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Readings & News: 28th September 2025:

St Mary's Todmorden, St Michael's Cornholme and St Peter's Walsden

Genesis 28: 10-17 ¹⁰Jacob left Beersheba and started towards Haran. ¹¹At sunset he came to a holy place and camped there. He lay down to sleep, resting his head on a stone. ¹²He dreamt he saw a stairway reaching from earth to heaven, with angels going up and coming down. ¹³And there was the LORD standing beside him. "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham and Isaac," he said "I will give to you and your descendants this land on which you are lying. ¹⁴They will be as numerous as specks of dust on the earth. They will extend their territory in all directions and through you and your descendants I will bless all the nations. ¹⁵Remember, I will be with you and protect you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done all that I promised you." ¹⁶Jacob woke up and said, "The LORD is here! He is in this place, and I didn't know it!" ¹⁷He was afraid and said, "What a terrifying place this is! It must be the house of God; it must be the gate that opens into heaven."

Revelations 12: 7-12 War broke out in heaven: Michael & his angels fought with the Dragon & the dragon and his angels fought, ⁸but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. ⁹So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil & Satan who deceives the whole world; he was cast to earth & his angels were cast out with him. ¹⁰Then I heard a voice saying in heaven "Now salvation & strength, & the kingdom of God and the power of Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before God day & night, has been cast down. ¹¹And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb & the word of their testimony & they did not love their lives to the death. ¹² Therefore rejoice, O Heavens, & you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth & the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wealth, because he knows he has a short time."

John 1: 47-end When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹ Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰ Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹ And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven and earth opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Collect: Everlasting God, you ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels serve you in heaven, so at your command, they may defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ your Son, who is alive and reigns with you, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever **Amen**

Post Communion: Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymns: 28th September: St Mary's Hymns O&N

To Enter: All heaven declares - 17

Gradual: For the beauty of the earth - 184

Offertory: Colours of Day – 108

Communion: Bread of heaven - 82



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Communion: How shall I sing – 296

Recession: You shall go out with joy - 766

Walsden services: at **The Mill**, Sunday 5th 12 & 26th October & Forest Church 19th Oct

Harvest and Foodbank Collections: on **Sunday 5th October** and we collect for Todmorden Food Drop In. Items needed:: Baked beans, coffee, tea, Pasta, Corned Beef, Tinned meat meals, Biscuits, Tinned veg, tuna, fruit, rice pudding, custard, Peanut butter, tampons/ Sanitary towels, Laundry tabs, Toothbrushes & paste, soap, shampoo & conditioner: & **you can donate at:** <https://localgiving.org/charity/todfooddropin>

We will also have a Jacob's Join lunch at church; all welcome; sign up at the back

Next PCC Meeting: Tuesday 30th September at 7pm, in the Crypt

Next Bible Study: Tuesday 7th October at 11am & Wednesday 8th October at 7.30pm

Next Rainbow Faith Service: Sunday 5th October at 4pm – St James, Hebden Bridge

Confirmations: Sunday 30th November with Bishop Smitha at 2.30pm. **Confirmation group meets 7.30pm on Thursdays 25th September, 2nd & 30th October at 7.30pm.**

Friday 31st October, Ghostly Tales – recruiting now for people to help tell the stories of St Mary's, Christ Church and Todmorden's Spooky past.

National School is 180 this year, celebration on **10th October** in school; see flyers

For notices, weddings, funerals, baptisms and volunteering please contact:

Rev Catherine: 07711 611201 / Catherine.Shelley@leeds.anglican.org

If you want to reflect a bit more on them Sermons are now online at:

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/18018/page/95862/>

A new Bishop for Leeds Diocese:

Almighty God, you give us bishops to be shepherds of Christ's flock, guardians of faith and lead your people in mission. Send your Holy Spirit upon this Diocese of Leeds to guide us as we discern your choice for our new bishop and receive them with joy; walk with them in faith; and serve with them in hope. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eco Church: We pray for fishermen and all working at sea, for food and sustainability.

St Mary's raised £265.87 for **Cancer Research** via the raffle, collection & café donations

We continue to pray for: Gwen Mills, Muriel Cridge, Jacob Howarth, Roy Yearsley, Viv Hawksworth, Mandy Fielden, Norman Cruikshank, Margaret McArdle; Sarah Battershell, Robert Scholey, Gillian Cottam, Glynys Radzic, Joyce Campion, Trevor Smith, Meg Kennedy, Margaret Blackburn, Jeffrey Hunter, Caroline Van den Brut, Jerzy Browne, Maureen Fielden, Roger & Pat Dale, Clifford, Jonathan, Nigel Bentley, John Taylor, Rita, Lisa & Michael Kenyon, Les Marshall, Janet Mitchell, Helena Cook, Edith Thomas, Natasha McArdle, Ann Mason, Zoe Beesley, Peter and Elaine Shackleton, the Middle East, Ukraine, Somalia, Sudan and the Yemen.

Recently Departed:

Brian Howley, Sandra Taylor, Daniel Roberts, Eileen Connor, Helen Day McCabe

In Memory: Harry Dawson, Will Banks, Barbara Finney, Richard Foster, Sheila Jones John R Trenholme, Nellie Barker, John Taylor, Anne Radford, George Wright, Elizabeth Uttley, Henrietta M Law, David Baxendale, Sidney Francis (Sid) Cridge



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