



*Weekly notice sheet for the week beginning 4th March
The Third Sunday before Lent*

A very warm welcome to our worship today.

If you are a visitor to the church please introduce yourself to the Vicar, to the Churchwarden or to one of the Welcomers after the service. Crèche facilities are available in the tower room at the back of the church. An induction loop is fitted for people with hearing aids – please turn to the T-position. All are welcome to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Communion can be administered to someone in their seat – please ask. May God bless us as we gather together as God’s people.

TODAY’S SERVICES.

8.15 am	Holy Communion	Exodus 20. 1-17
10.00 a.m.	Parish Communion	1 Corinthians 1. 18-25 John 2. 13-22

Please take this leaflet away with you so you can refer to the notices contained in it. Please also use it to prompt prayers for this parish and all we seek to do in God’s service.
Please pass any items for inclusion to Lesley Hudson by 10am Friday

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WHAT’S ON IN THIS PARISH...This week and beyond

Mon 5 th March	7.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Summer Fair Planning Meeting CDFC Lent Course	Parish Rooms South Craven Baptist Church
Tues 6 th March	10am 6 p.m. 7.15 p.m.	Chuffs PCC Meeting Choir Practice	Parish Rooms Parish Rooms
Weds 7 th March	9.30am 10.15am	Holy Communion NottheKnot	Parish Rooms Parish Rooms
Thurs 8 th March	3.30pm 7.30pm	MiniRingers Bell ringing	Parish Rooms in the tower
Friday 9 th March	2.45 pm	Kildwick School Collective Worship	In Church
Saturday 10 th March	10 a.m. 12 p.m..	Jigsaw & CMS Coffee Morning Preparation of Flowers for Sunday	Parish Rooms Parish Rooms

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR...

Those in need: Michael Baxter, Peter McNeill, William Brown, Rosie Hargreaves.
Tyler Manley The Barrett family

Fair Trade

The Fair Trade stall will be in the Parish Rooms again this week after the service. It's Fair Trade fortnight, so even if you don't normally look for fairly traded goods, please make an exception this week! I have Easter eggs and other goodies as well as the normal things – and I have catalogues! Today is the last day for ordering Easter goods, but I can order other things at any time. Please come and have a look: lots of small steps get us a long way-and if we don't take them, we get nowhere.

KCB tealight and holder. To help us to think and pray about our World, our Communities, our Neighbours and ourselves we are inviting members of all three churches to get together the fourth Monday of each month for one hour to pray and seek God's leading as we move forwards on our journey together. We are also inviting everyone at church to collect a KCB tealight and holder from the back of the church. You may like to light this each month as a reminder that we are praying together.

Church Treasurer

After 8 years of loyal service Marie Stinson has decided to stand down as treasurer .We are extremely grateful for all the work Marie has undertaken, especially in difficult personal circumstances. This does mean we are now seeking new treasurer to take over from Marie. If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to Sandie or Lesley.

Prayers for people in need.

To have someone prayed for by name in our parish prayers please contact June Whitaker (655320 or malcolm.whitaker@talktalk.net) Names will be included weekly for 8 weeks or monthly for 4 months; they will then be removed unless a further period of prayer is requested.

Coffee Morning 10th March – In support of Jigsaw Ministry and our CMS Mission Partner Free Admission but Gift Aid Donations welcomed. Cake Stall and Raffle available. Please come along and support this worthy cause.

Following the above coffee morning we will be preparing the flowers for distribution on Mothering Sunday. Please stay and help if you can.

Maintenance & Cleaning Days

We will be cleaning the church and carrying out various maintenance tasks outside in preparation for Easter. If you are available to help on the **22nd, 23rd or the 24th March** please sign the sheet on the desk at the back of the church.

Readings for the Third Sunday of Lent
Sunday 4th March 2018

First Reading

Exodus 20.1-17

Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work – you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1.18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

‘I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.’

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel

John 2.13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' They then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

A Prayer for Church Growth

God of Mission,
who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning, Wisdom to our actions and Power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you
and in service to our local community;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sayings from the week and wisdom from the tradition

When Jesus came into the world, he loved it so much that he gave his life for it. He wanted to satisfy our hunger for God. And what did he do? He made himself the Bread of Life. He became small, fragile, and defenceless for us.

Bits of bread can be so small that even a baby can chew them; even a dying person can eat them. He became the Bread of Life to satisfy our hunger for God, our hunger for love- Anger builds walls, but it is love that tears them down; so let us love!

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<i>Next Sunday 11th March 2018</i> <i>Mothering Sunday</i>	
8.15am Holy Communion	Readings Exodus 2.1-10 Colossians 3. 12-17 John 19. 25-27
10.00am Parish Communion	

