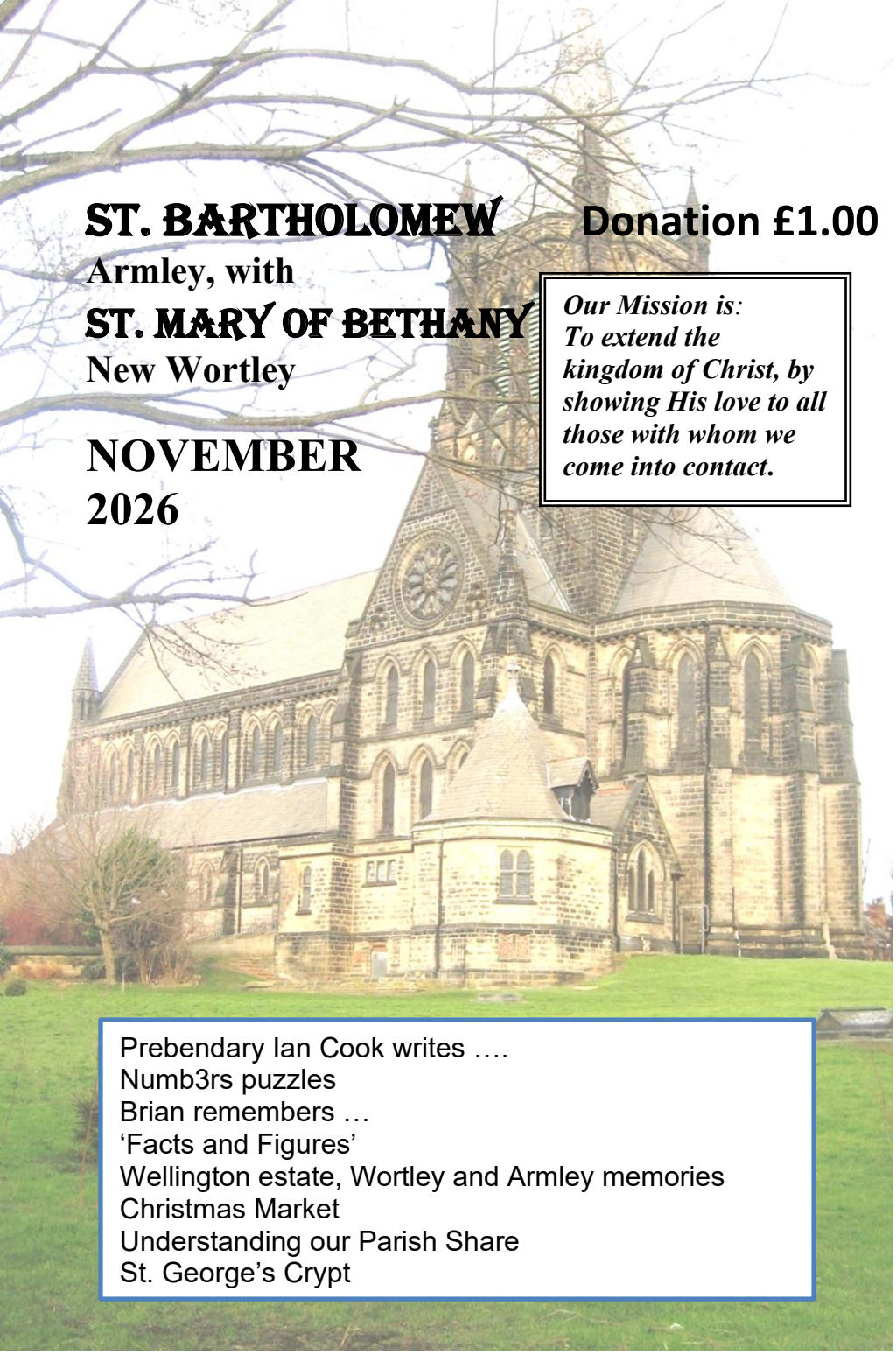


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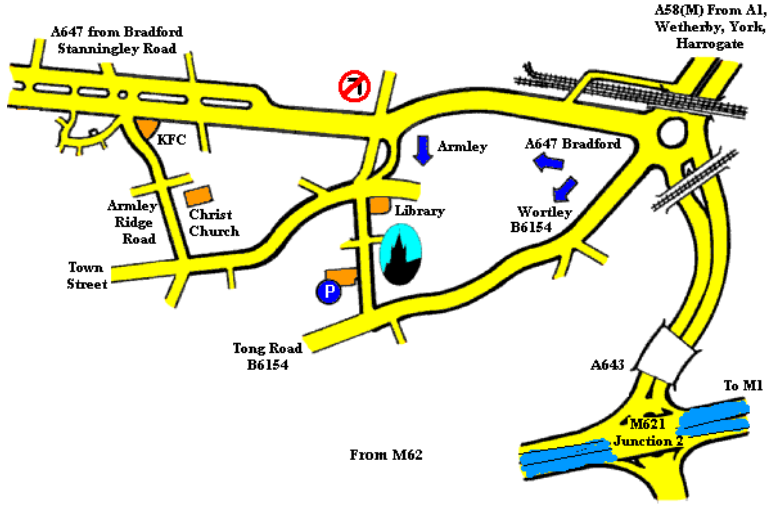
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PREBENDARY IAN COOK WRITES –

Good and dear fellow Christians,

It was probably last month that I promised you that I would share a vision of how St. Bartholomew's could develop and become perhaps a model parish which other parishes might wish to emulate. At first sight that might sound a little arrogant but not so. All parishes are called to be places where the Lord may be found in the scriptures and in the Breaking of Bread or, more simply in language familiar to St. Bartholomew's people, in the celebration of the Mass. If then our church is a place of meeting between the Eternal and we poor mortals then all things should excel in quality and order.

But let us consider our RESOURCES.

In some ways we are very fortunate. We have a church building of remarkable quality and stature. But more, we have an organ with at least a national reputation and happily a highly qualified organist who acts as its curator. I would suggest also that we have a truly excellent Altar table so very similar to the table in the upper room where Jesus celebrated the first Christian Eucharist. The church building also shelters other items of more than a local interest. Without wishing to be over critical, I find myself surprised that the memorial to Gott, the nineteenth century industrialist is not more celebrated. Given his contribution to the industrial development of Leeds, we should be proud that our church houses his memorial. It is my understanding that he was a most significant contributor to the cost of constructing the impressive church building which we all love so very much.

BUT …… there are other resources.

Yes, YOU and me.

The building comes to life when it is being used by people. Think of the Summer Fair or Christmas Market. The building becomes vibrant on those occasions as indeed it does when the Mass is being celebrated on Sundays and Thursdays.

People people. Yes, YOU and ME

We are a very important resource. Without you and me the building would be dead. The most important resource in any church community is the people. A people who sing, a people who laugh, a people who celebrate. Again, without wishing to be critical, we have some people who do far too much for our church. Why? Because it is thought that if they did not do all that they do important work would be left undone. How awful. The ministry is to be shared. We are all called to take a place in the corporate task -- to share.

Love and prayers from a sharer,

Preb. Ian Cook

to be continued ….



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Remember, don't buy Christmas cards for those at church; it's so much easier and convenient to send your Christmas Greetings in the magazine – and all your donation goes to church funds.



Sunday themes

Sunday 1st November: All Saints' Day (31st Sunday and Week of the Year – Fourth before Advent)
The Beatitudes

Sunday 8th November: Remembrance Sunday (32nd Sunday and Week of the Year – Third before Advent)
Jesus Cleanses the Temple

Sunday 15th November: 33rd Sunday and Week of the Year - (Second before Advent)
The Parable of the Talents

Sunday 22nd November: Christ the King (Sunday next before Advent)
The Judgement of the Nations

Sunday 29th November: Advent Sunday
The Necessity for Watchfulness

Parish Registers

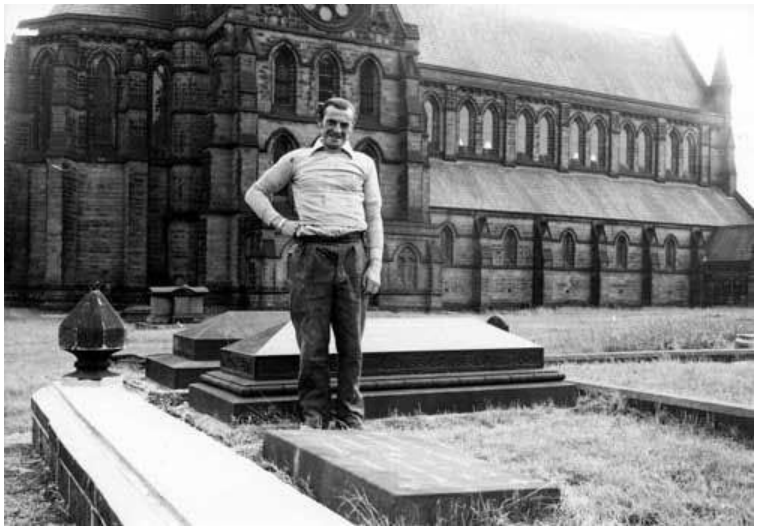
We welcome into God's family.
Recently baptised: Olivia Violet Haigh, Jack Junior Hodgen

Recently departed: Gillian Wilkinson, Jeannette Goldthorpe

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord
And may light perpetual shine upon them
May they rest in peace and rise in glory †

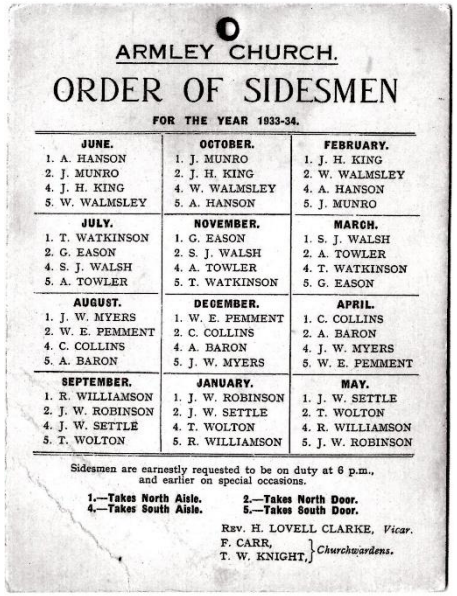
Wellington estate, Wortley and Armley Memories Facebook group

Much like flicking through old photograph albums, there are many interesting images and articles to be seen on the above's Facebook page.



Here we see a photograph of Dennis Handley during a tidy-up operation in St. Bartholomew's graveyard in 1977.
Dennis was a dedicated churchwarden at the church. His work as a builder and roofer gave him the necessary skills and expertise to undertake numerous repairs and renewals whilst he attended St. Bartholomew's.
He died in 2004. His widow, Eileen is still actively engaged at St. Bart's. Although she recently decided to resign as churchwarden, she still performs essential work in booking clergy for all our Masses, baptisms, weddings and funerals.

On the Facebook page, there are also extracts from a diary from 1930 from the father of Richard Collier. This gentleman was an acquaintance of Charles (Charlie) Collins, who was Thelma's father-in-law. Charlie was also a churchwarden at St. Bartholomew's, and his name can be seen on the list of sidesmen from 1933-1934.



ARMLEY CHURCH.

ORDER OF SIDESMEN

FOR THE YEAR 1933-34.

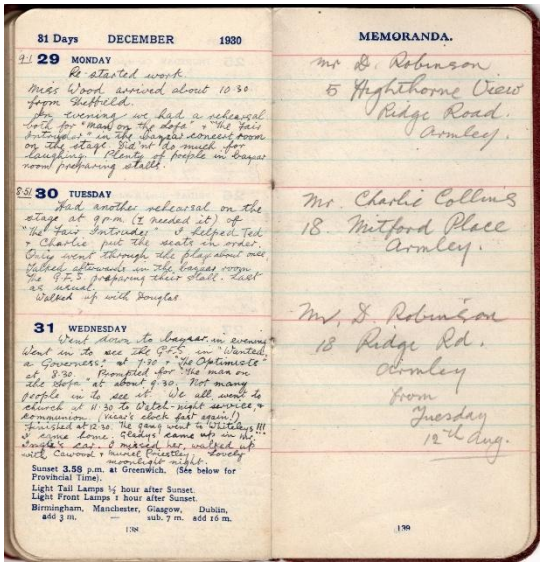
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2. J. MUNRO	2. J. H. KING	2. W. WALMSLEY
4. J. H. KING	4. W. WALMSLEY	4. A. HANSON
5. W. WALMSLEY	5. A. HANSON	5. J. MUNRO
JULY.	**NOVEMBER.**	**MARCH.**
1. T. WATKINSON	1. G. EASON	1. S. J. WALSH
2. G. EASON	2. S. J. WALSH	2. A. TOWLER
4. S. J. WALSH	4. A. TOWLER	4. T. WATKINSON
5. A. TOWLER	5. T. WATKINSON	5. G. EASON
AUGUST.	**DECEMBER.**	**APRIL.**
1. J. W. MYERS	1. W. E. PEMMENT	1. C. COLLINS
2. W. E. PEMMENT	2. C. COLLINS	2. A. BARON
4. C. COLLINS	4. A. BARON	4. J. W. MYERS
5. A. BARON	5. J. W. MYERS	5. W. E. PEMMENT
SEPTEMBER.	**JANUARY.**	**MAY.**
1. R. WILLIAMSON	1. J. W. ROBINSON	1. J. W. SETTLE
2. J. W. ROBINSON	2. J. W. SETTLE	2. T. WOLTON
4. J. W. SETTLE	4. T. WOLTON	4. R. WILLIAMSON
5. T. WOLTON	5. R. WILLIAMSON	5. J. W. ROBINSON

Sidesmen are earnestly requested to be on duty at 6 p.m., and earlier on special occasions.

1.—Takes North Aisle. 2.—Takes North Door.
4.—Takes South Aisle. 5.—Takes South Door.

REV. H. LOVELL CLARKE, *Vicar.*
F. CARR, T. W. KNIGHT, } *Churchwardens.*

It would also appear that Charlie was keen on amateur dramatics. He is mentioned in the diary in connection to a play entitled '*The Fair Intruder*'.



31 Days DECEMBER 1930

MEMORANDA.

29 MONDAY
Re-started work.
Mrs Wood arrived about 10 30 from Sheffield.
This evening we had a rehearsal both for "Man on the slope" + "The Fair Intruder," in the Wesleyan concert room on the stage. Did not go much for laughing. Plenty of people in Lupset room preparing stalls.

Mr D. Robinson
5 Hightthorne View
Ridge Road.
Armley.

30 TUESDAY
Had another rehearsal on the stage at 9 p.m. (I needed it) of "The Fair Intruder" I helped Ted + Charlie put the seats in order. They went through the play about 11 30 + afterwards in the Wesleyan room the W.P.S prepairing their stall. Last as usual.
Walked up with Douglas

Mr Charlie Collins
18 Mitford Place
Armley.

31 WEDNESDAY
Went down to Wesley in evening. Went in to see the G.F.S. in "Wanted a Governess" at 7 30 + "The Optimists" at 8 30 "Prompted for "The man on the floor" at about 9 30. Not many people in to see it. We all went to church at 11 30 to Watch-night service + communion. (Vicar's clock fast again!) Finished at 12 20 The gang went to Whiteleys !!! + Cyril home. Teddy + Ernie left us in the Devil's car. I missed her, walked up with Cawood + Muriel Priestley. Lovely moonlight night.

Mr. D. Robinson
18 Ridge Rd.
Armley
from
Tuesday
12th Aug.

Sunset 3.58 p.m. at Greenwich. (See below for Provincial Time).
Light Tail Lamps ½ hour after Sunset.
Light Front Lamps 1 hour after Sunset.
Birmingham, Manchester, Glasgow, Dublin, add 3 m. — sub. 7 m. add 16 m.

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What is also interesting is that there was a 'Watch-night' service and communion at 11:30pm on New Year's Eve, which lasted about an hour. The author mentions that 'the gang' went to Whiteley's (presumably a pub) after the service.
I can't help thinking that there wouldn't be too many people attending church on a New Year's Eve in the 2020's and that the visit to the pub would probably be more appealing!

Brian remembers….

From 1942 until many years after the end of World War 2, there were a number of political slogans painted in white along the front of a long brick wall leading up to the recreation ground and these could be clearly seen from Armley Road. As a schoolboy, whenever I was on the top deck of the No. 14 tram coming from or going to Bramley, I was always puzzled by some of these slogans.

Who had daubed them on the wall and what did it all mean? *'Arrest The High Priests!'* *'Arrest Lady Astor!'* and *'Open The Second Front Now!'* One that I could understand was *'Stalingrad Defends Leeds!'* As my interest in the history of the Second World War developed, I realised that these strident messages must have been the work of The British Communist Party members trying to drum up support for the valiant Soviet Russian soldiers and civilians in their struggle against Nazi Germany.

The wall and the slogans remained there until the site was redeveloped for housing.

Brian Gaunt

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NUMB3RS

It's back to numbers after last month's crossword!

1. If *A* gives £5 to *B,* then *B* will have four times as much money as *A*, but if, instead, *B* gives £9 to *A* then *A* will have twice as much money as *B.* Find out how much money each had originally.

2. Which cut out section correctly completes this table?

8	9	72	81
4		24	30
7	8		64
3		12	16
6	8		56

A

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	64
4	
	36

B

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	64
4	
	48

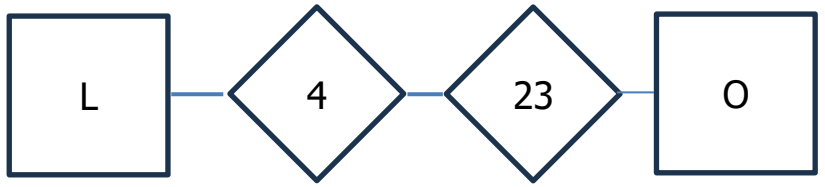
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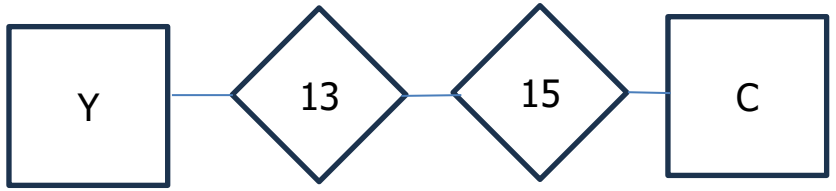
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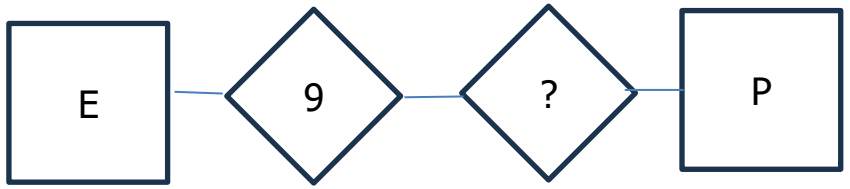
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3. If A=1, B=2, C=3, etc., what number should replace the question mark?







4. Starting with the number 846, divide by 9, then add 186, then multiply by 3, then divide by 4, then subtract 66, then take the square root and finally multiply by 16. What's your answer?

J R Kaye (PCC Treasurer)

Answers elsewhere in this magazine

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As we head towards the end of one year and the start of the next, the Diocese of Leeds has confirmed the amount of money they will be requesting as our Parish Share payment in 2027 – for us, this will total £5,300.

Parish Share is the money paid by churches and used by the diocese to enable the work of ministry to thrive everywhere by funding the work of clergy. Every penny given in Parish Share is used to support local ministry by paying for clergy stipends, housing costs and pensions.

Biblical first principles are followed in how Parish Share works – the system is based on what we see in the early church. All churches give and all churches receive but this is not a straight 'you get what you pay for' calculation. All Parish Share contributions are combined to support every parish in the diocese, regardless of size or wealth. Those who have more are asked to give more to support others, those who have less are asked to give what they can so that everyone contributes. As Bishop Toby says in his introductory letter: "It's about what God does with it all, which is always far greater than the sum of the parts, so what we come out with at the end is wonderful abundance."

We are being asked to pray and to talk about Share especially because the money given in Parish Share now covers less than three quarters of the costs of frontline clergy in the diocese. The cost of clergy ministry will be around £17.5 million in 2027 but the diocese is only expecting around £12.1 million to come in through Parish Share to fund it. The remainder will need to be met by other income sources such as Church of England grants, parochial fees, investment and rental income, plus the sale of property. However, this approach is unsustainable in the long term and so we are all being asked to talk and pray about how the vital ministry work of clergy in our parishes can be supported into the future.

The diocese is currently a third of the way through the Parish Share Agreement programme – where the stewardship team will aim to visit every single parish over a three-year period to listen to each parish's local context and financial situation, agree on a parish share contribution that will value and empower parishes, and offer help with stewardship advice, guidance and additional resources.

There is lots more information available about Parish Share, how it's calculated and what it pays for on the Diocese of Leeds website here, including a video from Bishop Toby and a special E-guide setting out all the information. Do have a look or chat to our Treasurer for more information.

You can also scan this QR code which will take you to the Parish Share page:

SCAN ME

Jonathan Wood, Chief Executive and Diocesan Secretary

Answers to Numb3rs

1. If you let A = the amount of money A originally had and B = the amount of money B originally had, then from the first statement

$$4(A-5) = B+5 \qquad (1)$$
$$4A-20-5 = B$$
$$B = 4A-15$$

From the second statement

$$2(B-9) = A+9 \qquad (2)$$
$$2B-18-9 = A$$
$$A = 2B-27$$

Substituting the value for A into equation (1), we get

$$4(2B-27-5) = B+5$$
$$8B-108-20 = B+5$$
$$7B = 133$$
$$B = 19$$

Using this value for B in equation (2) gives

$$2(19-9) = A+9$$
$$A = 11$$

A originally had **£11** and ***B*** had **£19**

2. **C**, in each row, the number in the third column is the multiple of the numbers in the first two columns, and the number in the far right column is the sum of the numbers in the two central columns

3. **12**
In each set, the values of the letters total the sum of the two numbers between them.

4.
846÷9 =94, 94+186=280, 280x3=840, 840÷4=210, 210-66=144, square root of 144=12, 12x16= **192**

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Gift Aided bankers orders	£327.00
PCC fees	£237.00
Collections	£235.02
One Lottery	£167.50
Tax recovered	£121.46
Payments	
Insurance	£1,176.15
Photocopier	£324.08
Independent exam. fee	£232.00
Upkeep of services	£160.55
Flowers/Rem'brance wreath	£41.94
Bank charges	£2.10
2026 to date	
Receipts	£33,055.41
Payments	£27,542.69
Surplus	£5,512.72
Owed to the PCC	
HMRC tax reclaimed	£406.07
Owed by the PCC	
Historical Parish Share	£228,561.00

J.R. Kaye 29/10/26

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Contact Mrs. E. Handley

See above

St.George's Crypt

At our Harvest Thanksgiving Parish Mass on 11th October, our guest speaker was Anita Goldthorp, the Retail Community Engagement Coordinator for St. George's Crypt.
Anita came well-armed with publicity material about the Crypt, in addition to a tombola stall and preloved clothes for sale.

Her talk about the Crypt was both informative and educational. It was encouraging to hear about all the good work that is being done with the homeless, those addicted to alcohol and/or drugs and the vulnerable in this area. We thank Anita for taking the opportunity to come to visit and speak to us.

At the Mass, there were opportunities to donate both food and money. If you weren't there and would like to make a monetary donation, please see Jon, who will see that it reaches the Crypt.