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A letter from your Clergy

The future lies before you like a sheet of driven snow. Be careful how you tread it for every step will show.

A new year and a new beginning—new and improved.

I expect you are probably enjoying the new things that you were given at Christmas and by now you will already have eaten the chocolates and the biscuits and had a go at using the latest must have gadget to slow cook a stew or make contact with your friends. I guess that one or two of the gifts you received had the words “new and improved” on them.

Have you ever thought that it is really difficult for something to be both “new” and “improved”? If it is new then it can’t have been around before, so it won’t be improved. If it is “improved” then it must have been in existence before so how can it be new?

But here’s the wonderful thing about God: He wants our lives to be both “new” and “improved”. The New Testament reminds us that the new life God offers us in Jesus is so much better than what’s gone before and that He wants to give us something new and fresh.

The start of the new year is a great time, in quiet prayer and reflection, to ask God to do a new thing in our lives and in our Parish. Let us look back on last year and share with God some of the things we are thankful for and some of the things we are sorry about. Perhaps you may like to tell Him about the things we need His help with this year and to pray that the Holy Spirit will show us areas that, with His help, we are resolved to improve. It may help to make a list of these things and to ask God to show us some Bible verses that we can use as prayer promises. If we commit ourselves to looking at our lists, reading again those Bible verses each week and taking action on them, 2018 will surely be NEW and IMPROVED.

Father God we ask you to bless each day of this year, that you will bless those that we love and that you will help us not to waste a minute.

With love in the Lord - Rev Judy

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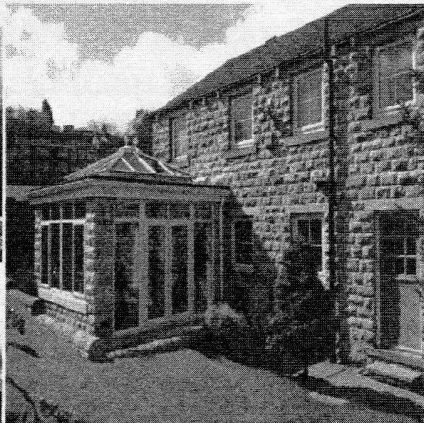
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LICENSING SERVICE



Dear All,

You are all warmly invited to...

My last service in the parish of Christ the King Meltham which will be a Eucharist on the 14th January 9.30am St Bartholomew's Church.

My forthcoming Licensing Service on the 13th February 7.30pm at St Cuthbert's Church, Cross Hill, High Ackworth, Pontefract, West Yorkshire, WF7 7EJ

Our new address will be: The Rectory, Cross Hill, High Ackworth, Pontefract, West Yorkshire, WF7 7EJ

I hope to see you there.

God's Blessing Charlene

Parish Child Protection Officer (CPO) / Safeguarding Officer Required

The Parish Child Protection Officer is the key link between the diocese and the parish concerning child protection and safeguarding matters. They will have an overview of all parish activities involving children, young people and vulnerable adults and will monitor the implementation of diocesan guidance.

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Testimony Time...

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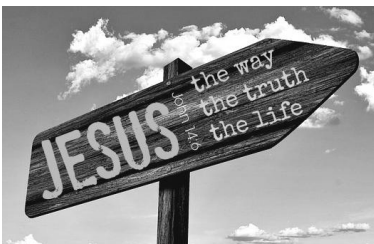
I attended a youth group meeting at the Huddersfield Elim Pentecostal Church whilst chaperoning my sister, who was interested in dating one of the boys there. However, God had other ideas and both my sister and I gave our lives to Christ during the worship instead.

From that day to this, my life has been a journey of discovery and finding Jesus in almost everything I do has become a daily challenge. My journey has been full of ups and downs, being a Christian is not plane sailing! Responding to the call of Christ takes you to places you never expect.

Some time later I found myself responding to a sermon in church with a life changing trip to the inner city squatter camps of Manila, in the Philippines. When I visited Tim and Kate there I was so impressed by the way that they had responded to God's call in their lives that I came back and set up Jigsaw Kids Ministries charity to raise funds to help them.

During this time of growth in faith I was challenged by a member of the St James congregation to return to study and become a student of pastoral ministry. Four years later I graduated with a foundation degree in theology and a Bishops certificate in pastoral ministry. I made the mistake of asking God 'what next?' Again, he answered and I got the opportunity to put my learning into practice.

Five years ago I began working for the Diocese as PA to the Archdeacon of Halifax and now use both my theology and pastoral ministry on a daily basis. Self reflection is something that is paramount on my journey with Christ and I have learnt that if I don't take time out to be still and regain focus, I lose sight of the path. I take my spiritual health seriously, attending quiet days, following daily bible notes and attending bible study at house and lent groups.



My challenge to you is face your fear! Ask God to show you what you can do for him today, you won't be disappointed in his answer, just try it!

- Christine Bleasdale



- Friday 2nd March 2018

Every year this interdenominational movement invites a country to prepare a service that will be used all over the world on that day.. This

helps us to learn more about that country and it's needs and concerns, and together we join in prayer for the people of that country.

This year we will be joining about 3 million people around the world in a service written by the women of Surinam (formerly Dutch Guiana) in South America and entitled "All God's Creation is Very Good"

Starting on Samoa as the sun rises, and ending as the sun sets off the coast of American Samoa, the service will have been translated into more than 95 languages and 1000 dialects as we are reminded that we have responsibilities in caring for the wonderful world we live in. With its vast rainforest and wealth of resources, Surinam asks us to pray for conservation and the protection of wildlife, through an awareness of pollution, misuse and abuse, as well as for the situation in Surinam and concerns for the future.

This is not just a day of prayer for women, but for everyone who cares about the world and those who live in it.

We invite you to join with us at 2pm on the 2nd March at St Bartholomew's Church. Tea & coffee will be served afterwards.

St Bartholomew's Women's Fellowship

The February meeting of the Women's Fellowship will take place on Tuesday 27th February at **2.00pm** in the Church followed by a talk by Jean Wrathall.

The tea ladies are Kathleen Cockcroft and Elaine Crabtree (changed from January)

Thank you
Catherine Moulson



Audrey and family would like to thank everyone for the lovely cards, flowers and kind words they have received following the sudden death of Donald.

They are very much appreciated.

- Audrey Bamforth

CHURCH DROP IN HOUR

Church Drop In Hour takes place at
ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH,
which is the large Church in the centre on Meltham on Green End Road
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Church Drop In Hour runs weekly between
6.00PM AND 7.00PM ON THURSDAYS.

Arrangements for Banns, Marriage, Baptism or any other non-urgent matter may be made between these hours.

When you arrive you will be greeted by a member of our congregation, there will be tea or coffee available and if you bring your children with you, we can direct them to the toy box while you make your arrangements/enquiries.

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We look forward to meeting you!

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Growth & Development Evening

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Wednesday 7th February, 7.30pm—9.00pm
At St James' Church.

(Meets the first
Wednesday of each
month)

Everyone welcome!



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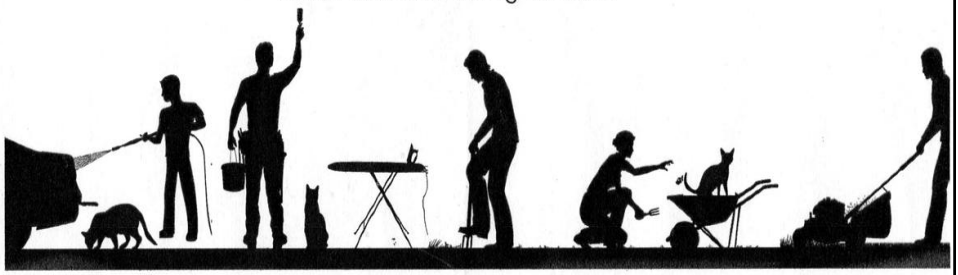
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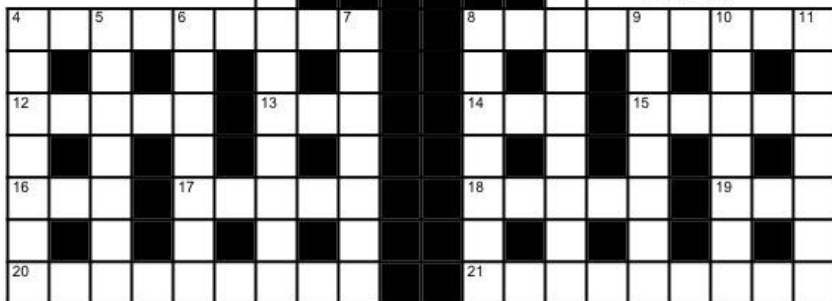
CROSS-SHAPED BIBLE CROSSWORD

Across

- 1 Donkey (3)
2 Jesus' Father (3)
4 One of the twelve (9)

Down

- 1 One of God's messengers (5,2,3,4)
3 1940s archaeological find (4,3,7)



- 8 Didn't believe in resurrection (9)
12 One of David's warriors (5)
13 First word of the Lord's Prayer (3)
14 New Testament name for Noah (3)
15 Wish harm upon (5)
16 Hole in the ground (3)
17 Adversary (5)
18 Savour (5)
19 First woman (3)
20 Mother of John the Baptist (9)
21 Family of priests (9)
22 Third son of Jacob (4)
23 Hates (8)
26 Assurances (8)
30 Endured pain (8)
31 Return from the dead (4)
32 Intercessor (8)
35 Decorating (8)
39 Old Testament book of the Bible (4)
40 The prince of Rosh, Mesech and Tubal (3)
42 A wise insect (3)
44 Dwelling place of kings (6)
45 Make bigger (8)

- 4 Tread down (7)
5 Father of Jonah (7)
6 Very salty water bordering Israel (4,3)
7 Defensive structures (11)
8 Refuges (11)
9 Dirty (7)
10 Devout (7)
11 Pieces of money (7)
24 Used to listen (3)
25 Used to see (3)
26 Positions (5)
27 Made available (7)
28 Snake (7)
29 Destroyed along with Gomorrah (5)
33 Finish (3)
34 Possess (3)
35 King of the Amalekites (4)
36 Last letter of the Greek alphabet (5)
37 Almost sacrificed by Abraham (5)
38 Present (4)
41 Unfasten (4)
43 Fish traps (4)

by Philologus

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(Answer on page 25)

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ST MARY'S REPORT

On Sunday 17th December, St Mary's Church held its annual carol service and it was good to welcome Rev Di Ellerton to lead our service. She told the story of 'Maisie Mouse' who had no gift to give to the baby Jesus except the gift of herself. Kara played the part of Maisie and baby Isobela played the part of Jesus. Myles and Harriet were Mary and Joseph, Lottie and Holly were angels and Gwyn and Rev Judy were shepherds. Christopher Schuler represented the three kings and Lacy and Jonah represented the children who came to the stable. The choir sang two items, Rev Di led the prayers and we all had a really good sing. Thanks to all the musicians, singers, actors and especially Rev Di. Thanks also to all who prepared the service, decorated the church, created costumes and provided the mince pies and mulled wine served, in the Sunday School, following the service.

There was no service at St Mary's on Christmas Eve.

On Christmas Day a good congregation took part in a service of Holy Communion. Rev Judy Kenworthy led this and was celebrant, assistant by Kim Howe who also led the prayers. Jonah and Lacy lit the last candle on the Advent wreath - the one that represents Jesus, and Clive Pearson was organist. The choir sang two items and Elizabeth Pearson and John Andrews read the lessons.

Rev Judy gave the talk, as we remembered again the "Birth of Jesus".

There was no service at St Mary's on the last Sunday of the year as we joined with the rest of the Parish at the United Parish Communion at St Bartholomew's Church, Meltham.

On the 7th January, Rev Judy led a service of Holy Communion and based her talk on "The Baptism of Christ and New Beginnings". At the beginning of the service there was a minutes silence in memory of Margaret Trayte, a member of St Mary's Church family for many years, and James Sugden, a former deputy Church Warden in the 1980's. We extend our deepest sympathy to their families at this time. Peter Pearson was sidesman at this service and Kim offered the prayers and assisted with the chalice.

BELL HOUSE REPORT

On the first Wednesday of the year the residents of Bell House enjoyed a Christmas Communion service which was lead by Rev Judy Kenworthy. It was good to welcome Patrice Storey for the first time as she helped to lead our worship, reading the lesson and offering the prayers. We thought about the "Word of God", sang some carols and wished everyone a "Happy New Year!"

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Funerals - May they rest in peace

Denis Sykes, Janet Greenhalgh, Margaret Trayte,

Jacqueline Kaye, Claude Payne & Emma Louise Wilson

Anyone wishing to have their loved ones names included in the book of Remembrance at St Bartholomew's please contact Jean Collison : Telephone 851816 (there is a small fee of £5 for church expenses)

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DENIS SYKES

by MARY CRAWSHAW

It was so sad to hear of Denis's death so close to his and Betty's 75th Wedding Anniversary. Denis was a real servant of our Lord, working so hard at St Bartholomew's.

Now 75, I remember Denis as my Sunday School teacher – I can see him standing by the large baskets into which we placed our packed lunch or tea before setting off to Southport. Later, I worked with Denis as young helper and years later we worked together in Sunday School. How many years Denis must have completed?

He was a great reader. I remember him tackling the Koran so he could better understand the Faith of his Muslim workmates. He was so proud when authorised by the Bishop to administer the Chalice at Holy Communion after years of being a server.

DENIS - A man of God who served his Lord faithfully. Rest in the peace of the Lord and thank you for your service amongst us.

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Tuesday 27th February 2018

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have their Holy Communion service

on

Wednesday 7th February

at 10.30am

In the Lounge

All are welcome



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- Richard Styan

MELTHAM COMMUNITY CARD GROUP

We are once again meeting weekly, each Friday 10.00am -12.00pm at St James Church, making recycled cards to support the Welcome Centre.

Thank you for your support over last year and we would still be grateful for any used Greetings Cards that you could donate. Green boxes can be found in each church. If you are interested in knowing more about our group please contact Christine Rolls - 01484 340342.

AN INVITATION TO ALL FROM THE WIDER GROUP OF COMMUNITY CARDS

We are also once again holding a **BIG SORT** of cards donated since Christmas and need as many willing hands as possible. So please join us on Monday **19th Feb 2018, 10.00am -4.00pm, Berry Brow Methodist Church**, Birch Rd, HD4 7LP. Stay for an hour or all day, bring along a friend or neighbour, a soup and roll lunch will be provided (offers of help in the kitchen appreciated!)

Meltham Churches Together 'Praying with and for our community'

In February we will be praying in
St Bartholomew's

7th February - Methodist

14th February - St James

21st February - Catholic

28th February - St Mary's

All welcome!

200 Club

JANUARY winners were

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| £10 | 240 | Mr J. Mitchell |
| £10 | 770 | Mrs A. Jones |
| £10 | 219 | Mrs B. Farrell |
| £10 | 249 | Mrs M. Tiffany |

There are several vacancies in the 200 Club. If you're interested in being a member and supporting the Church Hall, please contact D. Earnshaw, C. Moulson or M. Farrell. Thank you!

HELME LADIES

Our final get together of 2017 was a Christmas Luncheon at the Golcar Lily Restaurant, which is a favourite venue of ours. We gathered around noon on a beautifully sunny day with clear skies so the views out to the east were superb. The village of Golcar was just below us but the views extended some 50 miles into the distance. As usual the superb rapport, for which we are renowned, began with the pre-luncheon drinks and then we made our way into the dining room. A perusal of the menu and it was decision time. Choice of Wild Mushroom Soup, Prawn Cocktail or Chicken Liver Pate for starters. Followed by either, Turkey with all the trimmings, Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding or Fresh Salmon with Hollandaise Sauce. The rapport continued as we discussed our school-days and our teachers. How on one occasion a teacher threw a board rubber at a pupil who ducked and the board rubber went through the window. And also how one of our members as a new housewife was horrified to receive a turkey which wouldn't go in the oven but how, with a bit of surgery, she finally got it to a suitable size for cooking. The conversations were just so varied. It really was one laugh after another and the afternoon passed quickly. Time for a sweet and the choices were Christmas Pudding, Toffee Crunch Pie, Black Cherry Trifle or Ice Cream. Finally we ended with tea and coffee. We parted company at around three o'clock wishing each other a Merry Christmas and it brought a very successful year for our group to a close.

At the end of each year we share the funds we have made with various charities and this year we donated to:- Alzheimers Research £200.00, British Red Cross £200.00, Helme Church roof fund £200.00, Friend to Friend (Meltham) £100.00, Meltham Crossroads Foodbank £100.00.

Looking back at some of the highlights of 2017 we most certainly had lots of fun and enjoyed ourselves. Theatre wise we went to see the hilarious pantomime Skruge (a twist on Charles Dickens, Christmas Carol) by the all male cast Avlanlanche Dodgers in Marsden. To see the musical Sweet Charity at the Lawrence Batley Theatre in Huddersfield. Our Annual Dinner as well as our Afternoon Tea were at award winning Quirky II in Meltham. Our weekend away was to Stamford and Sandringham House with an overnight stay in Peterborough. We have had a cheese and wine evening, some excellent talks, summer strolls, carol service, church luncheons and much more. Hopefully we can continue with as much variety and have as much enjoyment in the coming months.

Finally to say that anyone interested in joining our group, which meets every other Tuesday throughout the year, will be made very welcome. Our 2018 programme will be available in February. Also to say that it is not necessary to be a member of Helme Church in order to be a member of Helme Ladies although a number of them are.

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WANTED – ONE VICAR – ASAP

by Pam Murgatroyd

We've been to many churches, as we've moved around a lot,
So we've met a lot of vicars who, when we've moved, we have forgot.

We'd never had a woman, no, all of them were men
And none of them we've bothered that we never saw again.

None of them were caring or had that personal touch.
If they hadn't been a vicar, we would not have liked them much.
But then we moved to Meltham, our lives here we will end,
Because here, we'd found a vicar, who became our dearest friend.

She had come here as a package, as she brought her husband, John
And he joined in with Meltham life and soon our hearts he won.

But sadly they have left us, they have gone to pastures new.
Now we're in Interregnum, a new vicar overdue.

The Parish Profile is completed with a glossy brochure too,
It's been sent off to the Diocese for them to take a view.
When the Bishop comes to see us, in the New Year that will be,
We hope that he'll approve it and our best points he will see.

It won't be very easy to replace Maureen and John,
So when we advertise the post, we'll need to choose from more than one.
So we'll stay in Interregnum and as a Parish we will pray,
Our fate is now in God's hands so there's nothing more to say.

CHOIR NOTES

The pre-Christmas weather was again kind to us and we ventured out on 3 nights carol singing, though we were a bit thin on the ground in some sections of the choir! However, we still managed to make a good sound and received many generous donations resulting in us collecting over £500 for choir funds! A special thank you to John & Celia Mitchell for their hospitality and of course to the singers (including our guests) who ventured out to spread a little festive cheer, which seemed to be well appreciated by those who came to listen on their doorsteps. It was especially nice to sing on the doorsteps of some of our Smart Bart's children and see their faces light up as we sang Rudolph in 8 part harmony!

We also sang carols at Bell House in Wilshaw to entertain the elderly residents there which was also appreciated.



February

February! Another month of
ice and snow,

Our bodies winter-weary,
spirits low.

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The golden-
headed
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Across: 1 Ass, 2 God, 4 Thaddaeus, 8 Sadducees, 12 Adina, 13 Our, 14 Noe, 15 Curse, 16 Pit, 17 Satan, 18 Taste, 19 Eve, 20 Elisabeth, 21 Aaronites, 22 Levi, 23 Despises, 26 Promises, 30 Suffered, 31 Rise, 32 Mediator, 35 Adorning, 39 Ezra, 40 Gog, 42 Ant, 44 Palace, 45 Increase.

Down: 1 Angel Of The Lord, 3 Dead Sea Scrolls, 4 Trample, 5 Amittai, 6 Dead Sea, 7 Strongholds, 8 Sanctuaries, 9 Unclean, 10 Earnest, 11 Shekels, 24 Ear, 25 Eye, 26 Posts, 27 Offered, 28 Serpent, 29 Sodom, 33 End, 34 Own, 35 Agag, 36 Omega, 37 Isaac, 38 Gift, 41 Open, 43 Nets.

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For two centuries the church has been a prominent feature on the Huddersfield skyline but the “Above and Beyond” initiative aims to raise £250,000 by 2021. This is to make the building warm and welcoming, to resource mission and ministry through investment in children and families, youth and students and worship, and to resource the wider church. Vicar, the Revd Mike Wilkins said: “As we move into our third century as a Christian community, we recognise that it is our turn to invest in the future of Holy Trinity Church and to seek the growth of God’s Kingdom here in Huddersfield. We are investing in our building, mission and ministry. Progress so far on this is good!”

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POLLUTION : IT USED TO BE CHIMNEYS, NOW IT'S VEHICLES

It was the London smog of 1952 that set it all off. Hundreds of people died or were affected by poor air quality in the capital and elsewhere, but London grabbed the headlines. The smog caused by fog and emissions, mainly from coal fires set up a blanket of pollutants that persisted for days. It was perhaps fortuitous that it was London, as it caused parliament to consider introducing a remedy. The solution, as you might expect; a report, The Beaver Report into causes, effects and remedies and this culminated in the Clean Air Act 1956. This introduced Smoke Control Areas (SCA) (commonly referred to as Smokeless Zones) It authorised local authorities to give grants of 70% or more to owners or occupiers to convert their coal fires so as to burn smokeless fuel. Such products as Coalite or Rexco come to mind. The alternative which most people favoured was to have gas or electric fires. Closed stoves and log fires were also permitted. Health Departments in industrial areas set about the task with zeal, but this was not without difficulties. In some of these areas, coal was king whether it was the industrial or domestic situation. On the former, industry set about ridding their factories of coal guzzling Lancashire or similar boilers in favour of gas or oil. In the case of houses, because of vehement opposition, some authorities delayed making areas for a number of years. The ideas were new, coal industry would be badly affected and as a last ditch gamble, it's in London not here. The new approach gradually took hold. This was 60 years ago. The air is now much cleaner, or is it? The pea soup fogs are a thing of the past, and long gone is the mass of industrial and domestic chimneys that were an essential part of the landscape. A science friend of mine told me that a consequence of this absence of coal/smoke pollution was that moss and lichen readily invade stonework and many of our grit stone walls are green.

Pollution is still a talking point and remedies are being promoted. This time round it is the internal combustion engine. All the thousands of vehicles on the roads add up to traffic pollution. Restrictions on traffic flow in towns is being considered as legal pollution levels are breached. The once favoured diesel car is now seen as a culprit. Restricting polluting vehicles from cities is also an option and reducing the numbers entering towns by improved public transport is favoured. More and more do we see people using a mask over their mouths. This is very common in Far East Countries.

So pollution never goes away. We found an acceptable way to control it 60 years ago and now we will have to find a solution to the current air pollution debate. Will grants be available?

Climate change, pollution, natural disasters – they are all in the mix.

John Mitchell



ST BARTHOLOMEW'S FEBRUARY 2018 ROTA

| DATE | ALTAR FLOWERS | SIDESPERSIONS | COFFEE | CHURCH OPEN |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 4th February | Mr & Mrs B Gregory | Mrs C Ward Mrs E Radcliffe | M Thorley B Wadsworth | 3rd Mrs B Furniss |
| 11th February | Mr & Mrs F Kaye | Mr R Styan Mrs P Maffin | C Mitchell V Poole | 10th Mrs S Gregory |
| 18th February | Lent | Mr A Ball Mrs M Ball | C Moulson M Ball | 17th Mrs V White |
| 25th February | Lent | Mr C Lockwood Mrs R Lockwood | B Jennings V Armitage | 24th Mrs G Taylor |
| 4th March | Lent | Mrs M Hardy Mrs S Wood | E Radcliffe J Gilleard | 3rd Mr N Webb |

ST MARY'S FEBRUARY 2018 ROTA

| Date | Service | Readings | Prayers |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|
| 4th February 11.15am | Holy Communion | Angela | Kim |
| 11th February 11.15am | Holy Communion | John | Jacqueline |
| 18th February 11.15am | Morning Worship | Judy | Kim |
| 25th February 11.15am | Morning Worship | John | Jacqueline |
| 4th March 11.15am | Morning Worship | Angela | Kim |

ST JAMES' ROTA - FEBRUARY 2018

| Date | Service | Preacher | Leader | Celebrant | Reader |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|---------|-------------|------------|
| 4th February 9.30am | Holy Communion / Baptism | No Sermon | | P Rolls | J Wrathall |
| 11th February 5.00pm | 5 Alive | | | | Team |
| 18th February 9.30am | Morning Worship With Meditation | | C Rolls | | R Walker |
| 25th February 9.30am | Holy Communion | Di Ellerton | | Di Ellerton | R Whitely |

CHRIST CHURCH ROTA - FEBRUARY 2018

| Date | Flowers | Intercessions | Side Person | Altar Server | Coffee | Reader |
|------------------|---------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------|
| 4th February | Eileen | Clergy | Kevin | Christine | Janet | Moyra |
| 11th February | Vacant | Clergy | Kevin | Jenny B | Christine | Pat |
| 18th February | Lent | Clergy | Kevin | Janet | Monica | Irene |
| 25th February | Lent | Clergy | Kevin | Christine | Eileen & Sheila | Janet |
| 4th March | Lent | Clergy | Kevin | Jenny B | Moyra | Jenny H |

PLEASE NOTE If anyone would like to place flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one, please call either Eileen Hague on **851164** or Margaret Tunnacliffe on **850724** **Thank you**

READINGS IN THE PARISH FEBRUARY 2018

| Date | Theme | 1st Reading | Gospel |
|---------------|--|------------------------|---------------|
| 4th February | The Word Became Flesh | Proverbs 8.1, 22-31 | John 1.1-14 |
| 11th February | The Transfiguration | 2 Kings 2.1-12 | Mark 9.2-9 |
| 18th February | The Baptism of Jesus | Genesis 9.8-17 | Mark 1.9-15 |
| 25th February | Jesus Foretells His Death & Resurrection | Genesis 17.1-17, 15-16 | Mark 8.31-end |
| 4th March | Jesus Cleanses the Temple | Exodus 20.1-17 | John 2.13-22 |

SERVICES IN THE PARISH FEBRUARY 2018

| Date | St Bartholomew's | St James | St Mary's | Christ Church |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| 4th February | 9.30am HC | 9.30am HC / Baptism | 11.15am HC | 11.15am HC |
| 11th February | 9.30am HC | 5.00pm 5 Alive | 11.15am HC | 11.15am HC / Baptism |
| 18th February | 9.30am HC | 9.30am MW / Meditation | 11.15am MW | 11.15am HC |
| 25th February | 9.30am MW | 9.30am HC | 11.15am MW | 11.15am HC |

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CHURCH HALL DIARY FOR FEBRUARY 2018

WEEKLY BOOKINGS:

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| Every Tuesday | Pilates | 10.00am |
| | 'Good as Gold' - | |
| | With Pam Cox | 2.00pm |
| | Slimming World | 5.30 and 7.30pm |
| Every Wednesday | Zumba Gold | 10.00am |
| Every Friday | Baby Sensory | 10.00am |
| | G & S Rehearsal | 7.45pm |

MONTHLY BOOKINGS:

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| 1st Tuesday | Women's Institute | 7.30pm |
| 2nd Wednesday | Flower Club | 7.00pm |
| 1st & 3rd Thursdays | Cloverleaf Club | 1.00pm - 3.00pm |
| 2nd Thursday | Over 60's Club | 2.00pm |
| Last Tuesday (Church) | Women's Fellowship | 7.30pm |

SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS - Doors open 9.30am

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| 27th January | Alzheimer Research |
| 3rd February | Catholic Community |
| 10th | Town Council Independents |
| 17th | PANTOMIME Matinee & Evening Coffee at the Methodist Chapel |
| 24th | St Bartholomew's |

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