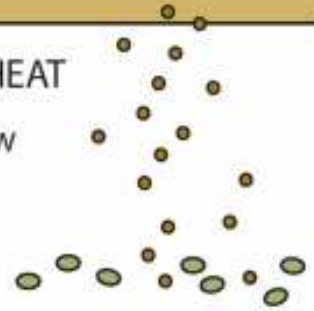


Mouse Makes

THE WEEDS AND THE WHEAT

What did the enemy sow amongst the wheat?

Matthew 13:25



READ

the parable in

Matthew 13 v24-30, and v36-43

At harvest time the weeds are gathered, bundled then

but the wheat is stored

in the

Matthew 13:30

Who sows the good seed?

Matthew 13:37

What does the field represent?

the

and who is the good seed?

The people of the

Matthew 13:38

Who sows the weeds?

The

Who are the harvesters?

The

Matthew 13:39

"He who has ears, let him

Matthew 13:43



T O G E T H E R S H E A R
D S O X F I R E P E N G T
P E O P L E W B A A D E N
E E D L B E H A R V E S T
G D G A T H E R A E V I L
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PARABLE • HEAVEN • SOWED • GOOD • SEED • FIELD • ENEMY • WHEAT • GRAIN

GROW • TOGETHER • TIME • HARVEST • GATHER • BUNDLE • TIE

PEOPLE • DISCIPLES • JESUS • EXPLAIN • EVIL • FIRE • END • AGE • EARS

Find the words from the questions too!

Worship & Prayer Diary - October 2023

Date	Day	Worship Times	Intention
+ Sunday 1st	Trinity 17	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Choral Evensong	Those who mourn
Monday 2nd		12 noon Low Mass	Children
Tuesday 3rd		10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	'Deliver us from evil'
Wednesday 4th	St Francis of Assisi	9.00 am Low Mass	Love of God in Creation
Thursday 5th		6.00 pm Low Mass	Anniversary of death
Friday 6th	St Bruno	9.30 am Low Mass	Thanks to God for the Harvest
Saturday 7th			For families who will be involved with Sunday School
+ Sunday 8th	Harvest Sunday	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Evening Prayer	For everyone involved in the work of our Sunday School
Monday 9th		12 noon Low Mass	Church Deaneries
Tuesday 10th	St Paulinus	10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Musicians
Wednesday 11th		9.00 am Low Mass	Evangelism
Thursday 12th	St Wilfrid	6.00 pm Low Mass	Healing
Friday 13th	St Edward the Confessor	9.30 am Low Mass	Cleansing Lepers
Saturday 14th			Raising Church profile
+ Sunday 15th	Trinity 19	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Choral Evensong & Benediction	Union with God

Worship & Prayer Diary - October 2023

Date	Day	Worship Times	Intention
Monday 16th		12 noon Low Mass	Those with addictions
Tuesday 17th	St Ignatius	10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	The Lord's Day
Wednesday 18th	St Luke, Apostle	9.00 am Low Mass	Proclaiming the Gospel
Thursday 19th		6.00 pm Low Mass	Translating the Bible
Friday 20th		9.30 am Low Mass	Pray Hard
Saturday 21st			Ordained ministers
+ Sunday 22nd	Trinity 20	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Evening Prayer	Those who are hungry
Monday 23rd		12 noon Low Mass	Prisoners
Tuesday 24th		10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	The housebound & lonely
Wednesday 25th	Ss Crispin & Crispinian, Marytrs	9.00 am Low Mass	Religious
Thursday 26th	St Chad	6.00 pm Low Mass	The Bible
Friday 27th		9.30 am Low Mass OLW Mass	Our Lady of Walsingham
Saturday 28th	Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles		Men
+ Sunday 29th	Trinity 21	10.30 am Parish Mass 6.30 pm Evening Prayer	Missionary Societies
Monday 30th		12 noon Low Mass	Disaster victims
Tuesday 31st		10.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) with Homily	Spiritual health

Come and Sing

Handel's 'Messiah' for Aid

Saturday 23rd September 2023
St Annes Parish Church, St Annes-on-the-Sea, FY8 3BA

'Messiah' by George Frederick Handel is, inarguably, one of the great choral masterpieces of western music. Everyone, no matter how experienced or inexperienced, how well you might know 'Messiah', or whether this is the first time you have sung 'Messiah' and just want to 'give it a go', you are VERY welcome!

We will be singing selected choruses from 'Messiah'. Please confirm your attendance by sending an email to: crucifixion.aid@gmail.com or telephone: 07922 826 571 or 01253 722366

If you would also like to sing a solo aria or recitative from 'Messiah' please let us know this in your email.

Our aim: to raise as much money as possible for UNICEF Crisis Appeal and Fylde Foodbank, as Christmas approaches. We wish to involve as many people as we can to sing this wonderful work, and warmly invite everybody who might not wish to participate to hear our performance at 7.00 pm.

The rehearsals on the day and performance will be directed by Alistair MacKenzie and accompanied by Dr Kevin Morgan on the fine organ at St Annes.

Choristers' Registration: 1.30 pm
Rehearsal: 1.45 pm - 3.30 pm, 3.45 pm - c. 5.00 pm (tea c. 5.15 pm)
Performance: 7.00 pm with audience participation
Choristers' Donation: £12.00 on the day and Audience Donation: £6.00
PLEASE NOTE: You will need to bring a packed tea

Dress code: If you wish, please wear any item of clothing blue or yellow; otherwise, anything comfortable!

Voice part: Please inform us of the voice part you sing: ie Soprano, Alto, Tenor or Bass.

If possible, please bring your own score, or let us know if you do need a score and we will do our best to provide one. There will be a limited number of vocal scores available on the day. Either Novello editions edited by Ebenezer Prout or Watkins Shaw can be used.

There will be buckets in church for additional contributions and to cover the costs of tea, coffee, cake and biscuits.

All proceeds will be donated to The UNICEF Crisis Appeal and The Fylde Foodbank which is supporting many local families, including a number from Ukraine.

Thank you for your active participation in Come and Sing 'Messiah' for Aid. Please bring as many participants as possible and supportive friends to our evening performance. We look forward to welcoming you!

Christmas Tree Festival 2022

9th - 16th December 2023



Crafters please see page 30

Susan McMahon would appreciate donations for her bottle stall.

Bottles of drinks, sauces and toiletries etc

**Cans eg beer & soft drinks
(no food cans thank you)**

would all be gratefully received

Pam Kinghorn and Lesley Dawson would also appreciate contributions to their chocolate/sweet & biscuit tombola.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORT





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



"Er... vicar – does the church have a position on the donation of GM vegetables for the Harvest Festival?"

If you are interested in placing an advert in the Parish Magazine

Please contact the Parish Office on

01253 722736

The office is open from Monday to Friday
9.30 am-12 noon



Note from the Editor:



- Double issue for autumn, so there will not be a magazine in October. Please note that the deadline for November is 13th October.
- During September we think about all those children who are starting school or nursery for the first time and for those who will be returning after the summer break.
- October will see the re-launch of our Sunday School, so please pray for the work of the volunteers and also for the families who will be involved and will soon be part of our church family.
- If you have anything that you would like to share with us, then please send items as usual to:

stannesparishmag@gmail.com. Thank you

Quote for Autumn



"We cannot start a new life,
but we can start a new day every day"



Heyhouses C of E Nursery School

Are you looking for a nursery
place for your child?

If you are interested in a place
at this outstanding nursery with
close links to the primary school
please contact us at

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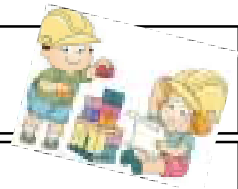
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Baby & Toddler Group



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*



TREE FESTIVAL 2023



Given the success of last year's craft stall at the Christmas
Tree Festival, due to all of your talents, innovation, support
and enthusiasm, we are intending to hold another craft stall this year.
So, once again, any contributions will be very much appreciated.

Thank you, for your continued support. **Jennifer Edwards**

Sunday School

From 8th OCTOBER
Sunday School will be
held on the

2nd & 4th Sundays in
the month

It will be held in the
Parish Rooms - Room 1
at 10:15 am

All children aged 2-5
will be welcome



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



Influence

Articles for inclusion in
the magazine for

NOVEMBER 2023

should be handed in
at the Parish Office or
e-mailed to:
stannesparishmag@gmail.com

before 12 pm on

FRIDAY 13th OCTOBER

Thank you



Church Registers



Baptisms



Poppy Grace Dawson
Olivia-Kate Rae-Atkins
Aurora Jade Halpin



Marriages

Ben David Cook &
Laura Alice Wheeldon



Recently Departed

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

Peter Grierson (Priest)
Julia Ingram

*'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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Uniformed Organisations

For details of our uniformed groups
contact the Parish Office

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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