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## "The three mile an hour God"

By the time you're reading this, I, along with others, should have completed some if not all of our walk around the parish boundaries of Kildwick, Cononley and Bradley. We're doing the first part of the walk on Bank Holiday Monday, and the rest of it on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. As we go, we will be looking at the parishes from every angle, seeing this part of the world that the Church of England has designated to be served by the churches of St Andrew's, St John's and St Mary's. We'll be praying for the people who live and work here, of all faiths and none; for those who visit or are simply passing through; for homes, schools, businesses and community groups.

I've always loved walking. As a child, from the age of 7 I used to walk the mile or so to school and back – sometimes alone, often with friends. When I walked with others, it was a chance to catch up with the latest gossip, to talk about what we'd watched on telly the previous evening,

to moan about home/school/siblings/ parents, to laugh and joke and mess about, and sometimes to touch on the deeper stuff of life. When I walked alone, I had time to notice how the world around changed according to the seasons: when the cygnets on the canal hatched and their progress over the weeks; how the ground under my feet hardened and cracked in dry seasons, and reverted to mud when the rain came; how the sky was constantly changing. In both cases, it was inbetween time – a way of making the transition between home and school, and back again.



Many family

holidays were spent in Derbyshire and Yorkshire, walking in some of the most spectacularly beautiful places that exist in this country. It wasn't all joy, however. Sometimes the weather was unkind, and the slog to a summit was unrewarded. On one occasion, in the Brecon Beacons, a storm descended

unexpectedly, and for the first time in my life I feared genuinely that we were in danger.

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These days, despite living in such a beautiful part of the world, I don't walk as much. I'm an adult, with a car, and days full of useful activities. There are so many ways I

could profitably spend my time, things that the world and other people (and, if I am honest, me too) want me to do, that I find myself packing my days and moving from one appointment to another as quickly and efficiently as possible. Taking the time to walk seems an indulgence.

But walking is a good metaphor for the spiritual life. It's no coincidence that for many people, a pilgrimage made on foot, such as the Camino de Santiago, or the Pilgrims' Way from Winchester

to Canterbury, is a profound spiritual experience. It requires commitment to carve time out of daily routine and set it aside for the purpose simply of walking. It demands patience. And reaching the destination isn't the most important thing. What's important is the journey, the doing of it, hour by hour, day by day. The really valuable stuff happens on the way. Walking involves the frustration of adjusting your pace to other people's; the pain of blisters and feet, of your rucksack

the discomfort of getting wet; the boredom of long a stretch of uninspiring And landscape. then there's the joy of hearing someone else's story; the satisfaction of a milestone reached: the unlooked-for gift of kindness from a passing stranger; the silence-inducing grandeur of a magnificent view. None of this is possible during a pilgrimage without the sheer, steady effort of putting one foot in front of another,

The title of this piece comes from a book by a Japanese theologian called Kosuke Koyama. I first heard about it a few years ago, and still haven't read all of it, but the title intrigues and appeals to me. It speaks of a God that we most readily encounter moving at human walking speed – three miles an hour. God is not in a hurry. We are all so easily tempted to rush, and in doing so to miss the things that God is doing. Koyama says:

one step at a time.

I find that God goes 'slowly' in his educational process of man. 'Forty years in the wilderness' points to his basic educational philosophy. Forty years of natural migration through the wilderness, three generations of the united monarchy (Saul, David, Solomon), nineteen kings of Israel (up to 722 BC) and twenty kings of Judah (up to 587 BC), the hosts of the prophets and priests,

ne experience of exile and restoration – isn't this rather a slow and costly way for God to let his people know the covenant relationship between God and man?

God walks because he is love. If he is not love he would have gone much faster. Love has its speed. It is an inner speed. It is a spiritual speed. It is a different kind of speed from the technological speed to which we are accustomed. It is 'slow' yet it is lord over all other speeds since it is the speed of love. It goes on in the depth of our life, whether we notice or not, whether we are currently hit by storm or not, at three miles an hour. It is the speed we walk and therefore it is the speed the love of God walks.

So I'm trying to find more time to walk again. To go out with the dog, and to see it as a gift of time to notice the world around me, and to be with and learn from God, rather than be driven by the 'to do' list. To go at the speed of love.

With every blessing

# **Are You Into Heavy Metal?**

You've probably seen the poster outside St Andrew's. Of course, the "Heavy Metal" has nothing to do with tattoed bare torsos, leatherwear and loud noises.

Hold on a moment... Loud noises? Well, we certainly can manage that in the bell tower!



Our regular reader will have heard of the remarkable progress that the new Kildwick band of ringers have made ove the past 14 months – but now we want to grow! We have just eight members of the band and that isn't really enough for our eight bells because we all need some time off for holidays – or business commitments – or for any of a host of reasons. There are signs that some of the MiniRingers may come to join us on the big bells and we already have a group ranging from young teenager to septuagenarian. If you fancy joining an enthusiastic band of ringing learners, you'll be made very welcome. Come along on a Thursday night (7.30 onwards) to see what we get up to. It's great fun!



# **KCB** prayers

Just a reminder that KCB prayers is our monthly prayer gathering for an hour **at 7.30pm on the fourth Monday of the month**, when we meet to pray for our churches and communities as well as for wider concerns. The dates and venues for the next three meetings are:

25<sup>th</sup> June at St John's, Cononley at St Andrew's, Kildwick

No gathering in August

24<sup>th</sup> September at St Mary's, Bradley

# **Bible Training in Sudan**

It was SBTI Day of Prayer today. I found out at morning service in Jebel Aulia, when they announced the preacher would be a lay reader who is in ministry training at SBTI, the Shokai Bible Training Institute in Omdurman to the north of Khartoum. It was a lively sermon, in Arabic and English, which he switched between so fast that I didn't always realise he had. He was well into the next sentence before I managed to work out whether I was supposed to understand what he was saying or not.

The Day of Prayer is an annual event, in which parishes are asked to pray for the work of SBTI and to hold a special collection. So, we had two collections in the service. That is only like us having a retiring collection for a special purpose I suppose, but it's a lot more active. I was in SBTI this week to get their finance figures and saw that last year they received £8,800 from the Day of Prayer, over 12% of their own fund raising, which totalled £70,000. But that was dwarfed by £137,000 given by partners such as our Diocese.

That needs thinking about, but back at Jebel Aulia, which is a small town 40 miles south of Khartoum, I expected to go into the town and go to church. What happened is a repeated story here in Sudan. As we arrived in the town, we turned off on to a side track, off road, and drove out into a township. These people live on the margins, outside the main town. Here it is an area long settled. There were sizeable IDP camps here during the war before South Sudan seceded, so there is electricity and piped water, and established houses, but right next to the church there is a shanty town settlement for southerners who have returned because of the armed insurrections in the south.

Another repeated story is that I went to find one church and found five. ECS is a sort of elastic sized denomination. They don't keep lists of churches or clergy like we do. The church is where the people are - really what more does one need to know? I went to Unity Church in Block 8, which is considered the mother church, only to find St Paul's in Block 7 and Lungini Parish in Block 9. And there are two more churches in Bentiu (named after an area in South Sudan). Oh, and there's St Peter's in Abuja, but that might be part of Bentiu. Diocesan staff do know about these churches, it's just that they don't mention them unless you ask the right question.

And there's a school next to the church, with 220 primary children and 50 kindergarten. That's not on the Diocesan oral roll of schools either. The church is built with concrete blocks and a metal roof, but the school is mud walled and thatched roof. They are trying to enlarge it: the parents are active in maintaining the school and contributing to build a new classroom. At the moment there is a morning school and an afternoon school, with rooms doubling up. As it's enlarged, children will be able to attend for a full school day. The parents' support is a sign that there is work in the area, as labourers.

# KCB service pattern – an update

The new experimental service pattern has now been operating in Kildwick, Cononley and Bradley since 8<sup>th</sup> April. It's been lovely to see people from one church coming to another on the Sundays when there's no service at their home church, and our first joint service at the end of April at Bradley went very well. Thank you to all at St Mary's for your hospitality.

One or two people have expressed uncertainty about what to do about their financial giving when they go to a church other than their home one. My advice is that you should continue to give regularly to your home church as you do at present. If there isn't a service at your church, it would be very much appreciated if you could put your offering for that week in to the collection on the following Sunday, so that all the churches can maintain their income as far as possible. If you give through your bank account by standing order, you probably don't need to adjust what you're doing at all! All three churches need your continuing financial support in order to maintain our mission and ministry – what you give is greatly appreciated. If you wish to offer a financial contribution of any amount to another church when you visit, it will of course be received gratefully! But any such gift should be regarded as in no way obligatory, and additional to your regular giving. Do speak to me about this if you have any further concerns.

Under the new service pattern, there is no service at Cononley on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. The congregation there have decided that they would like a layled non-Eucharistic service on that Sunday for the remainder of the experimental service period. Four lay people have offered to organise and lead such services at 11am on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 26<sup>th</sup> August and 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

As part of the review process, I would like to invite church members to stay behind for a few minutes after a service at their church in August to give me feedback on how the new service pattern is working (or not). I will also prepare some feedback forms for you to take away from that meeting, for those who would like to give their views in writing. I hope that you will approach the exercise as positively as possible – what has been good (if anything) about it, as well as what has been bad? If you would like to see a change, what kind of change – and what can you do to help make it happen? These meetings will take place after 11am services on the following dates:

Kildwick 4<sup>th</sup> August
Cononley 11<sup>th</sup> August
Bradley 18<sup>th</sup> August

Thank you all for your willingness to give the new service pattern a go.

# From Wycliffe to Wesley

#### **Moravians and Methodists**

I left this little story in the last edition of 'Pinnacle' at a time when John Wesley was a passenger on a ship bound for Georgia in the company of his brother Charles together with his friends Benjamin Ingham and Charles Delamotte, in order to carry out missionary work on behalf of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. Coincidentally a party of Moravians had embarked on the same ship. This was in the year 1735, by which time John Wesley had been an ordained priest for about seven years but without a parish to care for. During the voyage a violent storm broke out which scared all the ship's occupants except the Moravians who remained calm throughout. They explained to Wesley that it was their faith in God which made them unafraid. So began a dialogue between Wesley and the Moravians which continued after Wesley returned to England in 1738. Here he helped to found a new religious society in Fetter Lane in London with the Moravians. At the same time he held discussions with the Moravians Peter Boehler and Count Zindendorf centered on the matter of faith where Wesley's doubts at the time conflicted with the absolute conviction of the Moravians.

In his journal, Wesley explains the Moravian attitude in these words 'That there is no such thing as Degrees in Faith, or weak Faith, since he has no Faith, who has any Doubt or Fear'. This was an unacceptable principle for the uncertain Wesley. Wesley also disagreed with the Moravians' on their doctrine of 'stillness' which meant that when faith was lacking, one should patiently wait for the arrival of God's grace and until then he should not pray, search the scriptures or receive Communion.

Wesley was an intolerant man of boundless energy and zeal, as is demonstrated by his later activity in travelling some 250,000 miles in all terrains and weather conditions, during which he preached some 40,000 sermons. I am led to the view that there was a temperamental difference as well as a doctrinal difference between Wesley and the Moravians which eventually brought their relationship to an end. Wesley maintained his allegiance to the Church of England for the whole of his life but there is no doubt in my mind that he was strongly influenced by Moravian tenets and practices which eventually led to the creation of Methodism as a 'church within a church'. When in 1784 Wesley began to ordain ministers from among his followers, he accelerated an otherwise gradual separation of Methodism from the ties of the Anglican Church. His appeal was strongest in the industrial areas of the country where the existing parish system was deficient. Methodist chapels sprang up throughout the land, leaving Methodism to challenge the Church of England as the leading body of Christian worshippers in the country.

Today, Methodists, Moravians and Anglicans are all brought together under the umbrella of the body known as Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, which exists to provide a vehicle through which participating churches can cooperate on common issues. I would like to think that this could lead to more local ecumenical partnerships at a grassroots level as in Cononley where I think the distinction between the various Christian bodies has disappeared. After all, don't we confess the same creed and share the same faith?

> Alan Ratledge May 2018

# From my window

I was thinking back one day last week to the time when I was a member of Steeton Flower Club and how many flower festivals and wedding I was involved in at Kildwick Church.

One festival that I remember must have been 'Stories from the Bible' and my quote was -

'I'll show you a book full of stories, Wonderful stories of old, It begins with the tale of a garden And ends with a city of gold.'

I did it at the bottom of the steps leading up to the church stalls; on one side I used all green materials and the other side was all differing shades of gold.

It was in the years when Rev Ian Busby was the Vicar of Kildwick and I knew him quite well as he often took services at Bradley as well.

'Time like an ever-rolling stream Bears all its sons away, They fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.'

Ps I have just seen my first swallow today on 7<sup>th</sup> May. I think that must be quite late as I seem to think the usual date was around 25<sup>th</sup> April. I wonder if Lydia and Allen think the same?

Till next time ... JMT

#### **The Summer Edition**

In the summer we traditionally produced a single edition of "The Bridge" for the months of July and August. If nothing else, it gave the editors a little breathing space! We'll be continuing this tradition with "The Pinnacle".

As always, time to put this bumper edition together will be pretty tight. We'll do our best to have the copies out for 1st July - but I really cannot promise!

Please be sure that all your contributions are delivered to your usual contacts by **24th June**. If you have items that cannot make that deadline, please contact Chris Wright as soon as possible.

# **Cononley with Bradley Mothers' Union**

The first part of our May meeting included a look out across the world at work being done by the M.U. in South Sudan and Ghana - both areas with entrenched problems to be overcome. We remembered and prayed for the mission work done by the church throughout the world. We then turned to photographs and items brought by members. Each one had a story to tell and members explained why they meant so much to them. We heard lots of interesting stories of the past.



In June our summer outing, on Tuesday 19th, is to Stephen Smith's Garden Centre in Otley. The meal is booked for 12.30! Lifts will be arranged as usual.

F.G.



# **Cononley Singers**

It will soon be gala day and along with all the other attractions the singers will be there to entertain you. See you there! Our Summer concerts are on Friday 6th July at Skipton and Saturday 7th July at Cononley Village Institute so please put them in your diary, or if you are like me, on the calendar! We hope to see you at either venue. We are singing a varied programme, some classical and quite a lot from musicals so I am sure you will enjoy it.





# **Family Barbecue in Bradley**

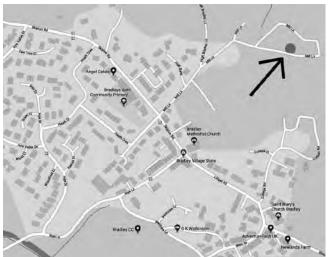
At the home of John and Kath Eddison Mill Lane, Bradley

# **Sunday 1st July**

12.30 - 4.00pm

in aid of St Mary's Church, Bradley

Invitations will be available in all of the "KCB" churches during June so that we have an idea of numbers.



Strips of tickets can be bought on the day to purchase drinks and food. There will also be a raffle and games for the children.

#### To find Ellerghyll, Mill Lane:

From the village centre, turn right, just before the school restriction zone. Ellerghyll is at the top of this quite narrow road.



# Tea and Scones at Kildwick

# Served in the Parish Rooms next to the church



## **Every Sunday afternoon till the end of September**

A warm welcome awaits our regular and new customers!

If you are able to help by hosting an afternoon, baking scones or 'church sitting' so that our ancient church can be open for visitors, please sign the list in church or contact Lesley Hudson on 01535 523291

It is that time of year again when we will be serving tea and scones every Sunday afternoon from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

Your help will be gratefully received!

Many helpers do bring along their own home-baked scones but if you don't bake, there are others who can do that! Just sign up on the list, come along and help.



# **Diocesan News**

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# Lay Conference marks a new chapter for lay ministry

This month marks a new chapter for lay ministry in the diocese as hundreds of delegates from churches across the diocese come to Harrogate on Saturday 9 June, for the first ever diocesan wide lay conference, 'Together in Faith'.

The ground-breaking gathering of 1600 participants takes place at the Harrogate Convention Centre and as well as nationally known key-note speakers, resources, displays and more than 20 different 'self-select' sessions to choose from during the day, the conference will be the launch-pad for new lay training opportunities. Being seen for the first time is a new diocesan 'online learning platform' which will be introduced at the conference giving church members access to a wide range of training and resources.



"We have developed our own learning platform which will act as a shop window for courses, events and resources," says Canon Andrew Norman, Director of Ministry and Mission and chair of the conference planning team. "It will help to make accessible training opportunities and means of equipping lay people for ministry in their local churches and living as Christians during the week."



Keynote speakers include head of the Church Army, Mark Russell (pictured above). More details can be found on the diocesan website, www.leeds.anglican. org.

# MU President re-elected

Jean Thurman, the President of the Mothers' Union for the Diocese of Leeds has been re-elected to continue as president for another three years.

Jean became the first President of the new diocese in January 2016 and was a vice-president of the historic Wakefield Diocese. She lives



in Halifax and has been a member of Mothers' Union since 1981.

During the present 'triennium', Jean's focus has been on working hard to bring together Mothers' Union members in the five Episcopal Areas.

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# This time tomorrow

#### **Bishop Toby Howarth**

I wonder if your Sunday service has ever featured something called TTT? The letters stand for "This Time Tomorrow" - a moment in which someone from the congregation shares what they will be doing at the same time on Monday morning. This could be anything from volunteering at a coffee morning to performing an operation on someone's brain. One of the great values of TTT is that it makes us aware of the discipleship that all of us are called to during the week in so many different ways.

The Diocesan Lay Conference being held in Harrogate this month is a celebration of Jesus' calling on all of our lives, and an affirmation of one of the central planks of our emerging diocesan strategy – which is about lay people and clergy working together. As one of the draft strategy reports makes clear: "This is a two-way street that entails equipping congregation members to speak of, and live out their faith outside church, and at the same time equipping clergy to recognise their parishioners as whole people, helping them to bring their Monday to Saturday roles into the church on Sunday."



At the Lay Conference there will be lots of sharing of people's stories affirming, as TTT does, the value of our ministry, as followers of Christ, in our everyday lives. I have been struck as I visit congregations and listen to people's stories just how challenging some people's discipleship can be, whether negotiating a debilitating illness of their own or a loved one, or dealing with complex technical or ethical issues at work.

Even for a conference of 1700 people, there is only room for a very few from each parish in our wonderfully large and diverse diocese. We can still, all of us, however, make the most of this opportunity by talking with those from our parish who will be going along, praying for them and all who participate, and making sure we ask them about it in detail when they come back. Let's learn more and more to listen for the work of God in other people's lives, and learn to share what God is doing in and through our own.

+Toby
Bishop of Bradford

# Duke of York Award for community work

WAKEFIELD Members of St Helen's Sandal, pictured alongside residents of the Portobello Estate in the parish, have received an award in recognition of their work in the community.

The Portobello Community Forum, part of the church's outreach received an Award from the Duke of York's Community Initiative 'for its excellent work in its own community'.



Leaders of PCF, Janet Gardiner, Pam Payling, Mary Greenwood and Sally Martin are pictured in Sheffield Cathedral before the presentation. Through PCF, local churches along with other agencies encourage positive, inclusive work in the community, with events such as Soul Portobello, and running the Portobello Community Centre.

# **A Church Directory**

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# **Services for May**

| Date   | Time                         | Church  | Readings                                   |
|--|------------------------------|---|--|
| 3rd June<br>Trinity 1                                  | 9.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am | St Mary's, Bradley<br>St Andrew's Kildwick<br>St John's, Cononley | 2 Corinthians<br>4.5-12<br>Mark 2.23-3.6   |
| 10th June<br>Trinity 2                                 | 9.30am<br>11.00am            | St Andrew's Kildwick<br>St John's, Cononley                       | 2 Corinthians<br>4.13-5.1<br>Mark 3.20-end |
| 17th June<br>Trinity 3                                 | 9.30am<br>11.00am            | St John's, Cononley<br>St Mary's, Bradley                         | 2 Corinthians<br>5.6-17<br>Mark 4.26-34    |
| 24th June<br>Trinity 4<br>Birth of John<br>the Baptist | 9.30am<br>11.00am            | St Mary's, Bradley<br>St Andrew's Kildwick                        | Galatians 3.23-end<br>Luke 1.57-66,80      |

# **Cononley Rotas**

| Date         | Readers                          | Communion     | Sidespeople                      | Refreshments   |
|--------------|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| 3rd<br>June  | Jean Field &<br>David Gulliver   |               | David & Freda<br>Gulliver        | Pauline Link   |
| 10th<br>June | Lois Brown &<br>Robert Holland   | Ruby Sedgwick | Eileen Stead &<br>Joyce Smethers | Carolyn Scarr  |
| 17th<br>June | Joyce Smethers<br>& Julian Brown | Janet Wade    | Pauline Link &<br>Toby Brown     | Janet Clifford |
| 24th<br>June |                                  |               |                                  |                |

# **Regular Events in the "KCB" Parishes**

| Monday    | 9.30am                  | Pre-School Music Group                                  | Bradley Village Hall   |
|-----------|-------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Monday    | 2.00pm                  | Cononley Arts Club                                      | Cononley Institute     |
| Monday    | 8.00pm                  | Ditty Nitty Craft Club                                  | Slater's Arms, Bradley |
| Tuesday   | 10.00am<br>Not holidays | Chuffs Fun for pre-school children and their grown-ups! | Kildwick Parish Rooms  |
| Tuesday   | 7.15pm                  | Yoga Class  | Bradley Village Hall   |
| Tuesday   | 7.15pm                  | Choir practice  | Kildwick Parish Rooms  |
| Wednesday | 9.30am                  | Midweek Eucharist                                       | Kildwick Parish Rooms  |
| Wednesday | 10.15am                 | NottheKnot Group  | Kildwick Parish Rooms  |
| Wednesday | 7.45pm                  | Cononley Singers  | Cononley New Inn       |
| Thursday  | 9.30am                  | Toddlers Group  | Bradley Village Hall   |
| Thursday  | 3.30pm<br>Not holidays  | MiniRingers Club  Kildwick Tow Parish Room              |                        |
| Thursday  | 7.30pm                  | Whist Drive   | Bradley Village Hall   |
| Thursday  | 7.30am                  | Bell Ringing Practice                                   | Kildwick Tower         |
| Friday    | 9.00am                  | Pilates   | Cononley Institute     |
| Friday    | 10.00am                 | Yoga Class  | Bradley Village Hall   |
| Friday    | 1.30pm                  | Keep Fit  | Cononley Institute     |

# **Kildwick Rotas**

| Date         | Readers                             | Intercessors      | Communion        | Welcomers   | Refreshments                        |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 3rd<br>June  | Tim Littler<br>Lesley<br>Bannister  | Lesley<br>Hudson  | Sandie<br>Tim    | Eleanor<br>Eastwood<br>Sandie Walton<br>June Whitaker | Joyce Bonham<br>Sylvia Ackroyd      |
| 10th<br>June | Tim<br>Chapman<br>Sylvia Clark      | Sue<br>Hargreaves | Christine<br>Sue | Sandie Walton   | June Whitaker                       |
| 17th<br>June |                                     |                   |                  |   |                                     |
| 24th<br>June | Anthony<br>Luce<br>Lesley<br>Hudson | Di Halliday       | Sandie<br>Peter  | Joyce Bonham<br>Geraldine<br>Sands                    | Ann Mosley<br>Christine<br>Anderton |



| Saturday 2nd       |         | KCB Boundary Walk – Part 2 (including KCB Prayers) |          |              |
|--------------------|---------|--|----------|--------------|
| <b>Tuesday 5th</b> | 7.00pm  | <b>Archdeacon's Visitation</b>                     |          | at Kildwick  |
| Tuesday 19th       | all day | Mothers' Union Outing                              | Cononley | with Bradley |
| Friday 22nd        | 2.45pm  | School Collective Worship Se                       | rvice    | at Kildwick  |
| Saturday 23rd      |         | Summer Fair  |          | at Kildwick  |
| Saturday 30th      | 4.30pm  | Wedding  |          | at Kildwick  |

July

June

| Sunday 1st    |         | Fifth Sunday after Trinity     |                        |
|---------------|---------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
|               | 12.30pm | Family Barbecue                | in Bradley             |
| Monday 2nd    | 6.30pm  | PCC Meeting about the building | g at Kildwick          |
| Monday 9th    | 6.30pm  | General PCC Meeting            | at Kildwick            |
| Thursday 19th | 2.30pm  | School Leavers' Service        | at Kildwick            |
| Saturday 28th | 12.30pm | Wedding                        | at Kildwick            |
|               | 6.00pm  | Visiting Bell Ringers          | at Kildwick Bell Tower |

August

| Saturday 4th | 12.30pm | Wedaing                    | at Kildwick            |
|--------------|---------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Monday 6th   |         | August Bank Holiday        |                        |
|              | 2.45pm  | Visiting Quarter Peal band | at Kildwick Bell Tower |
| Monday 27th  |         | Late Summer Bank Holiday   |                        |

Friday14th Sept 7.30pm Baker Mike Demo in Cononley Institute

This list is very "Kildwick-centred"! We don't mean it that way – but if nobody tells us of any dates, we can't put them in! If you have a church event, then let us know. (You can email events direct to magazine@kildwick.org.uk if you like.)



# From The Kildwick Registers

Monday 14th May Funeral of Cynthia Large of Silsden

Saturday 19th May Wedding of Nigel Snowden and Kathryn Keenan

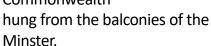
of Silsden

Sunday 27th May Baptism of Maddy Scarr of Glusburn

# Drums and dance for Commonwealth celebration

LEEDS Civic, community and faith leaders came together last month for a service to celebrate the Commonwealth. The celebrations at Leeds Minster

got off to a lively start as the civic procession was led into the Minster by the drummers and dancers of the Punjabi Roots Academy. Flags from the 53 nations of the Commonwealth



The Bishop of Leeds, Rt Revd Nick Baines was the preacher and among those taking part was the Lord-Lieutenant of West Yorkshire, the Lord Mayor of Leeds Cllr Jane Dowson and many people from across West Yorkshire with Commonwealth connections.



The service of celebration was timed to coincide with the end of the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in London. It also followed the very successful Commonwealth Games in Australia.

# **Grand re-opening at Sharow**

RIPON The church of St John's, Sharow near Ripon threw open its doors last month after half a million pounds worth of

conservation, restoration and building works. For several months the church has been shrouded by scaffolding inside and out as conservators

worked on stained glass and wall paintings alongside the construction of new, modern facilities, thanks to money from the Heritage Lottery Fund. The Dean of Ripon, John Dobson, cut the ribbon welcoming everyone to the building. He said: "The Vision Project at St. John's, Sharow is a shining





Later, the Bishop of Ripon Helen-Ann Hartley joined Revd Ruth Newton for a celebratory evening service, followed by a reception with live jazz, fizz and canapés.

# Pioneering project

Church, Kirkburton and Emmanuel Church, Shelley, in the Huddersfield EA have received £6,100 from the Heritage Lottery Fund for a unique project to digitally map 6,000 gravestones in their churchyards. The resulting images will then be put online to help researchers locate and view gravestones and memorials.

This innovative project will involve pioneering research to develop the distinctive heritage of the two churchyards, and will add great value for the local and wider communities of all ages. The research work will begin this month and the project will last one year.

# **New posts**

**BRADFORD** Two new key appointments have been made at Bradford Cathedral. Sarah Field-Blešić has been appointed as the Cathedral's new Chief Operations Officer. She comes from 16 years in the legal sector with top UK law firm, Irwin Mitchell. "This is a change from the legal sector," says Sarah. "However I am excited about getting to know the team and working with everyone to help the Cathedral achieve its goals." Also appointed is a New Director of Education and Visitors. Maggie Myers is an experienced secondary school teacher.

# Church growth companions start their journey



A new team of thirty five church growth companions from across the diocese has been launched as part of an innovative initiative, the Church Growth Companions Project.

The group of thirty five include both clergy and lay leaders and the aim will be to come alongside other churches to support them in their parish mission.

Last month's meeting kick started the project, with training provided by Church Growth Adviser, Canon Robin Gamble, who established the initiative.

It is hoped that this support network will increase the impact made by the 'Leading Your Church into Growth' programme and give the extra support that some churches may need to help them thrive. Canon Robin Gamble said, "This is an exciting step forward for our Diocese in our church growth journey. The hope is that every church will have the chance for a companion to come along side and bring that extra bit of support that could help transform their churches.

"Companions won't claim to be experts, but are just good vicars who can come alongside others to share their experiences and walk with them on their journey towards growth."

The team will next head to Scargill House this month where they will spend a further weekend completing their team training. Churches will then have the opportunity to connect and work alongside a companion.

# Sri Lankan school restored

A school in Sri Lanka, badly damaged in the flooding of summer 2017 has been restored and repaired thanks to an appeal within the Diocese of Leeds.

The Molkawa pre-school was badly damaged and class-rooms were swept away. Now rebuilding work has taken place thanks to approximately £9000 given by the Diocese



and sent by Bishop Paul Slater to the Diocese of Colombo, Sri Lanka.

"We have used the money that you have send to us to redo the school," said Suren Goonesekera, Secretary of the Diocese of Colombo Board of Social Responsibility. "We are indeed very grateful to you for initiative this project and partnering with us for this worthy cause. "

The school is situated at the centre of the disaster area when heavy rain caused flooding in May and June 2017.

# The Prayer Page



Give us the confidence to challenge injustice And to nurture the flame of justice until it burns brightly And may the Spirit of justice and community Accompany us and light our way May this Spirit move us, heal us, Guide us and challenge us May this passion for justice burn through us and in us Call us to action and to prayer And may it warm the hearts of those around us Encouraging hope and overcoming fear. Amen

# Spirit of God

Enlighten our hearts and minds, that we may see the faces of our sisters and brothers whose labour provides us with the food we eat, the clothes we wear and the computers, phones and washing machines we use.

Spirit of God Embolden us to speak out on behalf of those who suffer injustice, so that they may enjoy the fruits of their labour and have enough to feed, clothe, nurse and educate their families. Spirit of God

Consume us with a passion to change our way of life. so that we learn to put the needs of others before our desire for more possessions at bargain prices. Spirit of God

Through the witness of our lives, standing in solidarity with all peoples, may we spread the warmth of your love, the light of your wisdom, and the fire of your justice, so that all may live in peace and security. Amen.

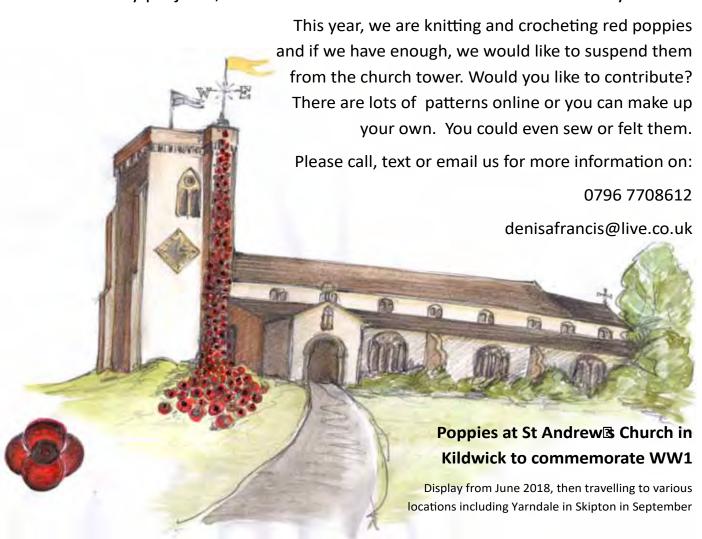
May your power transform our lives May your Spirit set us free And may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit Be with us all now and for ever Amen.



# WW1 POPPIES PROJECT



Inspired by the beautiful Weeping Window installation displayed at the Tower of London in 2014, where thousands of ceramic poppies filled the moat, we would like to pay tribute to this stunning artwork and create our own version of it to commemorate the centenary of the end of WW1. You may have seen our community projects, the Knitted Meadow and Knitted Canal last 2 years.





## **Poppy Factory**

A lot of activity is going on around here! Drawers are being ransacked for big black buttons. For all I know, red petticoats are being spirited away, never to be seen again. Stitching and glueing, sewing, knitting and crocheting all combining to create a mighty "fall" of poppies to commemorate the end of World War 1. It's not at all too late for you, if you want to take part in this iconic project.

This particular hive of industry was to be found recently at CHUFFS (Church for the Under Fives) which is a lovely gathering of toddlers with their mums – and dads – and carers – and all sorts! They meet on a Tuesday morning (10.00am - not in holidays) and get up to all manner of things as reagular readers of this magazine will know.

Come and join this thriving group of youngsters!



#### Renovation

Back in February, we held a "Community Forum" in church at which a lot of opinions were aired and a number of suggestions made.

The Repair and Renovation Group have been following up on several of these ideas – and

have now written a letter to all of the "stakeholders" who were invited to that meeting.

We print that letter here as what it has to say is of relevance to the whole of the community in this part of the world.

22nd May 2018

Dear

St Andrew's, Kildwick – Building for the Community

I am writing to you (on behalf of the St Andrew's Church Repair and Renovation Group) because you were invited to the Community Forum held on February 19<sup>th</sup> about developing a community vision for St Andrew's church building. A number of you sent representatives, which we appreciate.

We have been reflecting on the thoughts and opinions expressed at that meeting as part of developing a plan to realise the vision of St Andrew's as a *Building for the Community*. The future of St Andrew's depends very much on the extent to which it is valued by the community as a significant part of Kildwick's heritage, and so we want to keep you informed on our current thinking and progress.

As was said at the meeting, the matter is urgent (and becoming more so) because of the state of the church roof. We all know that a sound roof is essential for any building; without it, buildings quickly become subject to damp and decay, and ultimately become derelict. It is important that we acknowledge this reality. However it is our fervent desire that St Andrew's does not suffer this fate, which is why we are doing all that we can to ensure the building's long term future.

Since February, a number of members of our Renovation and Repair Group have had conversations with individuals in the community which suggest that many people care deeply about our historic church building. A number of these conversations have been around fundraising. Even the most ambitious of these ideas will not raise the full amount of the sum needed to preserve the fabric, let alone enable the vision of making the building more accessible and welcoming, but they will provide vital

evidence to major funders and grant-making bodies of the love and commitment to the church that is felt by the community.

A parallel thread to conversations about fundraising is about the use and purpose of St Andrew's. For all the 700 years that St Andrew's has been here, the building has served many functions in the community. It has never been the sole preserve of the worshipping congregation. There are exciting possibilities of collaboration between a renovated St Andrew's and other venues in the area that could enhance the "critical mass" for all concerned. Other ideas are surfacing as more people talk about and consider the opportunities that can become available in a renovated and fully functional historic building such as St Andrew's.

The St Andrew's Restoration and Repair Group are preparing to submit an initial Heritage Lottery bid in August as well as a grant application to another body in June. The Heritage Lottery Fund is in the process of reorganising its processes and so it is important for us to be involved and talking with them as soon as possible. The Slate Sponsorship process is continuing after its quiet launch last summer. Over £2,000 has been pledged, and the names of the contributors written into a Heritage Book that will be on display at the Summer Fair.

Thank you for your continuing interest in and concern for St Andrew's. We keep seeing evidence of this! Someone from the Kildwick community has recently stepped out, unprompted, and weeded our front steps. Thank you for that – and thank you all for your contributions to this historic place. The Community Forum focussed many of our thoughts, and it may well be that, like us, you have your own ideas about how best to make St Andrew's a *Building for the Community*. We keep hearing comments such as, "So-and-So asked whether we'd looked at ..." or "XXX suggested that we hold a ...". We'd be very grateful if you could share as many of these ideas and initiatives with us as you can! But as well as ideas, we need people with time and energy to help us to secure the future of the building and see it flourish in the future as it has in the past. As stated earlier, the church has never been the sole preserve of the worshipping congregation. We need people from the community not only to come up with good ideas, but to help us carry them forward. If that's you, please get in touch with us to discuss how you can help. If you know someone who would be great at this, please encourage them to contact us!

The best way to contact us is probably by email to renovationgroup@kildwick.org.uk

If you prefer the post, write to

The Repair and Renovation Group, Burnside, Bucklar Hill, Farnhill, BD20 9AS

With best wishes

#### The Revd Julie Bacon

For the Repair and Renovation Group of St Andrew's Church

| Date         | Cononley<br>Cleaning                | Cononley<br>Flowers | Bradley<br>Cleaning | Bradley<br>Flowers | Kildwick<br>Flowers |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 3rd<br>June  | Mrs. C.<br>Scarr                    | Ruby<br>Sedgwick    | J Hall              | V Greaves          | Mrs. J.<br>Houghton |
| 10th<br>June |                                     | Jean Field          |                     |                    | Vacant              |
| 17th<br>June | Mrs. R.<br>Sedgwick                 | Jean Field          | K Eddison           | P Illingworth      |                     |
| 24th<br>June |                                     |                     | K Eddison           | S Lancaster        | Mrs. C.<br>Anderton |
| 1st July     | Mrs S. Birks<br>& Mrs. J.<br>Driver |                     |                     |                    |                     |

Note that all these duties should be carried out in the week **preceding** the Sunday listed

# **Cononley WI**

At our April meeting the speaker was Wendy Lil who talked about her expedition to the arctic to raise money for St Michael's Hospice. Wendy showed us some wonderful photos of her trek which took seven days in temperatures sometimes as low as -30 degrees. It took grit and determination to succeed and complete her adventure. In May the meeting was held at the New Inn due to the local elections. We discussed the resolution going forward to the national AGM. The "Meet, Feet and Eat" group are planning a trip to York and the book club read Capital by John Lanchester. Our next meeting is on 7th June 7.30pm in the institute.

Elizabeth

# **The Kildwick Prayer Loops**

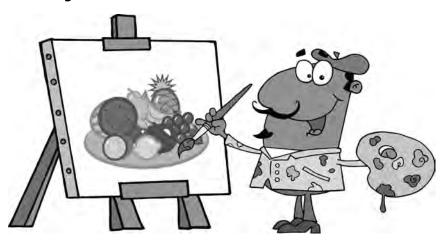
If you need prayer...

These confidential loops will pray for your concerns. All you need to do is to ask. More phone numbers will be added when we get permission to publish them

| Loop 1                      |              | Loop 2             |              |  |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Julie Bacon                 | 01274 405170 | June Whitaker      | 01535 655320 |  |
| Jill and Chris Wright       | 01535 634526 | Sandie Walton      | 01535 636501 |  |
| Lesley Hudson               | 01535 523291 | Eleanor Eastwood   | 01535 634717 |  |
| Sue and Rosie<br>Hargreaves |              | Sylvia Clark       |              |  |
| Edward Gee                  |              | Di Halliday        |              |  |
| Kathryn Morris              | 01535 633588 | Christine Anderton | 01535 633596 |  |

## **Cononley Art Club**

Art Club members have just spent a day at Lady Lever Gallery and enjoyed it very much. Sadly, I was a little indisposed so, along with a few others, I missed it. We thought what a wasted opportunity this was and so we feel that this is the time to appeal to anyone who is even slightly interested



in art in any form, be it painting, drawing, felt work, sewing, or anything else that we can have a go at, please come to the group. We already have many different media, styles and genres of art in the group and would like to try other ways of producing art.

Do not feel as a beginner that we would not appreciate your work! Just drop in to see us on Monday afternoon when the door is always open.

We are heading up to the exhibition on Saturday, Sunday and Monday of the bank holiday. We will be there from 10.00 to 4.00 so do come along, everyone and have a chat and a look at the work, maybe have a cup of tea and if you have children, let them have a go in the children's corner.



The fine weather in recent weeks allowed for some exciting activities for the children at Cononley School. Supporting the topic of "transport", the four and five-year-olds of Cherry class travelled to Skipton by train and enjoyed a boat trip on the canal. Another train ride to Skipton and an orchestral performance of "Peter and the Wolf" kept the Year 3 children enthralled. A group of friends from Frizinghall School in Bradford came to visit as part of a school link project, and Sycamore class made them more than welcome. The South Craven School Maths Challenge tested the skills of Cononley's maths specialists, with the children tackling problems and challenges to gain a very commendable third out of eight schools. The Year 6 children faced the challenge of their SATs exams with calm resilience, and after a week of hard work, enjoyed all the delights of the school's summer fair. Tombolas, games, hotdogs and treasure hunts made for a jolly afternoon in the sunshine, whilst raising welcome funds for future school projects.



## The Birds in Your Garden



#### The Magpie



Our love affair with garden birds has created heroes and villains, but few species generate the level of animosity from garden birdwatchers as do Magpies. Perceived as a major enemy of smaller birds, they have been heavily persecuted in the past. They hop and cackle around like the garden-bird mafia. Importantly, however, BTO research shows that Magpies are not a cause of decline in song birds nationally.

A member of the Corvid or Crow family, the Magpie is a bold and conspicuous garden visitor. The striking, apparently black and white plumage, together with their harsh chattering call, is familiar to most of us. They are intelligent and highly adaptive birds, but the image of a Magpie hoarding jewellery or other shiny objects in the nest is a myth: there is no evidence that Magpies hoard anything other than food!

In recent times Magpies have become more abundant both in gardens and generally, following a decline in the amount of persecution taking place.

From a distance, the Magpie appears to be a black and white bird, but their plumage is more subtle than it first appears, with a blue-green iridescent sheen evident at close range. In the open they fly rather like ragged kites, but among trees they move confidently, reflecting their real agility. On the ground the tail is often held high as the bird 'kangaroo-hops' along. The raucous, cackling call is given frequently, reflecting the intensely competitive and social nature of this species

Magpies can be a problem for nesting birds; indeed, in many gardens they are probably the second most important predator after the domestic cat. But in the absence of predators such as the Weasel, most birds probably still experience fewer problems in gardens than in woodlands and farm hedgerows.

Much of the success of the Magpie comes from their widely varied diet including invertebrates, especially insects, plus fruit, grain, berries, carrion and small mammals. The eggs and young of other birds form part of the diet during the breeding season as witness by a raid on the Blackbird's nest in my garden last

week. One of the most interesting aspects of Magpie feeding behaviour is that of food hoarding, though it is often recovered and eaten within a few days of being stored

Like other members of the Crow family, Magpies are well worth watching. They are social birds with a degree of intelligence that has enabled them to adapt to a changing environment. You only need look at the number of Magpie nests alongside new roads to see how they have learned to exploit road-kill.

The nest is loose and bulky and is usually built high in a tree: building can start in February though eggs are not generally laid until April. Nesting is a noisy affair with both birds chattering away. Incubation starts before laying has finished so that the eggs hatch one at a time helping the strongest chicks survive if there is a food shortage.

If you find the lives of our garden birds to be of interest and would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please contact me or visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website (www.bto.org/gbw). If you know of an organisation not a million miles from York which would like a talk on garden birds call: **Mike Gray 07596 366342** or gbwmike@gmail.com.





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#### **Farnhill Parish Council**

- **A meeting of the Council** held on the 26th April was attended by five Councillors, a CDC and NYCC representative and the Clerk.
- **New Funding** CDC Rep reported that there was funding for the canal towpath between Farnhill and Silsden and between Gargrave and Skipton. With Aireville Park, a new recreation park will be built near the swimming pool. £5,000 Locality and £5,000 Environmental funding is available to councils.
- **Resurfacing** NYCC will resurface Main Street in the near future. Any road closure may provide an opportunity for the Canal and River Trust to repair the safety fencing near Redman's Bridge at the same time.
- **Uncontested** The parish election was uncontested. Two vacancies should be filled by co-option.
- **Annual Meeting** The annual parish meeting will be held on 31st May. Representatives will be invited, including the Revd Julie Bacon. A flyer will be drafted and distributed to all properties in the village.
- **Fly Tipping** A resident has complained about rubbish on the footpath south of Milking Hill swing bridge. Access is difficult but a local farmer has offered to move large items to an area accessible to waste vehicles. A councillor has offered to take it to the waste disposal site provided he is not charged.
- **Leaking Trough** To make a channel for the water from a leaking trough on Bucklar Hill will require a license to dig up the highway.
- **Waste Collection** The saga of waste collection at Back Mary Street continues! Discussion of methods used include the use of plastic sacks or the deployment of a smaller waste vehicle.
  - Difficulties were exacerbated recently by a parked car which blocked the road and prevented any collection. A letter to be written to nearby households, asking them to leave access for emergency vehicles as well as waste collectors.
- The Next Meeting will be held on Thursday 24th May.
- **The Annual Parish Meeting** As mentioned above, this will be held on Thursday 31st May at 7.30pm. All members of the public are welcome to attend.



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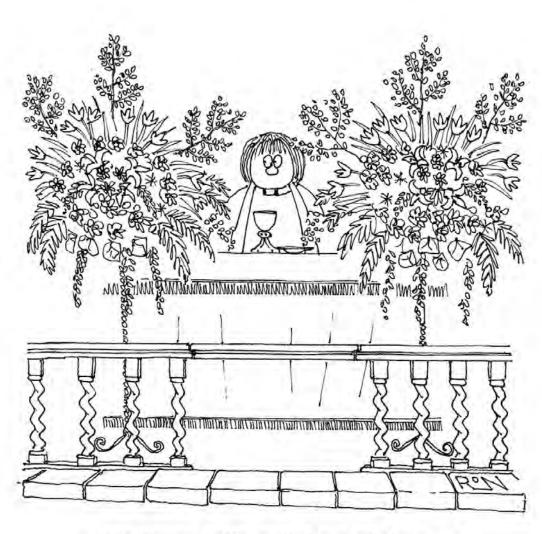
https://cardsforcauses.giveasyoulive.com/charity/standrewschurchkildwick has details. Browse around for all of the offers, like 6% from FatFace...

## Give As You Live for other churches

The current scheme (above) supports St Andrew's. It is a simple process to set up an accout for other churches – and administration tasks are almost none!

If you want to investigate setting up a Give As You Live account for St John's or St Mary's, get in touch (magazine@kildwick.org.uk) and we'll help you through the process. It's "free" money!

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The flower ladies pulled out all the stops

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