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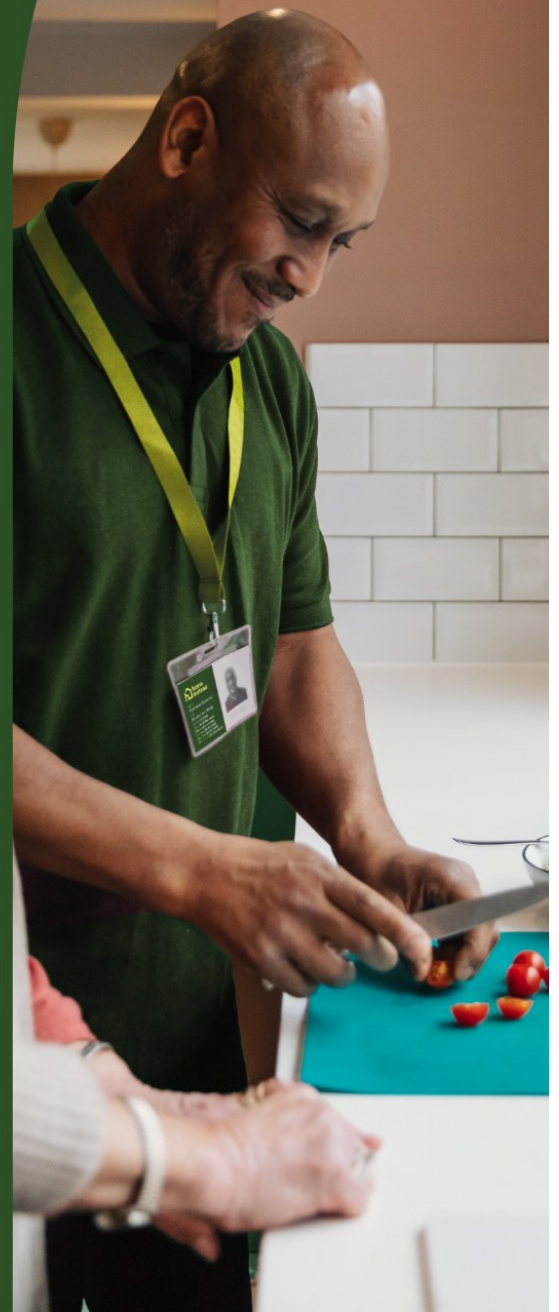


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To find out more, call our friendly team

01924 666 535

www.homeinstead.co.uk/wakefield



STANLEY LIBRARY

Stanley Library offers a wide selection of books, talking books, language tapes, newspapers (including the Wakefield Express), magazines, and an A4 colour photocopier (please enquire for prices). There are also public access computers with free internet access and basic software e.g. word processing. It is free to use the computer; users just need a current library card.

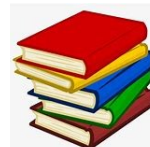
WHAT'S ON EACH WEEK	
Mondays 11am—11.30am	Storytime: Join us for our exciting Storytime with stories, songs and discover our magic games table!
Mondays 1pm-3pm	Bingo: Join us at Stanley Library for a fun-packed session of Bingo! 
Tuesdays 10-12pm	Adult Craft & Chat: Join us for a friendly session of crafting.
Tuesdays 12pm	Library stroll: a gentle hour long walk in the local area.
Thursdays 10am—12pm	Coffee morning: Meet friendly faces, have a chat, a cuppa and maybe a quiz at our weekly coffee morning. All welcome.
Thursdays 2.30pm—4.30pm	Family Games: You'll never be bored at our family games sessions. Fun for all the family! 
Fridays 10am—12pm	Mindful morning: Relieve stress and anxiety by focussing on mindful colouring, painting and puzzles.
Fridays 1pm	Chair based exercises: gentle exercise session
Fridays 3.30pm—4.30pm	 Lego Club: Build Lego scenes, stories and characters. Lego provided. All ages welcome.
Saturdays 10.30am	Family Crafts: Colour, craft and create at our family craft session.
Saturdays 10am—1pm	Family History Sessions: Discover the secrets of your past with our resident family history expert.

LIBRARY OPENING TIMES

Monday	9.30am—5pm
Tuesday	9.30am—5pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	9.30am—7pm
Friday	9.30am—5pm
Saturday	10am—1pm
Sunday	Closed all day

Stanley Readers Group

First Monday of the month
10am-11am: come and join our discussions! Ask in the library for more information or contact Mary on 07900 534571



Contact Stanley Library: Lake Lock Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4HU
Telephone: 01924 303130,
Email: stanleylibrary@wakefield.gov.uk



LIGHTHOUSE CAFÉ at St Peter's Church Every Monday and Wednesday 10am—12pm

With snacks and refreshments,
plus light lunches on Mondays from **12pm—1pm**

*Plus free Wi-Fi, Books, Games, Jigsaws,
Newspapers, Children and babies welcome.*

A Warm Space and a Warm Welcome—Come and join us!

Children's Ark

A relaxed and friendly baby and toddler group for pre-school children and their carers. Come and enjoy a cuppa and meet friends. £1.50 per child.

Play! Singing! Snacks! Stories! Toys!

Every **Thursday** in termtime at St Peter's church from **9:15am to 11 am**

Phone 01924

835746 or

07746 849509

for more info



Knit & Natter
St Peter's Church,
Every Wednesday
1.30pm-3.30pm

Enjoy a cuppa, company and a 'crafty' afternoon!

New members always welcome—
knit, sew, swap patterns and
ideas, learn new skills, and
share friendship, conversation
and refreshments.

**Come along for a very
warm welcome**



Stanley Community Singers
Every Monday, 1pm-2pm, St Peter's Church


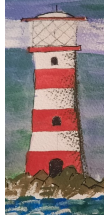



The Stanley Community Singers offers a warm welcome to any new members. There is no audition and no previous experience required, just a love of singing! We sing a variety of different music including modern classics, pop and musicals.

Come and make friends and enjoy a good sing!

The cost per session is £2.50. Light lunches are available from 12pm in our café (soup, sandwiches, hot meals etc.) and refreshments are available after the singing with time to chat.

EVENTS IN STANLEY THIS MONTH

Services and events every week at St Peter's Church

- Sundays**
10.45am  Family Communion service: with Holy Communion most Sundays and refreshments after the service.
- Mondays**
9.30am  Morning Prayer service: a short, informal service every Monday morning. All welcome.
- Mondays & Weds**
10am -12pm Lighthouse Café A warm space with drinks, snacks, games, Jigsaws etc. Also on Wednesdays. 
- Mondays**
1pm-2pm  Stanley Community Choir New members always welcome, no audition! Make friends and enjoy singing!
- Tuesdays**
10.30am-1.30pm Tuesday lunch club for older people with games, quizzes, talks, films, crafts and a hot lunch—£6.
- Wednesdays**
1.30pm-3.30pm Knit & Natter with crafts, chat and refreshments. New members always welcome. 
- Thursdays**
9.15am-11.15am  Children's Ark baby and toddler group with toys, play, singing and snacks. Cost £1.50 per child.

Special services and events this month

EASTER SERVICES at St Peter's Church

Maundy Thursday Communion on 2nd April at 7pm
Good Friday Contemplative service on 3rd April at 2pm
Easter Sunday family service on 5th April at 10.45am
Everyone is very welcome to join us for these services.

Sat 11th April
10.30am - 12.30pm



Coffee morning with bacon butties, cakes, tombola, raffle, refreshments and more!

Weds 15th April

PCC meeting at 7.15pm

Sun 19th April
10.45am

St George's Day service with the 1st Yorkshire cubs and scouts.



Sun 19th April
12.15pm

Annual General meeting for St Peter's church. All are welcome to come along and find out more our church.

Thurs 30th April
1.30pm

Mothers' Union meeting—a new group for Stanley, all welcome. See page 6 for more information.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – HELP SAVE STANLEY RAINBOWS!

Stanley Rainbows is at risk of closing this summer — and we need YOUR help to keep it going! We're looking for new, enthusiastic volunteers to lead and support our unit. Whether you have lots of experience or none at all, your time and energy can make a huge difference in young girls' lives.

Why volunteer?

- Make a positive impact in your community
- Build confidence and leadership skills
- Be part of a fun, supportive team

When & Where?

- Every Monday (term time)
- 5:00pm – 6:00pm
- At St Peters Church, Stanley

Find out more at: <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/>

Get in touch: thirdstanleyrainbows@outlook.com

Without volunteers, Stanley Rainbows may have to close.
With you, it can thrive. Join us and make a difference today!

Stanley Crown Green Bowling



Find us behind Stanley Community Centre **We are now open! - Come along to discover the joy of bowling**



Scan the QR code or visit the website to find out more

<https://www.stanleyresidentsgroup.org/>

Thank you.....to everyone who came to our Spring Fair! It was a lovely morning and very successful, raising almost £1,100 for church funds. Thanks to everyone who organised the stalls and everyone who came on the day and gave so generously. All raffle prices have been claimed.

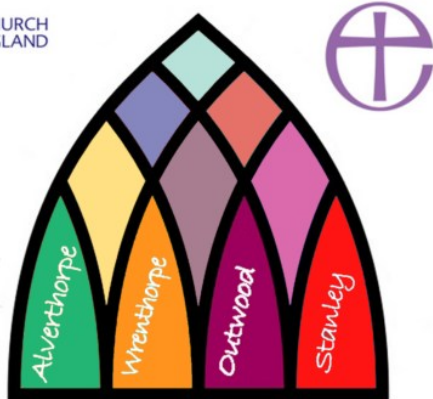


The next meeting of our new **Mothers' Union** will be at **1.30pm on Thursday 30th April in church**. And on Sunday 17th May the branch and it's members will be commissioned by Rev Diane Komorowski during the morning service.

Mothers' UNION

where faith, fellowship and fun meet

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Newsletter for

April 2026



Dear Friends,

**“All who believed were together and had all things in common;
they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds
to all as any had need” Acts 2: 44-45 NRSVA**

Alleluia Christ is risen! He is risen indeed Alleluia! For the seven weeks of Lent we put our alleluias away. And now, as Easter comes right at the start of this month it is time to get them out again and to celebrate. Lent has been about journeying on the desert path; recognising that sometimes faith feels hard or dry or dusty.

It's really easy to see our journey of faith as a series of mountaintop moments and in part it is. There are some glorious days of celebration and excitement. But faith isn't just about great celebrations. It's also about sadness and troubling times. Times when our world feels darker and more confusing or just plain sad. The Easter story isn't just about resurrection hope. It's also about the servanthood of Jesus, the pain and suffering of Good Friday, the despair of Holy Saturday. Only after we've journeyed through those days can we truly experience the joy of the resurrection.

The world once again is feeling dark and a bit scary. Another war in the Middle East, holiday plans disrupted and a further looming increase in the cost of living makes people feel concerned about what lies ahead. But life has always been full of times like these and we sometimes forget how to walk through them. Even in the weeks and days to come following Christ's resurrection and particularly after his ascension, there were difficult days and weeks for the disciples (just read Acts!).

Difficult times draw people together. They strengthen the community as everyone pulls together and supports one another. It's what happened in the book of Acts and it's what has happened in human history. We are not meant to walk this world totally independently. We're supposed to be part of a community sharing life, helping one another and building each other up. We're also called to care for one another in practical and sacrificial ways.

Talking about building each other up, thank you to everyone who attended my installation service or prayed for me last month. It was so special to stand up on the platform and look out over you all and to see all these people I know and love and to know you were all friends (and there were many more who couldn't make it for many good reasons). Thank you for your support and I look forward to building community with you all over the months and years to come.

Easter blessings to you all, Revd Diane Komorowski (Vicar)



Events for April

Holy Week services across the benefice

Monday 30th March

7pm, Mass

[Outwood](#)

Tuesday 31st March

7pm, Mass

[Outwood](#)

7pm, Meditative service

[Alverthorpe](#)

Wednesday 1st April

11am, Holy Communion

[Alverthorpe](#)

2.15pm, Holy Communion

[Wrenthorpe](#)

7pm, Stations of the Cross

[Outwood](#)

Thursday 2nd April

7pm, Maundy Thursday

[Outwood](#)

7pm, Maundy Thursday

[Stanley](#)

7pm, Last Supper Liturgy

[Wrenthorpe](#)

Friday 3rd April

11.30am Children's service [Wrenthorpe](#)

2pm, Hour at the Cross

[Outwood](#)

2pm, Hour at the Cross

[Stanley](#)

2.30pm, Outdoor service

[Wrenthorpe](#)

Saturday 4th April

8.30pm, Easter Vigil

[Outwood](#)

Sunday 5th April

9.15am, Easter Sunday

[Outwood](#)

9.30am, Easter Sunday

[Alverthorpe](#)

10.45am, Easter Sunday

[Stanley](#)

10.45am, Easter Sunday

[Wrenthorpe](#)

Friday 3rd April, 10am

[Wrenthorpe](#)

Good Friday club with refreshments, crafts, egg hunt and children's service.

Friday 3rd April, 10am

[Alverthorpe](#)

Good Friday Crafts for children aged 5—11 years. With lots of different activities.

Saturday 11th April, 10.30am

[Stanley](#)

Coffee morning with refreshments, bacon sandwiches, raffle and more!

Monday 13th April, 12pm

[Wrenthorpe](#)

Forget-me-not bereavement group.

Saturday 18th April, 10am

[Wrenthorpe](#)

Women of Substance group, with lunch, craft and Bible study.

Sunday 19th April, 10.45am

[Stanley](#)

St George's Day family service with the uniformed organisations.

Monday 20th April, 10.30am

[Outwood](#)

Mothers' Union meeting in church.

Saturday 25th April, 10am

[Alverthorpe](#)

Lifeboat prayer meeting with Bible study, prayer and refreshments. All welcome.

Saturday 25th April, 11am

[Outwood](#)

Spring Fayre in the Church Institute with various stalls and refreshments.

Thurs 30th April, 1.30pm

[Stanley](#)

Mothers' Union meeting in church.

Contact details for our clergy:

Vicar



Rev Diane Komorowski

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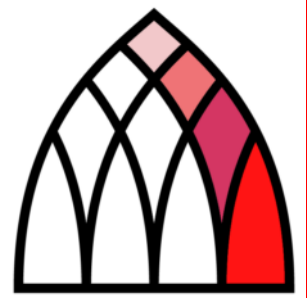
revddianek@gmail.com

St Peter's Church, Stanley



Lake Lock Road
Stanley
WF3 4HW

Stanley



St Peter's

Services every week at St Peter's:
10.45am on Sundays -Holy Communion
 Our weekly family service includes Holy Communion most weeks, followed by refreshments and time to chat.
9.30am on Mondays—Morning Prayer
 A short informal prayer service.

Weekly events at St Peter's

Mondays 10am - 12pm	Lighthouse Café A warm space with drinks, snacks, games, jigsaws etc. 
Mondays 1pm- 2pm 	Stanley Community Choir New members welcome, no audition! Make friends and enjoy a sing-song.
Tuesdays 10.30am- 1.30pm	Tuesday lunch club for older people with games, quizzes, talks, films, crafts and a hot lunch—£6.
Wednesdays 10am-12pm	Lighthouse Café Also on Wednesdays!
Wednesdays 1.30pm- 3.30pm	 Knit & Natter Enjoy a cuppa, company & a 'crafty' time.
Thursdays 9.15am- 11am	Children's Ark baby and toddler group with toys, play, singing and snacks.

St George's Day Family Service

10.45am on Sunday 19th April

We will be celebrating St George's Day at a special family service on Sunday 19th April at 10.45am. During the service the 1st Yorkshire BP Cubs and Scouts will renew their promises and receive some special badges and awards.

Please stay on afterwards for refreshments and chat.



All welcome!

Easter Services at St Peter's, Stanley

Thursday 2nd April, 7pm

Maundy Thursday communion service.

Friday 3rd April, 2pm

Hour at the Cross contemplative service

Sunday 5th April, 10.45am

Easter Sunday celebration Service.



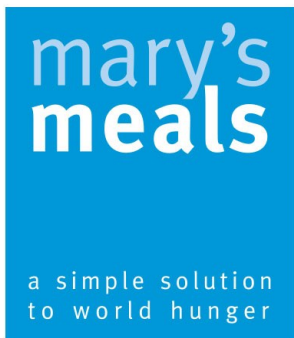
Turn your unwanted foreign currency into school meals!

Donate your spare foreign currency, or British coins and notes that are no longer legal tender, and St Peter's church will give them to Mary's Meals, who will turn them into meals for hungry school children.



Mary's Meals provides school meals to 3 million children in some of the poorest countries in the world, across Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. The charity was established in 2002 and began in Malawi, before expanding across the world.

Mary's Meals has found that a daily meal served in school has a positive impact on children's enrolment, attendance and achievement.



Bring your currency to St Peter's church and put it in our collection box in the corridor, and we will give it to Mary's Meals. Thank you.

Coffee morning

Sat 11th April, 10.30am—12.30pm

Our monthly coffee morning is a great place to chat and meet friends. We have some fantastic refreshments including bacon sandwiches, and also have a raffle and a tombola.

Join us for a lovely morning!



Contact details for St Peter's Church

Clergy

For baptism and wedding enquiries, to request home communion visits and one-to-one prayer, please contact Rev Diane Komorowski—see page 3 for details.

Church Office

Room hire enquiries, information about church groups, publicity:

Eleanor Plant 01924 835746
churchoffice@stpeters-stanley.org.uk

Church Officer roles

Jason Plant Church Warden
David Sunderland Church Warden
Libby Gates PCC Secretary
Jason Plant Treasurer

Safeguarding concerns

Dave Florence 07957 203898
daveflorence@gmail.com

St Peter's Church Annual meeting

Our APCM will take place after the morning service at around **12.15pm on Sunday 19th April**. Come along and hear what we achieved last year, and our plans for the year ahead. Please see our PCC secretary Libby Gates for further information.

Our **Mothers' Union** branch will next be meeting at **1.30pm on Thursday 30th April**. You don't have to be female to join—all are welcome to come along for fun, faith and fellowship; to share stories, support and encourage each other and focus on family and community.

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St Mary Magdalene, Outwood



Leeds Road
Outwood
WF1 2JL

Outwood



St Mary Magdalene

Services at St Mary Magdalene	
Sundays, 9.15am	Parish Mass
Thursdays, 9.15am	Morning Prayer
Regular Events:	
Mondays 7.15pm	Rate My Mind men's group in the Choir Vestry
Mondays	Care4U Community Choir
Wednesdays 10am-12pm	Free Drop-In at the Church Institute: coffee/tea, quizzes, music etc.
Fridays 9.15-11.15am	Mini Monsters at the Church Institute

Outwood Institute contact details

Institute Manager—Keith 07837 386891

Brownies—Rachel 07587 919263

Guides—Karen 07719 669146

Scouts— Josh or Toni 07407 497289

Wives Group— Norma 07854 780694

Mini Monsters— Barbara 07580 042854

Dance Class—Paula 07780 688623

Weight Watchers— Sarah 07775744237

Pre-school—Suzanne 01924 825688

SPRING FAYRE

On Saturday 25th April
from 11am

In Outwood Church Institute



With lots of stalls and refreshments
All welcome!

Community PACT meeting

Discuss local issues with police and councillors at the next Outwood PACT meeting, on Tuesday 14th April at 6pm-7pm in the Outwood Club, Ledger Lane. All welcome to come along.



This month is a good time to visit one of the UK's 15 National Parks, because from **4th—18th April it is National Parks Fortnight**. And in Wakefield, we're lucky to be within an hour of 3 of them: the Yorkshire Dales, the Peak District and the North York Moors. Go and explore our wonderful countryside!

The Provincial service at Manchester Cathedral last month was well supported with not only the York Provincial Banner but the Leeds Diocesan Banner paraded. An uplifting service to set us on the road for our 150th celebrations!

Mothers Union was also featured in the Songs of Praise programme on TV on Mothering Sunday. It is available on BBC iPlayer if you didn't catch it at the time.

With Easter approaching and being in the season of Lent, members have been attending our Lent course. Those who have been unable to attend are undertaking extra reading and prayer time.

Planning is taking place for our Wakefield Episcopal Area 150th celebration, which will be on Wednesday 7th October. Watch this space for further details as they are confirmed!

Our next meeting is at **10.30am on Monday 20th April** when we will be putting together another Foster Care Leavers Pack and making final arrangements for the Brunch Kitchen at our Church Spring Fair which is on Saturday 25th April.

As always, you are warmly invited to join us at any of our meetings—we look forward to seeing you there. For more information please contact me on 01924 825866.

Sheila Crosby, Branch Leader

Contact details for St Mary Magdalene

Clergy

For baptism and wedding enquiries, to request home communion visits and one-to-one prayer, please contact Rev Diane Komorowski—see page 3 for details.

Church Warden

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Treasurer

Duncan Hall

Benefice Magazine, Coffee mornings

Brian Taylor 07815 311082

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Easter Services at St Mary Magdalene

Mon 30th March, 7pm—Mass

Tues 31st March, 7pm—Mass

Wednesday 1st April, 7pm

Stations of the Cross

Thursday 2nd April, 7pm

Tenebrae service

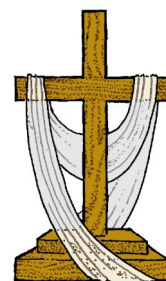
Good Friday 3rd April, 2pm

Hour at the Cross

Sat 4th April, 8.30pm—Easter Vigil

Sunday 5th April, 9.15am

Easter Sunday Festival Mass



St Anne's, Wrenthorpe



121 Wrenthorpe Road
Wrenthorpe
WF2 0JS

Wrenthorpe



St Anne's

Services at St Anne's, Wrenthorpe

Sundays, 10.45am Holy Communion

Wednesdays, 2.15pm Holy Communion

Other weekly events (term time only)

Mondays, 10am Cheeky Cherubs

Mondays 3pm-4.30pm Youth drop-in

Monthly events

2nd Monday of the month, 12pm-2pm Forget-me-not friendship group

3rd Saturday of the month 10am-2pm Women of Substance group

St Anne's annual GOOD FRIDAY CLUB



Friday 3rd April
from 10am

Starts at 10am with planting the Easter garden, followed by:

- ◆ Easter crafts ◆ Refreshments
- ◆ Decorate your own Easter biscuit
- ◆ Special interactive children's service in church 11.30am-12pm
- ◆ Finishing with an Easter egg hunt in the church hall

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times



Cheeky Cherubs



Our toddler group meets in church at **10am on Mondays in term time.**

It is for children aged 0-4 years and their carer, and includes stories, activities, crafts and plenty of time to play!

Forget-Me-Not friendship group



Monday 13th April 12pm-2pm

For anyone bereaved or lonely. Bring a packed lunch and at St share some time with friends.

Our **Young People's Drop-In** is every Monday 3pm-4.30pm for children in school years 7-11. Come and join us for a snack, games, creative activities, films, chat. Our drop-in is every Monday after school in term-time only.



Craft & Create Day: On Bank Holiday Monday, 25th May, we're having a crafty day in church from 10am-2pm. Come along and enjoy being creative, or just enjoy cake and a drink!



Women of Substance...

Saturday 18th April, 10am-2pm

This month we are looking at the story of Abigail; the wife of a foolish, unkind man who knew wisdom is better than foolishness.

Revenge is a dish served cold - or failing that, by four hundred angry soldiers. David had protected Nabal, and now he was hoping Nabal would return the favour and provide some supplies for him and his weary men.



Nabal's name literally means "fool", which was a coincidence: "Who's David? What? Nope, never heard of him." Mistake! David was furious: "Men grab your swords! Everyone in Nabal's home is dead. Let's go!"

Thankfully, Nabal's wife Abigail was wise. No doubt groaning at her husband's foolish act, she knew she had to act and put things right.

Bring a peacemaker is never easy especially when you are dealing with angry, hurting people. But we can be sure God will give us the wisdom we need if we ask Him, just like He did for Abigail.

Let me know if you are planning to come so I can ensure we have enough lunch, study, and craft supplies.

God bless,

Lynn Fowley

07890 589907 or ldfowley@live.co.uk

Contact details for St Anne's Church Clergy

For baptism and wedding enquiries, to request home communion visits and one-to-one prayer, please contact Rev Diane Komorowski—see page 3 for details.

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Lynn Fowley 07890 589907

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Treasurer

David Payne

david.payne24@gmail.com

Church Hall bookings

Bob Illingworth 07443 459558

Easter Services at St Anne's

Monday 30th March, 7pm

Meditation service

at Wrenthorpe Methodist church

Wednesday 1st April, 2.15pm

Afternoon Holy Communion

Thursday 2nd April, 7pm

Liturgy of the Last Supper

Friday 3rd April, 11.30am

Good Friday Children's Service

Friday 4th April, 2.30pm

Service at the Cross,

On the Green, Wrenthorpe

Sunday 5th April, 10.45am

Easter Sunday Parish Communion

St Paul's, Alverthorpe



St Paul's Drive
Alverthorpe
WF2 0BT

Alverthorpe



St Paul's

We are St Paul's Church, Alverthorpe

Sunday and mid-week services:

9.30am Sunday morning: a mixture of Holy Communion and Morning Prayer

9am Tuesday morning: Morning Prayer

11am Wednesday morning: a short 'said' Holy Communion

We have tea and coffee after all services. We are on Facebook, and broadcast live every Sunday morning service

A WARM welcome guaranteed

Lifeboat prayer group

Sat 25th April, 10am—11.30am

The Lifeboat prayer group is for the whole benefice and meets on the last Saturday of the month at St Paul's. We share, pray, study the Word and enjoy fellowship together. We begin with refreshments, followed by a time of prayer, Bible study, and discussion. You would be very welcome to join us!



Easter services at St Paul's Alverthorpe

Tuesday 31st March, 7pm

Taize meditative service

Wednesday 1st April, 11am

Morning Holy Communion

Sunday 5th April,

9.30am

Easter Sunday
parish communion



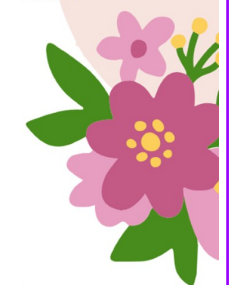
Good Friday Crafts

**Friday 3rd April
10am-12pm**



at St Paul's
Church
Alverthorpe

For ages 5—11 years
All children must be
accompanied by an
adult or carer



From Death to Resurrection

To watch and wait for Jesus to die on a wooden cross without a cry was sobering. The two thieves with him were contrasting; One mocked while the other's repentance meant he went to heaven everlasting.

The Roman Centurion witnessed it all While the soldiers drew lots for the clothes Jesus wore.

As darkness fell the temple curtain tore, The stench of death began to pall.

Friends took Jesus down and buried him with care, in a borrowed tomb

Which was rude and bare;

They returned to where other friends were without delay, spending the time given to them to pray.

After several days passed, Mary a disciple went to check the tomb, Found it open and empty, except for messaging angels who were in the catacomb. Jesus had gone they knew not where, that he was alive, for that they did care. Peter and John came to confirm Mary was not wrong.

Next, Jesus appeared to those who had been fearful and prayerful together, On a later visit 'doubting Thomas' believed when he touched the wounds With the light touch of a feather.

The fishermen shared some of their huge haul of fish with him at a lakeside meal and Mary who mistook him for the gardener knew him when he said her name for real.

Two were joined by Jesus journeying to Emmaus together.

When Emmaus was reached, supper was offered, while breaking the bread Jesus was recognized which stopped the blether.

What sorrow for the suffering and humiliation in death.

What joy in Jesus's rising again.

A wonderful second chance to be with him again before he left them for ever.

Could you have been there?

Melanie Dews

Contact details for St Paul's Church

Clergy

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Church Warden

David Dews

Uniformed groups

Cubs meet Monday evenings, Beavers and Scouts meet Friday evenings:

Bill Sim 01924 382245

Guides meet Wednesdays and Rainbows and Brownies meet Thursday evenings:

Mrs Pat Lambert 01924 376857

Prayers for April

That Day

That day was a day like never before
As the Saviour died and the darkness grew,
Earth shuddered and rocks were split apart
As the veil of the temple was torn in two.

The centurion who witnessed all these things,
The earthquake, the One who was nailed to
the wood,
Seeing Him die could only say,
'Surely this man was the Son of God'.

Death was defeated, the stone rolled away -
And man was released from all his bonds,
Christ rose as victor that glorious day.

The Light had pushed the darkness back,
He now stands resplendent for all to see,
Forgiveness, redemption all wrought on the
cross,
The eternal fruits of Calvary.

*By Megan
Carter*



The way

When Jesus bowed His head,
And dying took our place,
The veil was rent, a way was found
To that pure home of grace.

By John Elias

Amazing

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

By Isaac Watts

Poor Thomas

I'm lost and bewildered,
All hope is now gone.
I cannot imagine
How life can go on.

My mind's in a turmoil,
I can't understand
How this could have happened
To so good a man.

I'm tortured by thoughts of
Him hung on that tree;
The thorns and the nails;
In His face – agony.

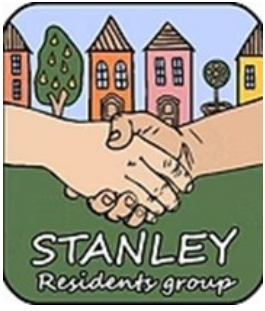
It happened so quickly,
I still can't believe
He's dead and He's buried,
What did that achieve?

My friends are now saying
That Jesus has risen,
'We've seen Him and heard Him,
He's out of death's prison!'

I'd like to believe them,
I'm sure you would too,
But claims like they're making
Just cannot be true.

Whilst no-one likes losing
A valuable friend,
There's no point pretending
The end's not the end.

They think they have met Him,
But senses deceive;
Come. Show me His wounds,



Update from Stanley Residents' Group (SRG)

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 22nd April** at the **Wheatsheaf Pub at 18:30.**

Stanley Heritage Trail / Easter Egg Hunt:

Images of eggs have been placed along the **Stanley Heritage Trail** from **Mon 30th Mar to Fri 10th Apr.** Walk the trail, find an egg, write down the Heritage Trail No. and answer a question relating to Stanley's rich history. Find just 1 or up to 12 eggs to collect a bronze, silver or gold reward from Stanely Library on **Sat 11th Apr 10:30 - 12:00.**



Answers will be posted on the SRG website and Community Notice Board from **Sun 12th Apr.** Scan the QR code or go to the SRG website to find out more:
[https://www.stanleyresidentsgroup.org/easteregg hunt.](https://www.stanleyresidentsgroup.org/easteregg hunt)



Best in Show 2026: Our annual Vegetable, Flower, Cake & Craft Show will once again be held at the Gala on **Sat 1st Aug.** It's an informal, friendly competition, aimed at having fun as part of a traditional village event. Trophies and prizes are up for grabs with rosettes and certificates too. Entry fees are just 50p per exhibit and FREE for Juniors.



Details of schedules, categories and Entry Forms can be collected from Stanley Library and Community Hub Leaflet Boxes (at the Little Library outside Willow Tree Nursery) OR downloaded from SRG website:
<https://www.stanleyresidentsgroup.org/bestinshowreg2026>

From the Stanley Parish Register



Funerals

Ricky Hackett

5th March 2026

Baptisms

Sophia-Grace Cowling

5th October 2025

Iris Luella Cooper

5th October 2025



Stanley Ferry FREE NORDIC WALKS



EVERY TUESDAY - From 7th Apr until 1st Sep 2026

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Shirley caught the flower ladies
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