

**August 2013**

# **Parish News**

**St Mary's, Woodkirk**



**The Chantrell Painting, 1834**

## **This Month:**

**Thank You to You;  
New Heritage Centre; New Diocese;  
The Clasp; The Architect;  
The Archbishops; Fathers & Sons**

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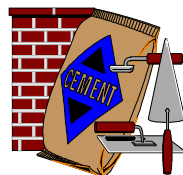
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## **Welcome!**

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Service times are on the back page. You'd be most welcome to join us. May God bless you and all whom you love.

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## An Attitude of Gratitude.

As I bask at my desk, watching the family enjoying the garden furniture for the first time in several years, I'm aware of how the heat forces you to slow down. Energy levels are depleted more quickly. But the pace of work seems unrelenting. August, however tends to quieten down and there is time to catch up with all the corners of the Vicarage office long neglected. I'm looking forward to it. Slowing down times



are so important, not just to plan and prepare for the coming months, but to review and reflect on those which have passed.

Speaking of the corners of the vicarage office long neglected, one of the highlights is the bottom shelf of my filing tray. That's where the 'Thank You' cards go. A thank you card through the letter box is a small gesture but it brightens the whole day for me. It's displayed in the office along with the most recent others, and the one longest on the shelf is moved to the bottom shelf of the filing tray. A thank you card is never thrown away. They are carefully cherished and stored, and when there's a day when I feel in need of a bit of encouragement, the Thank You folder comes out. It's a great tonic!

At the moment, as another academic year is finishing, I am invited to garden parties and teas where the senior clergy make a point of thanking clergy for the work they do. It's so nice to be appreciated, isn't it? It makes so much difference. So August for me is a time to reflect on whether I say 'Thank you' enough. I'm not sure I do.

I never throw a 'Thank You' card or letter away. Imagine if God's in-tray of prayers were the same. Imagine if he never threw a Thank you prayer away. Every one carefully cherished and stored, to be reviewed

with love later. How full would my in-tray of 'Thank you's be? If every time we spoke our thanks to others, they were stored for eternity, how would that make us feel?

As I spend time with people, something strikes me. The more we say 'Thank you' the more thankful we seem to become. It may start as a habit but that habit moulds us into more grateful people.

Over the last few months, the Church Council have been reviewing the life of the church and have recognised a need to be more intentional in saying 'Thank you'. We know there are so many people who work quietly behind the scenes, to support the ministry of the church, and do it tirelessly, not looking for thanks. But that doesn't mean we should not thank them.

Over the coming year, we want to find ways to thank people, not just in big events (though they will have their place) but in the little things. Gratitude can change the atmosphere of a church (or of any group of people). It doesn't take much effort, but it changes us.

The church where one of our children go, St. Peter's, is known in the community it serves as St. Party's. It has a reputation for partying! My prayer is that, by all our efforts, St. Mary's can grow a reputation for gratitude. "St. Thank You's" has a nice ring to it, doesn't it? August is a great month for reflecting on whether we make time, in the hectic routine of our lives, to give a word of thanks.

Revd. Amanda

## **Limited Edition Chantrell Painting to go on Sale**

A Limited Edition print of St. Mary's interior from 1834 is to be made available. The copies will be the same size as the original and to a very high standard - they have been re-produced from a professional photograph (see page 16). The copies are available to pre-order at a very good price of £35.00 each. Contact Revd. Amanda to order your copy. Prints will be mounted but not framed.

## **Mother's Union Speaker Returns...**

Malcolm Rennison is returning to St. Mary's after his planned visit in November last year had to be called off when he had an accident at home and broke 'some bones'. Luckily he is recovered enough now to come and be the Guest Speaker at the event on **Monday 16th September at 2:00 pm in the Parish Centre.**

He is delivering a talk entitled 'Words and Pictures from the Holy Land'. All are welcome to come along and enjoy the afternoon.

Betty Aveyard

## Harry receives Commemoration Clasp.

*After a long wait, the Government have issued the Bomber Command Clasp to the brave aircrews who fought in the Second World War.*

In the April edition of the magazine, we reported on Harry Gough and his 33 missions as a 'tail end Charlie' (rear gunner) on board a Halifax Bomber. Although fighter pilots were awarded a Clasp for their 1939-1945 campaign medal, Bomber crews never were - until June this year, some 68 years after the war ended. It is estimated that 5,000 of the 125,000 men who made up Bomber Command are still alive - 55,573 were killed during the war.

A permanent memorial to the fallen of Bomber Command has been erected in Green Park, in London, following efforts by several influential people including Robin Gibb, the late Bee Gees singer/songwriter, as well as almost half a million pounds donated by ordinary folk. The design for the roof incorporates sections of aluminium recovered from a Handley Page Halifax III bomber (the same type as Harry flew in) shot down over Belgium on the night of 12 May 1944, in which eight crew were killed.



*Bomber Command Memorial in London*



*Harry with 1939-45 Star and Clasp (left);  
France and Germany Star (centre)  
Victory Medal (right)*

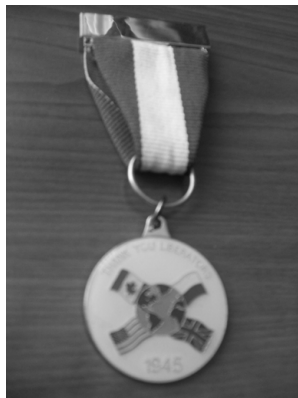


*Close-up of the Clasp*

Back in 2007 Harry also received a 'Thankyou' medal from the people of Holland, given to Aircrew who helped to save their Country from Nazi occupation. The Dutch Medal (pictured) came with a letter of thanks and a Certificate saying:

"As a token of gratitude for contributing to the Liberation of the Netherlands during World War II." (see overleaf).

Harry appreciates the effort of both the Dutch and UK Governments to recognise the bravery and losses suffered by Bomber Command Aircrew as they fought and died for their Country.



Harry, though, would like the last word on the subject to be from someone who directly felt the benefit of the Aircrew of Bomber Command. Joan Lamberts lived in Arnhem in Holland during the occupation, and wrote to the RAF after the war:

‘The throb of your Bombers overhead at night sounded like music to our ears. It was an anchor to which we clung in the dark days.’

David



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aan de bevrijding van het Koninkrijk der Nederlanden  
gedurende de Tweede Wereldoorlog.*

*As a token of gratitude for contributing to  
the Liberation of the Netherlands  
during World War II.*

*London, February 2007*

Handwritten signature of P.W. Waldeck.

*P.W. Waldeck  
Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands*

## So who is Robert Chantrell anyway?

The Architect who painted the marvellous picture of the inside of our Church (see front cover) was very well known in his time. Robert Dennis Chantrell was one of Leeds' most eminent architects from around 1818 to 1847. He trained in London under the tutelage of Sir John Soane (whose work included The Bank of England and the Dulwich Picture Gallery and was regarded as the leader in his field).

He worked on around one hundred different building projects in Yorkshire of which about sixty were either the repair, re-building or new building of churches. Indeed Leeds underwent a huge growth in population between 1820 and 1845, almost doubling in size. The number of churches increased from about 50 to around 180 in the same period, meaning there were projects on the go continuously in and around Leeds during this exciting period in history.

Undoubtedly he was involved in the attempt to save the wall mosaics at Woodkirk, as seen in the painting, however his most famous architectural triumph was the re-building of St. Peter's Parish Church (also called Leeds Minster) between 1837 and 1841.



*St. Peter's Church, also called Leeds Minster.*

*Designed by Robert Chantrell*

Although his buildings may seem lavish, he was aware of the limitations of Church funds and would re-use old materials and build on existing foundations wherever possible. At St. Peter's, Leeds, he asked the workmen to save stones which had patterns on them, even paying them out of his own pocket to do so. He gained a reputation as a restorer as well as an architect and was involved in many projects of repair and partial rebuilding of churches across Yorkshire, enhancing both their appearance and practical use.

Chantrell was so deeply interested in the form and splendour of medieval churches he researched their proportions in depth in order to generate a series of architectural rules by which the earlier churches had been designed. Those early rules of proportion, style and meaning had been long lost and Chantrell set himself the task of rediscovering them once more, drawing on earlier work from other architects of the period. He produced two papers on the subject, one in 1843 and another in 1847, which he delivered to the Institute of British Architects. These were published and widely respected in the industry at the time.

Robert Chantrell was born in London, but had family connections in Belgium - indeed he later worked on St. Saviours Cathedral in Bruges, Belgium, overseeing the restoration to the roof and tower, following a fire. He was also involved with the building of schools, libraries, vicarages and other commercial buildings as well as many 'new build' churches in Yorkshire, for example: Holy Trinity at Batley Carr; St. Lucius, Farnley Tyas; St. Andrew, Keighley; St. Mary, Middleton, Leeds; All Saints, Robertown; Christ Church, Skipton to name but a few.

Leeds City Council have named Chantrell Court, an area to the rear of St. Peter's Church in recognition of the work he carried out in the city and wider area. His work on St. Peter's was described at the time as one of the most splendid parochial churches in the Kingdom.

In 1847 he was elected to the Institute of British Architects and in 1849 to the Incorporated Church Building Society, a position he held until he was 70 years old. He retired to the south coast, near Brighton, but kept his membership to the Institute of British Architects for a further five years. He died in 1872, but curiously his burial place is not known.

He has produced a splendid historical record of the interior of our own Church, which has been professionally photographed by Gerry Harman Jones, the official photographer of the Hepworth Museum in Wakefield (without charge) and this is to be made available as a strictly limited edition print. More details on Page 11. Our thanks go to Gerry and the Hepworth Museum for their kindness.

David



## **All Age Worship @ St. Mary's**

*One Sunday each month we celebrate God in a more relaxed and informal way, with Family participation, quizzes, games and singing, it's a great way to spend a Sunday morning. On Sunday 14th July the All-Age service Summer Special celebrated the Good Samaritan.*

### **"Looks like summat's been going off there today"**

Passers-by, and dog walkers alike, out to enjoy the summer sun, were alerted to 'summat going off' in church on 14th July. It appeared that the vicar (of all people) had been chalking 'graffiti' on the church path – arrows indicating the imagined directions of Jerusalem and Jericho for a Summer Special. John, our organist, enjoying his sandwiches between the services, was caught in conversation with the man who commented, "Looks like summat's been going off there today".



*Holly with the crafts  
she made herself in the Parish  
Centre, with lots of other children.*

His attempt to explain we were enacting the story of the Good Samaritan drew a shrug and a rather confused face!

The All-Age Service, during which we celebrated 30 years of 'Good Samaritan' work done by our scouting troupe (see more about the Scouts 30 year anniversary on P32), saw the congregation led out of the church with two 'victims' (bound in toilet roll bandages) and two 'donkeys' (well, volunteers in donkey masks) and two Good Samaritans, singing as we made our way along the road to 'Jericho', was a great way to enjoy a summer Sunday.

Arriving at the 'inn' the congregation were divided into teams for a Good Samaritan game before sharing a picnic together. Children had the opportunity to build on the story they had learnt by creating a Good Samaritan 'hand-print' chart for their room, to remind them to think about ways they could help others; a 'rocky road' chocolate crispy bun, and a Samaritan's purse, containing two chocolate coins and a sticking plaster.

Families had a chance to chat together and the children were able to engage with the well-known story at a new level.

To ensure our Communion service didn't miss out on the fun, the smaller gathering shared a picnic tea together after a 4pm service, and it was a delight to be able to enjoy one another's company on a lovely summer evening. As usual on such occasions, there was plenty of left-over food – always a great boon in any Vicarage!



Revd. Amanda

*Many hands make Purses....  
Gail and others help the children*

## **Celebrating a long awaited arrival - the Morley Heritage Centre!**

I was honoured to be invited by Peter Aldred to officiate at the opening of the Morley Heritage Centre on Saturday 13th July. This has been Peter's 'baby' – long awaited and long hoped for. It was one he must have feared he would never see, and has been a lot longer than most human babies in gestation. I have watched and dreamed with Peter. He has lived through more heartache in the last few years than many people face in a lifetime. Most who have faced loss like his lose their courage and nerve to continue, but Peter's dream has kept him going.

For more than half a century, Peter has been building a vast archive of photos and memorabilia of Morley and its surrounding areas. Anyone who has been fortunate enough to spend time with him knows his passion for his subject is contagious; and anyone who has been privileged to spend time in his 'den' of a garage, a veritable Aladdin's cave of artefacts and information, knows that this collection deserves to be known and celebrated more widely. Peter has longed for the day when this could happen, but it hasn't been easy. Many, faced with the discouragements he has faced, would have given up. But at last, Morley Heritage Centre is open!



*Shirley  
Varley*

*Tom  
Leadley*

*Reverend Peter  
Amanda Aldred*



*Peter Aldred outside the new  
Heritage Centre, Albion Street, Morley.*

I was there to cut the official ribbon at 10am on Saturday 13th July, and there at 1pm, joined by the Mayor of Morley, Councillor Tom Leadley and Shirley Varley, to cut the cake and honour Peter's hard work and patient persistence. The cake, provided by MyKayla's cakes, had the Morley Coat of Arms emblazoned on the top. Other local cafes had donated sandwiches, sausage rolls and other refreshments as a sign of their own support for Peter's courageous venture.

I spent over 4 hours there on Saturday, and was aware that I had only scratched the surface of all the information Peter has so carefully displayed, with the assistance of his colleague, Acatia Finbow, who is currently undertaking a Master's Degree in Museum Studies, and has been supporting Peter in bringing the displays together.

It was encouraging to see so many folk wandering around the displays, some reminiscing about the memories reawakened for them. The Centre is currently housed in the former 'Hallways Bedding Shop' on Albion Street, and has been leased by East Street Arts for this purpose. It is well worth a visit – but allow time for it!

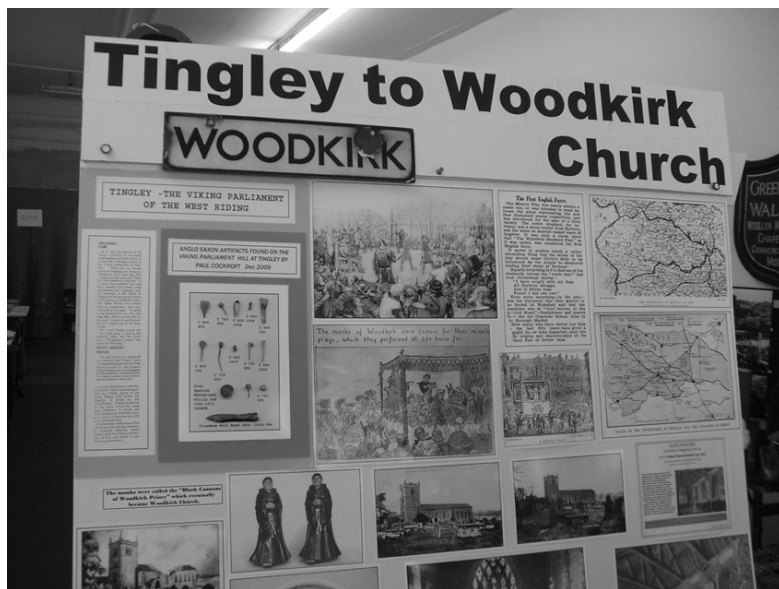
You won't be done in half an hour – but if you only have 30 minutes to spend, it will at least whet your appetite to return another day.

It will be open between 10am-3pm Tuesday to Saturday for the foreseeable future. With sufficient interest, Peter's dream of a permanent display which can be enjoyed by future generations may become a reality. He hopes that this public exposure of his lifetime's collection may help someone to come forward who will 'pick up the baton' of his hard work and carry it forward into the future. No-one who has seen his remarkable collection can argue that it deserves to be celebrated and embraced by the whole community.

"So", I asked him, "I expect your garage is looking a bit bare and empty now?" "No", he replied, "There's a lot more where that came from. You can barely see the difference." But anyone who looked at Peter yesterday could see the difference it had made to him to see his dreams come to fruition. It just proves that persistence pays off.

Why not make a point of visiting the Centre sometime soon? I guarantee you won't be disappointed, and for many it will bring old memories back to life. Oh, and there is a great display focussing on St. Mary's, including our most recent find, our new watercolour painting.

Revd. Amanda



*Part of the Woodkirk display at  
The Heritage Centre.*

## **Welcome to the Diocese of West Yorkshire and the Dales.**

The General Synod on July 8th 2013, approved a draft reorganisation scheme that will see the creation of a new Diocese of Leeds, serving West Yorkshire and The Dales, and replacing the current Dioceses of Bradford, Ripon and Leeds, and Wakefield.

The new diocese will come into existence on a day to be set by the Archbishop of York after the scheme has been confirmed by Her Majesty the Queen through an Order in Council. Synod also approved a resolution establishing a Vacancy in See Committee for the new diocese so that the process for appointing the first Bishop of Leeds could begin.

Professor Michael Clarke, chair of the Dioceses Commission that prepared the scheme, welcomed the decision of the Synod. "Synod's historic decision confirms the Commission's judgement that the radical creation of a new diocese centred on Leeds offered the best way of meeting the mission challenges facing the Church in West Yorkshire."

In addition to the Bishop of Leeds, the new diocese will be served by four area bishops of Bradford, Huddersfield, Ripon and Wakefield (the latter two being renamed Sees currently occupied by the Bishops of Knaresborough and Pontefract).

The Cathedrals of Bradford, Ripon, and Wakefield will be the cathedrals of the new diocese. There is provision for Leeds Minster to become a pro-cathedral in the future if the Bishop of Leeds so directs.

So as to be more 'in sync' with civic boundaries, the existing archdeacon and deaneries will be reorganised under the scheme and a small number of parishes will transfer to neighbouring dioceses. Detailed arrangements about the administration and procedures of the new diocese are still to be worked out, as these will be for local decision.

The scheme was drawn up to enhance the ability of the Church to respond to the challenges of mission in the West Yorkshire region.

Church of England

## Welby versus Wonga...

Archbishop Justin Welby has said he will take on the pay day loan companies - and beat them by putting them out of business. He recently had a meeting with the head of Wonga.

"I said to him quite bluntly we're not in the business of trying to legislate you out of existence, we're trying to compete you out of existence" he told Total Politics magazine.

The payday lending industry has been one of the fastest growing sectors during the recession, as consumers have turned to short-term loans to get them through to the next wage packet. In June, Wonga raised the standard interest rate it quotes to 5,853% APR, leading to renewed calls from poverty campaigners for a cap on the cost of short-term credit.

Archbishop Welby said he wanted to create "Credit Unions that are both engaged in their communities and are much more professional." He acknowledged that this would be a "decade-long process", but he has already launched a new credit union for clergy and church staff earlier this month at the General Synod in York.

There are also plans to encourage church members with relevant skills to volunteer at Credit Unions. Small, local lenders could also be invited to use church buildings and other community locations with the help of church members.

David

## The Mayor comes to St. Mary's.

The Mayor of Morley, Councillor Tom Leadley, has approached St. Mary's to ask if his Annual Civic Service might be held in our church this year. We are, of course, thrilled at the honour of being asked, and are looking forward to hosting this important civic occasion in our beautiful church.

I know that our acquisition of the Chantrell painting has been brought to his attention, and he has requested that the collection taken at the service be put towards the purchase price. We are very grateful to him for this generous suggestion, and looking forward to hosting a very special event on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 3:00pm**. It will be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all that is done by so many organisations and individuals which makes Morley and its surrounding area a great place to live.

Rev'd. Amanda

## Vicar meets Archbishop John Sentamu.

Several months ago, I was asked, “You couldn’t do me a favour, could you?” (It’s one of those questions you have to think carefully before answering, isn’t it?) Cautiously I asked it might depend when it was and what would be required. “You couldn’t take a trip to Bishopthorpe Palace to a tea hosted by the Archbishop of York, could you, on the afternoon of 25<sup>th</sup> June?” It’s the sort of opportunity you don’t want to turn down. I rearranged a meeting, cleared my diary, and looked forward to the event with excitement.

I am a trustee of a charity called ReSource, an Anglican organisation seeking to enable the Church to be “renewed by the Spirit for mission in the world.” Whilst a national charity, involved in the majority of dioceses, leading training days, church weekends, and worship events, it is quite a small set-up and is based in Wells in Somerset – not the easiest place to get to Bishopthorpe Palace from. Archbishop John Sentamu is the Patron of the charity, and this event was to bring together representatives from all the charities for whom he acts as Patron.

So, I was not the only person coming to tea that day! As I arrived in the beautiful and neatly manicured ground of Bishopthorpe Palace, others were parking up. We made our way to the grand entrance hall where tea and coffee were being served. As the 90 or so guests, representing some 60 charities were gathering, I discovered this was only a small part of the 150 charities for which John Sentamu is Patron! Presumably there would be other similar events on other days.

As we mingled and talked, I was amazed at the wide variety of different charities who enjoy his patronage. There were people from





the Alzheimer's Society, from Martin House hospice, the Friends of Ripon Cathedral, the Girls' Friendly Society, St. George's Crypt, the National Churches Trust, from a children's choir, and a charity which refurbishes unwanted tools to send to Africa - the list goes on.

We were shown into a grand reception room, with beautiful furnishings and stained glass windows, where a lovely buffet was laid out. After further mixing and mingling, John Sentamu gathered us and spoke. He reassured us that his health was improving after his operation for prostate cancer, and was keen to be back at work, confident that God was watching over him.

He spoke, with a powerpoint display behind him, of the work of all the charities – the amount he knew about each was staggering given the number of concerns they represent. After some 20 minutes, we went outside onto the grand entrance steps for a group photo.

Clearly he did not have opportunity to talk long to anyone, but made time to ensure he had met everyone and welcomed them, thanking them for the work they were doing. He is a truly impressive man of God, and I left the event very thankful that I had had the opportunity to be part of the occasion.

Revd. Amanda

## **Archbishop gets the all clear.**

Following a prostate cancer operation in May 2013, the Archbishop has released the following Thanksgiving Message:

I am full of thanksgiving to God, to my consultant surgeon, Mr Bill Cross, and his Theatre 3 surgical team; and to the many people who have sent me a tsunami of love and prayers, emails, letters, cards and flowers. Thank you all.

I saw Mr Bill Cross yesterday and I am writing to reassure you that my advanced localised cancer of the prostate was thankfully just outside, but otherwise confined to the prostate gland, and was completely excised/removed (robotic radical prostatectomy) by the surgeon and his team.

Excellent long-term prognosis. Thanks be to God.

Our God is awesome; and our NHS is fantabulous!

Since my operation, in the past eight weeks, I have been singing this lovely Taizé chant: 'Bonum est confidere in Domino' - It is good to trust and hope in the Lord.

I wish you all joy in the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ.

+Sentamu Eboracensis

## **Sandra's Seasonal Suggestions.**

Here are a few tips for August. Hopefully the garden is in full swing and produce should be coming along well. Tomatoes should be ripening, cucumbers swelling and, hopefully, fruits on the pumpkins and squash. If you will be on holiday there are jobs to do before you go (see no's 7 – 10) There are more tips and advice on the BBC web site: - [www.gardenersworld.com](http://www.gardenersworld.com)

1. Cut off all leaves below the first truss of tomatoes. This lets more light in to ripen the fruit. Continue to feed them and water little and often.
2. Pinch out growing tips on pumpkins once they have set 3 or 4 fruits.
3. Keep cutting off runners or diseased leaves from strawberry plants.
4. Water runner beans, celery and pumpkins if the weather is dry.
5. Sow green manures in vacant ground. Try Mustard or Rape but make sure you dig them in before they start to flower.
6. Sow Parsley seeds towards the end of the month. Sow in 3 ½ inch (9cm) pots ½ to ¾ in (1-2cm) deep. Once sown, place on a light windowsill or in the greenhouse and keep the compost just moist. Harvest as required through the winter.
7. De-bloom and harvest. Be ruthless. Pick all crops that are, or are nearly ready. Remove spent and open blooms and the buds of edibles and ornamentals to ensure they carry on.
8. Automatic irrigation is the best way to keep your garden watered. It can be hidden easily and controlled manually or by a timer. Punch holes in the cap of a 1L bottle. Cut the bottom off, screw the top on and fill the bottle. Insert the bottle in pots or greenhouse borders next to plants.
9. Don't forget houseplants. Place some capillary matting on your draining board trailing into a full sink. Allow the matting to soak up the water then place your houseplants on top. Leave a space between each plant to ensure there is enough air circulating to avoid rotting.
10. Don't forget to feed the garden plants with a general fertilizer. However, if they are flowering or producing crops, give them a high potash feed. This encourages them to produce more flowers for when you get back (especially if you have de-bloomed) Make sure you follow the manufacturers advice.

I hope you have a happy and pleasant holiday and that everything in the garden is rosy when you return.

Sandra.

## A Pun in time...

*It's the way you spell 'em...*

- Reading while sunbathing makes you well read?
- A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is too tired?
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- A lot of money is tainted ... taint yours and taint mine.
- Once you've seen one shopping centre, you've seen 'em all.
- Bakers trade bread recipes on a need-to-know basis.

Brian

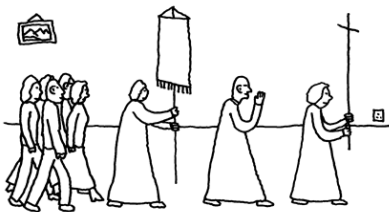
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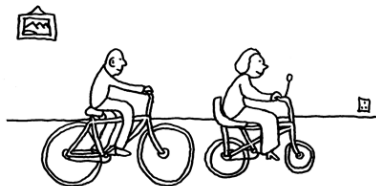
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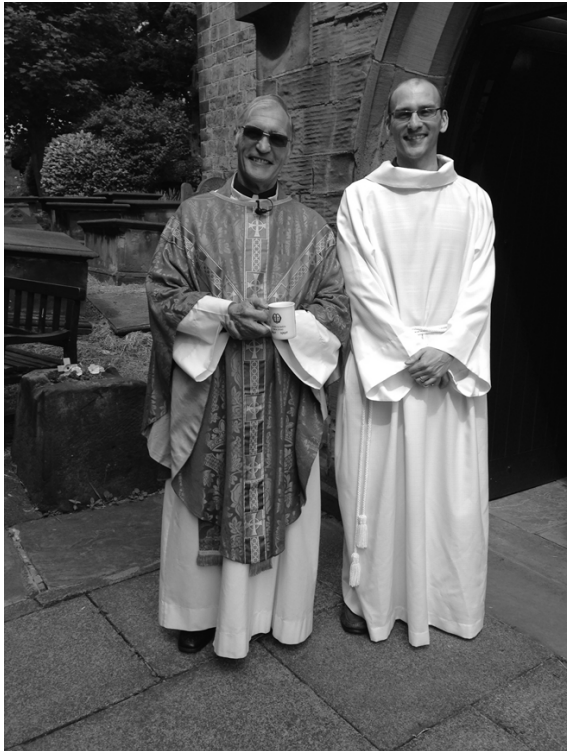
## A Father and Son day..

On Sunday June 30th our stand-in Vicar, Revd. John Pinder-Packard team up with son, Neal, to bring us the Morning Service at St. Mary's.

In our 'Communion for all God's Children' service, Neal 'robed up' to support Dad, Revd. John as he lead the service. In his address, Revd. John spoke about two people from history:

'Easy Eddy' as he was called, was a respected man but was actually Al Capone's lawyer. He managed to keep the notorious Gangster out of Gaol for many years. Eventually 'Easy Eddy' decided that he could no longer be 'easy' in the eyes of Capone, but had to stand up and do the right thing. He testified against Capone and, as a result, the villain was finally brought to justice and sent to prison for life. 'Easy Eddy' had done the right thing. A year later Eddy was shot and killed by the mob.

Butch O'Hare was a Second World War fighter pilot. As he returned to land on the deck of the Aircraft Carrier, with minimal fuel, he saw a squadron of Japanese planes approaching. He could have landed the plane and awaited re-fuelling, but instead turned his plane towards the enemy and attacked. He kept up the fight, outnumbered, against the deadly Japanese until his ammunition ran out. Only when there was nothing more he could do, did Butch return to the Carrier. He had done the right thing, despite the odds stacked against him. O'Hare airport in Chicago is named after him.



*Father and Son  
John and Neal Pinder-Packard*

Easy Eddy and Butch O'Hare were father and son. Jesus too, facing his own death, with nowhere to lay his head, chose to do the right thing - the Holy Spirit drawing him towards a showdown with the religious establishment of the day. Some examples, explained Revd. John, of people facing death being guided to incredible acts of bravery.

What about us? We are not faced with life or death choices, but the same Holy Spirit draws us to do the right thing – even though these are not feats of great bravery. Some things though, are not so black and white, there are grey areas where the 'right thing' is difficult to understand and deal with, but this is when the Holy Spirit can guide us to the right choices. It is never too late, suggested Revd. John, to amend our ways with the help and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

It was great to welcome Revd. John to St. Mary's and hear his wise words. We even managed to introduce a new Hymn to him (!) So it was nice to have the Pinder-Packards walk, walk, in our life.

David

## **Just for Fun...**

Here are a few "Dad Lies" your old man may have told you when you were little:

1. Don't worry – it'll turn up.
2. I'd do that now if I were you – it'll only take a minute...
3. I could do that easily when I was your age...
4. A bit of hardship never hurt anyone...
5. You'll find that gets easier with time...
6. I'll let you do that when you're a bit older...

What Dad actually meant: 1. It's lost forever. 2. It takes hours. 3. He couldn't 4. It hurts like hell. 5. It's never going to get easier. 6. You're never, ever going to do that whilst in my care.

David

## Albert's August Quiz:

1. On 2nd August 1100 which English King died when hunting in the New Forest?
2. Which Wild West hero was shot dead in Deadwood on the 2nd August 1876?
3. Where was Summerland at which 30 people died in a fire on 2nd August 1973?
4. Which traffic aid was first used in London on 3rd August 1926?
5. Which financial travel aid was first used on the 5th August 1891?
6. Which film star was found dead in her California home on 5th August 1962?
7. On 6th August 1926, Gertrude Ederle became the first woman to do what?
8. On the 6th August 1945, which weapon was used in war for the first time?
9. Which infamous crime took place at Cheddington, Bucks on 8th August 1963?
10. Which concert first took place at London's Queens Hall on 10th August 1895?
11. Which motoring organization was founded on the 10th August 1897?
12. Which construction commenced in Germany on the 13th August 1961?
13. Which American musical mega star died on the 16th August 1977?
14. On the 21st August 1911, what was stolen from the Louvre in Paris?
15. At which airport did a fire kill 55 people on the 22nd August 1985?
16. On the 25th August 1875 who was the first to swim across the English Channel?
17. On the 25th August 1919 the first scheduled international air service was instituted. Between which two cities did it operate?
18. On the 26th August of which year did the BBC first transmit TV programmes? Was it 1926, 1936 or 1946?
19. On the 29th August 1966 what was last seen at Candlestick Park, San Francisco?
20. On the 30th August 1860 where did Britain's first tram become operational?

Answers on page 38

Albert Shaw

## Poetry Corner.

*Do you have a poem or verse? Why not send it in, if it's your own work, or if its someone you know just get their permission to print.*

### St. Mary's at the double.

Sunday Service, hymns all told,  
Mid-week worship - very old.  
All Age service - something new,  
A kitchen's needed - move the pews!  
Church yard cleaning - cut the grass,  
There's a wedding, after mass.

Banners, posters, Saints and Queens,  
Picture in a magazine.  
Easter Sunday, Lent all thro'  
Find the egg - there's one for you.  
Special moments, Woodkirk style,  
Beats the TV by a mile.

Stained glass windows, ancient door,  
Remember those who won the war.  
Tower, bells and rickety stairs,  
Don't forget your Fair trade wares!  
Gather round the font today,  
A new baby's on the way.

Things are moving at a pace  
But we all loved the Snail race!  
Choirs and candles, Monks in garb,  
Raise some money - very hard!  
Celebrations, birthdays too,  
The Church is ready - to welcome you.

David.



## **15th Morley (Woodkirk St. Mary's) Scout Group.**

### **Church Parade July 2013: Good Samaritan work.**

The theme for Sunday 14th July was about The Good Samaritan. The Concise Oxford Dictionary says this is a “genuinely charitable person”. This July it is our Scout Group's 30th Anniversary from 1983 to 2013 celebrating 30yrs of scouting and volunteer service. One of the aims of the Scout Association is to develop Good Citizenship for our young members. Within the scouts promise there is an age related indicator of good citizenship.

For Beaver scouts it is:	“to be kind and helpful”
For Cub scouts it is:	“to do a good turn everyday”
For Scouts it is:	“ to help other people”.

The Rainbows, Brownies and Guides promises also have the phrases “to do my best” and “to help other people”

Since 1907 when Baden Powell founded the scout movement and later in 1910 when his sister Agnes became president of the Guide Association there has been the image that we “do good turns” and endeavour to help.

An unknown scout, in 1909, helped an American visitor through the thick London fog to his destination. The man offered money as a reward, perhaps a charitable offer, but the Boy Scout politely refused and advised the man that scouts do not accept payment for being helpful.

The lost man, William D. Boyce, so impressed by the boy scout's charitable help, went back to America and started scouting in the USA.

Well they say charity begins at home and as church sponsored groups, we do recognise the support of the church. So what kind of help do scouts and guides do to support others?

- Gail has thrown herself off the Buttriss at the Cow and Calf, Ilkley abseiling to overcome her fear of heights and insisted that others joined her to raise money for the church organ.
- Last year scouts and explorers joined the Monk's walk, organised by Dave and Derek. 13 miles in approx. 4 hours with the last 3 miles drawing heavily on our energy reserves (especially my



ancient legs).

- Bob a Job week has given way to Community Week in June. This June our beavers and cubs did some tidying up in the church yard while the scouts last year started to prepare the part dilapidated east wall of the church yard for rebuilding, which now remains as work in progress.
- Some years back our District scouts went Scuba diving in the old Morley baths diving pool. The task was to pitch a hike tent at the bottom of the diving pool to raise funds for a worthy cause.
- An underwater photograph of one of our scouts Matthew Street made it onto the front page of national scouting magazine as fun ways to raise money that was donated to John Jamieson School for Handicapped Children, Oakwood, Leeds.
- Our Beavers, cubs and scouts do short sponsored walks to raise funds for Sports relief, Comic relief, Help our Heroes, Red Nose Day.
- In June our Beavers, sleeping in pop up tents in the Parish centre, for their Sleepover, donated surplus monies to our church link Diocese of Mara, in Tanzania.
- Last year Rainbows and Brownies completed a sponsored Jump Off based on an Olympic theme in aid of The British Heart Foundation.
- Beavers have raised money to adopt a Beaver with the Scottish Wildlife Trust and the Brownies have completed the Friend to Animals badge which included adopting a Dolphin, while the Rainbows are planning a Pyjama Picnic to raise funds for Guide Dogs for the Blind.
- We are collecting milk bottle tops for a young handicapped child, not yet of school age, who is desperate for a specialist wheelchair. If we collect the weight of the wheelchair in milk bottle tops then a sponsor will donate the wheelchair for the child. So far we have collected approx. 12 black bin bags full and are still collecting.

The Good Samaritan, that genuinely charitable person, shows themselves in many ways. From those actively doing the task set to those donating the money and the daily support we all receive from our families, our partners, relatives and friends. Simple acts of help can mean a great deal to those in need. Thank you, for all your support.

Trevor A Holdsworth, Scout Leader.

## **Cubs (Aged 8 to 10½ ) Campsite Fun for the Cubs.**

At the end of June the Cub Pack held its annual camp. This year we went to Fanwood Camp site at Gomersal, Cleckheaton. The Camp was attended by 20 Cubs (16 boys and 4 girls).

The weather during the weekend was fine and hot and everybody had an enjoyable time. The secret password for the camp was “along the corridor and up or down the stairs” and during the weekend the Cubs completed their map reader badge.

The Cubs took part in activities on the site including caving, crate stacking, archery, grass sledging and a blindfold assault course. The Cubs all slept in tents and were responsible for washing their own plates etc, after each meal.

During the weekend the Cubs played Rounders and football and took part in a campfire with 24 Cubs from Yeadon. The campfire was led with his usual energy and enthusiasm by Gareth who visited specifically for the event. We built a monkey bridge and had a water fight. As a memento of the camp all of the Cubs ‘tie-dyed’ a T-Shirt which they took home with them.

Despite all of the above, for some, the highlight of the weekend was when the Campsite shop opened and they were able to buy sweets and souvenirs. Everyone had an enjoyable time thanks to the hard work of the Groups’ Leaders and a number of parents who helped run the event. Many thanks to all.

Jonathan

## **End of Season Barbecue for all the Scout Groups.**

On the 12th July we had our annual end of year BBQ at Phoenix Park campsite off Asquith Avenue in Morley. The campsite has recently been given a make-over and is in very good condition, with a Marquee and climbing apparatus added, as well as improved facilities.

We were also celebrating 30 years of Scouting at St. Mary’s. We had lots of fun and games with Jonathan busily helping to make water powered rockets out of plastic bottles and a foot pump. It was great fun - as long as you didn't mind a soaking!

Revd. Amanda and Derek joined in the fun, with Amanda cutting the celebration cake and handing out certificates to the Beavers for their overnight camp in the Parish Centre. A nice touch was also to present Gail with flowers and chocolates to mark her retirement as Cub Akela. She will continue as Beaver leader, leaving Marianne to run the Cubs. Gail would like to thank everyone for their support and especially to Janet, Mary, Ruth and Joanne for all their help in the kitchen on the day!

David

## **What's your Story?**

Do you have a story for the magazine? Maybe you have a religious relative or you have experienced something unusual in your Christian life? Do you work with charities or other religious groups helping in our community? What do you know about local history—especially about St. Mary's. You can write your own story—or see me for a chat if you like. Don't be shy.

## **Church Organisations:**

Why not have your own space in the magazine? Keep everyone up to date and let them know what's coming up. One e-mail a month is all it takes. Get in touch with me for more info.

## **Postal Magazine - next year's costs.**

If you have received the magazine by post for some time, you will know that the price of £9 per year has been the same for many years. When we look at the costs - it is 50p to send by 2nd class post and the magazine itself is good value at 50p per copy, you can see that the annual cost to send the magazine is £12.

So from next year we will be increasing the annual subscription to that amount. I hope you enjoy receiving the magazine each month and I would like to thank you for your continued support. Of course, some of you have donated larger sums already and we thank you for those. The e-mails, letters and phone calls from around the country have been a real joy to receive - keep them coming, the best stories in this magazine aren't mine - they are yours.

Editor.

## Diary for August 2013.

Thurs 1st	7.30pm	Growing in the Scriptures session 4 – Vicarage
Sat 3rd	9.30-12.30pm	Church & churchyard clean-up
	2pm	Wedding
<b>Sun 4th</b>	<b>8am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (said)</b>
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (sung)</b>
	<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Baptism Service</b>
Wed 7th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (Common Worship) & refreshments
Thurs 8th	7.30pm	Growing in the Scriptures session 5 – Vicarage
<b>Sun 11th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>All-Age Worship</b>
	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
Mon 12th		No PCC meeting in August.
Wed 14th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (Iona setting) & refreshments
Thurs 15th	11am	Holy Communion at Lydgate Lodge
<b>Sun 18th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (sung)</b>
Wed 21st	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (1662 setting) & refreshments
Sat 24th	3pm	Wedding
<b>Sun 25th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (sung)</b>
Wed 28th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (with prayer for healing) & refreshments

## Early September

Sun 1st	8am	Holy Communion (said)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (sung)
	12.30am	Baptism Service
	3pm	Mayor of Morley's Civic Service
Wed 4th	9.15am	Church open for prayer
	10am	Holy Communion (Common Worship setting) & refreshments.
Sat 7th	9.30am-12.30pm	Church and churchyard clean-up
	3pm	Wedding
Sun 8th	10.30am	All-Age Service
	12 noon	Holy Communion



**Kids: Don't forget Jam Club !**

**Sunday Morning 10.30 - 11.30**

**Jesus - And - Me**

**Learning & Doing in Faith.**

# St Mary's Registers of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

## **Registers for AUGUST:**

In JULY we were welcomed 2 new members to our church in Baptism:-

Lacey Louise Hardware, Daughter of Gavin and Victoria from Tingley and:-

Daniel Phillip Hall, Son of Matthew and Jade from Tingley.

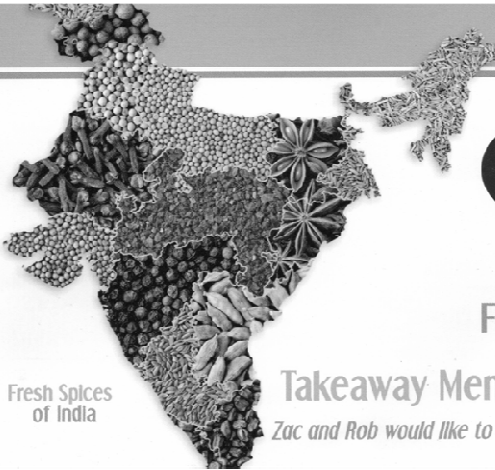
## **Funerals:-**

Doreen Ann Bourne, From Tingley, beloved mother and grandmother, sadly missed by all the family.

Marjorie Balaam, from Woodkirk, beloved wife of Dennis, mother and grandmother. Sadly missed by all the family.

**QUIZ ANSWERS:** 1. William II. 2. Wild Bill Hickok. 3. Douglas, Isle of Man. 4. Traffic lights. 5. Traveller's cheques. 6. Marilyn Monroe. 7. Swim the Channel. 8. Atom bomb. 9. The Great Train Robbery. 10. Promenade Concert. 11. The R.A.C. 12. The Berlin Wall. 13. Elvis Presley. 14. The Mona Lisa. 15. Manchester. 16. Captain Mathew Webb. 17. London & Paris. 18. 1936. 19. A live Beatles concert. 20. Birkenhead.

Albert.



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<b>Girl Guides</b>	Tuesday 7:30pm Vikki Springett 07841 513530
<b>Toddler Group</b>	Wednesday 9:15-11:00am Sally Shaw 01924 475048
<b>Rainbows</b>	Thursday 5.30 - 6.30pm Ruth Osenton-Brown 01924 689992
<b>Brownies</b>	Thursday 6.30 - 7.45pm Hannah Tombling 01924 501892
<b>Keep Fit Class</b>	Thursday 8:00pm Margaret Hampshire 01924 476721
<b>Young at Heart</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays 2:00pm Brenda Dixon 0113 253 4078
<b>Beavers</b>	Friday 5:00pm Gail Townsend 0113 252 8710
<b>Cubs</b>	Friday 6:30pm Marianne Ingham 07816 517838
<b>Scouts</b>	Friday 7:45pm Trevor Holdsworth 0113 253 0927
<b>Explorer Scouts</b>	Friday 7:45pm Chris Ingham 07816 517838
<b>Jam Club</b>	1st and 3rd Sunday of the month - 10.30am Derek Barraclough 01924 472375

# Services

**Main Sunday Service:** (except the 2nd Sunday of each month)

**10:30am Parish Communion & Jam Club**

**Additional Services:**

**1st Sunday of the month:**

8:00am Holy Communion

12.30pm Baptism Service

**2nd Sunday of the month:**

**10:30am All Age (Family) Service**

12:00 Holy Communion

**4th Sunday of the month:**

10:30am 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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