



The Parish of Darfield

All Saints Darfield and St Michael Great Houghton

Sunday 13th July 2025

Fourth Sunday after Trinity

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion Darfield

Sunday 20th July 2025

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Great Houghton

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Darfield

4:00 p.m. Café Church Darfield Church Hall

Pat Bentley

Pat was a familiar face to our congregation as, aided by Granville, she fulfilled her duties as Sidesmen and Welcomers or took turns with Bible readings.

For many years Pat was a member of our Parochial Church Council and acted as its Secretary for several years as well as serving several terms as Churchwarden. She was a faithful member of our Mothers' Union and involved with Messy Church and Open the Book and the family home was a venue for one of our Fellowship Groups. No doubt you will have your own memories of Pat to fill the gaps that I have missed.

Our prayers are with Steven and Katherine and their families as they work through the hurdles that will face them over the next weeks and months. What is certain is that Pat and Granville are reunited and with the Lord they served so diligently and that in the sure and certain hope of the Resurrection we will meet again.

Peter

Committal and Interment

**Friday 25th July 2025 at 2:00 p.m. in All Saints Churchyard
followed by a service in All Saints Church at 2:30 p.m.**

Samaritans:

The city of Samaria was the last capital of the northern Kingdom of Israel situated around forty miles north of Jerusalem. King Omri built the city on the Hill of Samaria which he had purchased for two talents of silver from its owner Shemer from whom its name derived. [1 Kings 16: 24]. Omri was amongst those kings "*who did evil in the sight of the Lord*" [1 Kings 16: 19]

Some years later, in the reign of King Hoshea of Israel, Shalmaneser king of Assyria, marched against the kingdom of Israel and laid siege to the city of Samaria for three years. The city was eventually captured, and many of the Israelites were taken into exile and were settled within Assyria. [2 Kings 17: 5, 6]. Those who remained settled around their sacred Mount Gerizim where they established a temple to Jehovah and came to be named Samaritans. They had their own versions of the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible, but rejected the writings of the Prophets and the rules of the Pharisees. They claimed to be the true descendants of Israel and preservers of the true religion. To the Jews, the Samaritans were classed lower than the Gentiles.

In the time of Jesus, Samaria occupied the area between Judea and Jerusalem in the south and Galilee in the north. Travellers between Judea and Galilee often crossed over the River Jordan and travelled up its east bank to avoid travelling through Samaria. We have a record of Jesus reaching the Samaritan village of Sychar where He encountered a Samaritan woman and asked her for a drink from the well. [John 4: 1-26]. She was amazed that a Jew would ask her for a drink. At the end of their conversation, the woman confessed that she knew that a Messiah was coming who would explain everything to them. Jesus revealed to her that He was the Messiah.

How often have you heard the term *Good Samaritan* or have you studied the stained-glass window in the north aisle of All Saints Church which was installed to commemorate the restoration of the church in 1911. It is based on the Parable of the Good Samaritan, told by Jesus in answer to the question "*Who is my Neighbour?*" posed by an expert in the Law. A traveller is attacked and left for dead and his plight is ignored by a Priest and a Levite, symbolic of the Jewish hierarchy. It was only a Samaritan who cared for him, took him to an inn and paid the innkeeper to look after the injured traveller with a promise to pay any extra costs.

In His final commission to the disciples Jesus tells them that "**you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.**" [Acts 1: 8]

Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Readings

Deuteronomy 30: 9-14
Psalm 25: 1-10
Colossians 1: 1-14
Luke 10: 25-37

Readings for this week July

13th Psalm 143
14th Psalm 144: 1-8
15th Psalm 144: 9-15
16th Psalm 145: 1-10
17th Psalm 145: 11-21
18th Psalm 146
19th 1 Corinthians 3: 1-9
20th 1 Corinthians 3: 10-23

Prayer Square

**This week we are praying
for the residents of
Middlecliffe**

John Street
George Street
Windsor Crescent
Queen's Avenue
Charles Street
Mary Street

Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

Community Shop on the Go and Warm Welcome Space

Darfield Church Hall

Thursday 24th July from 9:00 a.m.

Community Shop - Next Dates: 7th and 21st August

*Warm Welcome Space is open
every Thursday between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.*

Boardgames Club

Saturday 19th July in the Church Hall

6:30 p.m. for 7:00 p.m. start.

Please bring CAKES and/or FRUIT if you can
Why not bring and share your own games?

People of Faith Isaac

Isaac was the long-promised son of Abraham and Sarah, born in their old age. He is considered to be one of the three Patriarchs with Abraham and Jacob and the only one of the three whose name was not changed by the LORD.

Isaac married Rebekah daughter of Bethuel the Aramean from Paddan Aram and sister of Laban the Aramean. They had twin boys, Esau and Jacob. During another of the frequent famines in the area Isaac went to Abimelek, king of the Philistines in Gerar. The LORD renewed the promise given to Abraham that their descendants would be as numerous as the stars in the sky and that they would inhabit all the lands [Genesis 26: 3, 4] Whilst in Gerar, Isaac described Rebekah as his sister until the king realised the deception [Genesis 26: 7-10]. Isaac prospered in the land and eventually swore an oath of peace with Abimelek before moving away towards Beersheba. We hear little more of Isaac until his death.

Companions in Daily Prayer

Monday to Thursday

8:30 a.m. for Morning Prayer 9:00 p.m. for Night Prayer

Go to Facebook.com and search for *Companions in Daily Prayer*

*We aim to be a visible spiritual presence in our
communities as we strive to make Jesus known to all.*

Resources and Contacts

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Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

All Saints



St Michael



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