

St Andrew's Church Kildwick



**Annual Report Booklet
2018**

Our Parish Mission Statement

Called to be the Body of Christ,
we are here to share God's love with all people,
through outreach and service,
in our community and the world,
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Five Marks of Mission

The Mission of the Church is the mission of Christ

- a) To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom.
- b) To teach, baptise and nurture new believers.
- c) To respond to human need by loving service.
- d) To seek to transform the unjust structures of society.
- e) To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

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Welcome to the 2019 APCM report

Do bear in mind that this is (or should be, anyway!) a report of our activities during 2018 – but I confess that I, at least, have strayed into more recent activities...

There are no accounts here, I am afraid. That's not something that we can do anything about. Our accounts have been looked after under a new Diocesan scheme and it has become clear that their systems were not up to the task. The accounts will be produced as and when the Diocesan Office can get them sorted – and we'll need to hold another Special Meeting (under Church Representation Rule 22 if you want chapter and verse!) to accept these accounts in due course.

Also "to come" will be Julie's report and review of the year. This will be delivered as the sermon on 7th April and, no doubt, will be available in print shortly afterwards

The Parochial Church Council of St Andrew, Kildwick

Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2018

Reference and administrative information

St Andrew's Church is situated in the village of Kildwick. It is part of the Bradford Episcopal Area of the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England. The correspondence address for correspondence from banks, utilities and insurance bodies is currently 15 Walker Close, Glusburn, Keighley BD20 8PW.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure and is exempted from registering with the Charity Commission. Members of the PCC are either ex-officio, elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (the APCM) and holding office for three years, or co-opted by the PCC. Members of the Deanery Synod are ex-officio members of the PCC, holding office for three years; they are also elected by the APCM. Members of the Diocesan Synod are also ex-officio members of the PCC. Members elected by the APCM to the Cross Hills and District Fellowship of Churches Council may be co-opted to serve on the PCC.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2018 until 7th April 2019 are:

Interim Priest In Charge:

The Revd Julie Bacon

Churchwardens:

Mrs Lesley Hudson

Mrs Sandie Walton

Deanery Synod Reps

Mr Chris Wright (from APCM 2016)

One vacancy

Co-opted Members:

The Revd Di Halliday,

Mr John Hudson

Elected Members:

To serve till 2019

Mr Tim Chapman

Mrs Jill Wright

One vacancy

To serve till 2020

Mrs Brenda Brock

Two vacancies

To serve till 2021

Mrs Sylvia Ackroyd

Mrs Shirley Hoskins

Mrs Kathryn Morris

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC operates through a Standing Committee and other support groups which meet between full meetings of the Council and bring ideas and proposals to the PCC.

Standing Committee

Members have been the Priest in Charge, the Churchwardens, Mrs Jill Wright (PCC Secretary) and Mrs Brenda Brock Planned Giving Officer).

This committee is required by law and has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions that may be given from time to time by the PCC. The Standing Committee also acts as the Finance Committee for the PCC.

During the year the PCC continued to work with groups of two or three PCC members taking lead responsibility for different areas of mission, namely worship, nurture, outreach, work with young people, pastoral care and fabric. These groups have taken the lead in seeking to encourage and develop each area of mission with reports given at the PCC meetings as appropriate.

Objectives and activities

The primary objective of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC (Powers) Measure 1956 states the PCC "is to co-operate with the incumbent in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical". The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St Andrew's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve all who live within the parish.

We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

The parish mission statement is: "Called to be the Body of Christ, we are here to share God's love with all people, through outreach and service, in this community and the world, through the power of the Holy Spirit".

The PCC's objectives include the monitoring of all parish activities and during 2018 it has continued to fulfil this requirement.

As well as responsibility for the maintenance of the church building of St Andrew, the PCC also has responsibility for the Parish Rooms and the Hearse House.

The PCC has achieved its objectives through the pattern of regular and occasional worship, activities for young people, work with other local church communities and other agencies as appropriate. The costs involved in these activities are shown in the financial statements. Most of the activities of the parish take place because of the generous giving of time and talents by a large number of volunteers. Such is the nature of this stewardship it is not possible to quantify the value of this contribution to the life of the church.

Achievements and performance

Church Attendance

Following the preparation of an updated Church Electoral Roll, there were 54 parishioners on the Roll at the APCM 2018 (55 in 2017).

The Average Sunday Attendance during the year was 40 (53 in 2017). (This figure is calculated as those aged 16 years or over attending Sunday services and persons attending more than one service on the same day are counted only once.) The average number of visitors included in the above figure was 7 (15 in 2017).

The total number of communicants (including midweek communions) during the year was 1701 (2432 in 2017).

Occasional Offices

A detailed record of the number of occasional offices conducted is as follows:

Baptism	Confirmation	Affirmation of Faith	Weddings	Funerals	Burial of Cremated Remains
7 (7)	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (5)	5 (4)	2 (6)

Review of 2018

The full PCC met 8 times during the year (6 regular and 2 extraordinary meetings) with an average attendance of between 8 and 9 members. There were regular meetings of the Churchwardens with the Priest in Charge. The Standing

Committee and other support groups met regularly as required between full PCC meetings, with minutes and reports being received by the PCC and discussed appropriately.

There have been two major areas commanding PCC's attention during the year. We have continued to explore the pastoral reorganisation which would result in a much closer relationship with the parish of Cononley with Bradley. In addition to our meetings as separate parishes, the PCCs came together for two "Away Days" to work out how the joining together might be achieved. During the year, both parishes made the formal decision to pursue pastoral reorganisation which would lead to becoming a single parish.

As a part of that reorganisation, the service pattern at St Andrew's has been reviewed and adapted. PCC agreed that the current pattern is not ideal, but that it is the best which can be achieved, given the current ministerial resource available. This current pattern will be reviewed before the end of 2019 and discussions continue in both parishes about how the range of services might be broadened. We are hugely grateful both to visiting and retired clergy for their help during the year. Particular mention must be made of the Revd Peter Bannister, the Revd Di Halliday and the Revd Canon Edward Gee, all of whom are unstinting with practical help and the accumulated wisdom of years of ordained ministry.

Undoubtedly, the topic which has consumed the most time and energy has been the buildings. The Vicarage stands empty and damp; post has to be dried out before it can be read and the village is, quite naturally, concerned about the continuing depreciation of the building. The Diocesan Officers whose responsibility it is are working hard to achieve the best outcome: watch this space (patiently, please!).

The church building itself continues to provide major challenges. Netting still adorns the roof, but it is very necessary to protect people from falling plaster. Cleaning of the building continues to be undertaken on a regular basis by a small and faithful group of people. The PCC is working closely with Diocesan Officers to discern the best way forward for this Grade 1 Listed building which means so much both to the worshipping congregation and to the wider community. Thankfully, the Diocese has taken over responsibility for the Vicarage garden, though we remain responsible for the maintenance of the churchyard. There have been gardening and tidying sessions held during the year which have kept our surroundings looking good.

You may know that we have five War Graves in the churchyard; during the year, the Commonwealth War Graves Commission provided us with two notices to alert visitors to these graves. Also during the year, discussion has continued with

Kildwick School and the appropriate Diocesan Officers around the generous offer from a parent to provide a sculpture to go in the churchyard.

Our link with Kildwick School continues to grow in strength. Christine Anderton, Kathryn Morris and Geraldine Sands all serve as Governors and Geraldine was elected Chair of Governors partway through the year, following the resignation of the two previous joint post-holders. Collective worship in church happens regularly and the school holds major performances in the building throughout the year. We also welcomed Glusburn CP School during the year.

We played a full part in celebrating the centenary of the Armistice. On display during the summer was a display of poppies falling from the top of the church tower. This was a community project which generated a lot of interest and very many complimentary comments. Bells rang on the anniversary itself: half-muffled in the morning and then in joyful celebration at lunchtime and in the evening.

An ongoing task during the year has been to sort through the parish archives which were stored in the garages at the Vicarage. This has involved a huge amount of work and we are grateful to Charles Wilson (one of the Diocesan Archivists) for his time and expertise. That job is almost completed and the reorganised contents will be stored in the Parish Room. Another historical project has been undertaken with the help of the Farnhill History Group. The Kildwick Library has been stored in various places (some drier than others!) in the past. This valuable collection of books has now been properly catalogued and photographed, preparatory to finding an environmentally appropriate home where it can be displayed and enjoyed.

Alongside these more major projects has gone the day to day work of the church community in the parish. Tea and scones were served from the beginning of May until the end of September; these regular Sunday afternoon sessions are important not just because they raise much-needed funds, but because they are a missional activity for the church in the community. This is true of the Summer Fair and St Andrew's Fair, where church and community work together. Coffee mornings for CMS Jigsaw raise money for the vital work of Jigsaw Kids Ministry in the Philippines. We join with the other churches in the Cross Hills and District Fellowship of Churches to reach out and get to know our fellow Christians and to work together as the body of Christ in our community.

You will see, both from this report and from others in the Annual Report booklet, that the congregation of St Andrew's continues to work hard both in the local community and beyond, to reflect our God-given imperative to go out into all the world and preach the gospel.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

held on Sunday 22nd April, 2018, in the Parish Church of St Andrew,
Kildwick

1 Opening Prayers

The meeting was opened by the Priest in Charge, Revd Julie Bacon, who commended this meeting and the next to God and asked for God's blessing on them both.

2 Attendance and Apologies for absence

Julie explained the entitlement to attend and vote to those present. She reminded us that the purpose of this meeting was to elect two Churchwardens.

Attendance: there were 24 people present:

Lesley Bannister, Peter Bannister, Albert Bonham, Joyce Bonham, Brenda Brock, Sylvia Clark, Eleanor Eastwood, Glyn Evans, John Exley, Di Halliday, Sue Hargreaves, Shirley Hoskins, Lesley Hudson, Christine Hutchinson, Kathryn Morris, Ann Mosley, Mary C. Peake, Lance Peake, Geraldine Sands, Marie Stinson, Sandie Walton, June Whitaker, Chris Wright and Jill Wright.

Apologies were received from seven people: Christine Anderton, Tim Chapman, Joan Ford, Edward Gee, Rosie Hargreaves, Antony Luce and Maureen Vink.

3 To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on Sunday 30th April 2017: the Minutes of that meeting had previously been circulated and were approved.

4 To elect TWO representatives of the parishioners to serve as Churchwardens until the date of the Archdeacon's Visitation in 2019: Lesley Hudson had been proposed by Joyce Bonham and seconded by Brenda Brock, Sandra Walton had been proposed by Jill Wright and seconded by Geraldine Sands. Both were willing to serve for the coming year; there were no other nominations, so Lesley and Sandie were elected to serve as Churchwardens for the coming year.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 12.15pm.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

held on Sunday 22nd April, 2018, in the Parish Church of St Andrew, Kildwick

The meeting began at 12.15pm. Attendance and Apologies for Absence are as those found at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners.

- 1 **To approve the Minutes** of the meeting held on Sunday 30th April 2017: the Minutes of that meeting had previously been circulated and were approved.
- 2 **Matters arising not found elsewhere** on the Agenda: none.
- 3 **To receive a Report on the revision of the Church Electoral Roll:** Christine Anderton, the Electoral Roll Officer (absent on holiday) had sent a written report. Since the APCM in 2017, when there were 61 names on the Roll, seven names had been removed and one added, making a total of 55; 24 of these people lived in the parish and 31 came from outside the parish. This report was accepted.
- 4 **To receive the Annual Report** on the proceedings of the Parochial Church Council for the year ending 31st December 2017. This Report had previously been circulated and a copy kept on file. The Report was received and there were no questions.
- 5 **To receive the Financial Statements** of the Parochial Church Council for the year ending 31st December 2017. The Statements had previously been circulated and a copy is kept on file.

The Treasurer, Marie Stinson, began by voicing her thanks to Tim Eastwood, who had acted as the Independent Examiner for several years, but who has resigned from the role with effect from April 2018. Marie said that over a period of several years, he had provided an invaluable contribution to the the work of the church and the proper submission of its accounts. Marie also paid tribute to Brenda Brock, whose work running the Gift Aid Scheme had made a major contribution to our annual finances. She also thanked parishioners whose generosity of giving both in money but also massively of work in kind (fairs and other fund-raising events) assisted our mission and ministry and enabled the upkeep of the grounds and the buildings.

Marie also commented on Legacies, In Memoriam and Charitable Donations, which this year had enabled the purchase of pew cushions and new staging. There had been no major expenditure on the fabric of the church other than that necessitated by the Repair and Renovation Group's work on behalf of the PCC. Marie also noted the costs incurred by the vacancy.

The Treasurer spent some time explaining the Share request and its consequences for St Andrew's. The Share request for 2017 had not been

paid in full and her forecast was that we shall be unable to pay the Share requested for 2018. She said that the main reason for the high figure requested was the high socio-economic factor attributed to the area of the parish, together with the expenses which come with legal responsibility for a Grade 1 Listed building.

Marie then took us through the figures in the Accounts. A copy of her Review, together with the Financial Statements and the Report of the Independent Examiner, is kept on file.

There were no questions for the Treasurer and the meeting received the Report. Julie voiced our thanks to Marie for the clear and precise way she had delivered her report, noting that even though figures were not Julie's strong point, she had been able to understand the presentation! Julie also paid tribute to the work Marie has done in the office of Treasurer for the past eight years; hers would be a hard act to follow! On behalf of the parish, she then presented Marie with a gift token and an orchid as tokens of our appreciation.

- 6 **To receive a Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments** of the church. This Report had previously been circulated and was received; there were no questions and Julie thanked the Churchwardens for their care on our behalf.
- 7 **To receive a Report on the South Craven and Wharfedale Deanery Synod.** This Report had previously been circulated and there were no questions. The Report was received.
- 8 **To receive other reports on the activities of the parish.** These reports had previously been circulated and were received. Julie said that these reports put into context how active the church is within the community, supporting and carrying out God's mission in the area.
- 9 **To elect one representative of the laity** to the South Craven and Wharfedale Deanery Synod to serve until 31st May 2020. Chris Wright is already a member of the Synod, but there is another vacancy. There were no nominations. Another representative could be approved by the PCC during the year and Julie encouraged people to think about whether they might serve in this way.
- 10 **To elect two representatives of the laity** to the Council of the Cross Hills and District Fellowship of Churches to serve until the CDFC Annual Meeting in 2019. Christine Anderton and Glyn Evans had served the previous year; both were willing to continue and were duly elected. Julie thanked them for their work during the year, commenting on how much she enjoyed the strong ecumenical element of the work in the CDFC's area.

11 **To elect six representatives of the laity** to serve on the PCC (three until the APCM in 2021, two to serve until the APCM in 2020 and one to serve until the APCM in 2019). Three nominations had been received: Sylvia Ackroyd (nominated by Brenda Brock, seconded by Sylvia Clark), Shirley Hoskins (Albert Bonham and Sylvia Clark) and Kathryn Morris (Jill Wright and Geraldine Sands). No other nominations were forthcoming and these three were declared elected to serve on PCC.

Membership of the PCC is now:

Priest in charge:

The Revd Julie Bacon

Churchwardens:

Mrs Lesley Hudson

Mrs Sandie Walton

Deanery Synod Rep

(to serve until 2020)

Mr Chris Wright

One vacancy

Elected Members:

To serve till 2019

Mr Tim Chapman

Mrs Jill Wright

One vacancy

To serve till 2020

Mrs Brenda Brock

Two vacancies

To serve until 2021

Mrs Sylvia Ackroyd

Mrs Shirley Hoskins

Mrs Kathryn Morris

12 **To appoint Sidespersons** of the parish to serve until the APCM in 2019. The following people were willing to serve for the coming year: Christine Anderton, Joyce Bonham, Sylvia Clark, Eleanor Eastwood, Joan Houghton, Ann Mosley, Geraldine Sands, Sandie Walton and June Whitaker. The list was agreed en bloc and Julie thanked who had served for the past year.

13 **To appoint an Independent Examiner** to the PCC until the APCM in 2018. Our thanks to Tim Eastwood were reiterated. No nomination was forthcoming and this matter was passed to the PCC for consideration at its first meeting.

14 **Questions and discussion** on matters of parochial or general church interest. None were raised.

Julie took the opportunity to voice her thanks to many people. She mentioned all who have served on PCC during the last year and those who will serve in the future; those who sustained the worshipping life of the parish during the vacancy, particularly Peter Bannister, Edward Gee and Di Halliday; those who read and lead intercessions and Lesley Bannister for her work in organising that. Julie also thanked those involved in sung worship: the choir and the music group, together with Glyn Evans and the Bellinging band, with Chris Wright as Tower Captain. Julie thanked everyone involved in hospitality, the flower team organised by June Whitaker, members of the

pastoral care team, those involved in work with the school– Kath Morris, Geraldine Sands and others. She spoke of our work with young people: Chuffs (especially commending the work done by Lesley Hudson) and the work with the miniringers. She thanked everyone involved in fundraising: the Summer Fair, St Andrew's Fair, Tea and Scones etc., and spoke also of Glyn Evans and Christine Anderton's work with CDFC; she thanked Chris Wright for the many and various hats that he wears as magazine editor, IT man and Kildwick Facebook keeper.

Finally, Julie thanked the Standing Committee, Jill as Secretary, Marie as Treasurer and especially Lesley and Sandie. She said that they were amazing Church Wardens, doing an incredible job with commitment, grace and good humour. In conclusion, voicing her thanks to all present, Julie said that there was much to rejoice in and much to look forward to in the coming year.

Lesley Hudson gave our thanks to Julie for all she has been able to do so far: exciting times lie ahead and we all look forward to the time when she is able to live much nearer to us all!



Electoral Roll Report

At the APCM in 2018, there were 55 members of the Electoral Roll. This year, a new roll has been prepared as is required every sixth year.

The Electoral Roll now stands at 46 members, of whom 22 live within the parish and 24 outside the parish boundary.

Christine Anderton

Planned Giving and Gift Aid

Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to church funds through our planned giving scheme during the past year. All these contributions are essential to the running of our church and our mission work within the community. Our main contributions (27) come from direct debits whilst envelopes both weekly and monthly are still available. Being able to claim tax from all this income is extremely important and we have managed to recoup £6,502 from HMRC over the past year. The yellow envelopes are also important and just a reminder if you bring a guest to church; if they are tax payers to sign the envelopes so that we can reclaim the tax on their contributions.

Brenda Brock

Planned Giving Secretary

Churchwardens' report on the Goods, Fabric and Ornaments of the church

We have continued to work within the recommendations of the Quinquennial Inspection in 2016 in order to keep our church and churchyard in as good a condition as is possible.

The following repairs and services have been carried out: in 2018

February	Repair of Parish Room Boiler and Annual Clock Service
March	Maintenance of churchyard and church
June	Organ Tuning
July	Installation of handrail to the tower stairs
September	Repair to leaking roof South aisle, PAT Testing and Parish Room Boiler inspection.
October	Fire extinguishers inspected. Repair high level lamp in church and general maintenance of churchyard and church.
December	Repair to Parish Room radiator. Annual churchyard maintenance and replacement of light bulbs in church and churchyard.

The Churchyard, garden, paths and clearing of weeds etc. around the Garden of Remembrance was carried out by members of the congregation to whom we are grateful. The "old churchyard" is maintained by Craven District Council and the "new churchyard" has been strimmed by a contractor. The Diocese has taken over the maintenance of the Vicarage garden and the boundary hedges and several trees have been cut accordingly.

The inside of the church is cleaned by volunteers from the congregation approximately 3 times a year. Thank you to all those who freely give their time and energy to maintain this beautiful building.

We are especially grateful to Chris Wright for his expertise in repairing or renovating various items in the church.

The Churchwardens have met on a regular basis with Julie, the Priest in Charge, to discuss pastoral matters and any problems relating to the building.

All articles appertaining to the church have been checked and found to be correct.

*Sandie Walton
Lesley Hudson*

South Craven and Wharfedale Deanery Synod Report

(Incorporating mention of the Bradford Episcopal Area Forum meetings)

The South Craven and Wharfedale Deanery Synod met three times during 2018. There were two meetings of the "BEAF" (Bradford Episcopal Area Forum) and we saw two editions of the "BEAN" (Bradford Episcopal Area News).

The first meeting took place on Tuesday 6th February at St Thomas' Sutton. The headline speaker was Fiona Hill the Diocesan Disability Officer who asked us to consider whether we REALLY offer a warm welcome to disabled people, make it easy for them to access the building and make it easy for them to see, hear and read. Sadly, the presentation was not particularly easy to access or to see, hear or read. She had prepared a PowerPoint presentation, but no projector or screen was made available and so this item was sadly lacking in its impact.

The Summer meeting was held on Monday 4th June 2018 in Burley in Wharfedale at the Parish Centre. Synod heard a tale that sounds familiar to us of how the village of Burley gravitated away from the church and towards the railway station. Richard Noake, the Diocesan Education Officer gave an informative address (this time there was a projector!) He spoke about the Church of England's vision for education and how it seeks to serve God in both Church and non-church schools, outlining the complexity and size of the challenge.

In the autumn, Synod came to St Andrew's. Well, most of them did – there were almost as many apologies as those attending on a wild, wet evening. Environment Officer Jemima Parker spoke about the season of "Creationtide" (1st September – 4th October) and of how we can calculate and reduce our carbon footprint. She showed a telling chart of "temperature anomalies" (where the temperature is up to 2 degrees more or less than the norm). Starting in 1880 it progresses from white (or a touch blue) to a totally red screen in 2017. We also heard that Julie Bacon had been elected as a clergy representative to Diocesan Synod so it is good to know that we are represented at this level of governance.

Interspersing the Synod meetings, there have been two meetings of the Episcopal Area Forum. This has no statutory powers but is a place where people from across the Bradford area can meet together. It's open to all, not just the Deanery Synod members who are formally invited. Sadly, I was unable to attend either of these in 2018.

In May the Forum took place in Cottingley at the impressive Cornerstone church complex. Sadly I have no report of what was discussed. In November, the Forum heard how the budget shortfall had been reduced from £3.5m to about £1.9m by property sales, cutting support costs wherever possible and voluntary redundancies. There is still a shortfall in Share receipts. The Archdeacon Andy Jolley spoke about work with ordinands and the intern scheme.

Chris Wright

Group and Organisation Reports

Cross Hills and District Fellowship of Churches CDFC

(Notes taken from CDFC's AGM report, which was supplied by Glyn Evans)

This was a year of successful activities: Christmas in the Park, the Lent Course, the Harvest Supper and Dance and a Safari Supper had all proved popular. The decision had been taken not to re-instate the Easter in the Park event. The Women's World Day of Prayer had been snowed off and would take place in 2019, renamed more inclusively as the World Day of Prayer. Visits to the various Care Homes had continued; a review was to take place very soon.



CDFC Residential Homes 2018

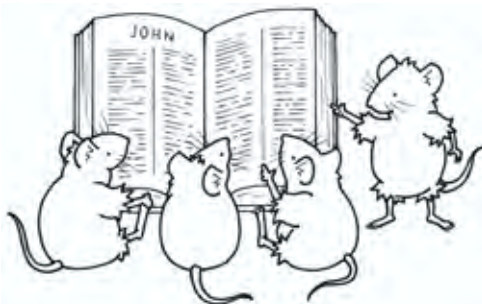
Townend Close and Sutton Lodge

Members of our congregation are involved in the monthly services for some local residential care homes. Sutton Lodge has one member of our congregation in their team and Townend Close has four members of our congregation in their team. Our services are well received by the residents in the homes and the staff are very supportive of our efforts

Peter Bannister



St Andrew's, Kildwick – Readers and Intercessors



At Kildwick our congregation is privileged to be able to provide assistance to the celebrant at the main Sunday morning service. This takes several forms, two of which are via the reading of the set passages from the Bible and leading the intercessions. This gives variety with the different voices for the readings and an extra spiritual dimension with the leading of the intercessions. We always welcome new readers and

intercessors, so if anyone feels a calling to assist in this way, please speak to me, Julie or one of our churchwardens.

Thank you very much to all those who are currently on the rotas – your commitment and contributions are greatly appreciated.

Lesley Bannister

Chuffs (children under five)



We have had a very enjoyable year. Numbers of children have continued to increase and we now have 12-14 little ones and their parents or carers each week.

Over the year we have made dinosaur hats, caterpillars, poppies, pigs and so much more in our craft sessions. Biscuits and cake decorating were very popular as usual! We have got sticky and messy with great enthusiasm. Do have a look on the church's facebook page where our

many constructions are often displayed.

Each child decorated brightly coloured bags to be filled with gifts for the children who are reached by the Jigsaw mission in Manila in the Philippines.

Our team of Peter and Libba has been enhanced by Kym who joined us in September; she is a whiz with craft!!!

If you are passing the Parish Rooms on a Tuesday morning I'm sure you will hear the fun we are having!!!

Lesley Hudson

The Music Group

For a number of reasons the Music Group played at services on only 6 occasions during 2018. In past years it has played for services once per month and also at Festival services. It was originally formed to offer - just occasionally - a slightly different style of music in worship for which it was perceived at the time there was significant demand.

A review towards the end of the year determined that the music group was not providing an adequate lead to the congregation during hymns/songs for which all were expected to join in, and that the choir was better placed to do this, particularly given the smaller congregations now attending services. Accordingly it was decided that in future the choir would attend all sung services including on the few music group occasions to give a stronger lead to the congregation with the music group accompanying. This would also mean that a larger proportion of the music used during worship would be chosen as suitable for choral singing and therefore tend to be more traditional as it was perceived that tastes had changed and there was now less demand for more modern pieces or styles than hitherto.

A further review was planned for next June to determine plans for music in worship thereafter.

John Hudson

Maxi- and Mini-Ringers

It becomes increasingly difficult to keep the Minis and the Maxis as separate entities. Certainly, Thursdays are pretty busy, with the After School club merging, with only a brief pause for some tea, into bell handling sessions before the main practice in the evening. What a pity that we can't (at the moment at least) extend that into the "committee meeting" at the White Lion.

Let's start with the smaller ones...

Our pattern of activity seems to be becoming well established; in the autumn, our new group will concentrate on preparing at least one carol that we can play as part of the church Carol Service; after Christmas, it's down to practising for our classes in the Skipton Music Festival in March. We can then relax a little, sampling a variety of different bell-related activities, culminating in the casting of some brass bells at the end of the summer term. In amongst it all, there's some time spent, learning to handle the big church bells. Some of the children take well to this while others are rather more nervous of the "heavy metal". Not all of them necessarily want to go down this road – and there are plenty of other activities laid on for them.

The Class of 2018 were a lively bunch! The select band of six were sometimes as many as we wanted to deal with! However, as each month went by, we marked off landmarks in what the group achieved. The group acquired our own set of home-made handchimes and had progressed by the end of term to a stage where, with help, they could ring the big bells for the Leavers' Service. A tongue-in-cheek report of this feat resulted in a four page article on the front of the national Ringing World newspaper.

Improvements in foundry equipment (and skills!) meant that the 2018 casting of bells was much improved – and the Ringing World article has produced a mixed set of handbell patterns, so hopes for this year are high!

The Class of 2019 are a very different collection. The dynamics of this expanded group (we've expanded to twelve) have allowed us to tackle some far more ambitious ringing. Moving on from simple "Plain Hunting", all the children (including a couple of Year 3 girls!) have all successfully rung either Plain Bob or the simpler Penultimus on handbells. The larger group, however does mean that it's hard to maintain our previous 100% attendance records.

The MiniRingers made a popular appearance very early in their year at a prestigious fund-raising concert in Skipton during the autumn and entered three teams in the Skipton Music Festival where they were all awarded "Distinction" marks and came away with an enormous (and rather ugly!) cup.

In the tower...

Two MiniRingers – one from last year's group and one current "mini" are now learning to ring the big tower bells. They are both making great progress and are beginning to blur the edges between the Mini- and the Maxi-Ringers.

These two youngsters began to ring during the 12 months leading to Armistice Day and so they qualified as "Ringing Remembers" ringers. There has been a national campaign to recruit 1,400 new ringers in honour of the 1,400 ringers who lost their lives on the First World War. Angus and Anna were joined by two adult new ringers so we boast a team of 4 "RR" ringers in memory of the two Kildwick ringers who lost their lives. That proportion was echoed nationally as over 3,000 new ringers joined the nation's bellringers.

Stanley Duffill was a Kildwick ringer who died in a POW camp on November 13th and so we rang a quarter peal that day in his memory. On Armistice Day the whole band; established ringers, MiniRingers and Ringing Remembers ringers took a particularly active part in the 100th anniversary. With a tag line of "Mark a Special Day in a Special Way", we welcomed anyone who wanted to come and ring a bell. In the evening, we opened the tower and waited to see who would arrive. We think that over 70 came! Each person got just a few pulls. We think that more people rang Kildwick's bells than in any other tower in the country and yet again Kildwick featured in the national ringing press! At a recent national conference, it was clear that the name "Kildwick" is becoming well known in ringing circles.

At Kildwick, we teach according to an accredited scheme, "Learning the Ropes". All our members have reached their Level 1, several have achieved Level 2 and a number have either conquered Level 3 or are getting close. This involves ringing two quarter peals and is a feat never managed by many ringers across the country. Six of our ringers have rung one quarter to become fully-qualified members of the Yorkshire Association and during 2019 there's the real possibility that more may achieve that status. Sadly, one of our members has had to retire, at least for the time being, because she has damaged her shoulder. We wish her a good recovery and look forward to welcoming her back as and when she is able.

As members of the ringing community in this area, Kildwick ringers are now to be seen regularly at practices and events in the Western Branch. The Keighley practices rely quite heavily on our presence and a good contingent was to be seen at the Winter Walk and Ring event at Gargrave and Skipton. The sight of the Kildwick badge is becoming well known around the area and many comment on the progress that is to be seen in the tower. The band is in good heart and all of our members are progressing well. We're just longing for a new landlord at the White Lion!

Chris Wright

Foundation Governor's Report



2018, Tim Whitehead's second year as headteacher, was a busy and productive one. Tim says: 'I still can't believe that I will have been the headteacher at Kildwick CE School for three years in

the summer. I am thoroughly enjoying the many people and interactions I have daily and cannot deny I have also faced some tough challenges too'.

The new SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) framework was introduced in September 2018 and the school is preparing for inspection in 2019/20. The school year commenced with some training led by our school diocese advisor, Darren Dudman. All staff attended, alongside representatives from the governing body and the Rev Julie Bacon. We wanted to review our school vision and biblical underpinning in light of the new SIAMS framework. Following further consultation with the children and through a parent forum our new vision strapline is:

Learning to Live, Living to Love, Loving to Learn

The main biblical link comes from Matthew 22 v34 -40;
The Greatest Commandment

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"

Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind'. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is: "Love your neighbour as yourself".

Collective Worship continues to be held within the church at least once every half term and is led very ably by Kathryn Morris who is also a member of the school governing body. Children are invited to take part in the service and do so by reading poems, bible verses or performing drama. Last year Class Four filmed and performed a very striking and poignant Easter drama that was played during the service led by Rev Julie Bacon. The children have also enjoyed taking part in the Harvest, Armistice and various Christmas services including a nativity and a Christingle. Children also visit church at various points during the year as part of the RE curriculum.

Collective Worship in School is based on our school core values with visits from six local ministers, and children from different year groups also take part in Rewind to Christmas and Rewind to Easter which is held at South Craven Baptist Church. We have also continued to hold our Wonderful Worship Days and the focus of these has been on Spirituality, The Trinity and Mental Health.

The bell ringing group MiniRingers continues to go from strength to strength and they regularly ring for the start of Collective Worship in church and have also entered competitions such as the Skipton Music Festival. One of the mini ringers is now a fully-fledged member of the senior bell ringing group.

We continue to be courageous advocates for those less fortunate than ourselves and have continued with our fundraising efforts over the last year. We have raised money for: Christian Aid, Fairtrade, Shelter Box, the children's ward at Airedale Hospital, McMillan Coffee Morning, and many more. We have continued to develop the link with Jigsaw Kids ministry with Tim Lee visiting school on two occasions.

For the Governing Body there were several key changes in 2018. The co-chairs of the Governing Body stepped down at the end of the summer term. The new chair is one of the foundation governors, Geraldine Sands, who took up post at the beginning of 2019 after a term during which there were interim arrangements. This will clearly provide opportunity to strengthen even further, the excellent links between church and school. It was also good to welcome Christine Anderton to the governing body as the third foundation governor, joining Geraldine and Kath Morris. Christine has been involved practically with the school on a voluntary basis for some time.

In addition to the developments with the foundation governors, there have been significant other changes, with 5 more new governors taking up post, bringing the Governing Body up to full capacity. In order to ensure that the Governing Body remains fit for purpose, a skills audit was undertaken, and a training programme commenced. We are delighted as governors to see how the school continues to provide a dynamic yet caring environment for the children, within which academic achievement is excellent.

We are grateful for our new, enthusiastic team of governors and for an excellent, committed staff team within the school. The regular voluntary work of church members within the school is also greatly appreciated.

Finally, we would like to express our thanks to the church community for their ongoing support and prayers and we look forward to this continuing over the coming months and years.

Geraldine Sands, Chair of Governors

Tim Whitehead, Headteacher

8th March 2019

Tea and Scones

We had a very successful year, raising around £550 for the mission and ministry of our church.

The regulars came back in force when we started in May and continued to support us until our last session at the end of September. We welcomed visitors from far and wide, many of whom used the opportunity to have a good look round the church and enjoy David playing the organ. Our thanks to David, who turned up every Sunday spending over 2 hours in what was often a very cold church, to play and explain the organ to visitors.

Thank you to everyone who has given their time and baking skills to host Tea and Scones. I hope you will be able to help us in 2019 when we start again at the beginning of May!

Lesley Hudson



Nottheknot

We continue to meet on Wednesday mornings from 10-15 am to 1200 noon. We are a slightly smaller group than last year. Two of our members have moved away from the area. We always welcome new members to come along to knit, crochet, sew, embroider or any other craft. If you are not a "crafter" do come along for a good natter and a coffee or tea.

Joyce Bonham

Flowers

We have a flower rota for flowers in Church. Some people like to provide the flowers for anniversaries or in memory of loved ones. Some like to arrange the flowers personally while others prefer to ask for them to be arranged by another. There are several vacancies on the rota if anyone would like to be included.

On special occasions such as Christmas, Easter and Harvest several of us come together to decorate our beautiful Church with flowers. All are welcome on these occasions and it is always a most enjoyable time of fellowship.

June Whitaker

Jigsaw Kids' Ministry

It is good to be able to report on and give thanks for the generous support for our CMS Mission Partner Tim Lee and the work of Jigsaw Kids Ministries in the Philippines. Throughout the year the box at the back of the church has been filled with items of toiletries and the occasional knitted blanket. Chuffs and Kildwick School have also collected toiletries which have been much appreciated. On September 1st 2018 we held Cream Teas and a cake stall etc. and on February 9th 2019 we held a Coffee Morning to raise funds for CMS/Jigsaw. The latter event had to cope with horrendous weather but raised the sum of over £1000 which was truly amazing. Quite a

lot of this came from people outside the church congregation. We give thanks for their interest and generosity. It was wonderful that on the weekend in February Tim and his son James were able to be with us. Tim shared in the School Collective Worship on the Friday. He and James joined us at the coffee morning and again shared with us in Sunday Morning worship. It was a joy and inspiration to hear how God is working through Jigsaw to bring His love to such vulnerable children. Please continue to pray for Tim and his family and for the work of CMS/Jigsaw.

Sue Hargreaves

