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A Letter from your Vicar

I should begin by saying hello to everyone in the Parish of Meltham Christ the King, from myself and all of my family. I would also like to thank you all for the warm welcome that we have received. This welcome has taken a number of different forms, including cards and gifts from within the Churches, but also has come from the wider community including help in finding our way around (particularly the nice lady in the chip shop who helped us to find a hardware store when our tap would not turn off).

We are looking forward to building our families life here over the coming years and have received the news, just a few days ago, that our two older children (Isaac and Rebekah) have been given a place at Meltham C of E school. This has pleased my wife (Fiona) as she hopes to be able to walk them to school each day rather than needing to put our youngest (Jack, just 8 weeks old) in and out of his car seat which can be a more complex procedure than someone might imagine.

I guess some of you may be wondering what it was that made us want to come and join you here in Meltham.

Firstly, having spent around 20 years working in agriculture before I was ordained I think that the Church presumed that I would want to go somewhere rural. However, I grew up in Normanton, a town near to Wakefield that is just a little bigger than Meltham, which like Meltham has an industrial heritage. This means that my background in both life and Church is best described as rural'ish and so a rural'ish setting like Meltham feels the kind of place that we are likely to meet people that we will have plenty in common with.

Secondly, four Churches. I suppose that the difficulties of being the Vicar of four Churches are obvious enough but the more I considered the four Churches of Meltham the less I thought about the possible problems and more the opportunities and the potential began to excite me. I found myself being drawn to the way that each Church seems to value their heritage/unique traditions, but be looking towards the future as they work together to grow God's kingdom and serve the community.

I am very much looking forward to working with people from all four of these Churches and across the wider community as we try to understand and follow God's plan together.

God bless

Rev'd John Dracup

(Please note new Parish Contact details on Page 4 & 33)

Invitation

The Church Wardens and Parochial Church Council of Christ the King, Meltham, are very pleased to invite you to the **Service of Institution and Induction** of the

Rev. John Dracup

as Vicar of the Parish of Christ the King, Meltham, in the Diocese of Leeds by the

Rt Rev Dr Jonathan Gibbs, Bishop of Huddersfield on

Wednesday 5th September 2018, 7.30pm at St Bartholomew's Church, Meltham, Holmfirth HD9 5NW

The Parish of Meltham will be welcoming Rev John, his family, friends and supporters from Coley and from Normanton.

You are all very welcome to come and share in this happy occasion.

A small parking area is available in the Church Hall Car Park, there is also street parking available in the surrounding area.

Refreshments will be served after the service at the Church Hall across the road. We warmly invite everyone to join us in the celebration.

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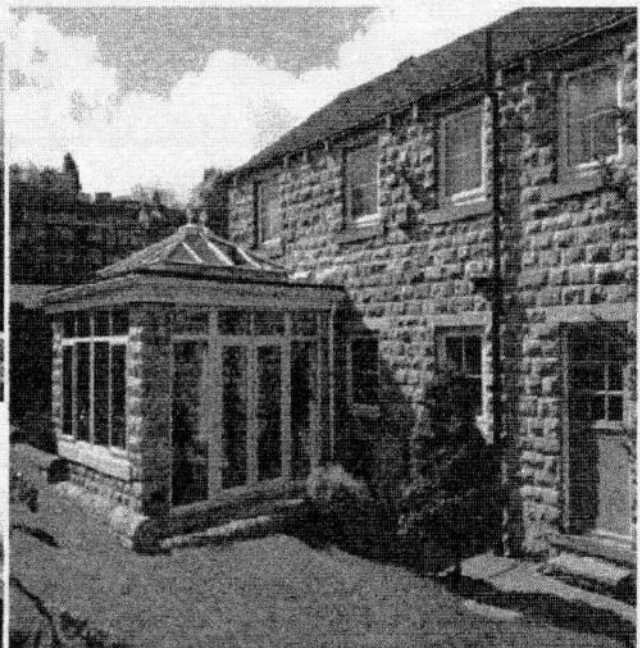
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Testimony Time...

As a believer, one of the things that I have wrestled with most is truly believing and trusting that our God is the God of the impossible. Who makes all situations work together for His good and perfect will, however as many people say, hindsight is a wonderful thing. Looking back on my life there are so many times where God has made a situation, that upon first look or in the moment, you could say that there was no way the Lord would be working through that, but it's only upon reflection that you can clearly see His hand in it.

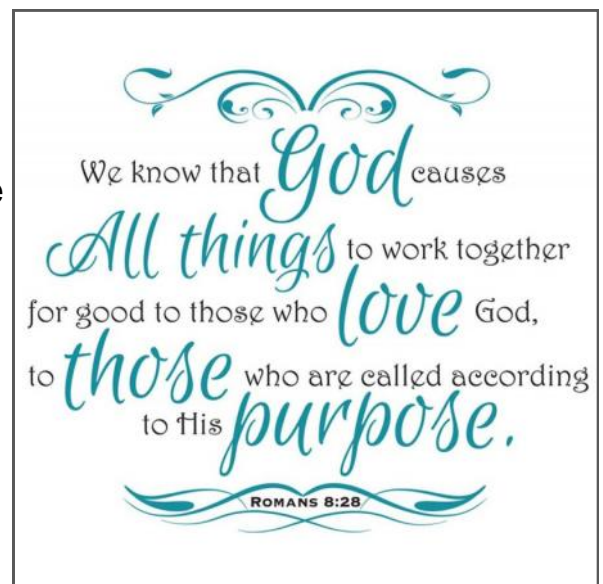
I was born into a seemingly happy and standard Christian home with strong Christian heritage, however at age 9 my parents divorced, my Dad had an affair, fell off the church radar and later remarried. My mum, my younger sister and I kept going to church and maintained a strong front, however behind the scenes it was a wrestle to get me to go to church and as soon as I was old enough, I stopped and spiralled into a rebellious teenager who wasn't interested in the God who allowed her family to fall apart.

Fast forward a few years and when I was 17 I got invited to a local church youth group where I made friends with people who wanted the best for me and made me question where I was getting my satisfaction from. At this point I was in a relationship that was far too serious and was the backbone to a lot of the 'friendships' that I had, when this relationship inevitably came to a messy ending, it was to the friends I'd made at the youth group that I looked to and I threw myself into church life. Slowly the hurts that I'd been carrying and the hole that I'd had in my heart from my parents divorce began to heal.

A few months later I made the decision to get baptised, an event which my mum, younger sister, dad and his new wife all came along to, this sparked a mini revival in my family. From the day of my baptism it caused my mum and sister to get plugged into a healthy church where they made true Christian friendships, my Dad recommitted his life to the Lord and his wife also gave her life to Christ. After they did this his wife fell pregnant, something which they'd been told by medical professionals after years of trying would be impossible. Relationships between everyone in my family were healed and there was so much forgiveness and restoration, in ways I would never imagine.

I am now 19 and working for the local church and for His glory, advancing His Kingdom and blessing the church to give back to the God of miracles, for everything that He has done for me and my family, and everything that I went through has enabled me to give wisdom and insight to young people in the same situation. If someone had told me this is the position me and my family would be in 3 or 4 years ago I would have never believed them.

- Megan



THE **YORKSHIRE** DAY CELEBRATION!

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A full house of 104 people were greeted by compere John Mitchell for this fun evening. We were entertained in Yorkshire style with songs, stories and monologues.

At the interval supper was served - steak & ale pie and peas, supplied by Michael Pogson, and to follow, trifle provided by the ladies of the church - all much appreciated! The bar was tended by Val and Christine.

After the interval the Loyal toast to the Queen was proposed and drunk, then a Lancastrian voice called out “The Queen, Duke of Lancaster” - but nobody heard her (maybe just as well - it was me!) A toast to Yorkshire was then proposed by Ian Livingstone - and drunk enthusiastically by all.

The entertainment continued with jokes, stories and songs - rounding off a successful and very enjoyable evening. The grand sum of £1,084 was raised to repair dry rot in the toilet area at the back of the church.

Many thanks to all concerned!

Hester Deacon

St Bartholomew's Women's Fellowship

The September meeting will take place on Tuesday 25th September at
7.30pm

In church when the speaker will be Alison Bray who will tell us about the
Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations.

The tea ladies are Freda Whittaker and Nancy Wilkinson



Join us as we come together the morning of Rev John's induction day to pray for his induction and his ministry as he leads our Parish.

Wednesday 5th September, 7.00am at St James Church, Meltham Mills.

WANTED:

One Parish Treasurer to start in the New Year.

The Parish Treasurer is responsible for the Account of The Parish of Christ the King.

He/she will work closely with the Vicar; reporting to and advising the PCC; presenting the Annual Accounts at the Parish AGM.

More information can be obtained from Pam Murgatroyd, who has held the post during the Interregnum, and is stepping down at the end of the year - 01484 349857

We thank her sincerely for the good job she has done.

A background in finance/business management would be desirable but not essential. Competence with figures and book keeping probably is essential!

Training is available if required and you will be well supported by your fellow treasurers and advisors.

If you feel you can help us....please give it some careful and prayerful thought.

We really do need a Parish Treasurer.

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Thank you - Jenny Mathers

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QUIZ EVENING



Friday 7th
September at
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St James' Church,
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supper and a
glass of wine or
soft drink.

All proceeds go to Operation Christmas Child, Meltham Warehouse.

Diary of Events 2018

Operation Christmas Child, Meltham

Operation Christmas Child - Friday's.

Open 9am – 3pm at St. James Church, Meltham Mills. We are now open every Friday until November

Quiz Night and Supper - Friday 7th September, 7pm.

Tickets are now available - £8 (includes a glass of wine or soft drink)

St. James Church Meltham Mills.

Harvest Home, Supper and Auction - Friday 5th October, 7pm.

The Operation Christmas Child Warehouse opens on Monday 5th November to receive donated gift filled shoe boxes. The following Monday, 12th November, volunteers are welcome to the warehouse to process the donated shoeboxes.

New volunteers are always welcome

We are in need of items for our Harvest Home Auction. Tombola prizes and large soft toys for our special teddy tombola stall.

- Judith Powell



Meltham Churches Together - 'Praying with and for our community'

5th September - Baptist

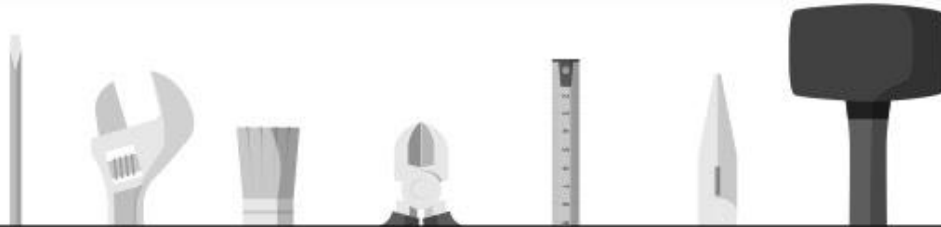
12th September - St Bartholomew's

19th September - Methodist

26th September - St James'

Please note ALL services are held in

St Bartholomew's, Wednesday's at 10.00am



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ST MARY'S REPORT

What a wonderful summer we have had, allowing some wonderful events to take place across the parish. Meltham Memories weekend and the Ale Festival and Hog Roast saw hundreds of visitors enjoying the hospitality of our local town. As well as several couples who enjoyed the beautiful sunshine as they were married in one of our churches. St Mary's Summer Open Day on Saturday 23rd June went well and raised over £500 for church funds with stalls, refreshments and again, plenty of sunshine.

On Saturday 7th July, St Mary's had the joy of hosting the wedding of Benjamin Bamforth and Harriet Stenhouse. The bride and her Dad arrived in a "Cinderella" style coach drawn by two white "Unicorns" and was supported by four bridesmaids. Ben was supported by two best men and the church was full. Rev Judy Kenworthy conducted the service, a string quartet provided the music and the church was decorated with antique pink roses, ribbons and candles.

The following weekend we were able to hold a service for the "Blessing of the Animals" outside in the Church Croft, which is behind the church. Kim Howe led this service and it was a joy to share this time of worship with twenty adults, fourteen young people, twelve dogs, a cat, a ferret and a pony. The music group accompanied the singing, Cara, Evie and Billy led our prayers and the children brought animal pictures which were displayed on Noah's Ark. The setting for this service was beautiful, there was plenty of water for both animals and people, and we really felt that God was smiling down on us.

Rev Judy led services of Holy Communion on the Sundays we have had services assisted by Jacqueline and Kim, Elizabeth and John, and we have joined the rest of the parish for the Meltham Memories Service and the Parish Communion service at St Bartholomew's. Some of us attended services at either St James' or Christ Church on the first Sunday of August, and Jacqueline and Rev Judy led a service of Holy Communion the following week.

We are now looking forward to meeting Rev John Dracup and his family, and to share in the special service on 5th September when he will be inducted and installed as our new Vicar. We hope by then they will be settling into their new home and assure them of our love and prayers as John takes up his ministry amongst us.

BELL HOUSE

Rev Judy took a service of Holy Communion at Bell House on Wednesday 1st August. We sang two hymns - "O praise ye the Lord" and "Guide me O thou Great Redeemer" and the Bible reading and prayers were based on the "Feeding of the Five Thousand". As it was such a beautiful day we also sang "All Things Bright and Beautiful" - everyone's favourite.

St. Bartholomew's Photographic Competition - remained undeveloped



As well as reporting on success stories, failures do occur and with the very best of intentions, the above unfortunately did not attract interest. Only one entry was received from Jack Yates which was a photograph of spring flowers in a garden. Thank you Jack for your entry.

Holy Communion Service & Lunch

Wednesday 26th September, 11.00am at St Bartholomew's Church

This service was originally created as part of our Ministry to the Elderly and Housebound.

However, things have changed a bit... The Pastoral Team still provide transport for our more elderly and housebound friends, and provide much of the, always excellent, Buffet Lunch. But now the service is open to everyone who would like to join us.

If you would like to join us and would like help with transport, please let Val White know - 850896



It is with sadness that we learnt that our former chorister and dear friend, Hildred Gillett, passed away recently. Hildred had been our longest serving and most loyal choir member, and retired from singing in the church choir in 2014 after completing 75 years plus of loyal service – a remarkable achievement. He will be remembered for his singing and his humour in the choir and we give thanks for his dedication not only to the choir, but to St Bartholomew's Church in general where he has worked tirelessly throughout his life. We send our prayers and sympathies to his wife Margaret, daughter Sue and the whole family at this sad time.

We wish a speedy recovery to another choir veteran, Denis Armstrong following his recent hip operation, and hope that he will be mobile and back singing with us soon.

- Simon Ball

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms - We welcome you into the Lord's family

Erin Swaine, Sophie Carson, Bella Scarff,

Ethan Nixon & William Heywood

Marriage - A gift of God in Creation & a means of His grace

Harriet Stenhouse & Ben Bamforth, Louise Warner & Michael Brown,

Karen Jacobs & Adam Taylor, Emily Wilkinson & Adam Walker,

Jessica Todd & Thomas Muffitt, Sarah Pearce & Kristian Robbins

Funerals - May they rest in peace

Melvyn Gibson, Alec Dunn & Hildred Gillett

Anyone wishing to have their loved ones names included in the book of Remembrance at St Bartholomew's please contact Jean Collison : Telephone 851816

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Wednesday 5th September
at 10.30am
In the Lounge

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Christ Church, Helme
Tuesday's 9.30am - St Mary's
Wednesday's 10.00am -
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HELME LADIES

On Tuesday 3rd July, 20 members of Helme Ladies met in Netherton for a walk around the area. The weather was again favourable, in fact it was a beautiful evening with no mud in sight.

We set off across various footpaths across the fields towards South Crosland and emerged into Madgin Lane. We wandered back to Netherton via Midway and Church Lane for supper at the Beaumont Arms. Here we met with the ladies who had not been on the walk and we all settled down for a culinary delight and lots of chat.

On Tuesday July 17th, the Helme Ladies met once again in Netherton for a walk that was totally different to the one from the fortnight previous. We parked at the Conservative Club and the ladies who were not going on the walk settled down to watch a crown green bowling match that was taking place.

Yet again with this summer, the weather did not disappoint, and we set off walking through the housing estate to Hill Top or Old Netherton. We paused to take in the views along the valley towards Meltham Mills and Meltham, which was a beautiful sight in the evening sunshine. We left the views behind and entered Scar Top Wood, it was lovely and cool in the shade provided by the trees. When we reached Netherton Moor Road we turned towards Netherton emerging from the playing fields by the club where supper was awaiting us. Pie and peas were on offer and just what we needed after our walk.

On Tuesday 31st July, when 20 members of Helme Ladies met in the Carlile Street car park in Meltham, we thought we would be in for a wet walk. But we needn't have worried as it turned into a beautiful evening, albeit a little cooler than the previous two walks.

We set off in the cars and parked up on Knowle Lane above Meltham Mills. We took the footpath into Slate Pits Wood, which winds its way through the trees to Meltham Mills Reservoir. Some fishermen were trying their luck in the water and after some banter we saw the ones that got away (always the biggest ones).

We crossed the dam banking, took a small path through the trees that wound its way back down the valley and back onto the track which brought us back to the Knowle.

Supper was awaiting us at Meltham Golf Club, where sandwiches and chips were the order of the day. They were very welcome after our walk and I can tell you that all the chips disappeared along with most of the sandwiches.

As we left the Golf Club it was a very clear evening with the sun setting behind Deer Hill.

OASIS - A QUIET DAY

Wednesday 19th September, at St James' Church, Meltham Mills,

The Quiet Day begins at 10.30am and finishes by 3.00pm. (Coffee from 10.00am)

Lunch and fellowship from 12.00 - 1.00pm. (Please bring your own lunch.)

The day provides an opportunity to be away from the stresses of everyday life.

There will be some inspiring music, images and words, but most of all there will be quiet, peace and time to rest. Nothing will be asked of you - no singing, no questions, no interactive activities.

Come and go as you wish - there is no pressure to stay all day.

The day is yours - a day to read, write, pray, think, be at peace.

For more information, please contact Christine Woods:
852268 or Jenny Mathers: 850839



200 Club JULY winners were:

516	£50	Mr E Tancock
433	£10	Mr J Halstead
799	£10	Mrs M Wrathall
998	£10	Mr J Harrison
827	£10	Mrs C Moulson

200 Club AUGUST winners were:

843	£50	Mr J Harrison
471	£10	Mrs C Charman
632	£10	Mrs E Shaw
864	£10	Mrs S Patchett
669	£10	Mrs J Williams

Gin Evening

Friday 28th September, 7.30pm
At Wilshaw Village Hall

St Mary's are showcasing a wide range of locally sourced and worldwide Gins.
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Real Ale Fest & Hog Roast at Meltham Memories 2018

The summer of 2018 was gearing up to be a long and hot one well before the Meltham Memories weekend came around this year, and again we were blessed with another fine, sunny and very hot weekend. As usual the team began planning months before the actual event and decided that we would raise funds not only for St Bart's Church but also for 'The Welcome Centre in Huddersfield - foodbank and more...' This very worthwhile charity supports people in our community who are in real need - every week; families are going hungry because they can't make ends meet.

This being the 10th year of Meltham Memories, we committed to run over the whole weekend (Fri to Sun). We sought sponsorship of all the various items again (glasses, kegs of ale, wine, prosecco, hog, beef etc.) and we were very grateful for all the support we received from everyone – both the local businesses and individuals – the total amount of sponsorship was £3962 - Magnificent! (please take time to look at the back cover of this magazine for all those who sponsored us - look them up and support them if you can).

We opened up on the Friday evening for our sponsors and on Saturday we ran our very popular hog roasts, all 'swilled' down with a nice variety of real ales, cider, wine and prosecco - something for all tastes. On Sunday, we continued with a steady stream of people coming for our delicious hot roast beef teacakes courtesy of 'Sons of the North – Fine Food Custodians @ Armitage Bridge'.

This year wasn't without its challenges - the building works adjacent to the church hall had the potential to disrupt things, as did an 'abandoned' car in the car park right where we needed to set up the bar, but everything was sorted in the end after a bit of detective work and a helping hand from a local vehicle recovery man.

So, another successful event where, due to sponsorship, we were able to raise a magnificent total of £5620 which was split equally between the Church and The Welcome Centre and in addition give £415 to Meltham Memories Committee towards costs of the event itself – thank you to them for organising it.

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Photo: Anthony presenting Ellie Cotaeu, of the The Welcome Centre, a cheque for £2810.49

Thank you to all the team who helped plan in the months and weeks beforehand as well as those who gave a helping hand the weekend itself. Special mentions to the following people: Anthony Bolland who again took on the task of organising all the sponsorship and excelled in gaining even more (no small task!). Aidan Crowe for coordinating the selection of ales and other drinks. Our treasurer, Peter Blackburn for keeping tabs on all the finances. Ben Curtis for his assistance and running the beef roast on Sunday. The boys from local brewery 'The Three Fiends' for the 'flexible' supply of ales. Margaret Thorley, Claire Bolland and Briony Blackburn for the catering and Ben and Tom Bolland for being generally helpful over the whole weekend – they were both stars! The Church Hall committee for accommodating our needs to have more space in the car park this year - it worked much better! Also to all the additional helpers we had on the bar and food to help things run smoothly. Mustn't forget Alan & Margaret Ball who provided the bar - though they weren't here to help set it up this year, they prepared it all before they went on holiday and we were pleased to hear that our team effort at setting it up had met the required standard - just!

- Simon Ball



Stage Company perform to full houses

Meltham Stage Company summer show in the Parish Church Hall, "The Greatest Variety Show on Earth" played to full audiences over the period 4 - 7th July. The only tickets available were if you attended before curtain up on the off chance that a ticket had been returned.

A cast of 40 performers in age range 7 to 60 gave the audience over 2 hours of pretty much non-stop music and dancing. Young talent displayed their dancing and vocal skills, as well as adults with good, strong voices hitting the right notes and with feeling in the songs they performed. The numbers chosen were all topical with songs and dance routines from Disney, Buggy Malone, West End Kids, Golden Oldies, Les Miserables, The Greatest Showman, Annie, Hairspray, Memories, Blues Brother's Medley and the Finale – Queen Medley. Costumes and scenery were appropriate to the numbers and the routines performed. Quick changes were necessary for the cast.

As well as the 40 people on the stage, the production team, the essential backroom staff, comprised 16 people.

I think we are fortunate that this company is now based in Meltham. Their contribution to village culture and enjoyment needs to be nurtured and their talent to be more widely promoted and recognized.

For me, music, dance and song, and the joy on the faces of all who performed was the lasting impression. It was a pleasure to be in the audience. Well done to all involved.

- John Mitchell

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A big thank you for all the prayers, cards, good wishes and visits during my unexpected June / July stay in hospital and recovery at home. What a difference they all make.

I am now feeling much better.

Thank you all once again. - Pat Beastow

Young Singing Star to Perform at St Bartholomew's Church

LNOP on Saturday 6th October, at 7.30pm in Meltham Church, will have a young singer to perform solos and accompany Meltham and Meltham Mills Band in the rousing finale.

Charlotte Potter, who hails from the North East, is currently at the prestigious Chetham's School of Music in Manchester and she will be the guest vocalist. She has already sung at prominent venues including The Royal Festival Hall, Bridgewater Hall, Durham Cathedral, Birmingham Symphony Hall and Royal Albert Hall. In July she performed in Italy at the Puccini Birthplace Museum and then at Proms in the Priory with the London Gala Orchestra to an audience of 2000 people. She performed with Honley MVC at a concert they held in the church on 14th April and received glowing tributes. She is happy to perform in front of 100 people or 2000. If you missed her in April, you have a chance to hear her in October. Charlotte hopes to pursue a career as a classical singer and will be auditioning for conservatoires this autumn.

We hope to have a good attendance at this popular concert and again the church will link up with our local band who will lead this musical evening. Proceeds, in the normal way will be equally divided between the church and the subscription band.

Posters will be displayed in the village at the end of August and tickets are available for £8.00, from Cafe33 and The Flower Box at about the same time.

A few from Denis A...

Welcome to the Parish Rev'd John & family.

You will find Denis A's jottings not the usual type of things one reads in a church magazine, but they are meant to bring a smile, and a few moments of happiness to one's daily life. Some are written with tongue in cheek, Rev'd Maureen, who is now performing her duties elsewhere, had many a chuckle at them when reading them for approval, although one or two have been considered a bit too inappropriate. Here's hoping you have a good sense of humour.

- A good way to diet - I burned 1200 calories today... I forgot the pizza in the oven.
- I had an accident today, but I'm still alive to tell the tale. I fell off a fifty foot ladder!.. Thank goodness I was only one the first step.

One of my old employees said to me "Denis, you are like a lion in the office, what about at home?" I said "I am like a lion at home too, but there, we have a lion tamer!"

Finally... had my hip operation! "Hip, hip, hooray!!"

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S - SEPTEMBER 2018 ROTA

DATE	ALTAR FLOWERS	SIDESPERSIONS	COFFEE
2nd Sept	Mr D Earnshaw	Mrs P Murgatroyd Mrs C Woodroffe	Mrs B Jennings Mrs V Armitage
Wednesday 5th Sept		Mr A Ball Mrs M Ball	
9th Sept	Mr & Mrs D Williams	Mrs S Wood Mrs M Hardy	Mrs C Moulson Mrs M Ball
16th Sept	Mrs C Moulson	Mrs M Thorley Mrs J Hilton	Mrs E Radcliffe Mrs J Gilleard
23rd Sept	Mr & Mrs P Whittaker	Mrs C Ward Mrs E Radcliffe	Mrs M Thorley Mr B Wadsworth
30th Sept	Mrs D Holmes	Parish Communion, 11.15am at St Mary's, Wilshaw	

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S COMMUNION & LUNCH - WEDNESDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00AM

ST MARY'S - SEPTEMBER 2018 ROTA

Date	Service	Readings	Prayers
2nd Sept	11.15am Holy Communion	John	Jacqueline
9th Sept	Holy Communion, 9.00am at St Bartholomew's / Civic Sunday, 10.30am at St Bartholomew's		
16th Sept	11.15am Holy Communion	John	Kim
23rd Sept	11.15am Morning Worship	John	Jacqueline
30th Sept	Parish Communion, 11.15am at St Mary's, Wilshaw		

ST JAMES' ROTA - SEPTEMBER 2018

Date	Time	Service	Preacher/ Leader	Celebrant	Reader
2nd Sept	9.30am	Holy Communion	D Shields	D Shields	J Mathers
9th Sept	5.00pm	5 Alive			Team
16th Sept	9.30am	MW / Meditation	C Rolls		D Leach
23rd Sept	9.30am	Holy Communion	J Dracup	J Dracup	C Woods
30th Sept	Parish Communion - 11.15am at St Mary's, Wilshaw				

CHRIST CHURCH ROTA - SEPTEMBER 2018

Date	Flowers	Intercessions	Side Person	Altar Server	Coffee	Reader
2nd Sept	Monica	Clergy	Kevin & Eileen	Kenny B	Moyra	Janet
9th Sept	Civic Sunday, 10.30am at St Bartholomew's					
16th Sept	Eileen	Clergy	Kevin & Christine	Janet	Janet	Moyra
23rd Sept	Eileen	Clergy	Kevin & Moyra	Jenny B	Christine	Pat
30th Sept	Parish Communion, 11.15 at St Mary's, Wilshaw					

Holy Communion at Helme Hall - Thursday 27th September, 11.00am

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 Tunnaclife on **850724** **Thank you**

READINGS IN THE PARISH - SEPTEMBER 2018

Date	Theme	1st Reading	Gospel
2nd Sept	The Tradition of the Elders	James 1.17-end	Mark 7.1-8, 15, 21-23
9th Sept	The Syrophoenician Women's Faith	James 2.1-10 (11-13), 14-17	Mark 7.24-end
16th Sept	Peter's Declaration about Jesus	James 3.1-12	Mark 8.27-end
23rd Sept	Jesus Again Foretells His Death and Resurrection	James 3.13-4.3, 7-8a	Mark 9.30-37
30th Sept	Temptations to Sin	James 5.13-end	Mark 9.38-end

SERVICES IN THE PARISH - SEPTEMBER 2018

Date	St Bartholomew's	St James	St Mary's	Christ Church
2nd Sept	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	11.15am Holy Communion	11.15am Holy Communion
9th Sept	9.00am Holy Communion 10.30am Civic Sunday	5.00pm 5 Alive		
16th Sept	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am MW / Meditation	11.15am Holy Communion	11.15am Morning Worship
23rd Sept	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	11.15am Morning Worship	11.15am Holy Communion
30th Sept	Parish Communion - 11.15am at St Mary's, Wilshaw			

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“CHURCH BOOKING HOUR”

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

For Baptisms/Weddings, arrangements for Banns or any other non-urgent enquiry, please contact the Parish office by phone or email for an appointment for our “Church Drop In”, which takes place at St. Bartholomew's Church, Meltham, on Thursday evenings from 6 -7pm. You will be able to speak to a member of the clergy, church warden or a member of the Pastoral team, who will be able to help with your enquiry.

Please note that when making arrangements for a wedding, it is important that both of you attend.

When you arrive you will be greeted by a member of our congregation, who will offer you tea or coffee and if you have to bring the children with you, we can direct them to the box of toys while you carry out your business.

To make an appointment, please contact Amelia on 07933 596734 or email: parishofchristtheking@gmail.com

We look forward to meeting you!

CHURCH HALL DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

WEEKLY BOOKINGS:

Every Monday	G&S Rehearsal	7.30pm
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	7.30pm

MONTHLY BOOKINGS:

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

SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS - Doors open 9.30am

1st Sept	Hospice Support Group
8th	Oxfam
15th	St Bartholomew's Church (10am - 4pm) Heritage Weekend
22nd	Church Hall
29th	Pre-School

OTHER BOOKINGS:

5th Sept	Church Hall Committee	10.00am
	Rev John Dracup's Licensing Service	7.30pm
9th	Civic Sunday	10.30am
22nd	Over 60's Harvest Lunch	1.00pm
	Gilbert & Sullivan Quiz Night	7.30pm

***Please note: All bookings for the Church Hall should now be made with Beverley Hirst on 07518 920214 / bhirst530@btinternet.com**

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