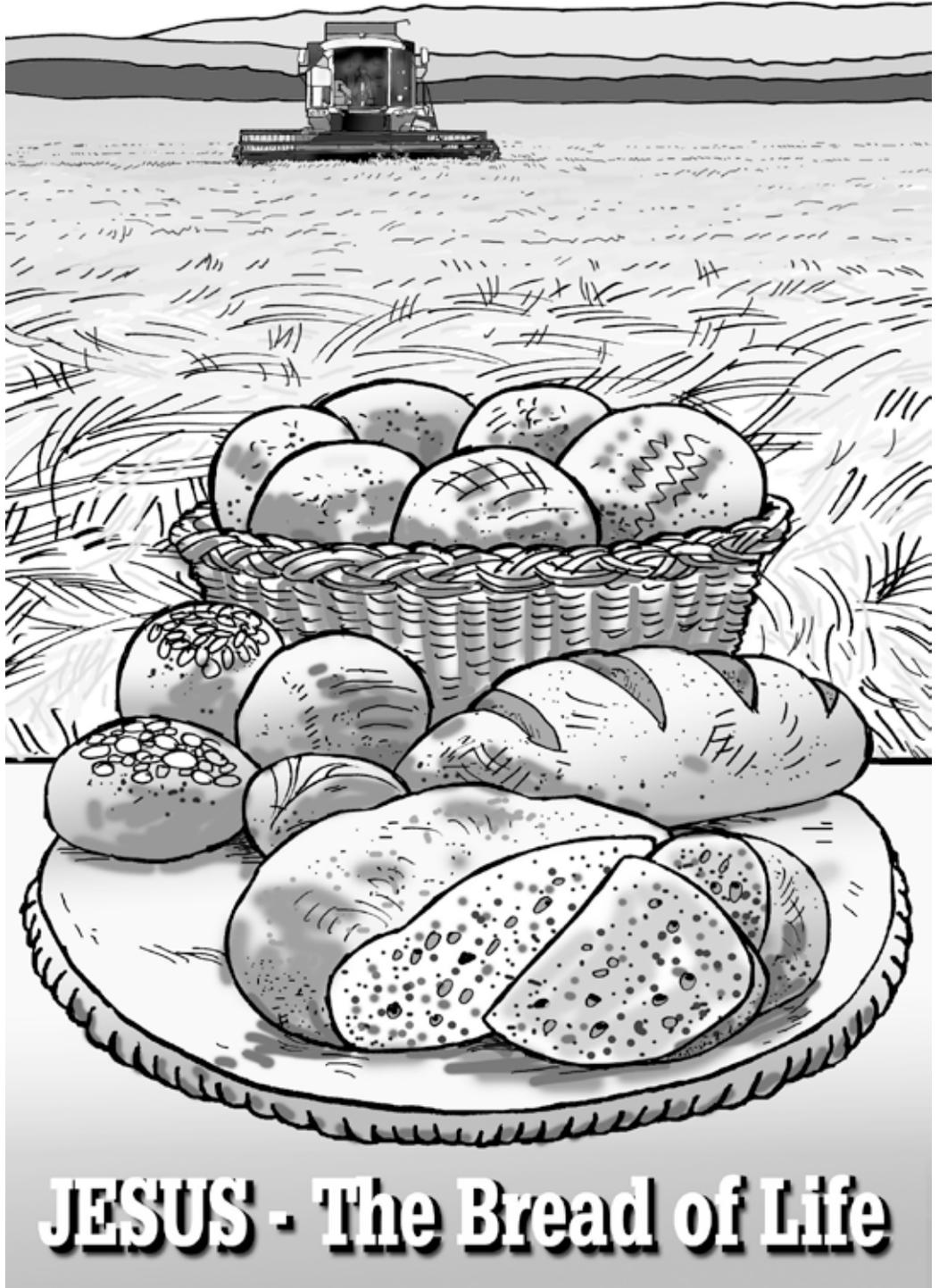




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**Parish Diary - OCTOBER 2020**

Sun 4th	<i>17th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.30	Parish Communion/Harvest Festival	St James'
Sun 11th	<i>18th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.30	Parish Communion	St James'
Sun 18th	<i>19th Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.30	Parish Communion	St James'
Sun 25th	<i>Last Sunday of Trinity</i>	9.30	Parish Communion	St James'
Wed 30th			<i>12 noon Communion (BCP) *</i>	St James'

*\*Please note that a BCP service will be held on Wednesday, 30th September at 12 noon for those who are or have been shielding, and those who do not yet feel ready to return on Sundays.*

**Services at Storth Village Church,  
every Sunday at 10.30am.**





# CHURCH NOTICES

## Applications for Baptisms, Weddings etc

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 Tel:015395 62355

## House Communions and Home Visit

If you know of anyone who is sick or would like a phone contact, please inform the Vicar (contact details above). The Revd. Andrew Norman will be pleased to offer spiritual direction.

Please tell the Vicar if you (or any one you know from the parish) is in hospital or confined at home as we may not be aware.



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## PASTORAL CARE GROUP

These are distressing times and many of us are anxious and worried. Due to government restrictions we are not able to visit but please contact one of the following if you would like a phone call



Mrs Anne Jackson 01524 761174  
 or the Church Wardens.

## Church Mission Statement

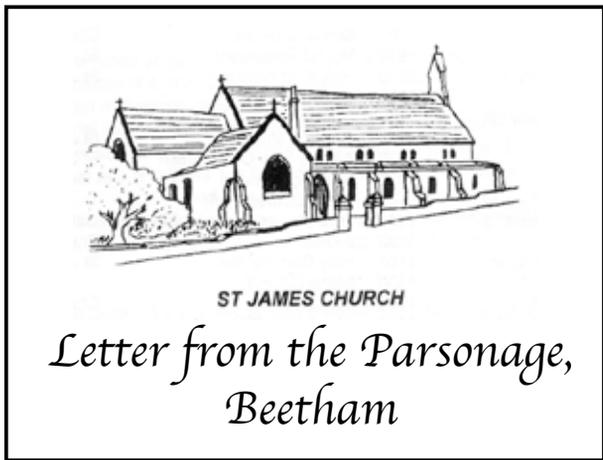
*The villages of Arnside and Storth have churches where EVERYONE:  
 is welcome - can worship and encounter God -  
 can learn more of God and his ways. We do this together, not alone.*

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All things come from You,  
 and of Your own do we  
 give you.



## Dear friends

One of the fondest memories I have of my years at Primary School revolves around the annual preparations for Harvest Festival, which year by year was celebrated in the church at home where I was baptised and nurtured in my faith. There are two memories that come to mind most vividly. First, the yearly routine of preparing the harvest gifts, fresh fruit and vegetables neatly packaged up in a decorated cardboard box which eventually would be auctioned off at the Harvest supper to support the work of the church. I can always remember my sister and I, taking great interest in arranging the fruit and vegetables together in a pleasing way into two large boxes and then competing for who would take which box to the altar at the appropriate point in the service.

Second, the rather compelling (if not annoying) memory of singing 'Autumn Days', a popular harvest hymn particularly in schools, each and every year. The chorus of which reminds us of the thankfulness and appreciation that focuses our minds as we come to our annual celebrations of harvest-home:

*So I mustn't forget, no, I mustn't forget.  
To say a great big, Thank You, I mustn't  
forget*

They are simple words, that reminds us of a great truth; namely, the giftedness of life, and an awareness that if we seek to live in close proximity to God and his purposes then what we think, and do, and say will be marked by an abiding gratitude for many gifts of grace that we enjoy. It is an attitude that we find repeated in the pages of the Bible, throughout the Old and New Testaments, prompting us to remember that in the midst of everyday life, with all its joys, sorrows, hopes and frustrations, we should not lose sight of those good things, often easily missed, we receive day-by-day out of God's generosity.

In doing so we call to mind our thanks for the food we eat and those who ensure that it is grown and gathered in; the love we share in our families, friendship and relationships; opportunities for rest and recreation; the beauty of God's creation; our homes and livelihoods; our safety and well-being; kindly words and sources of encouragement; and ultimately, of course, the gift of life itself.



By saying 'thank you' at Harvest time, by being prepared to pause and offer thanks to the Lord for his goodness, we are reminded

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that these blessings do not come to us through ownership, right or entitlement, but which receive from God who in love seeks to bless and care for us. That's why the Christian practice of saying 'Grace', a prayer before each meal, is such a good habit to adopt and take on board.

A small way, several times each day, of coming before God and acknowledging our awareness that all that we have, we receive as gift from the Lord, just as King David prayed before the building of the temple in Jerusalem: *'Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours...for all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.'* (1 Chronicles 29. 11,14)

As William Wordsworth, the poet home-grown in Cumbria, once put it:

Not in entire forgetfulness,  
And not in utter nakedness,  
But trailing clouds of glory do we come  
From God, who is our home.

As we come to the time of Harvest in the midst of much worry and uncertainty, fearfulness even about what the coming weeks and months will bring, we pray that the Lord of the Harvest, will be all that will be needed for us to go forward trusting in his strength and support.

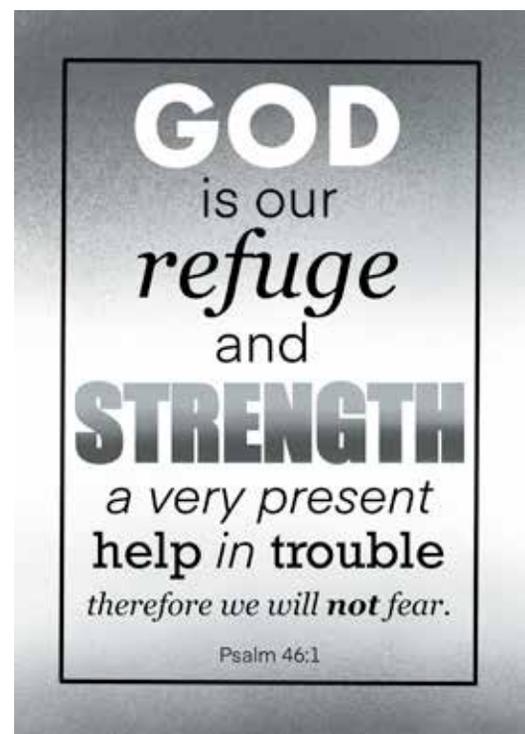
We do this, in gratitude for all the good gifts around us, sent from heaven above, and in prayerful support of all those who find life a struggle in our own country and around the world, those who lack food, water or shelter, and all those who cry out to the Lord and seek help from their neighbours. In this we pray that our hearts may be open-hearted, generous and loving, reflecting that which we know and believe is true of God, whose generous love in Christ embraces the whole world and all people, who asks us not just to

play our part in blessing others, but to do so with a deep thankfulness in our hearts.

With every good wish and prayer for God's blessing,

### **Post Script**

If you or anybody you know in the parish would appreciate a socially-distanced visit or a phone-call, please do let me know as I'd be delighted to come and see (or speak) to you, or if there is anything I can remember in my prayers on your behalf. It is always good to catch up, so do be in touch if this would be appreciated. Together as the body of Christ we uphold each other and our wider community in prayer, so please do continue to pray and care for each other, as I pray for you.



### **IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE**

If you are writing cheques for the treasurer please can you make them payable to:

**ARNSIDE PCC**

Thankyou.



## IN MEMORIAM DENNIS BATEMAN 1929 - 2020

It was with sadness that we learned of the passing of Dennis Bateman. For over a decade he produced the adverts for the church magazine as well as a number of posters, leaflets and maps for us at St James'. He designed the map for the church walks, helped with the design of our 150th anniversary booklet and personally helped me, as editor of the magazine, in so many ways.

He was something of a super hero in the village because of his skills (self-taught) as a designer and his willingness to help anyone who needed it. He gave so freely of his time and energy, never seeking reward, always ready to offer advice as to the best methods of printing or design concepts and relished the many challenges I always seemed to be presenting him with!

Dennis and his wife Greta came to Arnside in 1993. By profession he was a mining engineer and consequently spent most of his working life abroad - by the time of his retirement he had worked in no less than 30 countries.

He loved photography and music and working on his computer. His design and computer knowledge astounded me and there was no design/printing problem he didn't have an answer to. We are thankful that Dennis was able to share his gifts for the benefit of St James and so many groups in the village. He will indeed be sadly missed.

We send our prayers and sympathy to Greta, his son Simon, step-sons Jonathan and Christopher and his four grandchildren. Rest in peace. SEF

## Understanding the Bible

As we acknowledge Bible Sunday this month, it's a good opportunity to ask the question: why should I read the Bible?

The Bible is the world's best-selling book of all time. However, it isn't one book, but a library of 66 books, composed by some 44 writers over a period of 1500 years in a range of literature including history, poetry, prophecy, letters and apocalyptic (end times). Despite having a number of different writers, the Bible claims one author: God himself!

This is the basis of the unity of its message and authoritative claim to be the primary way by which God speaks to us: *'All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work'* (2 Timothy 3:16). The Bible is inspired ('the word of God in the words of men') and presents itself as a manual for life, equipping us to live for God in every aspect of our lives. We also have the promise of the Holy Spirit to guide us in applying the words to our lives: *'the Spirit will guide you into all truth'* (John 16:13).

However, the Bible could also be described as a love letter from God, as He uses it to deepen our relationship with him. As Jesus said: *'You diligently study the Scriptures because you think that by them you possess eternal life. These are the Scriptures that testify about me'* (John 5:39,40). Christians follow a person not a book, and the Scriptures are intended to help us to know Jesus better.

At her coronation the Queen was given a Bible with the words, *'the most precious thing this world affords'*. Does this reflect our own attitude to the Bible?

**Canon Paul Hardingham, ©Parish Pump**



## St James Church, Arnside CONTACTS

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### Storth Village Church

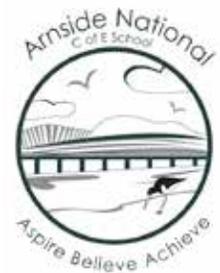
Priest in Charge:	Revd. Andrew Bryan Norman	(015395) 62355
Headteacher:	Mr Simon Brabant, Storth C.of E.School	(015395) 62517

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## FROM OUR SCHOOLS

**Arnside National School**  
*Headteacher, Mr N. Sharp*

**Storth School**  
*Headteacher, Mr S Brabant*



Please hold our schools in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time especially as pupils get settled for the autumn term.

We ask God's blessing on our head teachers, staff and pupils at Arnside and Storth, that they and their families will be safe. We also pray for staff and pupils at Beetham. Please remember those children starting their secondary education in your prayers and our young people who will be going to University or starting out on their working life.

We ask God's blessing on parents and families as they face the challenges and anxieties of the present time.

*A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues. - Cicero*



## HARVEST APPEAL



We will be holding our **Harvest Service on Sunday, 4th October**. As usual, this year we will support the Women's Refuge and Manna House in Kendal and the Homeless and Action Centre in Lancaster.

This year, Covid is going to make things a little more challenging. So, at the time of going to press, the suggestion is that the children will, as usual, support harvest but this year their produce will be sent direct from the school (not brought into church) specifically for the Homeless and Action Centre in Lancaster.

We, in church, will support our other two charities Manna House and the Women's Refuge. This year, can you please donate cash rather than goods.

Donations can be put in one of the white envelopes and clearly marked **ST JAMES HARVEST DONATION**. Or posted through Jude's locked letterbox/door.

Further information and any updates will be available via pew sheets or from Chris and Jude.



So for Harvest 2020 please note:

- No produce will be brought into church
- It is anticipated that School will support Homeless & Action Centre, Lancaster, with fresh produce taken direct from school.
- St James' will support Manna House and the Women's Refuge in Kendal (with cash donations to be divided equally between both charities).

## KING'S FOOD BANK, KENDAL

We handed over St. James' fifth collection, £290, to King's Food Bank in Kendal in mid-August, too late for mention in the September church magazine. This has been invaluable to them; in August, the Food Bank had 139 new referrals (all through various agencies, health and social). Linda, the manager, wrote in their July/August newsletter: *"When the restrictions are finally over, the furlough scheme comes to an end (with) the possibility of people losing employment, we anticipate the needs of many to be great."*

So you can see why they continue to be so grateful to St. James.

Our sixth collection has so far reached £190. We're sure you'll be delighted to learn that, with this sum, St James will have given over £1,500 to King's Food Bank since lockdown began. We'll be taking the latest batch of cheques in later this month; if you'd like to contribute, please drop an envelope containing your gift (cheque payable to Kings Food Bank or cash) through our locked letterbox. Should you wish to learn more, the Food Bank has a working website:

[www.kingsfoodbank.org.uk](http://www.kingsfoodbank.org.uk).

Our great thanks for your generosity, and our good wishes.

*Chris and Jude Bratt*



## When Oxford accepted women

A century ago, on 7th October 1920, Oxford University allowed women to become full members and study for full degrees for the first time, and the first 100 women were admitted.

Women had been attending lectures, taking examinations and gaining honours since the 1870s. Four women's colleges were established in those years – but no woman had been allowed to graduate and receive a degree although between 1904 and 1907 the so-called “steamboat ladies” travelled to the more liberal University of Dublin to graduate.

The 1920 decision was retrospective, and so at the first ceremony at which women were able to graduate more than 40 women did so. The first was Annie Rogers, who had achieved first class honours in Latin and Greek in 1877, and first class honours in Ancient History in 1879. She graduated on 26th October 1920.

Despite this leap forward, a quota limiting the number of female Oxford students to fewer than a quarter of the men was not removed until 1957, when the Warden of Wadham College, Sir Maurice Bowra, described it as “foolish and finicky” and declared that women were a “civilising influence”.

Cambridge University did not give women equal status until 1947.



## Ivy - Never underestimate its goodness!

Autumn is in full swing but there is at least one plant that is in full bloom. Not spectacular to look at, yet ivy is an important source of nectar for bees, moths, flies and wasps, and while they are not most people's favourite insects, they all play a vital part in Nature's jigsaw.

Ivy produces flowers from September to November. Spherical clusters of greeny-yellow blobs, which on closer inspection have endearing little horns with knobs on! The resulting fruits are dark berries with ridged sections, resembling tiny black footballs each containing five seeds. Poisonous for us, but birds love them.

Contrary to popular belief, it is not a parasite. Its stems have lots of fibrous, adhesive-covered, roots which cling to buildings, brickwork, trees, telegraph poles, in fact just about anything to help it gain some height. However, when it comes to nourishment, that comes via the roots in the ground. Although ivy does not normally damage sound buildings or walls, and is rarely a threat to healthy trees, its weight can cause problems. What a useful plant it can be! Providing shelter, hibernation and nesting sites for birds and insects, its glossy green leaves are happily munched by sheep, goats and deer. These leaves, so familiar, are different shapes according to whether they are on flowering or growing branches. The flowers are surrounded by heart- or spear-shaped leaves, while the rest of the plant has the three- or five-pointed ones we all recognise.

Many legends involve ivy. But has anyone discovered why although mentioned in the first line of the carol 'The Holly and the Ivy', it is absent from the rest of the verses?

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## COLLECTS and READINGS for SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER



### The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity - Sunday 4th October

Isaiah 5.1-7

Psalms 80.9-17 Philippians 3.4b-14

Matthew 21.33-46

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find  
their rest in you: pour your love into our  
hearts and draw us to yourself, and so  
bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
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.**

### The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity - Sunday 11th October

Isaiah 25.1-9 Psalm 23

Philippians 4.1-9 Matthew 22.1-14

Almighty and everlasting God,  
increase in us your gift of faith  
that, forsaking what lies behind  
and reaching out to that which is before,  
we may run the way of your  
commandments and win the crown of  
everlasting joy; 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.**

### The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity - Sunday 18th October

Isaiah 45.1-7

Psalms 96.1-13

1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

Matthew 22.15-22

O God, forasmuch as without you  
we are not able to please you;  
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit  
may in all things direct and rule our  
hearts; 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.**

### The Last Sunday after Trinity (Bible Sunday) Sunday 25th October

Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18 Psalm 1

1 Thessalonians 2.1-8

Matthew 22.34-46

or

Nehemiah 8.1-12 Psalm 119.9-16

Colossians 3.12-17 Matthew 24.30-35

Blessed Lord,  
who caused all holy Scriptures to be  
written for our learning: help us so to  
hear them, to read, mark, learn and  
inwardly digest them that, through  
patience, and the comfort of your holy  
word, we may embrace and for ever  
hold fast the hope of everlasting life,  
which you have given us in our Saviour  
Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with  
you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



# READERS FOR OCTOBER



## LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES Storth Village Church

Sunday: 10.30am  
(Methodist & Anglican)

## Beetham St Michael and All Angels

Sunday: 11.00am Parish Communion  
info:  
[beethamstmichaelsandallangels.co.uk](http://beethamstmichaelsandallangels.co.uk)

## Arnside Methodist Church

Sunday: 10.30am - See website for  
details: [arnsidemethodistchurch.org.uk](http://arnsidemethodistchurch.org.uk)

## Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

Saturdays 5.30pm (Mass)

Thursdays 9.30am

[http://www.](http://www.catholicparishofarnsideandmilnthorpe.org.uk)

[catholicparishofarnsideandmilnthorpe.org.uk](http://www.catholicparishofarnsideandmilnthorpe.org.uk)  
(booking for Mass required, see website for  
contact details)

## Yealand Quaker Meeting

This is located at the top of the hill  
on Yealand Rd , Yealand Conyers.

**Meeting for Worship:**

**Sundays, 10.30 - 11.30**

Further details Alan and Sue Tyldesley.  
01524 732336

(please check times with Alan or Sue)



## Sunday 4th October

(17th Sunday after Trinity)



### HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Deuteronomy 8.7-18 - Mrs A Brown

Luke 12: 16-30

## Sunday 11th October

(18th Sunday after Trinity)

Isaiah 25: 1-9 - Mrs J Bratt

Matthew 22: 1-14

## Sunday 18th October

(19th Sunday after Trinity)

Isaiah 35:3-6 - Mrs J Mitchell

Luke 10:1-9



## Sunday 25th October

(Last Sunday after Trinity)

*Bible Sunday*

Nehemiah 8:1-12 - Mrs S Woodburn

Matthew 124: 3-0-35

**The Gospel is read by the Vicar.**



## SAINTS OF THE MONTH: 10th October- Thomas Traherne - lover of nature

Thomas Traherne (1636 - 1674) is a good saint for anyone who loves our planet, and who wants to preserve Creation. This 17th century poet and clergyman wrote extensively about his love for nature, seeing in it a reflection of the glory of God.

Traherne was not of a literary family, for his father was either a shoemaker or innkeeper in Hereford. But Traherne did well at the Hereford Cathedral School and went on to Brasenose College Oxford. From there he became rector of Credenhill near Hereford in 1657, and ten years later was appointed to be the private chaplain to Sir Orlando Bridgeman, the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal to King Charles II, who lived at Teddington.

Throughout his years at Credenhill and then Teddington, Traherne led a simple and devout life, and his friendliness drew people to him. He was described as "one of the most pious ingenious men that ever I was acquainted with", and being of "cheerful and sprightly Temper", ready to do "all good Offices to his Friends, and Charitable to the Poor almost beyond his ability". Aside from his beloved books, he seems to have possessed very little.

Instead, he poured his energy into his writings, which had an intense, mystical, metaphysical spirituality. His poems and prose frequently mention the glory of Creation, and his intimate relationship with God, for whom he had an ardent, childlike love. Traherne has been

compared to later poets such as William Blake, Walt Whitman and Gerard Manley Hopkins, and his love for nature has been seen as very similar to the Romantic movement, though he lived two centuries earlier.

He is best known for his *Centuries of Meditations*, which has been described as "one of the finest prose-poems in our language." Lost for many years, and then finally first published in 1908, it was a favourite of the Trappist monk Thomas Merton, the Christian humanist Dorothy Sayers, and the writer C.S. Lewis, among others. C.S. Lewis considered *Centuries of Meditations* "almost the most beautiful book in English."

Traherne died in 1674, and is buried in St Mary's Teddington, under the church's reading desk. Today, he is counted as one of the leading 17th-century devotional poets.



Looks like the sexton went to Spain after all, and is still in quarantine.



## Methodists launch Year of Prayer

The Methodist Church has launched a Year of Prayer online to help bring more people to faith.

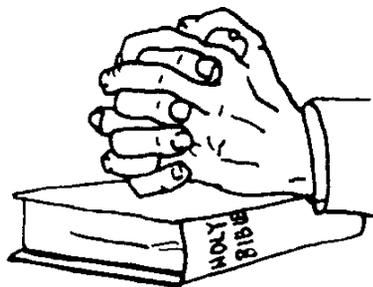
The short weekly online service takes place each Tuesday lunchtime, at 12.45pm via Zoom, and is also live-streamed via Facebook. It will be led by people from across the Church.

Trey Hall, Director of Evangelism and Growth for the Methodist Church, explains:

*"This Year of Prayer is a special time, a called-out time, for the whole Church. The world can feel like it's falling apart – not only due to COVID, but also due to systemic injustice, racism, to climate change, to political instability. And if we as the Church are going to respond in any meaningful way, we need more than ever to pray, we need to call upon God for healing and renewal and wisdom."*

The Year of Prayer is considered an important step in the new strategy adopted by the Methodist Conference to be an inclusive, evangelistic, growing, justice-seeking Church.

It wants to focus resources on helping people explore faith, in starting hundreds of new churches, and in serving communities experiencing marginalization.



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**Take a rest with us . . .**

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## LET'S PRAY FOR ARNSIDE

**L**ord God We know that you love us and love the world. We thank you for the many blessings that you shower upon us every day.



We place all our cares and concerns before you.  
 We especially pray for this village of Arnside: for everyone who lives and works here, and for the many visitors to this beautiful place.  
 Be close to those who are sick, bereaved, lonely, or afraid. Enable everyone to know your peace, your comfort, and your love.  
 We make our prayer in the name of Jesus, who is our risen Lord. **Amen**



## Kent Estuary Mission Community

Over the coming months the church communities in the Kent Estuary Mission Community will be meeting for prayer twice each month (**on the second and fourth Tuesdays**) at 10.30am for a time of prayer together. To begin with this will be via Zoom and you can join us using the link:

**<http://bit.ly/KEMCPrayer>**.

If you haven't used Zoom before clicking the link will enable you to download the program and log-in (using an email address). It is quite easy and straightforward, and provides a good means of connecting for meetings amid the current uncertainties.

We have already gathered for prayer twice in September led by both the church communities at St John's Levens and Arnside Methodist Church. It is hoped that these gatherings will serve to strengthen our common faith and shared fellowship across the Kent Estuary as we look ahead to working together as church communities into the future. As we gather we will pray for our common life, for our collective witness across the Kent Estuary, as well as the opportunity focus on the local work and ministry of our church communities.

Everyone is very welcome to join in these prayer gatherings, **which for the moment will be online rather than in person**, trusting that as we gather together we are united together in the Lord through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. Please do join us, you would be most welcome!

- 13 October - St Peter's Heversham
- 27 October - St James', Arnside
- 10 November - St Thomas', Milnthorpe
- 24 November - Storth Village Church
- 8 December - St Michael and All Angels, Beetham
- 22 December - Levens Methodist

## Visit the C of E online page

There is now a range of digital resources for to you connect with God at this difficult time. These include:

### Time to Pray app:

<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray>

*which is free and has an accompanying daily audio offering on SoundCloud and iTunes.*

### Mental health reflections:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-action/mental-health-resources/supporting-good-mental-health>

### Tips to tackle isolation:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-action/mental-health-resources/dealing-loneliness-and-isolation-five-top-tips>

More details at:

**<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/church-online>**

## DAILY HOPE PHONE LINE

The Church of England has developed a national free phone line to help support those who might feel particularly isolated at this time, especially if they have no access to the internet. The phone number is

**0800 804 8044**

and provides a collection of readings, prayers and hymns that can be listened to, all of which will be updated regularly. If you know of anyone who might appreciate this service, please do let them know the phone number and pray that it will be a blessing to many.



## PARISH NEWS



ST JAMES CHURCH

### FACE MASKS

Please note that the wearing of a face mask is now mandatory in a range of indoor venues including places of worship and church halls.

Coronavirus (Covid-19) can spread predominantly by droplets from coughs, sneezes and speaking. The best scientific evidence, is that, when used correctly, wearing a face covering can reduce the spread of the virus. They are not a replacement for physical distancing.

Face coverings need not be worn by worshippers when they consume the consecrated bread.

### ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING & VESTRY MEETING

Please note that the Vestry Meeting to elect the Church Wardens will be held on **Sunday, 18th October at 9.00am**.

Following this there will be a short Annual Parochial Church Meeting before the Parish Communion Service begins at 9.30am.

We were due to have our APCM as normal in April, however, due to Covid-19 this was cancelled. The Diocese have asked churches to have their APCMs before end of October.

Forms for those seeking election to offices will be available on Sundays.

The Church Electoral Roll will be available to be revised from Saturday 26th September until Saturday 3rd October, 2020.

## FROM THE EDITOR



The deadline for the **November** magazine is Monday, **12th October, 2020**.

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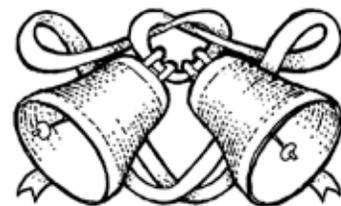
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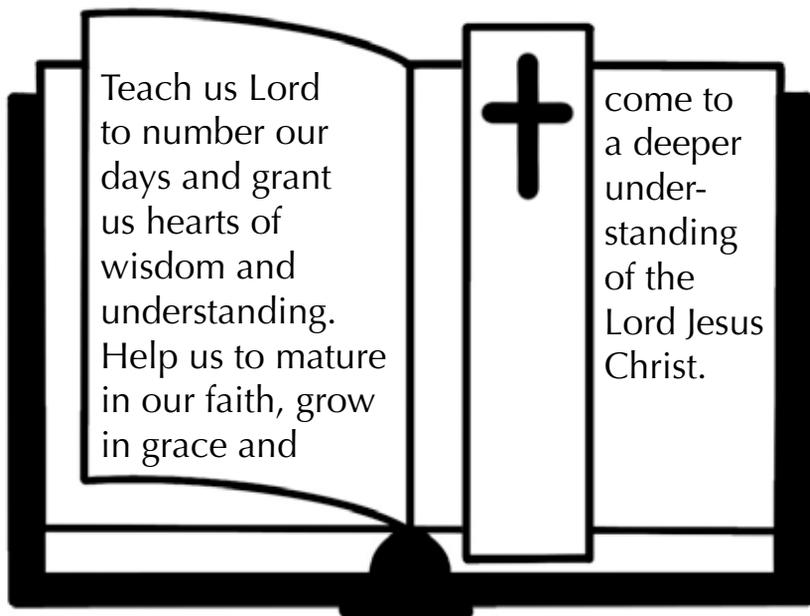
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"But did they plough the fields and scatter at a safe distance?"

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A minister, an avid golfer, was once taking part in a local tournament. As he was preparing to tee off, the organiser of the tournament approached him and pointed to the dark, threatening storm clouds which were gathering. "Sir," the organiser said, "I trust you'll see to it that the weather won't turn bad on us."

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### Moses revisited

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"Well, Mum, our teacher told us how God sent Moses behind enemy lines on a rescue mission to lead the Israelites out of Egypt. When he got to the Red Sea, he had his engineers build a pontoon bridge and all the people walked across safely. Then he radioed headquarters for reinforcements. They sent bombers to blow up the bridge and all the Israelites were saved."

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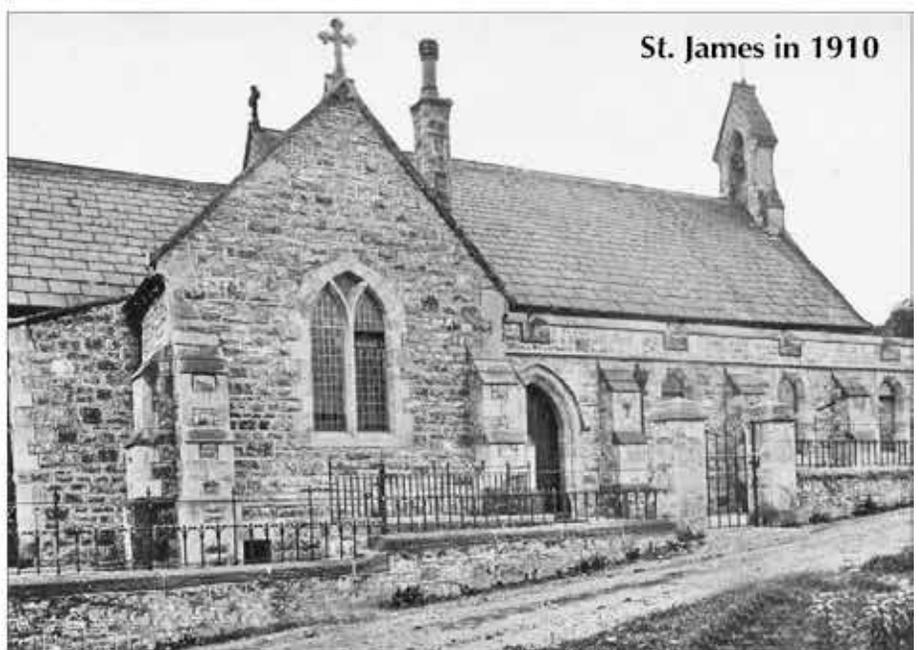
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