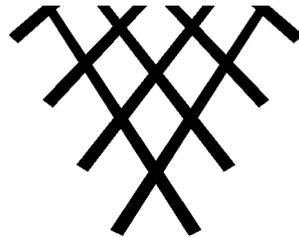
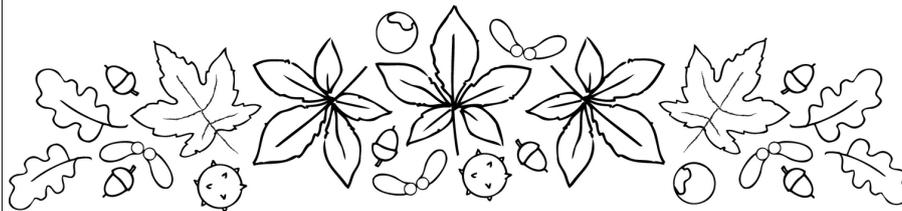


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The Minister writes:

After a bit of a break, work has continued on the site of the old church. The ground has been prepared for grass seeding and we are waiting for the grave stones that were moved for protection to be replaced. It is now possible to see more clearly what the state of the site will be when it is handed over ready for the next stage. I would very much like for the community to get involved with ideas and helping with the work.

One of the jobs to be done is to clear the path that leads down the steps to Aberford Road. I would like to invite anyone who would like to help to come on Saturday 18th October to help. Please bring your own tools if you can. We will start at 10am and if enough people come, it will not take too long. On the down side, it looks like some of the stones that have been left for building the legacy of the old church have been stolen. I would ask people to look out for this and report any suspicious activities to the police.

We are moving forward with the plans for building a suitable place for the war memorial and peace garden. These will be on display when we have our next consultation during the week beginning 17th November, in the Church Centre. On Friday 21st there will be people available to talk to and ask questions. We have had some great ideas so far. One of the graves that will be restored is of a local engineer called Bartholomew. His story is well known in Goole but is little known in his home town, Stanley. We would like to have something that tells his story. There may be other stories from the past to record and I would like to hear your ideas.

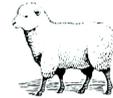
This is also the time of year when we celebrate harvest. We can stop and think about the good gifts that come from the earth, our gratitude to God and to those who work the land. We would like to invite you to join in these celebrations. There will be a Ceilidh on Saturday October 11th at St Peter's School, with the usual live band (please ring 835746 for tickets). There will be a special service on Sunday morning at 10am and on Tuesday October 14th a harvest lunch open to all in the village but especially aimed at the more mature members of the community to come and join us.

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St Peter's Church Services

*All services are held at the Church Centre,
Lake Lock Road, Stanley*

Sunday	10am	Family Communion
	4pm	Evensong (on the first Sunday of every month)
Tuesday	2pm	Prayers
Wednesday	9:30 am	Holy Communion
Thursday	9:15 am	Children's Ark

Other Christian Worship

ZION CHRISTIAN CENTRE

466a Aberford Road, Stanley,
www.zionchurch.co.uk, telephone: 01924 872262

Sunday:	10:30am Service
	11:00am Sunday School & crèche
Tuesdays:	7:30pm Prayer meeting
Wednesdays:	7:30pm Bible Study, discussions

Minister: David Dixon, telephone: 01924 872262

METHODIST CHURCH: Lee Mount Chapel

Sunday: 10:30am service, including junior church

Minister: Rev Naomi Kaiga BD MA
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DATES FOR OCTOBER

Weds 1st Oct 2pm—4pm	<u>Coffee Afternoon</u> at Mount Road Chapel in aid of the Macmillan cancer appeal, see p10.
Weds 1st Oct 7:30pm	<u>Taize Service</u> with meditative and prayerful music. All welcome.
Sun 5th Oct	<u>Evensong</u> : with Holy Communion, at 4pm.
Thurs 9th Oct 6pm	<u>Moorhouse Community Action Group meeting</u> at St Peter's Church, see page 9.
Fri 10th Oct 7:30pm	<u>Film Club</u> : 'Philomena' starring Judi Dench and Steve Coogan. See p16 for a review.
Sat 11th Oct 10am-12pm	<u>Coffee morning</u> at the Community Centre with tombola, cake stall, and much more, see p9.
Sat 11th Oct 2pm—3:30pm	<u>Crafty Kids</u> : the very popular monthly kids' craft afternoon returns. See p12 for details.
Sat 11th Oct 7:30pm	<u>Harvest Ceilidh</u> : with live band The Huntsman's Chorus. See p9 for full details.
Sun 12th Oct 10am	<u>Harvest Festival and Parade service</u> followed by a soup and bread lunch, see p11.
Tues 14th Oct 12:30pm	<u>Harvest Lunch</u> : all welcome to this free lunch. See p11 for details.
Weds 15th Oct 7:30pm	<u>PCC Meeting</u> at St Peter's Church.
Sun 19th Oct 7:30pm	<u>Holy Space</u> : an informal monthly evening service with prayer and worship. All welcome.
Weds 22nd Oct 7pm	<u>Ladies Society meeting</u> at Stanley Library with a talk from a nurse. New members welcome.
Sun 26th Oct 4pm	<u>Memorial Service</u> : a special service to remember loved ones who have died. See p10.
Sun 9th Nov 10am	<u>Remembrance Sunday Parade service</u> : please join us for this special service.
Sat 22nd Nov 10am-12:30pm	<u>Christmas Fair</u> at Stanley Community Centre with lots of stalls. Full details next month.

STANLEY LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Stanley Library offers a wide selection of books, talking books, selected language tapes, DVDs for hire, as well as a photocopier/A4 colour photocopier, fax machine, newspapers and selected magazines. There are also public access computers, offering free internet access, and basic computer programs (i.e. word processing). There are also free UK Online computer courses available offering internet training and Introduction to Computers —please ask in the library.

OPENING HOURS

Monday	9am—5pm
Tuesday	9am—5pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	9am—7pm
Friday	9am—5pm
Saturday	9am—5pm

Reading Groups: There are two Reading groups: one meets in the morning of the first Monday of every month, and the second meets in the evening of the first Thursday of every month. Check with the library for times and book details.

Activities for Children: There is a Tiny Tots Storytime for under 5's, 11:30-12pm on certain Mondays: check with the Library for dates. Other activities for children are organised in most school holidays—please ask for details.

Family History Group: The Family History Group meets on the first Tuesday of every month, from 11am-12pm.

Coffee Morning: There is a coffee morning every Thursday morning, 10am-12 noon. Come and relax with friends over a cuppa.

The Community Centre: The hall, two rooms and well equipped kitchen are available for hire. Contact the Librarian on 01924 303130 to book in advance.



Harvest Ceilidh

With dancing to
'The Huntsman's Chorus'



Saturday 11th October,
7:30pm, in St Peter's School hall

Tickets £9, concessions £5, family ticket £25

Tickets include a pie & peas supper.

Please bring your own drinks!

See Jill Temple or Val McCarthy for tickets or contact the
Church Centre office, tel 01924 835746

Coffee morning thank-you

Thank you to everyone who supported last month's coffee morning on 13th September: £159.01 was raised.



Despite the recent increase in the cost of hiring the community centre, the church coffee morning will continue to take place there until Christmas at least. The next coffee morning will be on Saturday 11th October from 10am—12pm with lots of great stalls: a superb cake stall, handmade greetings cards, tombola, raffle, children's tombola, jigsaws, books and toys, and more!

Donations of books, small toys and jigsaws in good condition would be appreciated. Please contact Mavis Darlington on 822251 or bring your items to the office at St Peter's Church Centre.

Please join us for a very pleasant and enjoyable morning.

Moorhouse Community Action Group

The next meeting of the Moorhouse Community Action Group will be on Thursday 9th October 2014 at 6pm at St Peter's Church. Please come along and meet your local councillors and WDH representatives and raise any issues specific to Moorhouse.

Mount Road Methodist Chapel Events

- The next Coffee Afternoon will be on Wednesday 1st October, 2pm—4pm and will be in aid of the Macmillan cancer appeal. Call in for some delicious cakes and refreshments.



Knit and Natter, Sew and Chatter!

At St Peter's Church Centre, every Thursday, 2pm-4pm

Enjoy a cuppa, company and a 'crafty' afternoon!

Please come and join this established group of ladies as they knit, sew, compare ideas and patterns, learn new crafty skills, and share conversation, refreshments and friendship.

Just turn up: you will be very warmly welcomed

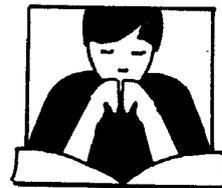


Prayer Meeting—every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm

The weekly prayer meeting at St Peter's Church continues to meet every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm, led by Calli McKenna. Please call in to pray for those in trouble, sorrow, sickness or need; for family, friends, the community and the world.

Memorial Service Sunday 26th October, 4pm

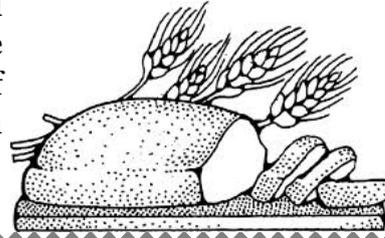
On Sunday 26th October at 4pm there will be a Memorial Service at St Peter's Church for anyone suffering from bereavement. It will be an opportunity to remember and pray for friends and family who have died recently or in the past, and for ourselves, who are facing feelings of loss, sadness and grief. An invitation is not required for this service, please just come along.



Harvest Lunch at St Peter's Church

Tuesday 14th October, 12:30pm—1:30pm

Everyone, young and old, is warmly invited to St Peter's Church on Tuesday 14th October for a Harvest Lunch prepared by church members and the Community Café. The meal will include a choice of homemade stews, followed by fruit puddings, and tea and coffee. As in previous years, the tables will be set out very nicely in the hall and there will be some musical accompaniment during the lunch. The lunch is free of charge, although donations can be made if wished.

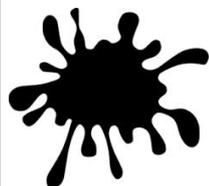


St Peter's Harvest Festival Service

The Harvest Festival Family Parade service will be held on Sunday 12th October at 10am at St Peter's Church and will be attended by the uniformed groups, organisations. Everyone is invited to bring a harvest gift: fresh fruit or veg, dried or tinned food for example. The fresh food donated will be used in the community harvest lunch, and the remaining food will be shared amongst St Catherine's food bank, local elderly people in need, and St Peter's church café.

After the service there will be a shared lunch of soup and bread to which everyone is invited. Come and join us for Harvest festival and lunch as we give thanks for God's many gifts us all.

**DON'T FORGET!!
To turn your clocks back one hour on
Sunday 26th October.**



Crafty Kids

...is restarting this autumn
at St Peter's Church



**Saturday 11th October, 8th November,
13th December, 10th January, 14th February
2pm - 3:30pm**

Come along and enjoy a variety of Crafts for all ages,
refreshments also available. Cost £1.50 per child,
each additional sibling 50p extra.

New Library opening hours

From Monday 29th September, Stanley library will have new opening hours as follows:

Monday	9am—5pm
Tuesday	9am—5pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	9am—7pm
Friday	9am—5pm
Saturday	9am—1pm

So the main change is that the library is now opening at the earlier time of 9am, and will be open throughout the day, without closing over lunchtime.

The library can be contacted on 01924 303130 or by email: stanleylibrary@wakefield.gov.uk

Weekly Community Centre coffee morning

Did you know that coffee mornings are held every Thursday at Stanley Community Centre from 10am-noon? They are ideal opportunities to chat with friends and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, and a biscuit, for only 50p. Please come and support this regular community event.

All in the month of October....

- 175 years ago, on 19th October 1839: Bradshaw's railway guide, the world's first compilation of railway timetables, was published.
- 100 years ago, on 27th October 1914: Dylan Thomas was born.
- 75 years ago, on 1st October 1939: Winston Churchill described Russia as 'a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma'.
- 50 years ago, on 14th October 1964: Martin Luther King Jr was awarded the Nobel Peace prize for his peaceful opposition to racial inequality in the US.
- 40 years ago, on 5th October 1974: the first episode of 'Monty Python's Flying Circus' was broadcast in the UK.
- 30 years ago, on 16th October 1984: the IRA exploded a bomb during the Conservative party conference in Brighton, killing 5 people.
- 30 years ago, on 16th October 1984: Desmond Tutu won the Nobel Peace prize for his role in opposing apartheid.
- 10 years ago, on 19th October 2004: Osama bin Laden admitted ordering the 9/11 attacks, in a video broadcast on al Jazeera TV.

Stanley Community Singers

The Stanley Community Singers meet at St Peter's Church, every Monday (in term-time), 1pm—2:30pm

Come and join our friendly group of singers!

No previous experience required, just a love of singing!
We sing a variety of different music including pop, musicals, spirituals and modern classics. Come along, make some new friends and enjoy a good sing-song!

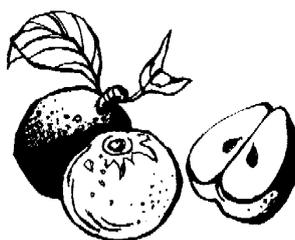
We sing from 1pm-2pm with time afterwards for refreshments and chat. Cost per session = £2.

*Why not arrive a bit earlier and have your lunch in the Community Café?
Sandwiches, salads, all-day breakfasts and hot meals all served.*

‘Come Ye Thankful People Come’ - *the story behind the hymn*

Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest home!
All are safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied;
Come to God’s own temple, come;
Raise the song of harvest home!

We ourselves are God’s own field,
Fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
Grant, O harvest Lord, that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be....
By H Alford (1810 – 71)



This well-loved harvest hymn was written by the Rev Henry Alford, a Victorian clergyman who had been a student at Trinity College, Cambridge with Alfred Tennyson, and whose transparent goodness and friendliness seem to have made him liked and appreciated wherever he went.

His ministry began as vicar of Wymeswold, a tiny village in Leicestershire with a badly neglected church. Over 18 years, Henry rebuilt the faltering Christian community, faithfully visiting every person in his parish, and preaching his way through the Bible in sermons that were so clear that everyone could understand him. He then moved on to the incumbency of Quebec Chapel in London for four years, before moving to the Deanery of Canterbury, in 1857, where he lived until his death in early 1871.

Henry was one of life’s good people: gentle, kindly, grateful for everything he had (he said ‘grace’ before AND after each meal), and eager to encourage all those whom he served. He was prodigiously productive: writing about 50 books. The best known was a four volume exposition of the New Testament, which took him nearly 20 years.

His famous hymn draws upon two of Jesus' parables: the story of the wheat and tares (Matthew 13:24-30) and the story of the seed that grows unbeknown to the sower (Mark 4:26-29). Both are parables from agriculture; and are about the harvest of our souls before God.

During this lifetime we give thanks to God for our harvest of his gifts of creation, but we should also reflect on what seed we are sowing in our lives, and what harvest we may expect; as one day God will gather together only his own for the eternal heavenly harvest.

Do we take the Bible for granted?

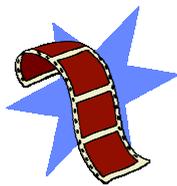
As approach Bible Sunday, on 26th October, we remember those who first translated the Bible into English. William Tyndale's translation of the Gospels into English was completed and printed in 1525, although this was in defiance of the law in England at that time. As a result, Tyndale was condemned and eventually burnt at the stake.

Myles Coverdale continued Tyndale's work and the whole Bible in English was printed in 1535. Eventually the English Bible became accessible to everyone who could read. It is a freedom we in Britain take for granted now. Though in parts of the world where Christians are persecuted minorities this freedom can still be denied.

Even in Uganda in 1972, a largely Christian country, a crisis arose. President Amin had recently expelled all Israeli citizens from Uganda because he suspected Israeli military advisors of subversive activity. Soon afterwards a Bible reading during Thought for Today on Radio Uganda, quoted from the Old Testament that the People of Israel were coming into their Promised Land. Amin saw this as a modern threat, and banned the name 'Israel' from being spoken in Uganda.

The Archbishop of Uganda, Erica Sabiti, confronted the President: "Your Excellency, if you forbid us to speak the name Israel, you are forbidding us to use this book. The name Israel is written in the Bible from beginning to end." "I forbid it!" commanded the President.

The Archbishop, frail and small in stature, held up a copy of the Bible to the towering President. "Your Excellency, down the centuries Christians have been willing to die to defend the right to read this book. We are ready again." The President backed down. Thought for Today, however, was banned.



St Peter's Church
Film Club



Friday evening, 10th October, 7:30pm

'Philomena' (2014) 12 Rating

Falling pregnant as a teenager in Ireland in 1952, Philomena (Judi Dench) was sent to the convent of Roscrea to be looked after as a "fallen woman". When her baby was only a toddler, he was taken away by the nuns for adoption in America. Philomena spends the next fifty years searching for him but with no success. Then she meets Martin Sixsmith (Steve Coogan), a world-weary political journalist who happens to be intrigued by her story. Together they set off to America on a journey that will not only reveal the extraordinary story of Philomena's son, but also create an unexpectedly close bond between Philomena and Martin. The film is a compelling narrative of human love and loss that ultimately celebrates life, showing that there is laughter even in the darkest places.

Free admission, tea & coffee, but bring your own popcorn!

Film shown at St Peter's Church, Lake Lock Road, doors open 7pm

The Pantomime is coming....

Rehearsals are underway for this year's church pantomime: 'Scrooge' which will run from Sunday 30th November to Saturday 6th December at St Peter's Church. From humble beginnings, the pantomimes are now hugely successful and very well received, with over 500 tickets sold each year and a fantastic reception from the audience.

There will be the usual terrible jokes, cross-dressing characters, a show-stealing pantomime animal, fantastic costumes and scenery and toe-tapping music.



There will be two matinee performances: on Sunday 30 November and Saturday 6th December, and evening performances on Monday 1st, Tuesday 2nd, Thursday 4th, Friday 5th and Saturday 6th December. Tickets will be on sale towards the end of October.

Reports from our local schools

Stanley Grove School

Aberford Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4NT, Tel: 01924 303805

Website: www.stanleygroveprimary.co.uk Headteacher: Mrs J Frost

All the children have settled well into their new classes and we are already busy with our new term. We are very excited to have our new classroom up and running and we have held parent information meetings to let everyone know about our new topics.

Year 5 have already had their Level 2 Bikeability training, and received some excellent feedback about their good attitude and behaviour. Year 4 have also received Level 1 Bikeability training. Class 3 had an excellent visit to Scarborough, when they looked at erosion along the cliffs and at the castle, as well as enjoying icecreams and playtime on the beach!

We are holding a couple of after-school clubs at the moment. Anya Greenop, a Russian artist, is running an art club, and we are also running a gardening, craft and bakery course. In addition, 20 pupils are rehearsing for the Young Voices concert at Sheffield arena in January.

Later this half term we will be holding a sponsored sports day. Lee Whiteley, the top GB Paralympic sprinter will be coming into the school to carry out some fitness circuits with years 1 to 6 as part of the Sports for Schools Scheme. It should be a really exciting and fun day.

Wakefield Express came into the school recently to take some photos of the children who took part in our appeal in the summer term to send rucksacks and stationery to schools in Zambia, and some of our children have received letters back from the children in Zambia that they wrote to.

Our classes have some interesting topics this term: Class 1 is studying animals, Class 2 is comparing the features of our local area with Australia, and Class 3 is comparing the history and geography of Wakefield and Scarborough. Class 4 is looking at the Alex Rider books written by Anthony Horowitz, and Class 5 is looking at desert and arctic environments. Class 6 is learning about healthy eating.

Together, we are learning some harvest songs ready for our harvest festival later this month.

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St Peter's CofE Primary & Nursery School

Lake Lock Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4HS, Tel: 01924 303175

Website: www.stanleystpeters.co.uk Headteacher: Mr Paul Fenton

The children have settled into their new classes remarkably well and are all busy enjoying their learning and making new friends.

We are pleased to welcome some new members of staff to our school. Mrs McConnell is the new Learning Mentor and she is looking forward to getting to know all the children. We have a new class 7 teacher—Miss Knaggs, and a new Class 4 teacher—Miss Thackrah.

Our children will making regular visits to Stanley library to take advantage of the longer opening hours and the huge collection of fiction and non-fiction books. Year 6 have started swimming lessons this term, and Year 5 will be swimming after half-term until Christmas.

The school has a new look website: www.stanleystpeters.co.uk. It is still in the editing stage but will be completed very soon. Please take a look!

The school is very interested in the proposed changes to the district's Children's Centres. The proposal is out for public consultation until 15th October 2014: if you would like to have your say about the future of these services, please visit Wakefield Council's website and click on 'HAVE YOUR SAY', or pick up a questionnaire from your local Children's Centre. During the summer holidays, the centre received a visit from Ed Balls, the MP for Morley and Outwood, who spent time talking to families about the centre.

We look forward to the rest of our new and busy school term.

Stanley Children's Centre

Long Causeway, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4JB, Tel: 01924 303181,

Open: Monday to Friday 8:30am—4:30pm Centre Manager: Liz Cooper

The Children's Centre offers support services to families with children under 5 and parents-to-be: fun activities, advice on parenting, childcare, education, benefits and finance, housing, support for childminders; adult courses; antenatal care; child health promotion clinic; breastfeeding support and more. Please see overleaf for details of the regular weekly groups and meetings:

Day	Time	Group
Monday	9am—4:30pm 1.30pm—3pm	<u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed. <u>Stay & Play</u> for ages 18 months—5 years.
Tuesday	10am—12pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Baby Time</u> from birth—9 months.
Wednesday	1pm—3pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Toddler Time</u> from 9 months —2 years.
Thursday	9am—12pm 9:30am—3:30pm	<u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed. <u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed.
Friday	10am—12:30pm 2pm—4pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Midwife Drop-in Clinic</u>

Bibles removed from Travelodge

The nationwide hotel chain Travelodge has removed Bibles from all of its rooms, in a move criticised by the Church of England. Bibles provided free by the Gideons have been taken away to avoid ‘discriminating’ against any other religion, as Travelodge explains it.

The removals reportedly took place after refurbishment work across the hotel chain, which replaced the drawers where Bibles were being kept. In response, a spokesman for the Church of England said: “It seems both tragic and bizarre that hotels would remove the word of God for the sake of ergonomic design” or “economic incentive”.

Writing on the Telegraph website, commentator Tim Stanley described Travelodge’s decision as “an act of cultural vandalism upon a tradition that goes back 126 years”.



In an official statement Travelodge said: “Travelodge made the decision to move copies of the Bible from its hotel rooms and place them at reception for customers to borrow in 2007. This decision was based on customer research and the fact that we live in a multicultural society. In order not to discriminate against any religion, customers who would like a Bible can get a copy from any of Travelodge’s 500 hotel reception desks across the country, whilst staying at the hotel”.

Travelodge is the only hotel chain in the country to have removed the Bibles, despite having never received a complaint from a guest. Both Premier Inn and InterContinental Hotels, who own the Holiday Inn chain, say that Bibles are being retained in their hotels.

On-going crisis for Christians in Iraq

This past summer a terrifying situation has arisen in northern Iraq, where hundreds of thousands of people have fled in fear of their lives, due to the advance of IS (Islamic State) forces. Many of them are persecuted religious minorities, including Christians and Yazidis. The UN Security Council has condemned these attacks as a brutal violation of people's rights to freedom of religion and belief, as set out under Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The 'Vicar of Baghdad', Canon Andrew White, has said that Christians in Iraq "face annihilation", and is urgently asking Christians in the UK to help through prayer and other support.

The Archbishop of York has called upon the Government to show leadership both internationally and domestically to support those suffering in Iraq. The Archbishop spoke following United Nations reports that 670 people were executed by ISIL in the city of Mosul, the worst recorded massacre committed by the Salafi-Jihadist group. "It is essential that Her Majesty's Government now take a lead both internationally and domestically to respond to the daily unfolding horrors in Iraq," he said.

"Holy Writ urges us to overcome evil with good and in circumstances such as those we are witnessing in Iraq, this means actively resisting evil both in terms of protecting the innocent and putting an end to the brutality of the perpetrators.

"The events in Iraq demonstrate a fundamental truth about humanity and its unbridled capacity for brutality. I have witnessed first-hand the horrors of brutality and its dehumanising impact upon perpetrators in addition to the untold suffering of victims. Unbridled violence brings untold suffering to victims but also dehumanises perpetrators to such an extent that murder becomes an act of the ordinary instead of a sin against the sanctity of human life. To adapt the words of King Lear: as flies are to wanton boys, so are the innocent to the dehumanised soul; killing them for their sport.

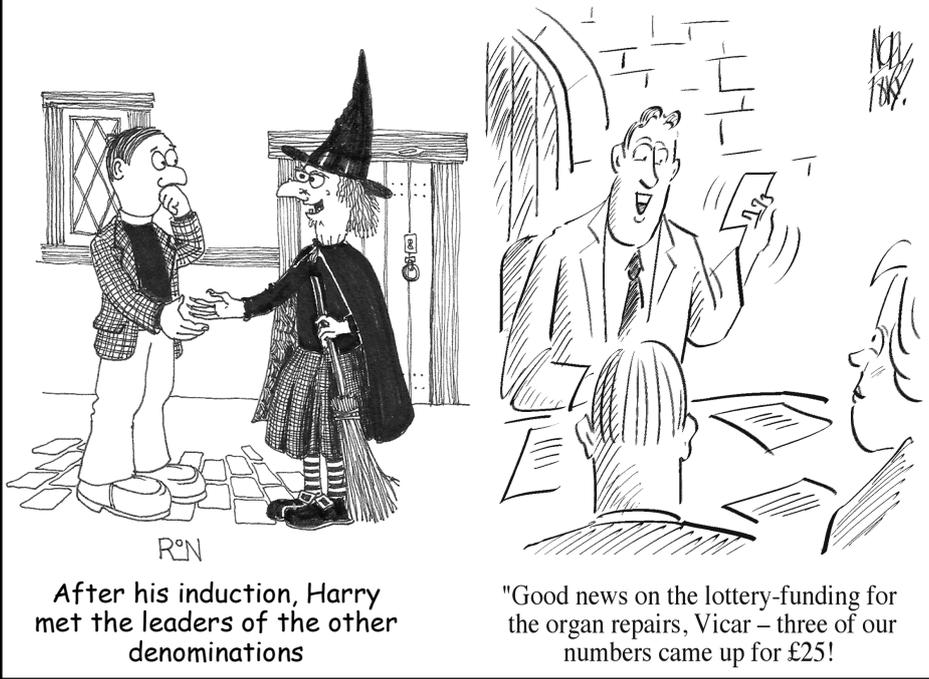
"The time for hard hitting speeches and condemnation has passed. What is required now is action to protect those at risk from slaughter. I invite all people to continue to pray for peace and our world leaders to become instruments of peace."

They missed him

They missed him!
They were looking for a lion.
He came as a lamb and they missed him.
They were looking for a warrior.
He came as a peacemaker and they missed him.
They were looking for a king.
He came as a servant and they missed him.
They were looking for liberation from Rome.
He submitted to the Roman stake and they missed him.
They were looking for a fit to their mould.
He was the mould breaker and they missed him.
Will you?

Taken from a book by J John and Mark Stibbe

Cartoon Corner



Prayers for October



Prayer for Direction

Heavenly Father, the world is broken. So many lives are broken. People don't know which way to turn, or who to go to for help. And yet, you have provided everything we need. You gave us Jesus, who is the Way to you. Prompt us, by your Holy Spirit, to turn to him, instead of wandering aimlessly. You gave us your written Word as a living guide book and manual for living in this world. Open our eyes and hearts to receive your direction through it. Thank you Father, for your unfailing love and provision for us. In Jesus name, Amen.

By Daphne Kitching

God who shows his care

We will hold your hand in silence
Place our arms round you in prayer
That our heart-thoughts may bring blessings
From our God who shows his care
In the suffering of our Saviour
Who faced death upon a Cross



To show all who will but see it
That our death is not the loss
Of the life that comes from heaven
Or the love of every heart
But the journey of a life-time
In which we all play a part

As we share each other's burdens
And ease each other's load
Till angel wings return us
To the state of God's abode
Where our place is well-prepared
And our welcome guaranteed

By the Saviour who lives in us
And through prayer fulfils our need.

By Sam Doubtfire

Daily Strength

Jesus Christ said:

“Do not let your hearts
be troubled. Trust in
God; trust also in me.
Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give you.

I do not give as the
world gives. Do not let
your hearts be troubled
and do not be afraid.

John 14: 1, 27

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