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Readings & News: 5th October 2025: Harvest

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

Habakuk 1: 1-4; 2:1-4 ¹The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. ²O Lord, how long shall I cry for help and you will not listen? Or cry to you 'Violence! and you will not save?' ³Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous, so judgement comes forth perverted. **2** I will stand at my watch-post and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. ²Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. ³For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. ⁴Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Ephesians 2: 19-end ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the corner-stone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Luke 17: 5-10 ⁵The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' ⁶The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you. ⁷'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"'

Collect: Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion: Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymns: 5th October: St Mary's Hymns O&N

Walsden: St Peter's at the Mill

To Enter: For the fruits of his creation - **185**

Gradual: We plough the fields and scatter - **719**

Offertory: Eternal Father strong to save - **153**

Communion: Morning has broken - **450**

Communion: My God and is Thy table spread - **456**

Recession: Harvest Samba - **Sheet**

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



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Harvest and Foodbank Collections: Today, **Sunday 5th October** collecting for Todmorden Food Drop In. Box at the back for in kind donations or **you can put cash in the bucket or 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

- **Rainbow Faith Service Today: 5th October at 4pm – St James, Hebden Bridge**

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

- **Prayer Vigil for Gaza, Israel & Palestine - 7th October at noon, by the Town Hall**

Men's Fellowship: Wednesday 8th October mystery trip out - there will be fish & chips at teatime, while out. Please meet at Stansfield Road at 1.15pm. Any enquiries apart, from where are we headed 🗺️ - please give me a call on 07463125625 - all welcome, John Brear

- **National School is 180 this year,** celebration on **10th October** in school; see flyers
- **The Muthers & PiCanta: Women's Voices from Todmorden and Wendland:** at St Mary's on Friday 17th October at 7.30pm. Tickets on the door £10/£8
- **A gig with Sloman Music:** at St Mary's on Sunday 19th October at 7.30pm
- **Gardening and planting with Tod in Bloom: 4pm on Wednesday 22nd October**
- **Todmorden Choral Society Autumn Concert: Saturday 25th 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.
- **Confirmations:** Sunday 30th November with Bishop Smitha at 2.30pm.

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

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

If you want to reflect on them the Sermons 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: Please recycle paper, plastic, tins & bottles; please use labelled bins.

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, Janet Mitchell

In Memory: Amy I Smith, George H Eastwood, Christine Goodall, Arthur Howorth, Albert Ormerod, Richard T. Thorp, Carrie Campion, Terrence Uttley, Paul Bolton, Florence G. Horsford, Elizabeth May Spencer, Florence Mackriel, Hilda Mycock, Eva Crossley, Gwenda Uttley, Kenneth Naylor, Edward Sutcliffe