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Monday 9.30am—5pm

Tuesday 9.30am—5pm

Wednesday Closed all day

Thursday 9.30am—7pm

Friday 9.30am—5pm

Saturday 10am—1pm

Sunday Closed all day

WHAT'S ON EACH WEEK

Monday: Under 5's Storytime is 11am-11.30am every Monday during the year. Please ask for details about school holiday children's activities.

Monday: Adult Bingo from 1pm-3pm Refreshments included, all welcome! Come along and have a brilliant bingo time!

Tuesday: Adult Craft & chat morning from 10am-12pm Bring your knitting, drawing, crocheting or other activity and enjoy chat and refreshments.

Thursday: Adult Coffee Morning from 10am—12pm Come and relax with friends over a cuppa.

Friday: Under 5's Storytime from 1.30pm—2pm

Friday: Children's Lego Club from 3.30pm—4.30pm

Saturday: Family Crafts from 10.30am—11.30am

Contact Stanley Library: Lake Lock Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4HU,

Telephone: 01924 303130, email: stanleylibrary@wakefield.gov.uk

Stanley Readers Group, first Monday of the month 10am-11am
Please come and join us in our discussions! Ask in the library

for more information or contact Mary on 07900 534571

2023 Coffee Morning dates

Thank you everyone who supports our monthly coffee mornings. The December

coffee morning raised £233 and the January coffee morning raised £187. The next coffee morning will be on Saturday 11th February at St Peter's church from 10.30am—12.30pm with lots of great stalls: raffle, jigsaws, tombola and refreshments including delicious bacon butties. Here are the dates for the coffee mornings for the rest of the year:

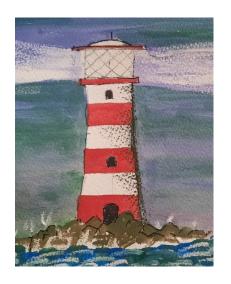
14th January	8th April	8th July	14th October
11th February	13th May	12th August	11th November
11th March	10th June	9th September	9th December

Mount Road Methodist Chapel—events this month:

 Family services take place every Sunday at 10.30am at Mount Road Methodist chapel with a different speaker every week, and followed by tea and coffee.



- Free Tea & Coffee every Thursday 1.30pm-3.30pm with Joyce's cake stall.
- There will be a <u>Jumble Sale on Wednesday 15th February at 1.30pm</u> to raise money for 'Zarach', a Leeds charity that tackles bed poverty for children: £150 provides a package (worth 3x that amount) comprising a bed, mattress, pillow, bedding and pyjamas. Most events at the chapel this year will be to raise money for Zarach.



LIGHTHOUSE CAFÉ at St Peter's Church Every Monday 10am—12pm

For snacks and refreshments,
Followed by light lunches from **12pm—1pm**Plus, free Wi-Fi, Books, Games, Jigsaws,
Newspapers, Use of Computer

A Warm Space and a Warm Welcome—
Come and join us!

FEBRUARY EVENTS IN STANLEY

Services and events every week at St Peter's Church

Sundays Family Communion service: with both a traditional and modern approach to worship, and with Holy Commun-

ion most Sundays and refreshments after the service.

Mondays Lighthouse Café A warm space with drinks,

10am -12pm snacks, games, Jigsaws etc.

Mondays

1pm-2pm

Stanley Community Choir

Welcome, no audition! Make friends and enjoy

a sing-song.

Tuesdays <u>Tuesday lunch club</u> for older people with games,

10.30am-1.30pm quizzes, talks, films, crafts and a hot lunch—£5.

Wednesdays Knit & Natter with crafts, chat and refreshments.

1.30pm-3.30pm New members always welcome.

Thursdays 9.15am-11.15amChildren's Ark baby and toddler group with toys, play, singing and snacks. Cost £1.50 per child.

Special events this month

10am

Sat 11th February
10.30-12.30pm

Coffee morning with bacon butties, tombola, raffle, refreshments, jigsaws and more, see p4.

Sat 11th February <u>Litter Pick with the SRG:</u> meet at the Moorhouse

shop. See page 6 for more information.

Weds 15th February <u>Jumble Sale at Mount Road Chapel</u> to raise money for the Zarach charity. See previous page p4.

Weds 15th February PCC meeting at St Peter's church.

7.30pm

Mon 20th February SRG meeting at the Wheatsheaf pub. Please come along and get involved with the plans for our village.

Weds 22nd Ash Wednesday service A special service led by Rev Pebruary, 7.30pm David Teece to mark the beginning of Lent. See page 9.

Sat 25th March Spring Fair at St Peter's church: advance notice of our Spring Fair—there will be lots of stalls and refreshments.

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Spring is just around the corner and the daffodil bulbs are shooting through on the grass verges and open spaces. In the Community Orchard off Mount Road, the bulbs in the tyre planters are peeping through and promise a cheery sight if the birds don't peck at them

all first! The Community gardens and flower beds may need a little longer to show a fine display.

This month should see the installation of four new benches around the village for everyone to enjoy. Three of them have been paid for from the Co-op Community funding that we received in 2021 and also from local family memorial donations. The benches will be placed at Ferry Lane/Nellie Spindler junction; Beech Avenue/Lime pit Lane and Baker Lane. The fourth bench has been very kindly sponsored by Richard Egglestone and family.

February should also see the publication of our "Veg, Flower and Cake Show" schedule. From the feedback we have received in previous years, there will be many new classes in each category and the entries for the baking competition will be wider and more relaxed. There will be various new craft and children's entries for 2023 so we hope there will be something for everyone to enjoy showing off their skills and interests in an informal competition.

The Group continue to meet to plan all our activities for the year and our next meeting will be on **20th February at 6.30pm in the Wheatsheaf pub**. All are welcome to meetings and to help at all our events.

The next Community Litter Pick will start from the **Moorhouse Shop** to clear the dual carriageway area on **Saturday 11th February at 10am**. There will be safer areas for families with young children to go litter picking.

Our contact details for all questions and comments are by email to: stanleyresidentsgroup@gmail.com. Looking forward to seeing you out and about around the village!

By Anne Waring

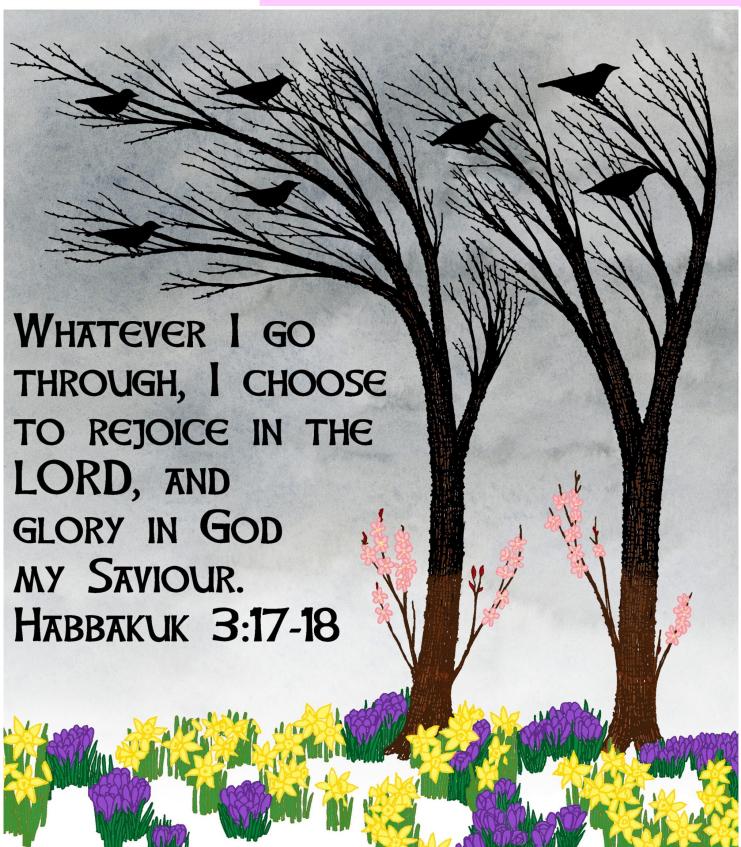
Don't forget—Pancake Day is on Tuesday 21st February

Pancake Day, or more properly—Shrove Tuesday—falls on the day before Ash Wednesday each year, which is the first day of Lent. The custom of eating pancakes dates back to the 16th century when foods such as



North Wakefield Team of Churches

Newsletter for February 2023



Dear Friends,

Welcome to our February edition of the North Wakefield Benefice magazine. Again a big thanks to Ellie for producing the magazine and to our contributors – please keep the items coming in so that we can share our news and advertise up and coming events and social activities.

Looking back it was good to gather on Sunday 8th January at St Mary's in Outwood for Fr Jonathan's farewell service, presentation and refreshments. Many thanks to all those who were involved in the service and for putting on such a wonderful tea afterwards. By the time you are reading this, Fr Jonathan will have been licensed to his new team of churches and will have begun his new life and ministry in the Batley team of churches. We do continue to give thanks for his ministry here in the North Wakefield Benefice and pray for him and Jo in their new life together in Batley.

Bishop Tony has confirmed that Fr Jonathan will be replaced and it is planned that the new priest will be with us in the summer. Please pray for the benefice as we and the wider church begin the appointment process and for those involved in the day to day running of the benefice during the vacancy – many thanks.

Looking forward, February begins as usual with the presentation of Christ in the temple which will be celebrated in our churches on Sunday 5th February. This is a wonderful service as we eavesdrop on Simeon and Anna as they meet baby Jesus in the temple. At the service we take a look back at the Christmas and Epiphany time before turning our gaze upon Lent and our journey towards Holy Week and Easter. There will be Ash Wednesday services in all the churches — please see page 9 opposite for details about our Ash Wednesday services.

In Lent we shall be holding a series of Lent groups at different times and places across the benefice. During Lent, we shall journey with Jesus into the wilderness and explore how his relationship with his Father sustained him and blessed him. All of us at some stage in our lives have wilderness experiences and the Lent groups will look at different aspects of our faith and how they sustain and support us at these times. Further details of the Lent course will be available shortly.

Finally many thanks to you for all for your fellowship over Christmas and Epiphany and for the many people who offer their gifts in different ways across the benefice. Take care and God Bless, Glenn

Rev Glenn Coggins, Vicar of the United Benefice of Stanley, Outwood and Wrenthorpe and Alverthorpe

Events for February

Thurs 26th January, 7.30pm Wrenthorpe MAPPs Men's group meeting at Kirklands Hotel, Outwood.

Tuesday 31st January, 10amAlverthorpe
Family History meeting—come along and find out how to research your family history online.

Saturday 4th February, 10am Alverthorpe Coffee morning in aid of CAP Care with cakes, table top sale. Bring toiletries to donate to CAP.

Monday 6th February, 10am Outwood Mother's Union meeting in Outwood church to put together emergency toiletry packs for Pinderfields.

Sat 11th February, 10.30am Stanley
Coffee morning with lots of great stalls, refreshments, bacon sandwiches, raffle, tombola etc. from 10.30am-12.30pm.

Monday 13th February, 10am Stanley
Family History meeting—come along and find out how to research your family history online.

Thurs 23rd February, 7.30pm Wrenthorpe MAPPs Men's group meeting at Kirklands Hotel, Outwood.

Monday 6th March, 10am Outwood
Mother's Union meeting in Outwood
church to put together emergency toiletry
packs for Pinderfields.

Ash Wednesday services

As we begin Lent and our preparation for Easter, please join us at any of the four churches on Wednesday 22nd February for special Ash Wednesday services.

Right from the early Christian church, it was customary for people to have ashes sprinkled over them at the beginning of Lent, as a symbol of penitence. The custom of 'ashing' was abolished at the Reformation, although the old name for the day remains.

Nowadays, people often receive the mark of the cross in ashes on their forehead, and it is also customary to burn the left-over palm cross from the previous year's Palm Sunday to create the ashes for today.

All Ash Wednesdays services are on Wednesday 22nd February

11am at <u>St Paul's, Alverthorpe</u>

2.15pm at <u>St Anne's, Wrenthorpe</u>

7pm at <u>St Mary Magdalene, Outwood</u>

7.30pm at <u>St Peter's, Stanley</u>

Lent Courses

There will be Lent courses available at various times and locations. Details will be available from each church shortly.

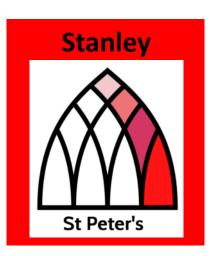
Please see the individual pages for each church for further information about these events, and for details of regular services, community groups etc.

St Peter's Church, Stanley

Church: Lake Lock Road, Stanley, WF3 4HW

Vicar: Rev Glenn Coggins, The Vicarage,

St Paul's Drive, Alverthorpe, WF2 0BT



10am Sunday family communion

Congregational services take place every Sunday morning at St Peter's church, with Holy Communion on most Sundays, and opportunities for one-to-one prayer. We serve refreshments after every service.

Regular events at St Peter's

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Mondays 10am - 12pm	Lighthouse Café A warm space with drinks, snacks, games, Jigsaws etc.		
Mondays 1pm- 2pm	Stanley Community Choir New members welcome, no audition! Make friends and enjoy a sing-song.		
Tuesdays 10.30am- 1.30pm	Tuesday lunch club for older people with games, quizzes, talks, films, crafts and a hot lunch—£5.		
Wednesdays 1.30pm- 3.30pm	Knit & Natter Enjoy a cuppa, company & a 'crafty' time.		
Thursdays 9.15am- 11.15am	Children's Ark baby and toddler group with toys, play, singing and snacks.		

Children's Ark

A relaxed and friendly baby and toddler group for pre-school children and their carers. Come and enjoy a cuppa and meet friends. £1.50 per child.

Play! Singing! Snacks! Stories! Toys!

Every **Thursday** in term time at St Peter's church from **9:15am to 11:15 am**

Phone 01924 835746 or 07746 849509 for more info



Coffee Morning Thank you

Thank you everyone who supports our monthly coffee mornings. The next coffee morning will be on **Saturday 11th February** at St Peter's church from 10.30am—12.30pm with lots of great stalls: raffle, jigsaws, tombola and refreshments including delicious bacon butties.

Councillor Lynn Masterman is usually available during every coffee morning in case anyone

has any local issues they would like to raise with her. Please join us!

...Also meeting at St Peter's church every week are Cubs, Scouts, Rainbows, Brownies, the Rodillian Singers ladies choir, and Mini Maestros children's music classes.

Links with local schools

St Peter's church enjoys well established links with both Stanley St Peter's and Stanley Grove primary schools. Stanley St Peter's school cannot use their school hall at the moment, but fortunately they were able to use our church hall to hold their nativity plays just before Christmas, and they have also used our premises for literacy workshops. We have been very happy to help them out.

The school choir or individual classes often come to sing to our Tuesday lunch club which is a great experience for the children and the lunch club members alike! have also held numerous games sessions on Tuesday mornings when school children come along and play games with the older people—it's a brilliant inter-generational activity!

We also visit Stanley Grove school regularly where we help teach Christian songs and also hold termly assemblies such as for Easter, Harvest and Christingle.

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Stanley Community Singers

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

Come and make some new friends and enjoy a good sing!

No previous experience required, just a love of singing! We sing a variety of different music including pop, musicals, spirituals and modern classics.

Cost per session = £2.50

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Contact details for St Peter's Church

Clergy

Baptism and wedding enquiries, request home visits, prayer and communion:

01924 218484 **Rev Glenn Coggins**

07951 651952

cogginsglenn@gmail.com

Rev David Teece 01977 318453

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Readers

David Greenwood-Haigh Vicky Wilson

Church Office

Room hire enquiries, information about

church groups, publicity:

Eleanor Plant 01924 835746 churchoffice@stpeters-stanley.org.uk

Church Officer roles

Jason Plant Church Warden Church Warden **David Sunderland Libby Gates PCC Secretary** Jason Plant **Treasurer**

Safeguarding concerns

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Lighthouse Café

Every Monday 10am—12pm

The Lighthouse Café is a Warm Space and a beacon of light in the darkness of winter, offering drinks, snacks, jigsaws,



newspapers and games every Monday morning, and serving lunches from midday. Come to Lighthouse Café on Mondays and the Lunch Club Tuesdays: Warm Spaces and a Warm Welcome.

St Mary Magdalene, Outwood

Church: 560 Leeds Road, Outwood, WF1 2DT

Vicar: Rev Glenn Coggins, The Vicarage,

St Paul's Drive, Alverthorpe, WF2 0BT



Church Services every week: Sunday 9.30am Parish Mass Tuesday 7pm Mass

Regular Events:

Mondays 7.30pm	Blokes United in the Choir Vestry
Every other Wednesday at 10am 25th January, 8th & 22nd February	Drop-In at the Church Institute. Coffee/tea, chat, Free of charge
Every other Wednesday at 12pm 1st & 15th February	Lunch Club at Church Institute (see below)

Lunch Club

Our fortnightly Lunch Club takes place at the Church Institute from **12-2pm** every other Wednesday (1st and 15th February this month) and costs £3.50. Open to all!



For more information,
please contact Colin
and Carol Lunn
csrlunn@hotmail.co.uk

Farewell to Jonathan

A farewell service was held for Father Jonathan Bish at Outwood Church on 8th January. It was a lovely service with a great turnout and was followed by a buffet meal. Everyone is sad to see him leave after 6 happy years in Wakefield, but we wish him and Jo lots of luck for the future, and our prayers go with them to Batley. Jonathan thanked everyone for all their support and gave St Mary Magdalene's two new Altar candles as a parting gift.

Jonathan was then licensed as Priest-in-Charge in Batley on 24th January at St Andrew's Church in Purlwell, Batley.



St Mary Magdalene and St Anne's in

Wrenthorpe are now in interregnum and a rota of Priests and Lay Readers are in place to conduct the services.

For any enquiries, please contact Rev Glenn Coggins or the church wardens—details opposite.

Candlemas

Candlemas falls on 2nd February, exactly 40 days after Christmas Day. In Bible times, 40 days old was an important age for a baby boy; they made their first 'public appearance'. Mary would have taken Jesus to the Temple to 'present Him to the Lord'. Thus, the day is also known as the Festival of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple.

Jesus is described as the Light of the World, and early Christians would light many candles on this day. The Church then began the custom of blessing the year's supply of candles on the same day – hence the name, Candlemas.

Celebrate Candlemas at St Mary Magdalene at 9.30am on Sunday 5th February.

Contact details for St Mary Magdalene

Vicar

Weddings, banns, baptisms, funerals—please talk to Rev Glenn Coggins:

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Mothers' Union News

We held our Wave of Prayer service on Tuesday 10th January, praying for the people, Mothers' Union members and the

problems they face in our link dioceses of Etche & Ogbomoso in Nigeria; Kibungo in Rwanda; Lesotho; and Hanuato'o in the Solomon Islands. We also prayed for ourselves and our own Diocese of Leeds. This is part of a continuous wave of prayer throughout the year which all MU members observe, usually at midday.

Afterwards we held our Annual General Meeting, receiving reports of the past years work completed by the members of our branch.

Dates were suggested for our next two meetings which will be on **Monday 6th February and Monday 6th March at 10am** in St Mary Magdalene's church when we will be putting together emergency toiletry packs for the Burns Unit and Paediatric ward in Pinderfields Hospital. We will also be planning our programme for the year.

If anyone would like further information about our group please do not hesitate to contact me, Sheila Crosby, on 01924 825866. You are always welcome to come along and join us too!

St Anne's, Wrenthorpe

Church: 121 Wrenthorpe Road, Wrenthorpe,

Wakefield, WF2 0JS

Vicar: Rev Glenn Coggins, The Vicarage,

St Paul's Drive, Alverthorpe, WF2 0BT



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MEN'S GROUP

"MAPPs": What Sort of Name and what Sort of Group is That?

As strange as its name sounds our MAPPs Men's Group is not some sort of secret or exclusive society. In fact, quite the reverse! The group simply provides an opportunity for men from our four churches, plus friends from other churches or even none, to spend time together for an evening once a month or to get out and about to places of interest. (See below for their programme for the next few months.)

The group's name come from the saints' dedication of the four churches in our benefice and by taking the first letter of each to create the acronym MAPP: Mary Magdalen, Anne, Peter and Paul. There are currently 40 men who receive notification of meetings, although not all by any means attend regularly. The door is

always open and a welcome awaits any other men who wish

to share in meetings.

Here's what's on offer these next few months:

• Thursday 26th January, 7.30 pm at the Kirklands Hotel, Outwood with a talk about the work of the Samaritans.

 Thursday 23rd February, 7.30 pm at the Kirklands Hotel, Outwood with hopefully a talk from a former member of the Ambulance Service.

• Tuesday 21st March, 6.45pm at Wakefield Cathedral with a guided tour and ending with a time of reflection. Those that wish can attend Sung Evensong at 6pm, with the tour beginning with refreshments at 6.45 pm. Our host will be Canon Philip Hobday who has recently joined the Cathedral staff.

• Thursday 27th April, 7.30 pm at the Kirklands Hotel, Outwood with hopefully a speaker from the Air Ambulance Service.

If anyone wants more details please contact Stuart Millington by telephone on 01924 375996 or 07919 311116 or by email stumillington@btinternet,com

Cheeky Cherubs

Our toddler group, Cheeky Cherubs, meets in church from **10am on Monday mornings in term time**.

It is open to children aged 0-4 years and their parents and grandparents, and includes stories, activities, crafts and plenty of time to play!

Youth Drop-In

Our Youth Drop-in is open to all children aged 11-13, and meets on **Mondays from 2:30pm** after school.

It is free, and there are crafts, games, drinks and food for all!

Contact details for St Anne's Church

Vicar

Weddings, banns, baptisms, funerals—please talk to Rev Glenn Coggins:

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Treasurer

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Bob Illingworth 07443 459558

Bella RIP

Many of you who regularly read the St Anne's magazine will remember Bella's Blog. It is with great sadness that I have to inform you that we said goodbye to her on 8th December. Her leaving has left a great hole in our hearts. Many people have said to us how happy she was and how much happiness she brought to those whom she met. She always approached everyone with a waggy tail and expectation of having a fuss made of her which she invariably received. Although we only had her for five and a half years she was an indispensible part of the whole family. Many thanks must be given to Jude Dawson and his wonderful staff at Purple Vets who treated her with dignity and kindness. Even in her last days she still was happy to still go for short walks and sit by the side of young children whom she had not previously met and make herself small and totally non-intimidating so that they would have no fear of dogs.

We don't know where she is now but we can only guess. The famous American actor and homespun philosopher Will Rogers said "If there are no dogs in heaven then when I die I want to go where they went". Wherever you are Bella rest in peace and have a lovely life.

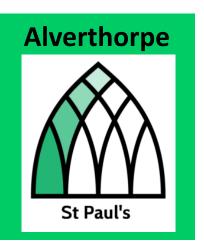
Malcolm and Wendy Endersby

St Paul's, Alverthorpe

Church: St Paul's Drive, Alverthorpe, WF2 0BT

Vicar: Rev Glenn Coggins, The Vicarage,

St Paul's Drive, Alverthorpe, WF2 0BT



We are St Paul's Church, Alverthorpe

The Rev Glenn Coggins is our Vicar: 01924 218484 or cogginsglenn@gmail.com

Sunday and mid-week services:

10am Sunday morning: a mixture of Holy Communion and Morning Prayer

11am Wednesday morning: a short 'said' Holy Communion

Saturday coffee & chat:

10am-12pm Saturday morning quiet time, or simply a chat and tea/coffee.

We have tea and coffee after all services. We are on Facebook, and broadcast live every Sunday morning service

A WARM welcome guaranteed

Holding Crosses for Wakefield Hospice

As we know, our local hospice offers amazing care and support to individuals and families in the Wakefield area. As part of this care, they have chaplains on call who, with the help of donations, have been giving out holding crosses to those in need. These have been really appreciated and we would like to continue donating them. They cost £2.50 each. Are you able to



make a donation towards purchasing more crosses? If you are able to help, please speak to Glenn Coggins, who helps co-ordinate the chaplains at the hospice. Thankyou in anticipation.

St Paul's is a 'Warm Space':



We are delighted to be hosting two <u>'warm spaces'</u> during the winter months offering people an opportunity to come into a warm room in church for a hot drink and chat. These 'warm spaces' sessions are taking place on **Saturdays from 10am—12pm**; the committee

room are heated and drinks and biscuits are available. There are also games available and other activities.

The other 'warm space' time is on Wednesdays from 11.40am—onwards. Holy Communion begins at 11am and finishes at around 11:40am, and the refreshments afterwards have been extended to include soup and a roll with cheese. You are very welcome to join us.

St Paul's Charitable Giving

St Paul's PCC has nominated various charities to support during the year such as Christian Aid, Macmillan, the British Legion and the Children's Society.

In February we will be supporting the Community Awareness Programme (CAP Care) by holding a—

Coffee morning in aid of CAP on Saturday 4th February 10am-12pm.

As well refreshments and cake there will be a table top sale—please bring along any unwanted new Christmas gifts that we can resell.

CAP would also welcome donations of toiletries e.g. soap, shower gel, handwash, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products.

CAP Care are a very worthwhile local charity, offering:

- <u>Practical support</u> e.g.meals, clothing, showers, toiletries, household items.
- <u>Personal support</u> e.g. friendship, care, advice, a listening ear.
- <u>Fresh start</u> e.g. help with benefit applications, employment advice
- <u>Referrals to other agencies</u> e.g. for child abuse, sex abuse, marriage & family advice, debt, anger issues.

We hope you will put this date in your diaries and pop along to support us on the day. We are looking forward to holding fundraising event every month. Let us know if you would like to nominate a local charity!

Contact details for St Paul's

Clergy

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Rev Glenn Coggins

01924 218484

07951 651952

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Church Warden

David Dews

Uniformed groups

Cubs meet Monday evenings, and Beavers and Scouts meet Friday evenings:

Bill Sim

01924 382245

Guides meet Wednesdays and Rainbows and Brownies meet Thursday evenings:

Mrs Pat Lambert

01924 376857

Family History Research Group

Tuesday 31st January, 10am-12pm at St Paul's Alverthorpe

Monday 13th February 10am-12pm at St Peter's church in Stanley

There are two meetings coming up this month of the new Family History Research Group, one in Alverthorpe and one in Stanley. Come and meet up with Angela Coggins and others to find out what resources are available to help you research your own family history.

Maybe you've always wanted to research your family history but don't know how to get started? Or maybe you just need some new ideas to help continue your work? Come along!

Refreshments will be available



Disturb us, Lord

Disturb us, Lord,
when we are too
well pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams
have come true
Because we have dreamed too little,
When we arrived safely
Because we sailed too close to the shore.

Disturb us, Lord, when
With the abundance of things we possess
We have lost our thirst
For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,
We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,
We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.

Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly,
To venture on wider seas
Where storms will show your mastery;
Where losing sight of land,
We shall find the stars.
We ask You to push back
The horizons of our hopes;
And to push into the future
In strength, courage, hope, and love.
Attributed to Sir Francis Drake, 16th Century

Prayers for February

Lent

The monk, within his monastery, The ploughman and the lord; Would keep the Lent time patiently And keep a simple board.

Rich food nor meat could touch their lip Just plain and simple fare; Dried bread in sauce they could not dip — Or face the Parson's glare!

Today, such things don't tend to be We've left them in the past!
Just those within that monastery
Who keep the Lenten fast.

But all should come to love anew
The treasured time of Lent
And spend more time with Father, who
Rewards such time well spent!
By Nigel Beeton

Daily Strength

The Lord watches over you.

The Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The Lord will keep you from all harm;

he will watch over your life;

the Lord will watch over your coming and
going both now and for evermore.

Psalm 121: 5, 7—8

For Candlemas, 2nd February

Dear Lord, here we are in February – month of cold days, winter days, but days that promise hope and signs of Spring. Snowdrops and lengthening light; echoes of the hope and light that Jesus brought to Simeon and Anna all those years ago in the Temple.



Thank you, Lord, that you always bring light, you always bring hope and peace and joy when we put our trust in Jesus, our Saviour. Jesus, Lord of all our days and seasons. In his name we thank you, as we look to his Light. Amen. By Daphne Kitching





From the Stanley Parish Register

Funerals

Conducted by clergy from St Peter's church at the church, or the crematorium

David Harris 6th October 2022

Marjorie Bedford 2nd November 2022

Malcolm Tomlinson 19th December 2022

Baptisms

Isabelle Grace Munn 6th November 2022



Tuesday Lunch Club Every Tuesday, 10.30am—1.30pm



At St Peter's Church, Lake Lock Road

- Arrive from 10.30am and enjoy tea or coffee and a chat, followed by the activity of the day e.g. crafts, talks, films, games, quizzes.
- Lunch served from about 12:15pm: a freshly cooked hot meal followed by dessert, for just £5 per person.
- Ideal for anyone wanting a bit of companionship and something to do! Please come and join our friendly group.

Our plan for the next few weeks:

Tues 31st Jan School children visit to play games

Tues 7th Feb A talk about lifting and moving safely

Tues 14th Feb Valentine's Day

Tues 21st Feb School children visit to play games

Tues 28th Feb Lord Baden-Powell / St David's Day

Tues 7th March School children visit to play games

Tues 14th March St Patrick's Day

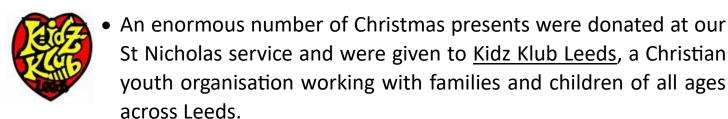
Phone the church office on 01924 835746 for more info.

Supporting charities at home and abroad

Every year, St Peter's church makes a commitment to support a number of charitable causes. During 2022, the church, with the support of its congregation and community groups, donated almost £3,000 to the following charitable causes. Thank you everyone for your generosity:

- The church gave a total of £1,200 during the year to <u>The Cross Project</u>, which runs lunch clubs, religious education lessons and after-school activities in local secondary schools.
- £1,000 was given to the <u>DEC Ukraine Humanitarian</u>

 Appeal to help charities such as Christian Aid, Oxfam and Tearfund deliver aid to hundreds of thousands of people in Ukraine affected by and displaced by the ongoing war. Since the appeal was launched, £390m has raised to provide critical healthcare, food, cash, water and shelter.
- A collection and raffle at our wine tasting event in October raised £260 for CAP Care Wakefield to help with the meals and support they offer to the homeless in Wakefield. We also passed on most of the food that was donated at our Harvest Festival service to CAP Care to use in their kitchens and food parcels.
- £150 was raised at our <u>Macmillan Cancer Care</u> coffee morning.
- A special collection over the summer raised £120 for the <u>Christian Aid East</u>
 <u>Africa Hunger Appeal</u> which is helping people affected by failed harvests,
 water shortages, and rocketing world food prices.
- £100 was raised at our Tanzania afternoon in March 2022 and was given to Sakawa village in northern Tanzania; Leeds Diocese has long been twinned with the Rorya Diocese in Tanzania.
- £100 was given to <u>Stanley Residents group</u> to purchase a hanging basket for our village.



Discovering the double-helix of DNA

Seventy years ago, on 28th February 1953, British scientist Francis Crick and American James D. Watson announced they had discovered the double-helix structure of DNA. Crick described this as finding the secret of life; the discovery was revolutionary, leading to huge advances in biology and genetics, although it

A Bible verse Valentine

For God so loVed the world

That He gAve

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That whosever

Believes In Him

Should Not perish,

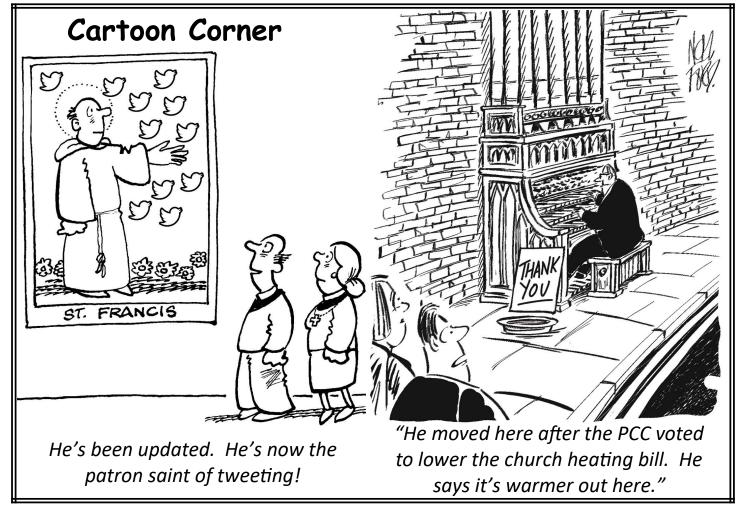
But have Everlasting life."

John 3:16

would be the late 1950's before the findings were talked about widely.

The breakthrough came from a mixture of "intuition, persistence and luck" and came from the scientists' wide knowledge of different fields of science: Crick had a background in physics and x-ray crystallography, while Watson's speciality was viral and bacterial genetics.

They owed a great deal to Rosalind Franklin's pioneering high resolution x-ray imagery who, being a woman, did not receive enough credit initially and died of cancer in 1958, before she could receive the Nobel Prize awarded to the others.



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