

**LUKE THE EVANGELIST**  
**Sunday, October 18th 2020**

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Dear Friends

We held a very positive and constructive meeting last Wednesday evening with Bishop Toby and Archdeacon Andy. Essentially this was a meeting of our Parochial Church Council but many more members of St Margaret's joined us as observers. Both Archdeacon Andy and Bishop Toby explained the processes that will take place in the coming weeks and months as St Margaret's moves to a time of vacancy and also begins the process of appointing her next Vicar. There was ample opportunity for all who attended to ask many questions about how those processes will work.

Organising this meeting, in our present situation, was especially complex and difficult. After much thought I decided the best way forward was for those leading the meeting to be in the Parish Hall, and for everyone else attending to be at home on Zoom to remove any possibility that our gathering could become a transmission point for the coronavirus. As we prepared for the meeting it also became apparent that far more people wanted to attend physically than we could safely accommodate in the Hall. Switching everyone to Zoom therefore enabled a much larger "attendance", though I am conscious that it excluded a smaller number of people who do not have such virtual on-line access. I suspect, as our pandemic continues to deepen, this will have to be our on-going model for meeting until the growing infection rates subside.

There is a large diversity of views on the question of the ordination of women to the priesthood across St Margaret's, and many took the opportunity to write in and share those views ahead of our meeting last Wednesday. This wasn't something that I invited but it happened spontaneously anyway. It is clear that, as a church, we will need to create a dedicated space to consider this question and its practical outworking for the future, as part of the appointment process for a new priest. At the meeting, therefore, Bishop Toby proposed that there might be two congregational meetings in the coming weeks chaired by himself, and a representative from our Patrons the Community of the Resurrection at Mirfield. There were also suggestions that we involve other clergy from outside the parish who might assist us with our theological and practical thinking on this matter. In the days to come we will advertise the dates for these meetings and eventually distribute the Zoom invitation. Obviously, this will be one of the points when I step back completely as I will not be involved in the process of framing the appointment of my successor.

Should you wish to be involved in this process and contribute to it, may I ask you to give a little time to reading this important document:

[https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2018-](https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2018-02/5%20Guiding%20Principles.pdf)

[02/5%20Guiding%20Principles.pdf](https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2018-02/5%20Guiding%20Principles.pdf) It clearly sets out the wider context for our discussion given the seminal decisions which the Church of England has made in recent years, and most especially the consecration of women as bishops.

With my love and prayers, Fr. Philip

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### **Sunday "Coffee Time"**

Please join us on Sunday, October 18th for our virtual "coffee time". The meeting details are below.

Topic: St Margaret's Coffee Meeting

Time: October 18th, 2020 11:30 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/7586081733?pwd=bFVnZ1dpbzFPN3h5aVpVbmJmank4QT09>

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### **Let Us Pray**

Almighty God,

be with us in this season of transition,

and lead us as we begin the next steps in our journey.

We ask for your encouragement, direction, and guidance

and equip us all for the work you have given us to do.

Grant us perception, faithfulness, and joy,  
so that we may hear your voice in all our deliberations.  
Call us deeper into prayer, and open our eyes to your faithful presence.  
Grant us the desire and the ability to listen carefully to one other.  
Give us wisdom to respond and to act as you lead us.  
Through  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

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**Private Prayer at St. Margaret's**  
**Monday to Thursday**  
**9.30 am - 11.30 am**

**St Margaret's is open for individual private prayer on Monday to Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 11.30am.**

Please use hand sanitizer when you enter and leave church and take responsibility for your own social distancing. Please also pick up one of the "Please clean me" notices on entering church. We kindly ask you to leave this notice on your seat when you leave church.

We wish to keep the church as a place of quiet. Any social conversations should take place away from the Church and its grounds. There will be no hymn books or prayer books or other cards available, so if you would like any prayer resources please bring those with you and take them away similarly.

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# ST. MARGARET'S ILKLEY

## Services on

Sunday 18th October

### LUKE THE EVANGELIST

10.00am Mass in Church

Sung Mass by Choir

Booking is essential through the Parish Office  
stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com.

This service will NOT be live-streamed

10:30am YouTube Premiere: Sung Mass  
from the temporary Chapel in the Vicarage

Sunday 25th October

### THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00am Mass in Church

Sung Mass by Choir

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This service will NOT be live-streamed

10:30am YouTube Premiere: Sung Mass  
from the temporary Chapel in the Vicarage



With Vicar  
Canon Philip Gray

Live Services and Daily Reflections available on Facebook and YouTube

Search for @StMargaretsChurchIlkley

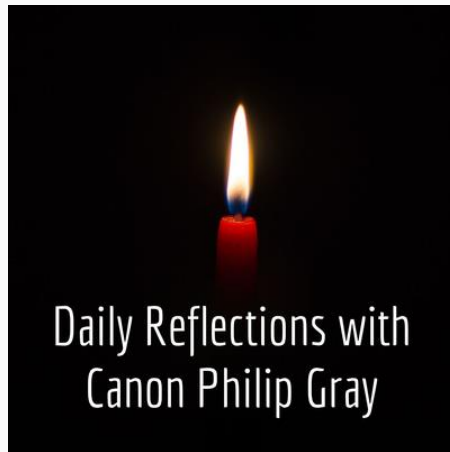
Daily Reflection podcasts available on the Parish Website and all good podcast  
streaming platforms

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Full details for public worship can be found here:

[https://mcusercontent.com/ba3ec307ede7e24cd60c47953/files/c6b4e0a3-5f95-4186-bfda-b7efdc7e4dad/Public\\_Worship\\_Prep\\_Doc\\_July\\_20\\_Pub2.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/ba3ec307ede7e24cd60c47953/files/c6b4e0a3-5f95-4186-bfda-b7efdc7e4dad/Public_Worship_Prep_Doc_July_20_Pub2.pdf)

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Fr Philip's reflections in his series of podcasts include considerations of selected Bible passages, as well as thoughts and prayers during this challenging time. Using the link below, you can post a message to Fr Philip with your thoughts. Simply click on the 'leave a message' button to record your message.

<https://anchor.fm/stmargaretsilkley/>

'Daily Reflections' is also available on your favourite podcast streaming apps including Google and Apple Podcasts, Spotify and many more. You can also access it on the Parish Website on the link below:

<https://www.stmargaretsilkley.org/podcast-daily-reflections-canon-philip-gray>

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Thank you to everyone who attended this month's **organ recital** which raised £81.45 for the Choir Fund.

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**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 12.30**

## **ORGAN RECITAL**

**Anthony Gray**  
**(St Wilfrid's, Harrogate)**

Maurice **DURUFLÉ** 1902 - 1986  
Scherzo op 2 (1926)

Frank **BRIDGE** 1879 – 1941  
Adagio (3 pieces, 1905)

**J.S.BACH** 1685 – 1750  
Pièce d'orgue (Fantasia in G) BWV 572

James **MACMILLAN** b.1959  
Offertorium

Iain **FARRINGTON** b.1977  
Amazing Grace

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### **Electoral Roll Revision**

The Electoral Roll Revision which was postponed in March will now take place from October 29th to November 11th 2020. If you were added to the roll last year you do not need to do anything. If you are not on the current electoral roll please consider adding your name this year. Joining the electoral roll means that you can vote at the APCM and it makes you eligible to stand for PCC and other church committees. It is also a way of demonstrating your ongoing commitment to the life and work of St Margaret's. In order to reduce the risk of infection, forms will not be left at the back of church this year. If you would like to apply please contact Catherine Beaumont [catherinebeaumont12@googlemail.com](mailto:catherinebeaumont12@googlemail.com), or the Parish Administrator at [stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com](mailto:stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com), and I will post a form to you. Forms can be returned by post or can be left in the safe at the back of church. Thank you, Catherine Beaumont.

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## THE WORTH CONNECTING DIGITAL INCLUSION PROGRAMME IN BRADFORD, HARROGATE AND SKIPTON

### **Worth Connecting – helping people over 55 get online**

People over 55 can benefit so much from being connected to the internet in terms of being able to gather information, connect with friends and family and access services in a convenient way.

Until February 2021, Worth Connecting intends to support as many people as possible to get online.

If you, or someone you know, want to be able to use a digital device, we can help.

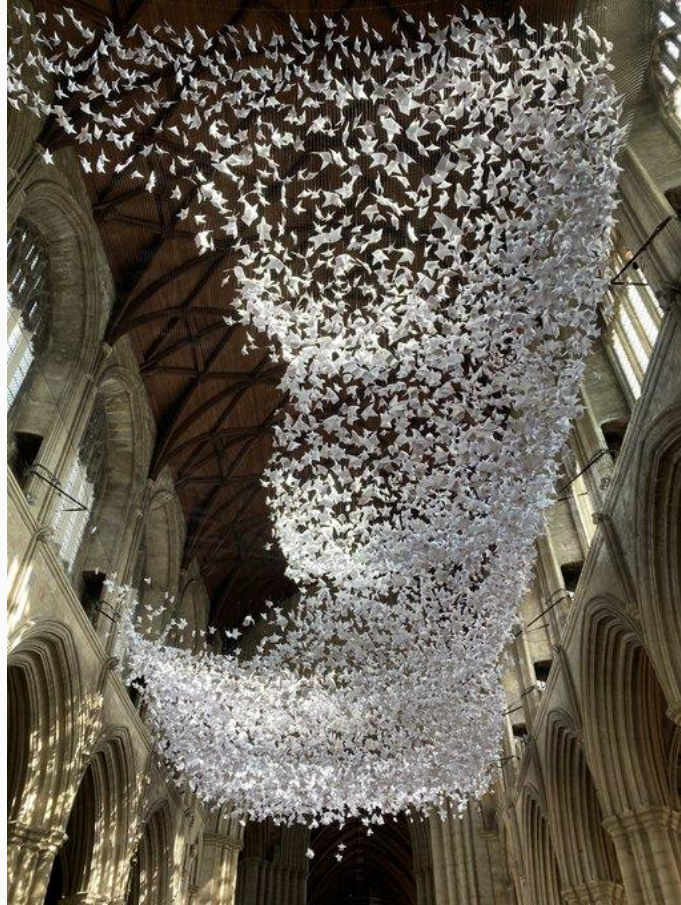
We can offer individual telephone support from September 2020 and will be setting up small, safe groups in a number of locations in Bradford and Harrogate and Skipton as soon as we are able.

We can lend tablets and the means to access to the internet.

We have extensive teaching materials to help people understand popular digital activities both within a teaching session and when they are practising on their own.

Please call 01274 449660 or email [info@worthconnecting.org](mailto:info@worthconnecting.org)





### **Ripon Cathedral**

11,000 angels, made by volunteers and school children, are suspended over the nave of Ripon Cathedral. They are a tribute to key workers and those who have died from coronavirus. An uplifting sight!

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# Autumn 2020 Recital Series

Tuesday 13 October - 13.00

piano

Wednesday 21 October - 12.30

organ

Tuesday 10 November - 12.30

soprano

Wednesday 25 November - 12.30

organ

Tuesday 08 December - 12.30

flute and clarinet

Wednesday 16 December - 12.30

organ

Free of charge

Donations encouraged (pay as you feel)

36 seats available. Tickets must be acquired on Eventbrite

For more information and to access our livestream, go to:

[www.bradfordcathedral.org/music/autumn-2020-recital-series/](http://www.bradfordcathedral.org/music/autumn-2020-recital-series/)

## Practical Support and Help

**Ilkley and District Good Neighbours** provides a range of support and practical help during coronavirus to include shopping, a regular phone call, collecting prescriptions and other help needed. If you need help call 07375 803693 or fill in this online form <https://bit.ly/ilkleycorona>  
For more information go to <https://goodneighboursilkley.org.uk/>

**Ilkley and Wharfedale Medical Practice request use of face coverings** when attending an appointment at the medical centre.

**Ilkley Library.** To reserve books from the online catalogue and for the Home Library Service – [ilkley.library@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:ilkley.library@bradford.gov.uk) 01943 436225

**Ilkley Chat** provides the latest news affecting Ilkley as a result of COVID-19 <https://www.ilkleychat.co.uk/coronavirus> This link also provides details of **food delivery services** offered by supermarkets. Contact Alison Stretton on 01943 430024 or Vickie Kemp at [stmargaretschurcpa@gmail.com](mailto:stmargaretschurcpa@gmail.com) for more information.

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**During this difficult time it is important to keep in touch with friends. Please do feel you can call a member of our church family who will be pleased to hear from you.**

Fr Philip	01943 607210
Fr Bernard	01943 816253
Fr Godfrey	01943 603861
Jane Sheldon	01943 431288
Helen Buswell	01943 608146
Linda Whittaker	01943 601144
Alison Stretton	01943 430024

**Daily Hope, is a 24 hour free phone line for Christian worship and prayer. Call 0800 804 8044.**

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