



PENTECOST
Sunday, May 23rd 2021

Letter from A Reader

At the time of writing, I have, of course, no idea what decision we shall make on Friday about a new incumbent, but I trust that by the time you read this, the post will have been offered. Naturally, we shall be unable to announce the result until certain formalities have been completed, including informing those at that person's present place of work; but Pentecost is an appropriate time to rejoice at the prospect of a new phase in the life of God's Church in this place.

At every stage of the process, we have sought to use our God-given reason in combination with much prayer to discern the person he is preparing to be our new Vicar. We have often been assured that God will have a plan for St. Margaret's, and our task has been to try to align our decisions with his. We trust that the outcome will reflect this.

You might like to pray the following hymn by Arthur Campbell Ainger (1841-1916), as we contemplate our part within the great scheme of things.

God is working his purpose out as year succeeds to year,
God is working his purpose out and the time is drawing near;
Nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west where'er man's foot hath trod,
By the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God,
'Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles, give ear to me,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

What can we do to work God's work, to prosper and increase
The brotherhood of all mankind, the reign of the Prince of Peace?
What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea?

March we forth in the strength of God with the banner of Christ unfurled,
That the light of the glorious gospel of truth may shine throughout the world;
Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set the captives free,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

All we can do is nothing worth, unless God blesses the deed;
Vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till God gives life to the seed;
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

Catherine Gibson

Let Us Pray

For the Spirit of Peace
that calms our mind
and stills our life,
we give you thanks.
For the Spirit of Love
that touches hearts
and reaches out,
we give you thanks.
For the Spirit of Joy
that lifts our soul
and gives us faith
we give you thanks.
For the Spirit of Power,
that gift of grace
for this your church,
we give you thanks.
Amen



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First Reading: Acts 2. 1-21

Gospel Reading: John 15. 26-27; 16. 4b-15

The Order of Service for Pentecost is [here](#)

In our Prayers

Departed Jasper Smith (baby)

Years' Mind

Monday Nancy Blankley, Frances Eddleston
Wednesday Margaret Buckle, William Hardy, Richard Benson
Friday John Robertson, Nesta Walker, Ali Harrison

Please pray for the sick: Trevor Allen, Ann Bruun, Joan Gelder, Lauren Green, Ramone (Ray) Guha, May Hughes, Fr Garth Kellett, Charlotte Lockhart, Peter Kuchartschuk, Vivienne Swindells.

Please contact the churchwardens or Vickie if you would like to add someone to our prayer list.

Sunday Worship

To protect everyone involved and to allow our services to continue, our Covid precautions are still in place and we would like to remind you of the following:

- To book, email Vickie at stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com with the date of the service you would like to attend plus your name and telephone number so we have your details for track and trace.
- Wear a mask and use the hand sanitiser provided on entering church (unless you are under 11 years old or exempt from wearing a mask).
- Avoid mingling in church and immediately outside before or after the service.

Update on Church Opening Hours

From Monday, May 24th

From Monday, May 24th, St Margaret's will be open daily 9.30am – 4.00pm for private prayer and reflection (except Sunday mornings) - you are welcome to visit church at a time that suits you.

We ask you to continue to observe covid safe practices when you enter church. Please use hand sanitizer when you enter and leave church and take responsibility for your own social distancing. Please also sign in on the sheet provided and 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.

The church will be kept as quiet a space as possible. However, please be aware that, as activity resumes a more normal pattern, our caretaker, Alan, may need to carry out cleaning or maintenance duties from time to time. 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.

Links to live-streamed worship

St Matthews, Northampton

St Matthews is an Anglican Parish Church, in the catholic tradition. You are welcome to join Fr Nicholas Setterfield and the congregation of St Matthews for their live-streamed Parish Mass at 10.15am. Service booklets can also be downloaded. Go to <http://www.stmatthewsnorthampton.org.uk/> and then click on the link to join the live-streamed Sunday service which is posted on the home page. You can also "like" St Matthew's facebook page to receive live notifications of streamed services. The link to the facebook page is below.

<https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewschurchnorthampton/>

Links to live-streamed services in churches within Leeds Diocese

Click [here](#) to reach live worship in churches across the Diocese.



**ST. MARGARET'S
ILKLEY**

SERVICES AT ST. MARGARET'S

Sunday 23rd May.

PENTECOST

(Whit Sunday)

9.15am Family Service

Homily: Ms Catherine Gibson

10.45am Mass in Church

Celebrant: The Ven Mike Edson

Sunday 30th May.

TRINITY SUNDAY

9.15am Family Service

Homily: Ms Catherine Gibson

10.45am Mass in Church

Celebrant: The Rt Rev David Hope

Booking is essential to stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com.

Face masks must be worn in church



**Dementia Action Week
17th - 23rd May**

Led by Alzheimer's Society, Dementia Action Week is a national event that sees the public coming together to take action to improve the lives of people affected by dementia. This Dementia Action Week, Alzheimer's Society is asking you to help cure the care system by urging the government to reform social care now.

What is Dementia Friendly Ilkley Doing this week? We will have an information stall at the Clarke Foley all week. Please feel free to pick up leaflets and other information.

What can you do? We are looking for volunteers to join us in helping make Ilkley Dementia Friendly. If you are interested please get in touch [via email](#) or on our mobile number (07936 446097) via text in the first instance.

Morning Prayer on Zoom
Wednesday, May 26th

The Readers will be holding a service of Morning Prayer on Zoom on Wednesday, May 26th at 10.00am. We will use the words from Common Worship. These will be shown on the screen or can be downloaded [here](#). Click the link scroll down and click on Morning Prayer for the order of service.

Click the Zoom link to join morning prayer [here](#). The link will be open from 9.50am. All are welcome.

CHRISTOPHER RATHBONE
ST. MARGARET'S ILKLEY

Organ Recital

MUSIC BY
DIDERIK BUXTEHUDE
CHRISTOPHER RATHBONE
PERCY WHITLOCK

*Friday, June 11, 2021
12.30pm
St. Margaret's, Queen's Road,
Ilkley*

PLEASE WEAR YOUR FACE MASK
IN CHURCH



Organ Recital

Friday, June 11th at 12.30pm

Our organ recital series resumes on Friday, June 11th. There is no need to book in advance but you will need to sign in on the day for Track & Trace purposes.

We look forward to welcoming back many of our former loyal audience, and perhaps some new faces who would enjoy half an hour of beautiful music for the 'King of Instruments'. The first recital has a varied programme of music which is all based on hymn-tunes – after all, many of us have been dying to sing a few hymns during the long pandemic months!

Diderik **Buxtehude**, one of Bach's most important predecessors, and probably the Great Dane among composers, wrote a few extended fantasias based on Chorales (hymns) which were important to him: this

one, Nun freut euch, is a jubilant hymn by Martin Luther, set to a tune probably also by Luther (it's called 'Luther's Tune' in the New English Hymnal). Buxtehude manages to sustain a wonderfully inventive sequence of variants which lasts nearly 15 minutes.

I shall follow this with a set of seven short hymn-tune preludes that I wrote in January (you've got to do something in lockdown, with no services to plan and direct, no recitals to rehearse...) based on familiar hymns for the season, including Repton (Dear Lord and Father), Just as I am, Schmücke dich (Deck thyself, my soul), and Crúger (Hail to the Lord's anointed) – this is a mini-Toccatà!

To finish I shall play a masterpiece by Percy **Whitlock**, who died of Tuberculosis at the tender age of 43 in 1946. His last published work was a set of 6 Hymn-tune preludes, and no 3 is an exciting piece based on Deo gracias, a hymn-tune based on the 15th century Agincourt Song (Our King went forth to Normandy.) It is commonly sung nowadays to 'Forth in the peace of Christ we go (NEH 361.). *Christopher Rathbone*.

Practical Support and Help

Ilkley and District Good Neighbours provides a range of support and practical help to include shopping, a regular phone call, collecting prescriptions and other help needed. For more information go to <http://info@goodneighboursilkley.org.uk>

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