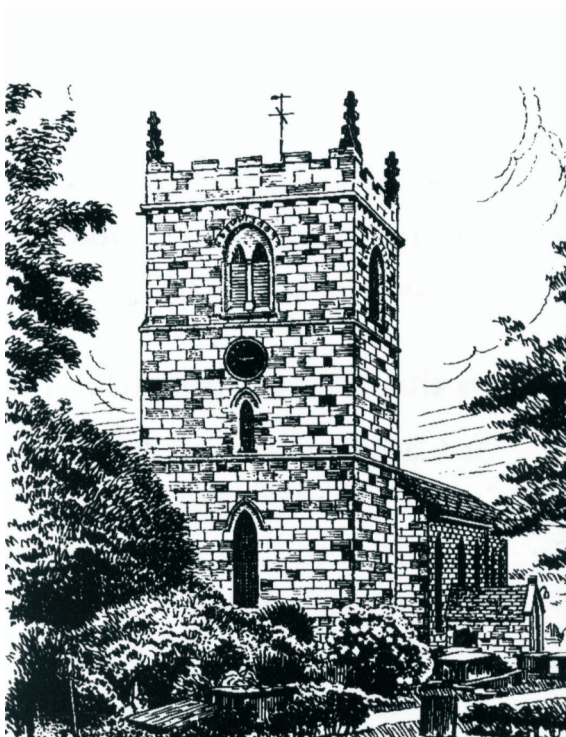


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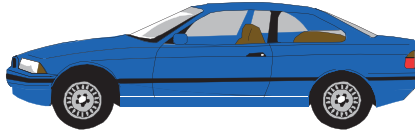
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Funerals::

Walter Powell

Hemsworth

Welcome!

Enjoy reading this parish magazine. If you wish to know more about church groups, please get in touch with the contacts - their names are on the inside front & inside back covers.

You'd be most welcome to join us for worship. Service times are on the back page. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Meanwhile may God bless you and all whom you love.

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Bountiful crops- bountiful people??

If you, like the Vicarage household, have been 'growing your own' this year, you'll know that crops of many things have been plentiful and abundant. I am getting constant complaints from a cabbage-loving husband that the crop he grew are going off because we can't eat cabbage at the necessary rate! My son returned home last week with a very large container full of homemade mushroom soup after having been given a larger supply of someone's excess crop than anyone knew what to do with. The back of church has become a repository for excess apples from the Bishop's garden, available for the taking. Why not freeze them?, I hear you asking. Well, the freezer's already full to overflowing with damsons, cherries, blackberries and elderberries gathered for the next batch of 'Summer Fruit' wine. But that can't be made yet, because the airing cupboard and the loft are full of demi-johns and fermenting bins gently bubbling away with generous quantities of apple wine, damson wine and strawberry wine already on the go. We've run out of demi-johns at the moment! A repair man from the Diocese commented last week, "You could get drunk it that airing cupboard of yours!" I didn't like to tell him that was only a small part of the stock!



Nature's generosity is staggering. We have more than we can use, and that makes this harvest season a wonderful time for sharing – we can't use all we have, and if we don't give it away it will perish in our hands. We learn again something which has become a rarity in our independent culture – the joy of giving away, and of receiving freely. No strings attached, generous giving. And we can only do that because of God's lavish, almost recklessly lavish, goodness to us. We have more than we know what to do with. We have so much fruit we have to appeal for jam-jars for all the produce we can make! There is something hugely therapeutic about this open-handedness, this free giving away, because we live in a world where so little is shared. When we do share, we realise it does us good. We feel better, barriers are broken down, relationships strengthened, we build community. And the Initiator behind it all is the One who gave us what we have to give – God.

In whatever shape it comes, Harvest is a celebration of that lavish goodness, the reckless generosity of God. And in what is being called 'an age of austerity' we need that message more than ever, to set the record straight. We do not live in a world which was created to operate on measures of stingy penny-pinching,

but a world whose Creator is lavish and gives abundance more than we know what to do with. If we lived in tune with those principles in our individual dealings with one another, and with the wider world, how many of the problems we face today would be things of the past?

May our harvest celebrations this year remind us to live our lives in tune with a God who is generous and open-handed. It's something desperately needed, by the church, and by the wider world, and, if truth be told, by ourselves. It is in learning generosity that we find that inner sense of well-being we so desperately need. As the much-loved Prayer of St. Francis says, "It is in giving that we receive." It's not the way our culture encourages us to think, but it is nonetheless truth. May we experience that truth in our dealings with others during this Harvest season.

Amanda



Early Christmas shopping? Save yourself some money, and help St Mary's as well!

easyfundraising is well named! As a reminder, when you shop on the internet, use easyfundraising to access shopping sites and for everything you buy, St Mary's receives a donation. Even better, there are regularly great deals available for many retailers - I've certainly saved money on my cat food, and used the site to find retailers I'd never heard of which has been very useful. There are even vouchers to print off and use in real shops.

Just visit <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmaryswoodkirk> and register. Always visit this site first and access shops through it and the system does the rest! It recognises how much you've spent and sorts the donations out. To make things even easier you can now download a toolbar which sits in your web browser all the time.

There is also a really serious point to this - we are really struggling with money. Contrary to popular belief, we and the Church of England are not rolling about in loads of money. It costs £1000 a week to run St Mary's (this is on a shoe-string!) and we are around £400 a week short of this amount. If a lot of people make a conscious effort to use easyfundraising for most internet shopping it could go towards making a difference to the future of our church, and our work for God in the community.

Remember you can ask friends and family to register and go through the site - it doesn't cost you a penny, and could save you pounds!

Many thanks, Neal

Harvest Celebration

Sunday 9th October 2011

Our harvest celebrations, thanking God for his goodness, will take place on Sunday 9th October. As well as gathering financial gifts to help support the work of Christian Aid amongst the world's poorest people, we also like to do something more locally.

As in previous years, gifts of foodstuffs gathered at Harvest will be taken to a local Christian charity called 'Caring for Life' based at a farm at Cookridge in Leeds. Whilst they will accept anything we take them, these items are ones they would be particularly grateful for:

Harvest 2011

Jars:	Ketchup & Brown Sauce Salad Cream, salt & pepper Tomato Puree Stock Cubes – meat & veg Cook in sauces Golden Syrup & Honey – No Jams please!	Dried:	Cereal, Oats, Muesli Plain & SR Flour Long grain & pudding rice Noodles Granulated, castor & icing sugar Instant Meals
Tins:	Vegetables, potatoes, beans Tomatoes Custard Ready Meals, spaghetti, ravioli Rice Pudding Stewed steak, curry meals, meat balls, mince Tinned meat/fish; Ham, Tuna, pork Assorted Soup Fruit & Fruit Jelly	Drinks:	Dried Apricots & Sultanas Baking Powder Bicarbonate of Soda Coffee, Cordial, Long-life fruit juices, Long-life milk, tea bags
		Treats:	Biscuits & Chocolate
		Misc:	Washing up liquid Washing Powder Sponge scourers

Albert's Chocolate Quiz

From the clues given, work out the names of chocolate brands.

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| 1. Mother's local? | 9. What gravel does underfoot? |
| 2. Endless flying machine? | 10. Where you will find 9 and 10? |
| 3. Straight from the cow? | 11. Travelling players, possibly black and white? |
| 4. Festivities to mark special events? | 12. Not soap, corn or snow but definitely chocolate? |
| 5. Clever guys with good dress sense? | 13. Witchcraft? |
| 6. Ike and Roy get together to enjoy this? | 14. This was taken by a mutinous Christian? |
| 7. Residents of a Mediterranean island? | 15. A brown fruit? |
| 8. Would you find these on a kid? | |

Repeat the Success!!

Switching their Quiz and Fun night to Woodkirk Parish Centre last year proved to be a master stroke for the Heckmondwike Support Group for Kirkwood Hospice. So much so they are return to Woodkirk on Saturday October 22nd this year and are hoping to match last year's triumph both socially and financially.

Last year's visit came about because, almost at the last minute, the organisers of the Fun Night discovered that the hall where they usually staged their function had been double booked – and the Hospice Group's booking had been taken by mistake.

They were faced with the problem of losing out on income and refunding people who had bought tickets when it was suggested that Woodkirk might be able to help. And how!! The centre was packed with group's own supporters and lots of folk from St Mary's. There was lots of good fun and banter, a superb supper – with the group's voluntary cooks absolutely adoring the Centre's new kitchen – and an increased financial profit to top everything off.

This year the function will start at 7pm and, as previously, Malcolm Haigh will act as MC for the evening which will include a wide ranging quiz, a number of party games and dancing. His friend Barbara Wilcock is baking a meat and potato pie together with mushy peas for the supper which will be followed by a choice of trifle or peach melba.

Tickets priced at £7.50 can be obtained direct from Malcolm on 01924 479824, the group's chairman Bob Stocks on 01924 406748 or supporter Marlyn Walsh on 01274 873543.. Hope you can make it.

Malcolm

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A sad day for St. Mary's.

If you have read the 'Vicar's letter' at the start of this magazine, you will have words like 'generosity' and 'lavish bounty' running through your mind. Sadly they are not the words that run through a PCC member's mind when we are presented with the month's accounts. Our Treasurer deserves a medal for keeping a positive mental attitude in the face of what is now a dire situation.

I write this following yesterday's PCC meeting when we had to face a very difficult, sad and painful decision. This month we will find ourselves unable to pay our full 'Common Fund' contribution to the Diocese. This money goes to pay clergy, and as more and more churches find themselves in the same position the Diocese will have no choice but to reduce the number of clergy. For September, we will only be able to pay £2,000 of our £3,490 contribution. It is a sad day for St. Mary's.

For many years now we have failed to generate an income which could enable us to be fully sustainable and have been eating into reserves to pay our way every month. If any domestic household was only able to pay its gas bill because it had been left a legacy you'd consider that a problem – St. Mary's has been doing that for years. Not only have the reserves been depleted, apart from the amount we have been advised to retain to attract grant funding for our redevelopment, but we have major repairs we cannot afford to undertake. Urgent repairs highlighted in our Quinquennial Inspection will cost £9,500; the repairs to the cornice have been quoted at a further £9,000. And that's without VAT. The situation is far from good.

I believe levels of giving have been unrealistic for years because people thought St. Mary's was a 'rich church' "It doesn't need our money – it has reserves." That misses the point of what our giving is. It is not helping support a charity which happens to be called church. It is a gift to God. Gifts are brought up to the altar after the bread and wine – a symbol of ultimate sacrifice.

Do the gifts we present to God involve any real sacrifice to us? We say, "All that we have comes from you and of your own do we give you". Every penny we earn or are awarded in pensions is thanks to the God who has given us hands to work, minds to apply to business, and strength to do what we do. Is what we give an adequate reflection of that and of the value our faith in God has for us?

I appeal to everyone to ask yourselves, before God, if your current level of giving is one which adequately reflects the goodness of God to you. Our giving is not so much a practical matter as a spiritual matter. If our relationship is right with God we will give what is right. If it's not, we will give what is left. And the church – and the world it serves – will suffer- or enjoy - the consequences of that decision. God loves a generous giver. May that be us!

Amanda

George Postill R.I.P.

For some 37 years George was involved at St. Mary's Church, and when George got involved with something he threw himself, heart and soul, into it! It wasn't long before he had taken up the role of Secretary to the PCC, and then went on to the role of churchwarden in the 1980s, supporting the parish through interregnum from 1999 to 2000 and coping with the many challenges which presented themselves. Through it all, George brought humour, stamina, poetry and great faith in God's goodness to it all. And huge amounts of wisdom. All these rich qualities will be deeply missed but most of all, St. Mary's will miss George himself.

An extract was read at George's funeral of a poem which bears repeating. It comes from 'The Passionate Man's Pilgrimage' by Sir Walter Raleigh.

Give me my scallop-shell of quiet,
My staff of faith to walk upon,
My scrip of joy, immortal diet,
My bottle of salvation,
My gown of glory, hope's true gage:
And thus I'll take my pilgrimage.

And this is my eternal plea
To Him that made heaven, earth and sea:
Seeing my flesh must die so soon
And want a head to dine next noon,
Just at the stroke, when my veins start and spread,
Set on my soul an everlasting head!
Then am I ready, like a palmer fit,
To tread those blest paths which before I writ.

Although his death was sudden and quite unexpected to most of us, I suspect George had an inner sense that it may be near. He and Eileen read this poem together the day before he died, and by 'next noon' as the poem says, he was made ready for the great banquet of heaven, of which Jesus speaks. It's what the ancients would call a 'good and holy death', in complete readiness for the end. It's an undervalued art we would do well to learn, for it is a pilgrimage we are all making. God bless you, George. You'll be sadly missed.

Amanda

Harvest Activity Morning
Saturday 15th October
9.30am-12.30pm
St. Mary's Parish Centre
Suitable for children aged 4-11.



Book the date in your diary now! Lots of fun, creative harvest-themed craft activities, games, puppets, singing and fun. Refreshments will be provided!

We can't guarantee there will be much time to 'veg out' in these three hours – but after such a fun-filled morning you'll need some time to 'veg out' afterwards!! And whilst children are busy enjoying themselves, mums and dads might appreciate the opportunity to 'veg out' themselves!

Application forms will be available in mid-September, but if you wish to secure your place early, ring Amanda on 01924 472375. Cost £3 per child.

Remembrance – Treasures of memory

This year, Remembrance Sunday falls on 13th November. We have seen a great deal in the news over recent weeks of the horrors of terrorism and the ongoing cost of war, as we have marked the 10th anniversary of 9/11. We are also seeing the Arab Spring uprisings which herald the hopes of a new and different way of being for many, and yet are not without huge personal pain and sacrifice.

Our 10.30am Service will be our usual All-Age Service for the 2nd Sunday of the month, where we will be helping our youngsters to reflect on the sacrifices made for them as well as for us. That will be followed by our 12 noon Communion service.

At 6pm the local branch of the British Legion will join us for our annual Memorial Service. All those who have lost loved ones and wish to remember them are invited to join us and light candles in their memory. At this service we will also remember those who have given their lives in war, both in the past and those who continue to do so.

Please join us if you wish to do so. Refreshments will be provided after the service.

Amanda

Sacred Diary of Adrian Plass Aged 37 & 3/4

Adrian Plass is a seriously funny writer, entertainer and Christian speaker. He has written many books and this is one of his first humorous epistles. It is the story of a Christian, his wife, family and his church. In it you will meet some fascinating characters.

Saturday December 14th

Feel led to keep a diary. A sort of spiritual log for the benefit of other in the future.....

Can't think of anything to put in today. Still, tomorrows Sunday. Must be something on a Sunday, surely?

So starts the book that has become a firm favourite with readers of all ages.

Adrian is a gifted writer and can find the funny scenarios in some unlikely aspects of everyday church life. In these pages you will meet his son Gerald who has a wicked sense of humour, long suffering wife Anne, neighbour and dramatist Leonard Thynn and many more. You may recognise the traits and stereotypes of some Christians.

From the book. Andromeda stood up on her chair stuck her chin out and sang "shee is Looord" at the top of her voice. Raymond Pond our organist who has been stable for a long time now, lost his head and launched into "Home, home on the Range" wouldn't have mattered much but a few people started to sing the words with raised arms. Vernon Rawlings got completely carried away and shouted "I want to be an antelope for you Lord" and so the story continues. This is a very funny book, one that you should not read in public, as it will have you laughing out loud and those around you will think that you are very strange! Tuesday April 8th God's on holiday. Why borrow a cat? For the answer to that and other questions you will need to read the book. A copy can be found at the back of church.

The All New seriously Funny Tour 2011

Adrian Plass and Jeff Lucas can be seen in an evening of conversation about life, love and God in Huddersfield 4th December.

WWW.plassandlucasontour.com for further details.

Derek Barraclough

Investing in the Future ours!

Are you investing in the future and specifically in your own future?

This is not an idle question given the on-going concern about pension funding and how the young people of today will cope in their old age. So I make the assumption that you are investing in your pension either through tax, N.I. or savings. You will have realised that you need to invest for your old age.

How else are you investing in the future?

Are you investing in you children and grandchildren's education - buying books and other items for school to help them? Do you have an internet connection to help them with their homework? All of these will involve time and money and probably patience but you probably consider them worth the effort.

Would you like to see a better local environment in which to live, a better country in which your family and friends can feel more secure and a better world where there is peace and justice for all? If you are like me then your answer to this will be a loud but uncertain "yes". The reason for the uncertainty is, "how can we achieve this since we fear that things are getting worse rather than better

I am constantly amazed by what people will invest time and money in. In November 2004, the USA flew an 'aeroplane' with a scram jet engine at 10 times the speed of sound. This aeroplane was twelve feet by five feet and fell to the ocean floor. What is this massive investment of money and time for - a faster and more destructive missile? Surely we should invest in environmentally efficient transport not speed?

It really is mind blowing what people will invest in. They believe that it is worth the risk, the money and the time. So what should Christians invest in? Well Jesus said, "Store up treasure for yourself in heaven." (Matt6:19-21) Now I have wondered on more than a few occasions what is this treasure and how do I get to store it?

To be honest I am not really sure about the 'what' as eternal life is a free gift given without condition to those who give their lives to Christ, but I do have a few ideas about the how.

God is a God of love, justice and righteousness and God calls His people to be the means whereby His love, justice and righteousness are practised and expounded to others. If we want a better world for our family and friends we should have recognised by now that this cannot be in isolation to the rest of the world. Whether we are Christians or not, we know that without justice there can be no peace - even on our doorsteps. What happens elsewhere in the world affects us as well as our neighbours in far off lands? If we wish to work for peace and follow Jesus we must invest in Christian work around the world. If we want a better world we need significant Christian investment. We pray for God's kingdom to come on earth, (Matt 6:10) and God in His wisdom has decided that to achieve this He will ask you and me to invest in the process of bringing in

His kingdom. The return on our investment is a better world and this strange incorruptible treasure in heaven.

So have I whetted your appetite for this investment? Read again Matt 25:31:46 and consider the following:

- We need to invest in our local church so that those living in our neighbourhood have the opportunity to become Christians and everyone has a better place to live in.
- We need to invest in justice and peace to relieve poverty at home and abroad. The Jubilee Debt Campaign has achieved significant results but only a small fraction of the debt has been written off. Tear Fund, Christian Aid and many other mission agencies need investment to relieve poverty and show Christian love and concern

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Wed 5 th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10.00am	Holy Communion (Common Worship) – extended - & refreshments
	<i>NO HOME GROUP TONIGHT</i>	
Thurs 6 th	2pm	Holy Communion at Soothill Manor
Sun 9 th	10.30am	All-Age Harvest Celebration
HARVEST	12 noon	Holy Communion
	<i>TO BE CONDUCTED BY REVD. SHIRLEY GOLDTHORPE</i>	
Mon 10 th	12 noon	First Steps toddler service – ‘Henry’s autumn walk’
	7.30pm	PCC meeting in Parish Centre
Wed 12 th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10.00am	Holy Communion (Iona setting) & refreshments
Sat 15 th	9.30am-12.30pm	‘Veg Out’ Activity Morning for children aged 4-11
Sun 16 th	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung) & JAM Club
Mon 17 th	2pm	Mothers’ Union – Keith Barber to speak
Tues 18 th	9.45am	Hill Top Harvest Service in church
Wed 19 th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (1662 setting) & refreshments
	8pm	Home Group at 945 Leeds Road (home of Peter Crookes & Margaret Hampshire)
Thurs 20 th	11am	Holy Communion at Lydgate Lodge Nursing Home
Sun 23 rd	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung) & Gro-Zone
Wed 26 th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (with prayer for healing) & refreshments
Sun 30 th	10.30am	All-Age Communion for All Saints’ Day



November

Wed 2 nd	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (Common Worship) & refreshments
	8pm	Home Group at 12, Woollin Crescent (Home of Gail & Dave Townsend)
Thurs 3 rd	2pm	Holy Communion at Soothill Manor
Sat 5 th	10am-1pm	Churchyard clear-up
Sun 6 th	8am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung) & JAM Club
	12.30pm	Baptism Service
Wed 9 th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (Iona setting) & refreshments
Sun 13 th	10.30am	All Age Communion
		REMEMBRANCE 12 noon Holy Communion
SUNDAY	6pm	Remembrance & Memorial Service with British Legion

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*William began to regret asking daddy
to help with his R.E. homework.*

Branch FM

I joined Branch FM in Dewsbury just this summer as a volunteer. One of the things that I chatted with people at the station about was how the station was supported by other Christian & community stations across the country. It seemed that no mutual support network to address the problems of radio stations existed. Organisations such as Christian Broadcasting Council operated according to a separate agenda altogether.

This therefore became a clear goal for me: to federate, organise and form a mutual society for help and support for Christian radio broadcasters. I targeted UCB in Stoke on Trent as being a big name Christian broadcaster to bring aboard for the idea – once a big name is on board many smaller ones often follow. UCB warmed to the idea quickly.

There are many advantages to the idea. Broadcasters can share programmes across the alliance and this cuts the cost of production for everyone and saves time that can be spent running the station. Equipment can also be shared if there is a surplus in one station that is required by another. A support network to share advice and experience is also useful.

Once UCB came on board it was a question of targeting some of the smaller stations across the UK to draw them into seeing how the idea could benefit them. A date was set for a meeting – Saturday the 20th of August at UCB in Stoke on Trent.

The meeting was a happy and productive one. Myself and two others from Branch FM attended. We were surprised to find that some of the stations attending we'd not even heard of! A series of mutual aims were agreed and decided upon. Am pleased to be able to say that this fledgling alliance of Christian broadcasters will soon be ready for flight!

Ian Kerry.



Albert's Quiz Answers

1. Mars Bar. 2. Aero. 3. Dairy Milk. 4. Celebrations. 5. Smarties. 6. Yorkie. 7. Maltesers. 8. Milky Bar. 9. Crunchies. 10. After Eight. 11. Minstrels. 12. Flake. 13. Black Magic. 14. Bounty. 15. Chocolate Orange.

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Mothers' Union	3 rd Monday in the month 7:30pm Brenda Dixon 0113 253 4078
Playgroup	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:45am-12:15pm Lisa Fyffe 0776 1762661
Girl Guides	Tuesday 7:30pm Vikki Springett 07841 513530
Toddler Group	Wednesday 9:15-11:00am Jenny Willert 07950 278268
Prayer Group	2nd, 4th & 5th Wednesdays 7:15pm Derek Barraclough 01924 473375
Rainbows	Thursday 6.00pm Elizabeth Reid 07725 311023
Brownies	Thursday 7.00pm Hannah Tombling 01924 501892
Keep Fit Class	Thursday 8:00pm Margaret Hampshire 01924 476721
Young at Heart	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays 2:00pm Clarice Gough 0113 252 7436
Beavers	Friday 5:00pm Gail Townsend 0113 252 8710
Cubs	Friday 6:30pm Gail Townsend 0113 252 8710
Scouts	Friday 7:45pm Trevor Holdsworth 0113 253 0927
Explorer Scouts	Friday 7:45pm Chris Ingham 0113 252 9976
Jam Club	First and 3 rd Sunday of the month 10.30am Derek Barraclough 01924 472375

Services

Sundays, except the 2nd Sunday of each month

10:30am Parish Communion & Jam Club

1st Sunday of the month

8:00am Holy Communion

12:30pm Baptism Service

2nd Sunday of the month

10:30am Family Service

12:00 Holy Communion

4th Sunday of the month

10:30am The Gro-Zone interactive worship in the
Parish Centre

12:30pm Thanksgiving for the Gift of a Child

Wednesdays

10:00am Holy Communion

1st Thursday

11:00am Holy Communion at Soothill Manor

Monday to Friday

8:45am Morning Prayer

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