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Stanley Library offers a wide selection of books, talking books, language tapes, newspapers (including the Wakefield Express), magazines, and an A4 colour photocopier (please enquire for prices). There are also public access computers with free internet access and basic software e.g. word processing. It is free to use the computer; users just need a current library card.

WHAT'S ON EACH WEEK	
Mondays 11am—11.30am	Storytime: Join us for our exciting Storytime with stories, songs and discover our magic games table!
Mondays 1pm-3pm	Bingo: Join us at Stanley Library for a fun-packed session of Bingo! 
Tuesdays 10am-12pm	 Adult Craft & Chat: Join us for a friendly session of crafting.
Thursdays 10am—12pm	Coffee morning: Meet friendly faces, have a chat and a cuppa at our weekly coffee morning. With the occasional quiz you're guaranteed to have a fun-filled morning. All welcome.
Thursdays 2.30pm—4.30pm	Family Games: You'll never be bored at our family games sessions. Fun for all the family! 
Fridays 10am—12pm	Mindful morning: Relieve stress and anxiety by focussing on mindful colouring, painting and puzzles.
Fridays 3.30pm—4.30pm	 Lego Club: Build Lego scenes, stories and characters. Lego provided. All ages welcome.
Saturdays 10.30am—11.30am	Family Crafts: Colour, craft and create in our weekly family craft sessions.
Saturdays 10am—1pm	Family History Sessions: Discover the secrets of your past with our resident family history expert.

LIBRARY OPENING TIMES	
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

Stanley Readers Group 
 First Monday of the month
 10am-11am: come and join our discussions! Ask in the library for more information or contact Mary on 07900 534571

Contact Stanley Library: Lake Lock Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4HU
 Telephone: 01924 303130,
 Email: stanleylibrary@wakefield.gov.uk

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 are followed by tea and coffee.
- Free Tea & Coffee every Thursday 1.30pm-3.30pm with Joyce's cake stall.
- There will be a Jumble Sale on Wednesday 10th May from 1.30pm to continue raising funds for the Zarach Beds for Kids charity which provides a bed, mattress, pillow, bedding and pyjamas to children in need.



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!

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



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



Knit & Natter, St Peter's Church, Wednesdays 1.30pm-3.30pm

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

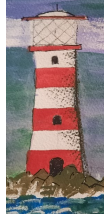
New members always welcome—knit, sew, swap patterns and ideas, learn new skills, and share friendship, conversation and refreshments.

MAY EVENTS IN STANLEY

Services and events every week at St Peter's Church

Sundays
10am

Family Communion service: with both a traditional and modern approach to worship, Holy Communion most Sundays and refreshments after the service.



Mondays
10am -12pm

Lighthouse Café A warm space with drinks, snacks, games, Jigsaws etc.

Mondays
1pm-2pm



Stanley Community Choir New members always welcome, no audition! Make friends and enjoy singing!

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 with crafts, chat and refreshments. New members always welcome.



Thursdays
9.15am-11.15am



Children's Ark baby and toddler group with toys, play, singing and snacks. Cost £1.50 per child.

Special services and events this month

Friday 5th
May, 7pm



Pudding Party and Mamma Mia Singalong: bring your own drinks and a pudding to share and enjoy singing along to Mamma Mia! See page 11 for more info.

Sunday 7th May
10am



Coronation Service and picnic with special hymns and prayers for the Coronation, followed by a picnic on the field—bring a picnic, drinks and a chair and enjoy a free hotdog and an outdoor community celebration.

Monday 8th May
10am-2pm

Community Day: come along to the Lighthouse Café, or come for lunch, or join in with the community choir!

Weds 10th May,
1.30pm

Jumble Sale at Mount Road Methodist chapel in aid of the Zarach beds for kids charity.

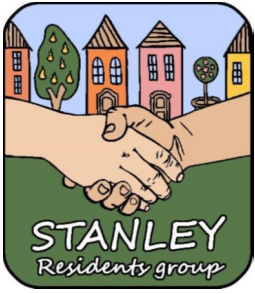
Sat 13th May
10.30-12.30pm



Coffee morning with bacon butties, tombola, raffle, refreshments, jigsaws and more. Always a great opportunity to socialise and chat!

Weds 17th May

PCC meeting at St Peter's church at 7.30pm.



Update from Stanley Residents Group

The Stanley Residents' Group are pleased to announce the launch of our **new website—www.stanleyresidentsgroup.org**. You'll find information about the group and all the activities we are involved with, including a helpful calendar of events. It is a work in progress so do let us know what you think!

As part of the Coronation celebrations, Monday 8th May is being dedicated to volunteering. Giving your time or skills can make a huge difference to communities, and it brings lots of benefits to volunteers too. You can often see the impact you have, meet new friends, learn or use skills and feel good! See the SRG Noticeboard, FB page and website for information about how to get involved at a local, national or international level. Why not start with something very local? The SRG has compiled a list of small odd jobs that need doing, like mending the swap shop frame and bug hotel, watering, weeding and planting community gardens and loads more to suit your time, skills and likes. Get in touch if you could make that difference to Stanley.

We've been busy working on the forthcoming Heritage Board on the site of the old St Peter's Church, and a 5 mile walking heritage trail around Stanley. Thanks to the Church PCC committee for feedback on the board. We hope it and the trail will be complete in the summer. Do get in touch if you'd like to be part of the project. Everyone welcome!

The SRG have organised new rustic wooden benches around the village, made of local wood from fallen trees (each with a 10 year guarantee). One of the benches was generously funded from collections taken at three funerals held in St Peter's church. We hope it is a lasting and beautiful way to remember those members of our community. The others have been funded by the Coop local communities funding (which you also helped raise for us!) and local donors.

We are looking forward to seeing the Hanging Baskets in place at the end of May/early June. We've had more sponsors than ever this year, despite the circumstances, and this goes to show how valued these baskets are. Thank you to all who have donated towards them at SRG events.

Do come to our meetings! They are lively and packed and we welcome all new people and ideas for helping to make Stanley a lovely place to live. Our next meeting will be at **6.30pm on Wednesday 24th May at the Wheatsheaf Pub**. Email us to get on the mailing list: stanleyresidentsgroup.org. *Nicola Sinclair*

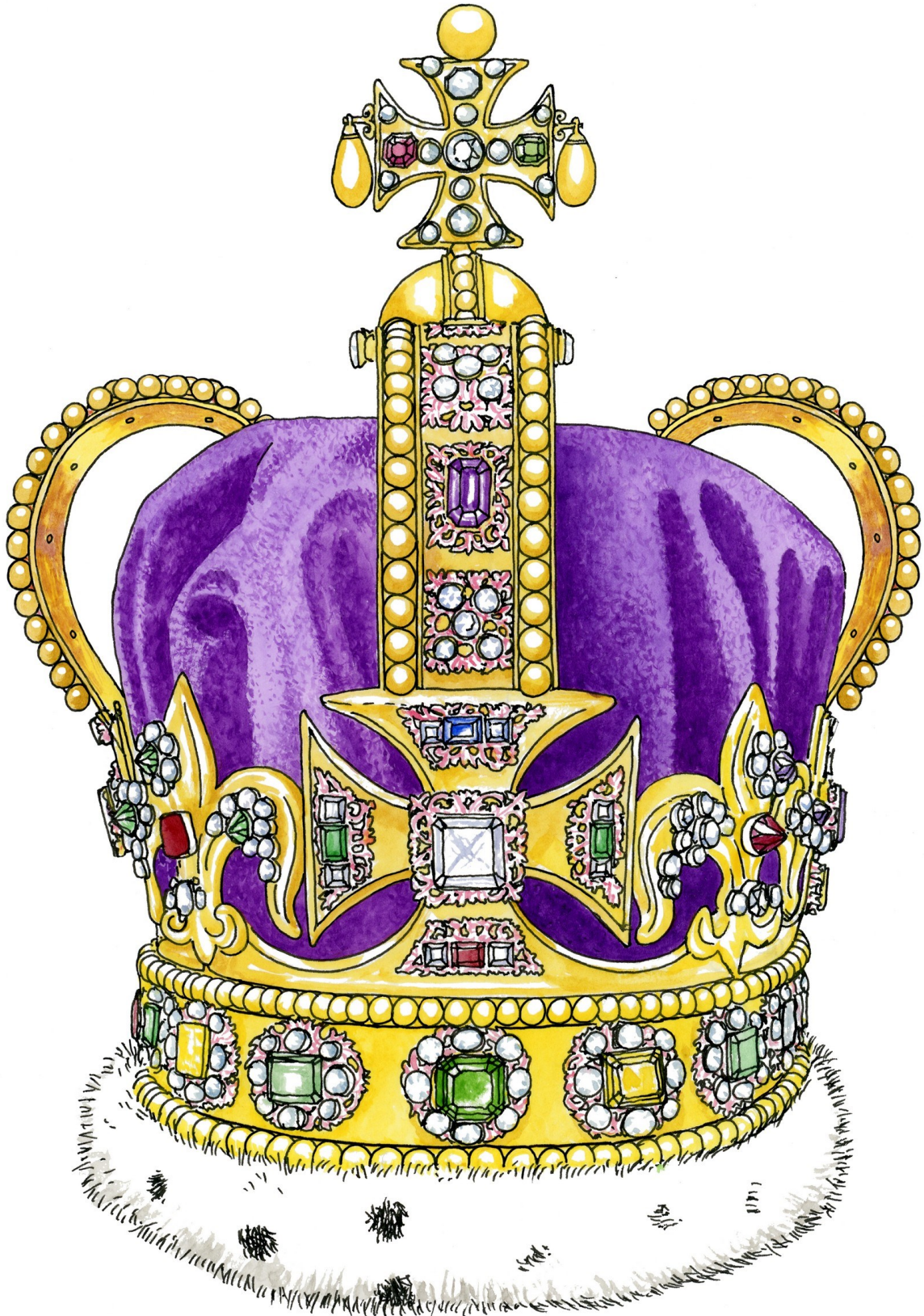
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Newsletter for May 2023



Dear Friends, Welcome to the May edition of our benefice magazine which again covers lots of news and activities across our four churches. It is good to report that we are now currently advertising for a new associate priest to join the benefice. If all goes to plan we shall be interviewing prospective candidates on Monday June 5th and any news of an appointment will be shared after this. Please continue to pray for all involved in the interview process and for any prospective candidates. Whilst writing can I say a very big thank you to various people from across the benefice who have worked together extremely well with Peter Townley our archdeacon to produce a very professional brochure and advert.

Turning now to the Coronation when on Saturday 6th May His Majesty King Charles III is crowned. The Coronation will be a historic moment in the life of our nation, a time to reflect on our history, reflect and celebrate something of who we are, and look forward. The coronation is steeped in this country's traditions and filled with great symbolism. It is essentially a consecration to service. Happening within a Eucharist, the most basic and the central act of Christian worship, it includes oaths, regalia and crowning. Through it we receive from Jesus the one who comes to us as a servant; the one who is the king of Kings.

There will be additions to the service from the one in 1953 and these will reflect the rich cultural and religious diversity of our national life. For instance faiths other than Christian will play a part which reflect the King's commitment to respecting all faiths. Also we shall all be encouraged to cry out and swear allegiance to the King and female clergy will play an active part. Justin Welby said the coronation was 'first and foremost an act of Christian worship' and that his 'prayer is that all who share in this service, whether they are of faith or no faith, will find ancient wisdom and new hope that brings inspiration and joy'.

So dear friends, however you choose to mark the Coronation weekend, I hope this will be a time celebrating God's love and generosity, and making that love known in our communities and national life. I leave you with a prayer that will be used at church services throughout the land....



Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles, and all who are in authority under him; that they may order all things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour of your name, and the good of your Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rev Glenn Coggins, Vicar of the United Benefice of North Wakefield

Events for May

Coronation Events across the benefice

Friday 5th May, 7pm

[Stanley](#)

Pudding party and Mamma Mia singalong: bring a pudding to share, drinks, and enjoy a singalong to Mamma Mia.

Sunday 7th May

All churches will be offering prayers for the new King and Queen:

9.30am, Parish Mass

[Outwood](#)

- and Coronation Lunch

10am, Communion Service

[Alverthorpe](#)

10am, Service and Picnic

[Stanley](#)

10.30am, Coronation Praise

[Wrenthorpe](#)

- with songs and video clips to celebrate the coronation, followed by refreshments.

Monday 8th May

10am—2pm, Community Day

[Stanley](#)

10am—2pm, Free crafts

[Wrenthorpe](#)

12pm, Coronation Lunch

[Alverthorpe](#)

Saturday 13th May, 10.30am

[Stanley](#)

Coffee morning with lots of great stalls and refreshments including bacon butties.

Monday 15th May, 2pm

[Outwood](#)

Mother's Union 'Quiz and Fizz' event at Treacy Hall at Wakefield Cathedral.

Thursday 18th May, 7.30am

Early morning Ascension Day service at Sandal Castle with Rev Glenn Coggins.

Thursday 18th May, 7.30pm

[Alverthorpe](#)

Ascension Day evening service for all churches of the benefice, at St Paul's.

Thursday 25th May, 7.30pm

[Wrenthorpe](#)

MAPPs Men's group meeting at Kirklands Hotel on Leeds Road with an account of a Russian cyber attack on a UK Law firm.

Sunday 28th May 1pm-4pm

Pentecost Praise event for all churches in Wakefield with 1pm picnic at Thornes Park and 3pm praise service at the cathedral.

The Coronation of King Charles III—what's happening

Saturday 6th May: King Charles will be crowned at Westminster Abbey. The service will start at 11am and afterwards, Charles and Camilla will embark on the procession back to Buckingham Palace in the Gold State Coach. In the afternoon there will be a balcony appearance and a flypast of over 60 military aircraft.



Sunday 7th May: Street parties and Big lunches up and down the country, ahead of a star studded Coronation concert at Windsor Castle

Monday 8th May: Big Help Out bank holiday with people encouraged to volunteer their time and take part in community and charity events.

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

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

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. 	

Coronation Events

We are planning a number of events to mark the coronation of King Charles III:

- ◇ **Tuesday 2nd May:** The Tuesday Lunch Club will have a coronation theme.
- ◇ **Friday 5th May 7pm:** Singalong Mamma Mia plus bring a pudding to share and your own drinks!

◇ Sunday 7th May 10am:

Our Sunday morning service will celebrate the Coronation with prayers for the new King.



◇ Sunday 7th May 12.30pm-3pm:

Picnic on the field— bring your own picnic, drinks, chairs etc and enjoy an outdoor community celebration.

◇ Bank Holiday Monday 8th May:

Enjoy a craft morning with refreshments in the Lighthouse café 10am-12pm, lunches at 12pm, or join the Stanley Community Choir 1pm-2pm.



Summer Gala

Sat 24th June, 1pm-4pm

Our summer gala will be held on 24th June with lots of stalls and refreshments. More info next month!



St Peter's church invites you to

Singalong Mamma Mia & Pudding Party

Friday 5th May, 7pm

Bring a pudding to share, savoury or sweet, and your own drinks, and then enjoy watching and joining in with a showing of Mamma Mia! A great start to the coronation weekend!

Church Flowers



Huge thanks to Val and Jill for their continuing hard work and commitment in maintaining our flower displays in church. If you would like to make a contribution to the flowers, perhaps in memory of someone, or for a special occasion (birthday, anniversary), please see Val or Jill. Thanks also to everyone who helped with the recent spring clean and brass cleaning! It's made a big difference.

APCM results

St Peter's annual meeting was held on Sunday 23rd April. Jason Plant and David Sunderland were re-elected as Church Wardens. Four people were re-elected to the PCC and three new members were elected. St Peter's Church Annual Report for 2022 is available as a paper copy in church, or as a pdf from the church office or from the PCC secretary.

Contact details for St Peter's Church

Clergy

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

Rev Glenn Coggins 01924 218484

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

David Sunderland Church Warden

Libby Gates PCC Secretary

Jason Plant Treasurer

Safeguarding concerns

Dave Florence 07957 203898

daveflorence@gmail.com

Coffee morning

Thanks to everyone who continues to support our monthly coffee mornings. They are a great place to enjoy a chat and some lovely refreshments. The next coffee morning will be on:

Saturday 13th May
from 10.30am-12.30pm



Please join us for bacon butties, tea & coffee, raffle, tombola, cakes, jigsaws and more!

St Mary Magdalene, Outwood

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 3rd, 17th, 31st May	Drop-In at the Church Institute. Coffee/tea, chat, quiz, raffle, free of charge
Every other Wednesday at 12pm 10th & 24th May	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 (10th and 24th May this month) and costs £3.50. Open to all!



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

Associate Priest—update

Representatives from all four churches in the North Wakefield Benefice have been hard at work putting together a very professional and detailed brochure to illustrate all the many wonderful things that are happening across our churches.

The brochure and the advert for a new Associate Priest for the benefice has now gone 'live' on the Wakefield Diocese website. The closing date is the middle of May, and it is hoped that interviews will take place in June. Please pray that the right person will respond to the advert and be appointed.

APCM results

The Annual meeting for Outwood parish church was held on Wednesday 12th April. At the meeting, Brian Taylor and Roland Harden were re-elected as Church Wardens for the current year, 2023. For more information about the church and officer roles, please contact the PCC secretary Beverley Beaumont on beverleybeaumont@hotmail.com. See opposite for further contact information for Outwood church.

At our last two meetings in February and March, members managed to make up 18 baby toiletry bags and 12 teenage toiletry bags for Pinderfields Hospital. Thank you everyone for your donations it does make a huge difference to patients who arrive at hospital suddenly without anything.

Thank you too to those who donated to our Make a Mother's Day appeal. We managed to make £60 which will help to empower five mothers to support their families and transform their lives.

Our Lady Day service was on Monday 27th March at Wakefield Cathedral when members received long service certificates from our Diocesan President Mrs Elaine Swinhoe. We have 9 members in our branch, the longest serving has been a member for 60 years. Members of Outwood branch have collectively served a total of 395 years!!

Our next meeting is on **Monday 15th May at 2pm at Treacy Hall Wakefield** where we have been invited to a Fun Fizz & Quiz afternoon courtesy of the Cathedral branch!

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

Sheila Crosby – Branch Leader

Contact details for St Mary Magdalene

Vicar

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

Rev Glenn Coggins 01924 218484
 07951 651952
 cogginsglenn@gmail.com

Church Wardens

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Parish Secretary

Beverley Beaumont
 beverleybeaumont@hotmail.com

Treasurer

Duncan Hall

Summer Gala

planning meeting

Thursday 4th May 7.30pm



Please come along to our Summer Gala planning meeting in Church on Thursday 4th May and see how you can get involved.



Coronation lunch

Sunday 7th May

at Outwood Institute

St Anne's, Wrenthorpe

Wrenthorpe



Church: 121 Wrenthorpe Road, Wrenthorpe, Wakefield, WF2 0JS

Vicar: Rev Glenn Coggins, The Vicarage, St Paul's Drive, Alverthorpe, WF2 0BT

Services at St Anne's, Wrenthorpe

Sundays, 10.30am Holy Communion

Weds, 2.15pm Holy Communion

Other weekly events (term time only)

Mondays, 10am Cheeky Cherubs

Mondays, 2.30pm Youth Drop-in

CORONATION PRAISE Sunday 7th May, 10.30am

On Sunday 7th May, instead of the usual Holy Communion Service, St Anne's Church is celebrating the crowning of King Charles III with a service of 'Coronation Praise'. It will include hymns and a song especially written for the occasion, an address by Glenn and some video clips to mark the 'Journey to the Throne'. Everyone is welcome and we hope members of the Benefice and local community will join us. Stay after the service to enjoy refreshments together and socialise.



Cheeky Cherubs

Our toddler group, meets in church at

10am on Mondays in term time.

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

Coronation Celebration Craft Day Monday 8th May, 10am–2pm

St Anne's Church is once again opening the building on Monday 8th May from 10am–2pm to offer 'Coronation Crafts for All'. This is a FREE event and you can stay for as long as you like being creative. Tea, coffee, cakes and buns will be available. If you would like to help in any way, either with the refreshment serving or the crafts please either speak to Lynn Fowley or Pat Nutting, or just turn up on the day.

**Come along as a family and enjoy this lovely day!
Crafts for adults and children!**



Celebrate
Coronation
Day!

St Anne's Annual Meeting

On Wednesday 26th April St Anne's Church held their APCM, their annual meeting. Malcolm Endersby and Lisa Cooper were elected as churchwardens for the current year. Four lay members of the PCC were elected: Alistair Dore, Christine Downs and Pat Nutting for three years and Wendy Endersby for one year. Jacquie Grundy was elected as a lay member of the Deanery Synod. We still have two spaces on Deanery Synod if anyone would like to join Jacquie (lifts available!). Please ask us and find out what is involved! Simon Beresford, one of our Lay Ministers, was voted back on to PCC for another year.



Glenn thanked everyone at St Anne's for all they do, and for their warm welcome.

We look forward to the future when another priest will be in post. He explained the Benefice is still a work in progress and we are still working out what our roles are. St Anne's celebrates its 150th Anniversary next year, so let's celebrate!

Glenn concluded that there is a buzz, an energy and a vision at St Anne's and he is looking forward to being with us now and in the future. We want to share the Love of God and see the church grow. Malcom thanked Glenn and said there was 'food for thought' and things to do in the future. He reminded the meeting of the need to pray for St Anne's and for the clergy.

Contact details for St Anne's Church

Vicar

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

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Church Warden

Malcolm Endersby 01924 361556
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PCC Secretary

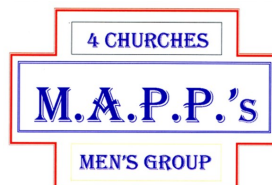
Jacqui Grundy
 jacquiegrundy@hotmail.com

Treasurer

David Payne
 davidpayne24@gmail.com

Church Hall bookings

Bob Illingworth 07443 459558



MAPPs Men's Group

Thursday 25th May,
7.30pm, Kirklands Hotel,

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our recent meetings. We enjoyed our guided tour of Wakefield Cathedral with our host, Canon Philip Hobday. Last month we enjoyed a fascinating talk about the Air Ambulance service.

This month, Jason Plant, who works in IT in the Law industry, will be giving us an account of *"The day we lost every IT system on over 9000 computers in a Russian cyber-attack and how we recovered the business."* It sounds very intriguing! Please come along to our next meeting on Thursday 25th May at the Kirklands Hotel and find out more!

St Paul's, Alverthorpe

Alverthorpe



St Paul's

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

CHRISTIAN AID DONATIONS

Christian Aid week is 14th—20th May, and rather than holding a coffee morning, we invite you to make a donation in aid of Christian Aid at our Coronation lunch on Monday 8th May, when we will also



be holding a raffle in aid of Christian Aid.

Coronation Lunch Monday 8th May, 12 noon

Please join us for a bring and share lunch at the vicarage on Monday 8th May.

The celebrations will begin at 12 noon, and lunch will be served from 12.30pm.

Thank you in advance for your generosity. We look forward to celebrating the coronation together.



LONG LIVE THE KING

Ascension Day

Thursday 18th May

7.30am Sandal Castle, 7.30pm St Paul's

On the 40th day after Easter, we celebrate Ascension Day. On that day, Jesus's last act on earth was to bless his disciples; "While He was blessing them, He left them and was taken up into heaven." (Luke 24:50-1). But Jesus had left the disciples with work to do—they were to take the Gospel to every nation on earth.

7.30pm at Sandal Castle

Rev Glenn Coggins will be leading the 7.30am morning service at Sandal Castle on behalf of Churches Together in Wakefield. This is a lovely service overlooking the city in the open air. Coffee and croissants will be served afterwards!



7.30pm at St Paul's

Glenn will also be leading the evening service at St Paul's Alverthorpe. This is service for all churches of the benefice.

Contact details for St Paul's

Clergy

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

Rev Glenn Coggins 01924 218484

07951 651952

cogginsglenn@gmail.com

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



Are you interested in researching your family tree? If you would like some advice, please contact Angela Coggins: email angelicog11@gmail.com or tel 01924 218484. A convenient time can then be arranged to meet up.

PENTECOST PRAISE, Sunday 28th May

There will be an exciting Pentecost event for all churches in Wakefield on Sunday 28th May:

1pm—2.15pm Bring a picnic and enjoy entertainment at Thornes Park Campus, Thornes Road.

2.15pm Walk to Wakefield Cathedral—bring banners, flags etc and wear something red!

3pm Pentecost Praise worship service at the Cathedral





Coronation Prayer 2023

Almighty God, on the occasion of the crowning of King Charles 111, we, the people, pray for him. We thank you for him and for the calling on his life and we recognise the weight of responsibility that puts upon him. We know that he will need your help, Lord. We know that he will face many challenges, as did his mother, Queen Elizabeth.

We ask, that, as he is anointed with oil, you will anoint him with your Holy Spirit, so that he will know in his heart, as his mother knew, that Jesus is alive and able to help him fulfil his unique vocation. We pray that in all the days he serves as King, he will be aware that first and foremost he serves you, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. May his reign be one of wisdom, vision and integrity, inspired by your Kingdom values.

May your name be honoured and glorified throughout this land, Lord, as we pray, God save the King!

By Daphne Kitching



The Coming of the Holy Spirit, Acts 2: 1-4

When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers were gathered together in one place. Suddenly there was a noise from the sky which sounded like a strong wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there.



Blind Bartimaeus

Blind Bartimaeus begged by the roadside
As Jesus of Nazareth passed on His way,
'Son of David, have mercy' he cried
For he knew this was a special day.

'Be quiet!' - the crowd tried to shout him down
But louder and louder came his cries,
'What do you want?' the Master asked
'Rabbi' he said 'open my eyes'.

'What do we want?' the Master would ask,
For already He knows our fears and our cares,
If like Bartimaeus we call out in faith
We too will see Him answering prayers.

By Megan Carter

United

An ancient ornate wooden seat
And an historic stone
Shall once again be joined and meet
To form a royal throne.

Our kings and queens, anointed there
O'er seven hundred years.
Upon this Anglo-Scottish chair
They heard their people's cheers!

The throne was formed of English Oak
And gilded with fine gold
It bears the marks of common folk –
Who slept there, so we're told.

The stone was used by Scottish kings.
Upon the Stone of Scone
Was marked the destiny it brings
In time-eroded rune.

And now, united once again
As royal anthems ring;
We sing, united just like them
Our hymn 'God save the King!'

By Nigel Beeton

The Coronation of King Charles III

On 6th May His Majesty King Charles III will be crowned alongside Camilla, The Queen Consort, in Westminster Abbey. How can we pray for him, as he approaches this important event? Paul says: 'I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.' (1 Timothy 2:1,2).



For God's presence – to guide every aspect of King Charles' life as he prepares for his Coronation and future roles. At his Accession, he was proclaimed Defender of the Faith, the Supreme Governor of the Church of England. Charles has talked about "the Sovereign's particular relationship and responsibility towards the Church of England – the Church in which my own faith is so deeply rooted."

For God's wisdom – as he provides leadership that will honour God and promote the wellbeing of our society. King Solomon prayed for wisdom for himself: 'So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong.' (1 Kings 3:9).

For God's love – to strengthen all relationships within the Royal Family; for reconciliation, understanding, forgiveness and good communication.

For God's purpose – to be fulfilled through the work of the King and Queen Consort and their family in the years to come. He has said: 'and whatever may be your background or beliefs, I shall endeavour to serve you with loyalty, respect and love, as I have throughout my life.'

A Prayer for the new King:

Everlasting God, we pray for our new King. Bless his reign and the life of our nation. Help us to work together so that truth and justice, harmony and fairness flourish among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bob Dylan's 'Blowin' in the Wind'

Sixty years ago, on 27th May 1963, the folk/blues album 'The Freewheelin' Bob Dylan' was released. It included the hit song Blowin' in the Wind and marked the start of an amazing singing-songwriting career. It was Bob Dylan's second album, but the first to contain all his own songs. He came to prominence in the protest movement of the 60s, latching on to the prevailing atmosphere with a catalogue of songs that were not only perceptive but revealed an entirely different kind of talent, from the manner of his delivery to the poetic invention of his lyrics.

Dylan's birth name was Robert Allen Zimmerman. He was born in Minnesota, descended from Jewish immigrants from Ukraine and Lithuania. His career stalled for a short while following a motorcycle accident in the mid-60s, but he came back strongly and unexpectedly with the wonderful country-tinged album, 'John Wesley Harding'. In the late 1970s he became a Christian and issued several overtly Christian albums, starting with 'Slow Train Coming', but he eventually reverted to a more open style, though he never renounced his faith: it seems evident in his recordings up to the present day.

Although now in his 80s, he has never stopped performing or writing, usually to the highest standards. His more recent albums, such as 'Time out of Mind' and 'Rough and Rowdy Ways' (his 39th studio album, issued in 2020), show just as much invention and creativity as ever.



How an argument over tea led to the founding of America

Some 250 years ago, on 10th May 1773, Britain passed the Tea Act, which favoured the British East India Company over the American colonies. This led to the Boston Tea Party in December, which escalated into the American Revolution and the establishment of the USA.

The idea of the Tea Act was to help the struggling British East India Company to dispose of its vast holdings of tea profitably in the American colonies, where much of the (inferior) tea came from Dutch sources and was smuggled in. But the colonists reacted strongly against the attempt to manipulate their tea-buying, and against British taxes generally, which they regarded as taxation without representation.

Later the same year this led to what has become known as the Boston Tea Party, where a large group of citizens, calling themselves the Sons of Liberty and dressed as Mohawk Indians, boarded the British tea ships and threw 92,000 pounds of tea into the harbour.

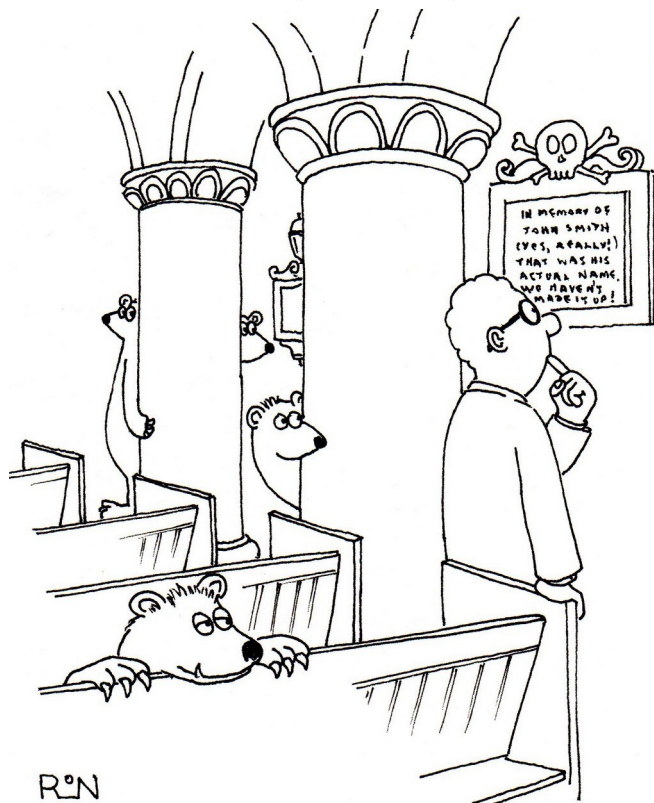


This was not a violent insurrection. No-one was injured, and it was reported that the Sons of Liberty swept the decks of the ships afterwards. But British politicians of all sides were appalled, not least because many of them had substantial holdings in the British East India Company.

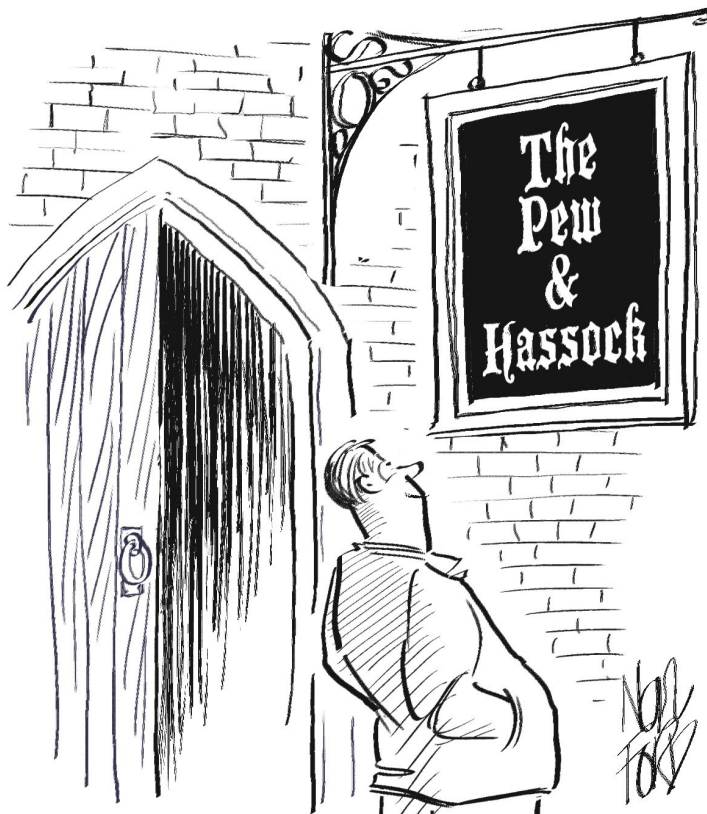


Added to the ill-feeling resulting from the Boston Massacre in 1770, in which five people died after British troops had been taunted, this led in two short years to the American War of Independence, which changed everything.

Cartoon Corner



Dennis spent a lot of time in church looking for his forbears



Changing the name from 'St Mark's Parish Church', resulted in a big increase in the number of men attending services

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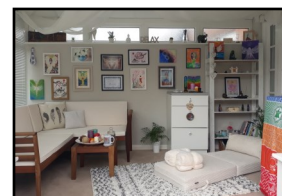
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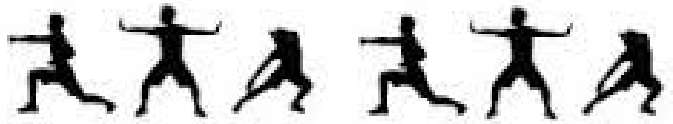
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