ST MARTIN'S

Brighouse

Sunday 31st August

Celebrant / preacher

Rev Stephen

Reader

Colin Harker

Prayers

Tony Empson

THIS WEEK WE ARE PRAYING FOR

King Charles and Queen Camilla,

our link Parish of St Paul,
Bugwema, and their Priest Rev
Osije; Bishops Nick and Smitha;
Rev Paul and Rev Stephen; the
staff and pupils at St Andrew's
Junior and Infant Schools, the
residents of The Spinney
and for

Graham Davies, Adam Ayres, Margaret Bancroft, Christine Palethorpe, Roy Williams, Nigel Ashworth, and for all those caring for them.

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

31st Grace Waterhouse, Doreen Sumner, 1st Ida Bolland, Marjorie Chambers, Stanley Firth, 3rd Henry Stables,

6th Vera Knowles, 7th George Highley Sugden,

BIRTHDAY

2nd Emma Laverick 3rd Luca Whitaker

ANNIVERSARY

12th April and Zoe Inman-Waring

NEXT WEEK

Reader

Helen Atkinson

Prayers

Tony Empson

CONTACT

Rev Paul Webb on 01484 721689

PAROC-ALE

Please meet at The Red Rooster at 4.00'ish on Thursday 4th September for drinks (non-alcoholic drinks available) for general inconsequential chitchat.

THURSDAY MORNING EUCHARIST There is a simple Eucharist every Thursday at 10.00am.

This is followed by tea/ coffee, cake and general chit chat.

Everyone is welcome.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES
Please bring your boxes to church for counting
Or
Ring Sue Empson

LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

Join us on at 7.00pm on Friday 5th September for a bring your own picnic and listen to the Clifton and Lightcliffe Brass Band.

Leaflets available in church

CHURCH CLEANING

Our **very** small band of church cleaners would dearly like some help. If you can help on Friday mornings from about 9.30am to do some light vaccing or dusting, please see Colin at church (or just turn up)

SOUPER SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Souper Sunday when a simple meal of soup, bread and cake will be served in church after the morning service. All are welcome.



August 31st - Trinity 11

Collect

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 10:12-18

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

Gospel - Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

Post-Communion

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. **Amen.**