**St Helen’s Church Newsletter**

**September 2021**

**Church Services:**

Sunday 5th September 11am Trinity 14 CW Morning Prayer

Sunday 12th September 4pm Trinity 15 Licensing Service

Sunday 19th September 11am Trinity 16 CW Morning Prayer

Sunday 26th September 11am Trinity 17 Baptism

**Forthcoming Events for your diary:**

**Wednesday 1st September – 2pm –** Fellowship in the vestry.

**Transatlantic, New England and Canada on board Queen Mary II**

Our speaker is our very own Angela Rushton who will be sharing with us the delights of a life on the ocean wave aboard the Queen Mary II.

**Sunday 12th September – 4pm –** We will be holding the Licensing Service for Reverend Alison (Ali) Chesworth, our new Team Vicar in the presence of Bishop Paul. Following the service there will be light refreshments (tea, coffee and a cup cake) at St Oswald’s. Please could you sign up on the sheet at the back of church if you are a) attending the service and b) if you will be attending for refreshments after the service and, if so, if you have any dietary requirements. There will be no morning service at St Helens on this day.

**Heritage Weekends – 10th, 11th, 17th, 18th and 19th September**

We will again be opening our doors for the Heritage Open Days. On Friday 10th September in the morning we will be welcoming children from St Oswald’s Primary School to participate in craft activities and follow the Heritage Trail. We will be open to visitors that afternoon and all day Saturday 11th September. The following weekend we will be open to visitors from 11am to 4pm on Friday 17th and Saturday 18th and on Sunday 19th from 1.30pm to 4pm. We are grateful to all those who have volunteered their time but it’s never too late, if you feel you can help please let either Angela or Ailsa know.

**15th September – 10am to 11.30am –** Coffee morning in the vestry. Do join us if you are able – the more the merrier.

**3rd October – Harvest Service followed by Harvest Lunch –** I’m sneaking this in to September’s Newsletter as it follows hot on the heels of the end of the month! We will be decorating the church on Saturday 2nd October – all are welcome to assist. If you are able to contribute towards the decoration of the church please put any donations in the Flower Money Box at the back of church or see Ivie.

**Dickensian Fayre – Saturday 4th December –** It may seem too soon to start thinking about Christmas but it will soon be here. Please let us know if you have any ideas for new ways to bring people through our doors to make this day a huge success. There will be a meeting on Monday 11 October at 10am to discuss ideas. We would be obliged if one representative from each stall could attend.

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