

Volunteers Required

Our Parent & Toddler Group is run by a team of excellent volunteers. However, they are in need of some additional help.

If you are free for a couple of hours on Tuesday mornings, term time only and you would like to be involved please speak to **Alma Costello or one of the wardens.**

Thank you.

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If you have an item that you wish to be added to the pew sheet, please email the relevant information by 6:00pm on Thursday to:
helencrabtree.church@gmail.com

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Registered charity Number: 1143492

FOR OUR PRAYERS

SICK: Barry Tootill, Joan Joyce, Hazel Robinson, Harry Mullen, Brian Schofield, Laura Devall, Nicola Selby, Nancy Birtwhistle, Ann Nield, Philip Pearson, Alex Percy, Robert Haslam, Hannah Wild; All in nursing homes, care homes or hospices; We also pray for anyone who is awaiting test results.

RIP: Carol Baines;
4th - Alan Clegg, Ivy Fallon, Alan Morris;
5th - Alfred Sutton, Clara Stott, Sydney Gregory;
6th - Jane Tate;
7th - Tom Sear;
8th - Iain Coulton, Dorothy Collins;
10th - Elsie Wolstencroft, Susan Wilkinson, John & Alice Cheetham, Annie Thompson



Harvest Festival

This year's Harvest Festivals will be held on

Sunday, 11th October and Thursday, 15th October

Thank you to everyone who has donated items for the food bank so far. We will continue to collect food each week during the Season of Creation. If you are able, please consider bringing an item each of the remaining weeks of the season.

There will also be a cash collection in which all proceeds will go to Embrace Middle East which means we will be twinning with olive trees in the Palestinian West Bank.

Thank you.



Welcome to St Matthew and St Luke, Chadderton

"Living out our call to share the Gospel in Faith, Hope and Love"

4th October 2026

**St Francis
HYMNS**

6, 437, 184, 77, 555, 186

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sunday, 4th

9:00am

Choral Eucharist

Tuesday, 6th

9:30am

Parent & Toddler

12:30pm

Luncheon Club

2:00pm

Drop In

Thursday, 8th

10:00am

Dressmaking

6:00pm

All Age Service

7:15pm

Choir Practice

Denis Barrott

Denis' ashes will be interred in the churchyard on

Sunday, 11th October at 10:00am.

Revd Ian Butterworth will officiate.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

First Reading

Micah 6. 6-8

A Reading from the Book of Micah.

'With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of
rams,
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?'
He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Second Reading

Galatians 6. 14-18

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians.

May I never boast of anything except the cross
of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world
has been crucified to me, and I to the world.
For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is
anything; but a new creation is everything! As
for those who will follow this rule – peace be
upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of
God. From now on, let no one make trouble
for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded
on my body.
May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be
with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Gospel

Luke 12. 22-34

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you,
do not worry about your life, what you will
eat, or about your body, what you will wear.
For life is more than food, and the body more
than clothing. Consider the ravens: they
neither sow nor reap, they have neither
storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them.
Of how much more value are you than the
birds! And can any of you by worrying add a
single hour to your span of life? If then you
are not able to do so small a thing as that,
why do you worry about the rest? Consider
the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil
nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all
his glory was not clothed like one of these.
But if God so clothes the grass of the field,
which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown
into the oven, how much more will he clothe
you – you of little faith! And do not keep
striving for what you are to eat and what you
are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it
is the nations of the world that strive after all
these things, and your Father knows that you
need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom,
and these things will be given to you as well.
'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your
Father's good pleasure to give you the
kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give
alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not

wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven,
where no thief comes near and no moth
destroys. For where your treasure is, there
your heart will be also.

Income Survey

From Sunday, 4th October for four weeks
we will be carrying out the diocese's
Annual Income Survey which is used to
calculate the level of parish share we are
asked for. Parish share is used to contribute
to the costs of, amongst other things: clergy
costs, training for all church officers and
volunteers. Regular members of our
congregations are asked to complete a
confidential and anonymous form
indicating their level of income.

Forms will be in the narthex and the people
on duty will point them out to you. There
will be a box in the narthex for completed
forms.

Please only fill in a form if you are aged 16
or over and have attended **this** church at
least twelve times in the past twelve
months.

The forms are individual so only **mark** the
box relevant to your income by filling it in
with black ink. Please only fill in one form
over the four week survey period.

If you worship at more than one church,
please complete the form only at your
'home' church.

**Please would everyone who is eligible
complete a form even (and especially) if
you have no or little personal income.**

If you have any queries please see one of
the Wardens. Thank you.