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St Mark's Church
Parish News
for Natland & Oxenholme

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Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 9th November 2025

10am	Holy Communion on Remembrance Sunday
10.50am	Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial
4pm	'Remembering' with Families@4



St Mark's Church is proud to be ...



Vicar of the Benefices of
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Old Hutton and New Hutton

Reverend Becky Gibbs
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Articles for the **December 2025/January 2026** edition of the magazine to be handed in by 12th November. **Please send articles to the magazine email address above.**

The team welcomes articles for future editions of the magazine. The Editorial Team reserves the right to decline to publish any item or to amend or shorten material. Opinions expressed in this magazine are those of the contributors, not necessarily those of the PCC, or the editorial Team.

From The Ministry Team

The Revd Ashley Henderson writes:

***Time like an ever-rolling stream bears all its sons away,
They fly forgotten as a dream dies at the opening day***

Familiar lines from Isaac Watts' hymn "O God Our Help in Ages Past" which will be sung in many churches and cathedrals on Remembrance Sunday as we pause to remember that at the 11th hour of the 11th day in November 1918 a peace treaty was signed to end 4 years of bitter war in which almost every nation in the world was involved and very few families remained unaffected. In silence we will remember those who gave their lives in the cause of freedom, justice and peace so that those left and future generations might have a better life – a life of opportunity, a life free of violence and terror.

How many names on the war memorial in St Marks churchyard could you name? War memorials are a visible reminder of the cost in human terms of war. They stand as a mark of the bravery of those who fought, a symbol of the thanksgiving of a grateful nation and a beacon of hope. And they remind us that each casualty of war is more than just a statistic or a name on a monument or memorial wall - there is a real-life tale behind every one, the personal story of a son, husband, brother, sweetheart, one which with each passing generation is in danger of being forgotten.... just as a dream dies at the opening day.

Memorials, whether ritual acts or physical objects, commemorate formative events in our history and are symbolic of those values which underpin our society and give life its meaning: honour, integrity, decency, justice, generosity, self-sacrifice, freedom, love - values which also shape our future and values we lose at our peril. If we cease to care about the cost of war and the price of peace, in time our war memorials risk becoming little more than strange relics of the past. We must never allow them to be just objects of historical interest any more than we should allow the Cross - a symbol of the cost of God's love - to become just an ornament or a piece of decorative jewellery. Remembering reminds us of how much we owe to those who have gone before us and how much we in turn owe to those who come after us.

The prophets of the Old Testament taught justice and mercy and none more so than Micah – "what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with Him". And Jesus came to bring peace, pushing the boundaries even further by asking who our neighbour was and encouraging us to love our enemies and those who hate us.

As 11th November comes round again and we wear poppies on our chests and our hearts as a symbol of thanksgiving, new life and hope for the future, let us ensure that familiar words such as “they shall grow not old as we that are left grow old” and “for our tomorrows they gave their todays” are not mere empty platitudes but foundation stones for a continual striving for peace, a peace for which so many fought and for which too many paid the ultimate price.

Revd Ashley Henderson
Kendal Parish Church



The massacre at Oradour – “Remember”

“Down this road on a summer’s day in 1944 the soldiers came. Nobody lives here now. They stayed only a few hours. When they had gone a community which had lived for a thousand years was dead”.

Those of you of a certain age and with good memories may recognise these as the opening words to ITV’s award winning 26 part documentary **The World at War** from the 1970s. The village of which they spoke was Oradour sur Glane, a quiet rural commune in central France. The events at Oradour on 10th June 1944 remain some of the most barbaric acts of WW2. I am sure some will know the story and indeed some may have visited Oradour either with family or as part of a school trip. 4 days after the D Day landings the German SS moved into the village. They systematically rounded up the residents, separated the men from the women and children and then proceeded to herd them into barns and garages where they were shot and the barns set on fire, burning alive those who might have survived the shootings. A similar fate awaited the women and children in the village church. Only 6 villagers survived; 190 men, 247 women, and 205 children were massacred - 642 people in total.

A memorial plaque in the cemetery bears the names of all those who died, many from the same family, most poignantly of all a baby only 8 days old who had never even been given a name. There is also a glass coffin which contains thousands of bones of those who were never identified

General de Gaulle ordered the village to be left as it was as a reminder of what had happened that fateful day. Today, side by side with the new village of Oradour, lie derelict buildings, the desecrated church, burnt our cars and rusted machinery to provide a permanent reminder of the atrocities carried out that day.

We have visited Oradour twice. Here people walk in hushed reverence amid the ruins, lost in their own thoughts at the total devastation that lies before them, for Oradour's martyrdom has become a tangible focus of remembrance and reconciliation for people of all nations.

For me this begs a number of questions. Is it right that children as young as Key Stage 2 are introduced to WW2? Is it right that war poetry is still an essential part of the secondary school curriculum? Is it right that scores of school parties every year visit the war cemeteries of Northern Europe, where graves are loving tended and Christian, Jew, Muslim, and indeed atheist lie in peace?

It must surely be right for the past informs the present and the present gives shape to the future, our future; we owe it to those who paid the ultimate sacrifice - for our tomorrows they gave their todays.

After WW1 there was a collective determination among the nations that such slaughter should be forever a thing of the past. The League of Nations was founded to work for peace and disarmament; the Geneva Protocol was signed prohibiting the use of biological or chemical weapons; the first Geneva Convention laid down rules for how prisoners of war should be treated. And yet despite these treaties, less than a generation later, most of the same countries were embroiled once more in warfare.

Its questionable whether we are any closer to making a reality today of Isaiah's vision in Chapter 11 of a peaceable kingdom, free from violence and hostility, where natural enemies coexist in harmony and reconciliation. We must never turn a blind eye to the costs of war, the human pain and the human grief, the sacrifice of young lives, the physical and mental scars still borne, for we have a duty to honour and remember.

In one of the most moving pieces of tv footage ever the 26th and final episode of **The World at War** ends as it began with more aerial shots of the

devastated village of Oradour, this time interspersed with family photos of some of the victims. With the Kyrie from Haydn's St Nicholas Mass playing in the background, the narrator (Sir Lawrence Olivier) speaks one final sentence and then one final word which should be a clarion call for all as November 11th comes round again –

"At the village of Oradour-sur-Glane, the day the soldiers came, they killed more than six hundred men, women ... and children.Remember".

Revd Ashley Henderson



There is an opportunity for our younger people to join Sunday School every Sunday, except the second Sunday of the month, when it's Families@4 in the afternoon. We go into the Vestry during the first hymn and return at the start of communion.



MU Families Group

MU Families Group will meet on Thursday, 6th November at 2pm in the church vestry when John Chandler will speak to us about 'Remembrance'

'Walk & Talk' Join us for a gentle walk. We meet at the post box on Natland Village Green at 10.30am. We will return by 11.50am. We walk in most weathers!

- ♦ **Tuesday 4th November**
- ♦ **Tuesday 2nd December**
- ♦ **Tuesday 6th January**

All are very welcome





You are invited to join us on Tuesday 4th November when Jean Turnbull will talk to us about 'On the Home Front: South Lakeland at War 1939-1945: an oral history.

As usual, the meeting will start at 7pm in the vestry at Kendal Parish Church - entrance on the north side of the church.

A warm welcome is extended to men from all churches within the Mission Community.



NATLAND CRAFT GROUP

All are invited to come and join the Natland Craft Group which meets on a

Wednesday 2-4pm in the Village Hall

Bring your craft and enjoy the company

Mini Marks Toddler Group

Wednesdays from 9-11am

in term-time

St Mark's CofE School Hall

Enter by the hall door please.

£2 per adult.



You are invited to join us for

Worship at Kendal Care Home

Thursday 2nd November at 3pm
Home Communion

Thursday 16th November at 3pm
Hymns & Readings



**Come and join us.
All are very welcome.**

NATLAND CRAFT FAIR in the Village Hall

Saturday 8th November

10am—4pm

Admission Free
Raffle Refreshments

Proceeds to Village Hall Funds

Annual Craft Fair with stalls selling a wide variety of hand-crafted items. Just the place to purchase personalised Christmas gifts.



THE VETERANS.

They ask us why we do it, why we still parade
Now that we are getting older and just a little frayed
It's not for the sake of glory, or the medals on our chest,
It's simply that we are comrades who stood the final test.
On the 6th of June that fateful day,
A day that we will never forget
Many a lad laid down his life
And paid the final debt.
So when you see a Veteran
Give the man your hand
For the medals on his chest
Were won in foreign lands.
And when God asks the question
"Who are you, my man?"
I will proudly answer
Sir, I am a Veteran.

From the Royal British Legion website

Thanks to Norma & Paul Singleton



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At the last meeting the WI had a fascinating talk by Dorothy Stubley from Hazelmere on 'A History of Afternoon Tea and its Etiquette'

The next meeting is the AGM on Wednesday 19th November at 7.30pm. During the meeting a President and Committee will be chosen for the following year and a Jacob's Join Supper enjoyed.



All new members welcome.

You are all warmly invited to

Revd Becky Gibbs Welcome and Installation Service

Please do come along to the service and refreshments afterwards in the village hall.

On Thursday 13th November, at 7.30pm.

If possible please let David Walker know if you will be attending by either emailing stmarkschurchnatland@gmail.com or by phoning David Walker, 01539 732524

PERSPECTIVE

If you have clothes on your back, a roof over your head and a place to sleep, you are richer than 75% of this world.

If you have money in the bank, in your purse, and spare cash in a dish somewhere, you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy.

If you woke up this morning with more health than illness, you are more blessed than the million who will not survive this week.

If you have never experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture or the pangs of starvation, you are ahead of 500 million people in the world.

If you attend a church meeting without fear of harassment, arrest, torture or death, you are more blessed than three billion people in the world.

If you hold up your head with a smile on your face and are truly thankful, you are blessed because the majority can, but most do not.

If you can hold someone's hand, hug them or even touch them on the shoulder, you are blessed, because you can offer healing touch.

If you can read this message, you are more blessed than over two billion people in the world who cannot read at all.

Taken from A box of delights, John and Mark Stibbe.

Thank you Norma & Paul Singleton

An update on my trip to Malawi....

I would like to say a very big thank you to everyone who donated towards the cost of the medicines which I brought to Malawi two weeks ago. I was able to purchase 18,000 tablets plus other medical supplies. Nobody at Security in the UK or at Malawi Customs was the least bit interested, but the Palliative Care Support Staff were delighted and within 15 minutes of my arrival they were prescribing some of the drugs for a small child in the clinic. The knitted teddies, dolls and elephants were received with great enthusiasm and laughter. Thank you everyone.

In addition to the drugs a further £2,300 pounds had been donated for medicines. Using a cash voucher generated from my bank the PCST accountant and I withdrew 10 1/2million Malawi Kwacha at a Currency Exchange. It was a **LOT** of bank notes which we then paid into the PCST bank. The PCST were absolutely delighted. They have been busy ordering other needed drugs from a local pharmacy. The hospital pharmacy is very short of everything, they even have no laxatives, so the clinic will dispense directly to the patients. Supplies of the food supplements for those who are destitute will also be topped up. I have a lovely letter of thanks from the clinic which I am happy to show to anyone.

I soon knew I was back in Malawi: when I got to my lodgings and there was no electricity, so, a cold shower by torchlight. Then there were ants in the teapot and a blind baked pastry case was liberally sprinkled with them. Shortly after I finished my cup of tea a cockroach climbed unseen into my cup to mop up the dregs. And of course there are mosquitos hoping for a feast.

The first patient I met in the adult clinic had come with a bleeding tumour the size of an orange on her neck. One of the drugs I had brought was Tranexamic acid. This arrests bleeding so we were able to give her some, and ease her pain too. Sadly she was 32 weeks pregnant. I don't know what the future will be for her or her unborn baby as I am not sure there are any chemotherapy options but the staff will continue to support her. I have seen several other sad cases but at least the team are able to make people comfortable and give emotional and spiritual support.

I was with the Team on the Paediatric ward this morning for the oncology round at 7am. There were quite a number of young children with leukaemia and other illnesses which in the UK would be curable. It is sad.

Then from 8am until 1pm we were in the clinic seeing patients. One young boy of 8 had had meningitis earlier in the year resulting in brain damage, blindness and

deafness. He was unable to walk or to have any meaningful interaction with his surroundings. His Mum was desperately praying for healing. The clinic nurses, the social worker and the Chaplain spent an hour chatting with the mother, listening to and counselling her. The staff were so gentle with her, then, led by the Chaplain we all prayed together.

Another clinic attendee was an angry young mother who was single, on her own, not supported by any of her family. Her 3 year old had congenital heart disease causing heart failure requiring frequent hospital admissions for oxygen and medication adjustments. The mother was angry that the hospital staff weren't making her child better. Again the nurses in the clinic patiently explained the situation and of course the mother's anger was hiding her tears which the staff gently encouraged her to shed. The social worker will try to help with some practical support and she will get continuing counselling from the clinic.

The final patient of the morning was a delightful 7 year old with a big smile. At the age of 5 he had swallowed a large Malawian coin .. about the size of a 50p. He didn't tell his Mum. Within 18 months the coin had caused ulceration from his stomach right through his abdominal wall. It made a very, very inflamed hole and he was getting no nourishment. He was in pain, had lost a lot of weight and had become very ill. His condition was so serious he was referred for Palliative Care. However surgery in early September was successful and he is doing really well. The offending coin was removed and the hole has nearly healed. He and his Mum came to tell us how well he was, so we had a lot of fun with him and gave him one of the teddy bears I brought with me. It was a nice case to finish the morning.

It is hard for the staff to be dealing with so many sad cases but they do appreciate the support you have been able to give them with the medicines and it really encourages them to know that other people value the work that they do, so thank you all.

Gill Pilling.

St Mark's Church Natland

Coffee Morning



20th November 2025

10:30 – 11:45

**Everyone is welcome to come and
enjoy a coffee & a chat**

£2.50

Raffle & Cake Stall

Charity number 1208461

A polite request from St. Mark's School.



As those driving around the village at the time of school drop off and pick up will know, it can be quite challenging, with blocked junctions, impatient manoeuvres and residents having difficulty leaving and returning to their homes. It can also be an anxious time for the safety of children walking to and from school.

Therefore the school is suggesting a **voluntary one-way system**. This would mean entering the village from Burton Road and down Oxenholme Lane and to leave the village via Helm Lane. This will only need to happen during school term times as listed below and between **8.45-9.15am** and **3.15-3.45pm**.

It is hoped that with everyone's support for this system (those dropping off/collecting children from school and residents) the roads around the village will be safer for everyone. Please be assured that this isn't about imposing restrictions on residents but about cooperation and caring for each other. With your support there can be a real difference to daily life in Natland – less stress, improved safety and the fostering of a considerate community spirit.

Thank you all for your understanding and support.

Break for half-term:	Thursday 23 October 2025
Return to School:	Monday 03 November 2025
Break for Christmas:	Friday 19 December 2025
Return to School:	Tuesday 06 January 2026
Break for half term:	Friday 13 February 2026
Return to School:	Monday 23 February 2026
Break for Easter:	Friday 27 March 2026

Natland Lunch Club

Enjoy a catch up with friends and a freshly cooked meal on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at The Punch Bowl, Barrows Green at 12 noon.

If you are interested in joining, please contact us on 01539 728118 or admin@ageuksouthlakeland.org.uk

Booking essential

Lunch Club Dates 2025

21 Oct

18 Nov

16 Dec

Gentle Exercise Classes

in Natland every Monday in September from 2-3pm at the Village Hall, Natland

Gentle exercise for the over 50's. Stay healthy and active with simple, chair-based exercises aimed at improving mobility and fitness. ***There's no need to book a place or call ahead - simply come along to a class.***

For more information about this or other exercise classes, please call on 01539 728118 or email: admin@ageuksouthlakeland.org

Cash In The Attic

Thank you for all donations so far. If you have any items that you think might be saleable and which are also capable of being consigned to the post then please send details for consideration to Collin. Thank you.

If in doubt speak to or call Collin on 07740 447858 or collin4mansfield@me.com



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Why not also visit <https://www.stmarkschurchnatland.co.uk/>





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Home Communion or Visit



If you are at home and, for whatever reason, not back to church yet or not out and about as much as you would like to be we can arrange for a Service of Holy Communion in your own home. Please just contact a member of the Ministry Team to request this or indeed just a visit (contact details on inside cover).



A Season to Sing

Kendal South Choir
conducted by Geoffrey Field

Saturday 6th December at 7.30pm
Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal
Andy Plowman (organ); AnnaKate Pearson (harp)



Tickets £15
(under 18s free)
via TicketSource




***A Season to Sing* by Joanna Forbes L'Estrange**
A setting of Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons* co-commissioned by Kendal South Choir

***A Ceremony of Carols* by Benjamin Britten**

***Ring Out, Wild Bells* by Percy Fletcher**
and traditional Christmas Carols for audience participation

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Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could be raising free donations for St Mark's Church with easyfundraising?

There are over 7,000 brands on board ready to make a donation – including eBay, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Amazon, Booking.com and M&S – and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.



All you need to do is:

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2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the brand will make a donation to St Mark's Church at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and St Mark's Church will be very grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support.

CHURCH CLEANING



Martin and Elspeth Jayne	1 st Nov.
Joyce and Roy Watkinson	8 th Nov.
Tony and Liz Bontoft	15 th Nov.
Hazel Carter and Kath Cater	22 nd Nov.
Di Outhwaite and Gilly Peters-Parr	29 th Nov.

Margaret Bateman and Debbie Sutherland 6th Dec.

Thankyou to everyone who keeps the church so clean throughout the year.
Elspeth Jayne 015395 60942



If you are coming on your own to arrange flowers or work in church please ensure you have a mobile phone with you or that someone knows where you are. Thank you.



Altar Flower Rota

Thank you to everyone who helps to beautify the church with flowers. **If you would like to 'pay for' the flowers but not arrange them please send an email to the editors and we will pass the message on.**

November 2nd & 9th	Barbara Nelson
November 16th & 23rd	Jenny & Alan
November 30th - December 21st	NO ALTAR FLOWERS IN ADVENT
December 22nd or 23rd (tbc)	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS PLEASE

Please note flowers can be placed at any time of year in the Lady Chapel in remembrance of a loved one.

Christmas Wreath Workshops

with Dan's Plants

Create your own Christmas wreath in this relaxed workshop led by RHS Gold Medallist, Dan. Whether you're a beginner or experienced wreath maker, come and create a masterpiece - using a selection of fresh seasonal foliage and decorations.

Sunday 7th December 2025
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Times: 10am / 1pm / 4pm / 7pm

Ticket price includes festive refreshments, all tools and materials.

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After last winter, I'm really worried about falling behind on my energy bills again as we head into the colder months. What can I do if I'm struggling to keep up with payments?

If you're struggling to afford your bills, it's important to act quickly - support is available. The first thing is to contact your energy supplier - they're responsible for helping you come to a solution, like setting up an affordable repayment plan if you've fallen behind.

Check that your bills are based on accurate readings. If you see the letter "E" next to the readings on your latest bill, that means it's estimated. Send an up-to-date reading to get an accurate bill. Smart meters sometimes stop working – contact your supplier.

You might be able to apply for support with the cost of energy efficiency upgrades like insulation, a new boiler or a heat pump via your energy supplier or government scheme.

If you're behind on your bills, you might be able to get a grant to help you pay off your debt via your energy supplier. You'll need to get full debt advice before applying and can do this through South Lakes Citizens Advice. (If you are disabled or of state pension age, you can also apply for non-financial support from your supplier through the Priority Services Register.)

Remember, you don't have to face this alone. If you're struggling to afford your energy bills, contact South Lakes Citizens Advice.

Free, confidential advice and help is available from South Lakes Citizens Advice on any aspect of debt, consumer problems, benefits, housing, employment or any other problems. How to access:

- **Call [015394 46464](tel:01539446464) (9.30am – 2pm, Monday – Friday)**
- **Drop in sessions at Wainwright's Yard, Kendal, LA9 4DP (10am – 1pm, Tuesday and Thursday)**
- **Adviceline: 0808 2787 984 (9am - 5pm, Monday – Friday)**
- **email advice via the submission page on our website**

www.southlakescab.org.uk

10am on Tuesdays at Crosscrake Church

Our free all-age community drop-in continues through the winter months providing a warm space for anyone needing a break or some company for a couple of hours. We've loved welcoming around thirty people so far from all parts of our community and aged from a few months to 90-something to share cuppas, and conversation (and play!). Healthy snacks are provided for young children alongside cakes and biscuits. The kettle's always on so please join us in church between 10am and noon on Tuesdays.



Helm Mission Community

Date for your diary

November 30th Advent Service Holy Trinity Kendal Parish Church at 4pm.
Again we will have our own morning services.

Even though 28th December is not a 5th Sunday we will have a joint service at the Salvation Hall at 10.30am with Bacon Butties before hand.



King's food bank

The Kings Food Bank thank us for our gifts of food throughout the year.

According to the website the following items would be particularly welcome:

- instant pasta
- instant noodles
- instant mash
- UHT semi-skimmed milk
- large tins of vegetables (eg. carrots, sweetcorn)
- sponge puddings
- Custard
- crisps

Please leave any donations of food in the box in the porch. The box is emptied each Monday (except bank holidays).

We hope that one day the food bank will no longer be needed, however looking back over the past months and years know that this is not going to happen soon.



Donations are always welcome

We are currently asking for:

- ◇ cheese
- ◇ sugar and coffee
- ◇ butter/margarine
- ◇ tuna, corned beef, spam and other tinned meats
- ◇ gravy granules
- ◇ honey
- ◇ olive oil
- ◇ evaporated or UHT milk (blue top)
- ◇ custard
- ◇ deodorants and toothpastes (male and female)
- ◇ laundry liquid tabs
- ◇ washing-up liquid
- ◇ tin-foil
- ◇ toilet rolls
- ◇ carrier bags for wrapping food parcels
- ◇ long-johns and winter vests

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St Mark's Church

If you would like to give a donation to St Mark's Church there are several ways in which this can be done:

- ◇ Write a cheque to 'St Mark's Church Natland' and send it to **'The Treasurer c/o The Vicarage, 18 St Mark's Fold, Natland LA9 7QU'**
- ◇ Leave a donation on the collection plate by the font at the beginning or end of services
- ◇ Use our contactless machine at services or events
- ◇ Make an online donation (quoting your name) to:
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Account Name St Marks Church Natland
- ◇ Ask about setting up a regular standing order.

All donations are gratefully received. Thank you.

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All welcome for homemade cakes,
hot drinks, raffle and good company

Friday 28th November 10am - 12noon

Christmas Coffee Morning

Friday 12th December 10am - 12noon



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From the Registers

Baptism

12th October 2025 Amelia Gater

'God has called you by name and made you His own.'



Funeral

13th October 2025 Grace Kemsley

'Nothing can separate us from the love of God'

The Helm Mission Community

Please pray for each of our churches and communities in the 'Helm Group' in our continuing work at this time - for Old Hutton, New Hutton, Crosscraze, Natland, Holy Trinity Kendal, Kendal United Reformed Church and the Salvation Army - and for the work and ministry we share with the Methodist Church and other denominations across Kendal.



PRAYER PAGE



A prayer for World peace

O God of the nations,
as we look to that day when you will gather people
from north and south, east and west,
into the unity of your peaceable Kingdom,
guide with your just and gentle wisdom all who take
counsel
for the nations of the world,
that all your people may spend their days in
security, freedom, and peace,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

From The Church of England website

A prayer of commemoration for the fallen

Father of all, remember your holy promise,
and look with love on all your people, living and departed.
On this day we especially ask that you would hold forever
all who have suffered during war, those who returned scarred by warfare,
those who waited anxiously at home,
and those who returned wounded, and disillusioned;
those who mourned, and those communities that were diminished and
suffered loss.

Remember too those who acted with kindly compassion,
those who bravely risked their own lives for their comrades,
and those who in the aftermath of war, worked tirelessly for a more
peaceful world.

And as you remember them, remember us, O Lord;
grant us peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every
language, race, and nation will be brought into the unity of Christ's
kingdom.

This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

From The Church of England website

SERVICES IN NOVEMBER		Readers	Readings	Sides people
2nd November (All Saints Sunday) 10am Holy Communion		Gill Pilling Nigel Mitchell	Hebrews 12.18-24 Matthew 5.1-12	John & Shirley Miller
9th November (Remembrance Sunday) 10am Parish Communion & Act of Remembrance 4pm Families@4		John Chandler Barbara Nelson	Colossians 3.12-17 Matthew 5.1-14	Paul Singleton Hilary Atkinson
16th November (2nd before Advent) 8am Holy Communion 10am Morning Worship		Hilary Atkinson Roy Watkinson	2 Thessalonians 3.6-13 Luke 21.5-19	Pam Noonan Gill Pilling
23rd November (Christ the King) 10am Holy Communion		Colin Mansfield Pam Noonan	Colossians 1.11-20 Luke 23.33-43	Di Outwaite Audrey Bott
30th November (1st Sunday of Advent) 10am Holy Communion		Miggy Scott Bill Wood	Romans 13.11-end Matthew 24.36-44	Miggy Scott Jenny Kelly
4pm Helm Mission Community Advent Service at Holy Trinity, Kendal Parish Church				
7th December (2nd Sunday of Advent) 10am Holy Communion		Graham Day Dorothy Smethurst	Romans 15.4-13 Matthew 3.1-12	Eispeth & Martin Jayne
Every Thursday there is a said Holy Communion Service at 10am <i>Sunday School, for all ages, meets in the Vestry every Sunday (except for the second Sunday of the month when it's Families @ 4). Pre school children should be accompanied by an adult.</i>				