

Sunday 14 May 2023 Sixth Sunday of Easter

8.00 am – Low Mass (*page 2*) Fr Alex (Homily: Catherine Gibson)

> 9.15 am – Family Mass Fr Alex

10.45 am – Sung Mass (*page 2*) Fr Alex (Homily: Catherine Gibson)

6.30 pm – Choral Evensong (*page 4*) Fr Alex (Homily: Revd Isobel Rathbone)



Flowers today are given by Betty and Julie in loving memory of a dear son and much loved husband, Duncan James

IN OUR PRAYERS

<u>Please pray for the sick:</u> Martin Ashby, Christine Atkinson, Allan Barnes, Ann Betts, Jasper Boyton, Claire Brown, Francis Clarke, Joyce Cross, Linda Davies, Anna Lickley, Pam Monkman, David Scottow, John Semple, Hugh Sowerby, Molly Sunderland, Shirley Thompson, Bradley Upham, Irene Whittaker, Hayes Williams, Noel Yardley.

Departed	Doris Treacher
Years' Mind	
Sunday	Jessie Hammond, Ivor Lloyd, Dora Senior
Monday	Stephen (Roy) Cullingworth, Georgina Kuchartschuk
Tuesday	Hilda Florence Oddy, Duncan James, Michael Appleton,
	David Blackburn
Wednesday	Joseph Hemmings
Thursday	Harry Kershaw
Friday	Richard Burns, Emily Mary Carpenter
Saturday	Reg Allen (pr), Gertrude Howell

<u>10.45 am – SUNG MASS</u>

Mass SettingCharles Wood in the Phrygian Mode

At the beginning of the service, turn to face the font

Opening Hymn 105 *Christ the Lord is risen again!*

Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

First Reading Acts 17. 22 – 31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring."

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

8.00 am: Psalm 66. 7 – 18	(printed in the back of Common Worship)	
10.45 am: Gradual Hymn	255	Most glorious Lord of life (congregation's request)

Gospel Acclamation

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Gospel Reading John 14. 15 – 21

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

Homily	Catherine Gi	bson
Offertory Hymn	(tune 263)	Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky
Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky; Heaven thunders forth its victor-cry: <i>Alleluia, alleluia.</i> The glad earth shouts her triumph high, And groaning hell makes wild reply: <i>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,</i> <i>Alleluia, alleluia.</i>		 Where yet the glorious wounds abide; Alleluia, alleluia. gh, The tokens true which made it plain
 That Eastertide with joy was bright, The sun shone out with fairer light, <i>Alleluia, alleluia.</i> When, to their longing eyes restored, The glad apostles saw their Lord: <i>Alleluia</i> 		Alleluia, alleluia.
Al	From death Alleluia, al l praise to G	nine, O risen Lord, to endless life restored; <i>lleluia.</i> od the Father be host eternally:

Alleluia...

J M Neale, based on 'Aurora lucis rutilat' (4th Century Latin)

Communion Motet Thomas Tallis: If ye love me

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may bide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth. (*John 14. 5 – 17*)

Communion Hymn 292 (ii) *Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts*

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn	361 (tune 235)	Forth in the peace of Christ we go
Organ Postlude	Eugene Gigout: T	Foccata in B minor

6.30 pm – CHORAL EVENSONG

Revd Isobel's homily is based on the theme "Saving creation: respecting biodiversity," and will explore a very beautiful piece of textile art created by Clare Rhodes, of Skipton Stitchers, called "Are you sitting comfortably?"

Clare writes that the inspiration for this piece came to her from the irony of sitting comfortably watching television programmes about the world drowning in plastic, together with feeling guilty about contributing to it with the plastic Hama beads that her girls loved playing with as children, which are now re-used in this design. She has kindly loaned us the actual artwork to look at closely during the service.

Hymns	101 (ii), 358 (ii), 340 (i)		
Psalm	147		
Setting	John Ireland in C		
Anthem	Charles Villiers Stanford: O for a closer walk with God		
Readings	Isaiah 22. 15 – 22	Philippians 3. $13b-4$. 1	
Homily	The Revd Isobel Rathbor	ne	
Organ Postlude	Charles Villiers Stanford: Preludes and postludes op 101, no 1 in F		

CHURCH DIARY

Morning Prayer at 9.00 am and Evening Prayer at 5.15 pm (Tuesday to Friday)

Tuesday 16	6.00 pm	Contemplative Mass	AC
Thursday 18 Ascension Day	11.00 am 12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Low Mass Lunch Club Sung Mass followed by drinks	AC AC
Friday 19	9.30 am 6.30 pm 7.45 pm	Playtime Junior singers rehearsal Choir rehearsal	
Sunday 21 Seventh Sunday of Easter	8.00 am 9.15 am 10.45 am 6.30 pm	Low Mass Family Service Sung Mass Choral Evensong	AC AC (CB) AC AC
Tuesday 23	6.00 pm	Contemplative Mass	AC
Thursday 25	11.00 am	Low Mass with social time	AC
Friday 26	9.30 am 6.30 pm 7.45 pm	Playtime Junior singers rehearsal Choir rehearsal	
Sunday 28 Pentecost	8.00 am 9.15 am 10.45 am 6.30 pm	Low Mass Family Service Sung Mass Choral Evensong	Fr David Hope CB Fr David Hope CG

NOTICES

Joseph Harrison

Members of the congregation may remember Joe Harrison, who was a member of this parish, and has been training for ordained ministry at the College of the Resurrection in Mirfield. He writes to let us know that he is to be ordained deacon on 1 July at 11.00 am in Bradford Cathedral, and will serve his title at St Paul the Apostle, Monk Bretton. Please keep Joe and his family in your prayers over this time.

<u>Organ Recital</u>

Thank you to everyone who supported this month's organ recital which raised £51.25 for the music fund.

Coronation celebrations – thank you!

I would like to say a huge 'thank you' to everyone who assisted with all of our Coronation celebrations last weekend. Michelle and Katie Still did a wonderful job catering for our family tea party at 9.15 am, which was a lovely occasion. And so many people helped to put on our stupendous Service of Celebration in the evening; flower arrangers, servers, those who helped with refreshments, our young people who wrote and read prayers, and those who welcomed and stewarded and helped organise it all, *thank you*. But I think we can agree the Christopher and our musicians need particular thanks for their absolutely fantastic singing and playing. A great number of people commented afterwards on how uplifting and joyful it was, including all the local dignitaries in attendance.

Some photos are on the notice board at the back of church, and there are plenty of the snazzy orders of service left to take as a souvenir or send to a friend.

Thank you also to everyone who contributed to the retiring collection. Your generosity means we will be able to pass on £250 to each of the charities, The Prince's Trust and The Silver Line. *Fr Alex.*

Christian Aid Week, 14 – 20 May 2023

Christian Aid is a global movement of people, churches and local organisations which provides humanitarian relief and long-term development support for poor communities worldwide, while highlighting suffering, tackling injustice and championing people's rights. Please help us to turn hunger into hope by donating to Christian Aid this week.

Ways to give:

- The link below will take you to a dedicated page where you can donate directly to Christian Aid online, including being able to add Gift Aid. The page will also tell you how much has been raised by donors from St Margaret's. <u>Donate to Christian Aid</u> <u>here.</u> (please see e-news sheet for Sunday 7 May for active link)
- 2. There will be a retiring collection after the morning services on Sunday 21 May. If possible, please use a Christian Aid envelope available from the back of church.
- 3. On the morning of 21 May, donations made via the card reader will automatically be credited to Christian Aid. If you are able to Gift Aid, please complete a form and place it in the collection basket or in the safe at the back of church. *Thank you.*

The Ascension Day – Thursday 18 May

Please join us for this great feast, as the Easter season draws towards its end. Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer are at 9.00 am and 5.15 pm. Masses are at 11.00 am (followed by the Lunch Club at 12.30 pm) and 7.30 pm (followed by wine at the back of the church).

<u>Lunch Club</u> <u>Thursday 18 May, 12.30 pm</u>

The next lunch club takes place on Thursday 18 May at 12.30 pm. The cost is £7.00 for the meal and £2.00 for a glass of wine. Tickets will be on sale on Sunday 14 May, or people can call Sandy on 01943 603222 to book a place. Arrivals from 12.00 pm with lunch served at 12.30 pm

<u>Organ Recital</u> <u>Friday 2 June, 12.30 pm</u>

Organ music from four centuries will be played in the recital on Friday 2 June. Bach is represented by the impressive Allabreve, pure counterpoint in the Italian style – think Corelli string concertos. Mendelssohn follows with a magnificent largely fugal prelude, followed by – yes, a fugue (Prelude and fugue no 3 in D minor). Kenneth Leighton and Vierne share 20 th century honours, Vienre's Carillon de Westminster, and Leighton's last organ piece, Veni Creator Spiritus, based on the Latin original of Come Holy Ghost our souls inspire, suitable for Pentecost. Finally a set of short hymn tune preludes which I wrote during the first lockdown in 2020. Christopher.

Young Adults' group

Some good news to share with you – some of our new young adults, including three new members of the congregation, met for the first time last week for a walk up Ilkley Moor and a pub lunch. We had a lovely time together. If you know of anyone who might fit into the generous 18 to c 35ish bracket, please let them know – we'll announce the next meeting when it's planned. We hope this will be a gentle way-in for new people.

ALL CHURCH MATTERS

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