Readings & News: 14th April: 3rd of Easter St Mary's Todmorden, St Michael's Cornholme and St Peter's Walsden

1 John 3: 1-7 - 3 ¹ See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. ⁴ Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵ You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶ No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Acts 3: 12-19 – ¹² When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴ But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶ And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. ¹⁷ 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸ In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

Luke 24: 36b-48 - ³⁶ While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you. ³⁷ They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ^[m] ⁴¹ While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴ Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.

Collect: Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Post Communion: Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Hymns: 14th April: St Mary's: Hymns O&A

Introit: 19 All my hope on God is founded

Gradual: 680 This joyful Eastertide **Offertory: 408** Lord enthroned **Communion: 428** Love divine **727** What a friend we have in Jesus

Recession: **716** We have a Gospel to proclaim

14th April: St Peter's: Mission Praise

1st: All my hope on God is founded **16**

2nd: Lord enthroned **431**

3rd: Love divine all loves excelling **449** 4th: We have a Gospel to proclaim **728**

Annual Church Meetings: (APCM)

St Peter's Sunday 14th April 2024 at 11am, after the 9.30am service. St Mary's. Sunday 21st April 2024 at 12.30, after the 11am service.

Electoral Roll & Nomination Forms available in both parishes; if interested speak to PCC.

Posts Vacant at St Mary's and St Peter's:

- **Sunday School**: Volunteers needed one Sunday/month to welcome families to church, and work with the kids. Training available. Speak to Rev Catherine or Jeanette.
- Love singing? Want to sing with others? Speak to Rev Catherine or Tim (the organist) if interested in joining a choir. New times planned for those who work.

10th Anniversary Celebrations for Leeds Combined Diocese with Archbishop Stephen Cottrell: Question and Answer session at Huddersfield University, Jo Cox Room on 21st April at 2.30-3.30pm with Bishop Smitha and all invited from the Huddersfield area.

Saturday 4th May at 11am in Bradford Cathedral:

Service to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Ordination of Women and Rev Catherine will be licensed as the Huddersfield Area Dean for Women's Ministry

Feast of the Ascension: Service to celebrate at St Mary's on Wednesday 8th May at 7.30pm

Continuation Bible Study: Tuesday 7th May at 11am, Thursday 9th May at 7.30pm and Friday 10th May at 10am. Tuesday and Thursday are at St Mary's, Friday in Walsden

Next Reflective Service will be on Sunday 12th May at 7pm at St Mary's

Next Messy Church will be on Sunday 19th May at 2.30pm at St Peter's

Todmorden Folk Festival: 3rd to 5th May 2024: Gigs at St Mary's on Friday 3rd May at 7pm and Sunday 5th May at 3pm – Baking and volunteers needed for the Sunday

Friday 10th May – Antiques Roadshow in St Mary's Crypt, 10am to 4pm. A chance to get those precious objects and family heirlooms valued.

St Mary's 100 Club: The winning numbers for the April 2024 100 club draw are: First prize: 57; Second prize: 85; Third prize: 31. Remember 'You have to be in it to win it'. There are still a few numbers left, so why not get yours by emailing stansfield6@qmail.com.

Please send any **notices** to Rev Catherine on <u>Catherine.Shelley@leeds.anglican.org</u>, Revd John Flood or Sue Jackson (<u>suseyj@talktalk.net</u>). And for any other questions? Contact Rev Catherine: 07711 611201 / <u>Catherine.Shelley@leeds.anglican.org</u>

Recently Departed					
Olive Button	Doris Brennend	William Cottam			
In Memory of					
Horace Fitton	Simon Alistair Brown	Jack Overall	Willie Lever		
Marion Baldwin	Jim Green	Audrey Halstead	Sarah Ellen White		
Emma Dawson	Violet M Whittingham	Arthur Daniels	Albert Bartley		
Ruth Clegg	Alan Marshall	Wilfred Reynolds			
We continue to pray for					

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Barry Mills	Muriel Cridge	Jacob Howarth	Roy Yearsley	
Wendy Fielden	Barbara Ellison	Viv Hawksworth	Mandy Fielden	
Norman Cruikshank	Margaret McArdle	Baby Connie	Sarah Battershell	
Sylvia Stewart	Robert Scholey	Dan Roberts	Michael Woollerton	
Roger Dale	Glenys Radnzic	Joyce Campion	Trevor Smith	
Davina Cockcroft	Antony Law	Margaret Blackburn		
Jan Murray	Rev John Flood	Gwen Mills	Enid Lord	

The people of Ukraine and the Middle East Anne Lambert