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We are on Twitter: twitter.com/stmarywoodkirk

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A wheelchair is available to help people move easily between the church and Dewsbury Road. Just ask.

**Old age is when its your Doctor telling
you to slow down, not a policeman.**

Vicar's Letter

Here we are at the end of September and as always we are back with a vengeance with a full program of events.

I have some very exciting news as I have been invited into Woodkirk Academy to take some assemblies and I will be going into the school to do all of their Christmas Services. This is something that I have been trying to do for several years and it is hoped that we can build on this in a mutually beneficial way.

I have to say taking assemblies for 11-18 year olds appears quite scary to me and so I will be taking tips from Neal and going into Woodkirk to see how they do things before I lead an assembly myself.

Everyone thinks that because you are a Vicar everything comes naturally to you but I have news for you it doesn't! I enjoy working with age group 7-11 which is where I have had most of my experience. Can it be that much more difficult with young adults? It's good to be a little scared and nervous I think (and to learn quickly what works and what doesn't).

Sometimes that fear or nervousness can cause us anxiety and all of us have to learn to manage that anxiety but for some people this is very difficult for them and things quickly can become overwhelming.

After all none of us want to be rejected, or fail, or to be ridiculed. In some cases we fear being successful and what that means for us as individuals.

As long as we can recognise that each of us has fears and for the most part it is a normal feeling that we experience. Some hide it and some admit it. Some flee from it and others face it head on.

As Christians, however, the Bible instructs us to "[not] worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done".

Not only are we taught to not worry or fear, but we are also told what to do instead of worrying: pray. Prayer is more than a daily litany of requests. It's an opportunity to talk to our Father about our worries and give them over to His control. "Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus".

"Be still, and know that I am God!". This verse reminds us that, if we want to know God's presence, we need to intentionally make space in our lives and our minds for His voice. We need to practice the skill of being still each day so we can apply it effectively when worry arises.

We live in a fast-paced world where relaxation is neglected. Therefore, a lifestyle of calmness requires that we intentionally rehearse tranquility. Find a window in your schedule each day (even if it's only a few minutes), a quiet place, and a comfortable spot to relax and be still.

So we have a way of dealing with our fears in a more productive way. We pray and take our fears to God. We seek God out, make space in our busy lives, to be still and to listen for His voice. These two things only happen when we put them into practice and do them on a regular basis so that they become second nature to us.

Be still, seek God, listen for His voice and see what He has to say to you today.

May the peace of God be with you.

Love

Sharon

Morning Walk and a Prayerful thought.

During the summer I had a week's holiday with family at the East Coast Resort of Filey.

The weather was on the whole reasonably kind and we were able to explore and enjoy the area.

On a couple of mornings, finding myself the only one awake, I decided to set out down to the beach and take a morning walk. Happily the tide was on its way out so there was plenty of sand, the sun was beginning to shine and it was really lovely.

My route of course was the same outbound and on the return, and I found myself looking for my footprints to see if I could follow in my own steps on the way back. It actually was quite difficult because the pumps I was wearing didn't have a strong tread and obviously there were the footprints of other people (and a few doggy paw prints too!) and it led me to think about what kind of footprints we might leave behind us.

I'm not particularly here thinking about our carbon footprint, although obviously if we can live with a low carbon footprint that's good for our planet. No, I was actually thinking I suppose of what we leave behind us, I suppose another word for it would be our legacy.

When I sit sometimes (yes I do actually sometimes sit down really!!) I think back along some of the things I have done and where I may have left my mark if you like. I can think about my work with young people in Girls' Brigade having run a company for over 30 years and encouraged girls and given them opportunities. I think about my 30 year career in local government, working to support people as a Human Resources Manager.

I wonder what footprints you are leaving?

I don't know what careers many of you have had, but I'm sure we have some retired (and current) teachers and nurses, carers, engineers, farmers, vets, raising a family with Christian values, and many others who undertook many different roles which have helped those around them and the areas where they have lived.

We will all leave 'footprints' behind us.

I seemed to remember some kind of quote about treading lightly upon the earth, and I came upon these two;

"Tread softly upon the earth because the faces of the unborn look up at you" (James Cameron),

and this one from Michael A Berriman;

*"Tread lightly upon this earth, our home,
accept her gifts which are on loan,
leave only footprints in her sand,
walk together in harmony, hand in hand."*

I'll also leave you with this bible quote from Amos 4:13

He who forms the mountains, who creates the wind, and who reveals his thoughts to mankind, who turns dawn to darkness, and treads on the heights of the earth—the Lord God Almighty is his name.

May we all tread lightly and leave a trail of love.

Blessings

Dawn x

Obscurity

We don't usually look at obscurity as a gift. But the truth is that obscurity is often the workshop in which God shapes and refines us.

Looking back, I see that obscurity allowed God to redirect my sense of identity and significance.

In her insightful book *Anonymous*, Alicia Britt Chole says, "From God's perspective, anonymous seasons are sacred spaces. Un-applauded, but not unproductive: hidden years are the surprising birthplace of true spiritual greatness." This was certainly true of Jesus. We tend to forget that the stories about him reflect a very short time period. The overwhelming majority of his life was spent in total obscurity. Only for a short season was he in the public eye.

Jesus was born in Bethlehem in a smelly animal pen (followed by hidden days). He was circumcised in the temple on his eighth day (followed by hidden months). Before turning two, Jesus received a visit from Eastern wise men (followed by hidden years). At the age of twelve he teaches in the temple (followed by almost two entirely hidden decades).

Jesus never ran toward the spotlight. He never focused on drawing a large crowd or marketing his brand. He knew that unseen does not equal unimportant. Let those words soak in for a moment. It's been a long time coming, but I am learning to embrace that truth.

Here is something else I'm learning. Even if you've had a Susan Boyle moment where the spotlight has been on you, it doesn't last long. The spotlight is fickle. It will always turn toward the next rising star. Even if you're in the spotlight today, obscurity is coming again. It's inevitable.

When the spotlight is gone, what you have left is the relationship. That's why paying attention to your soul is so

important. Someday the trappings of our day to day life will fade away, and what you'll have is your relationship with Jesus. Will that be enough?

Awhile back I was lucky to have two wonderful friends who have now sadly passed on. Whenever I visited it was wonderful to see them together - their love for one another just shone through, the way they cared and looked after each other. It was awesome.

If you're in a time of obscurity now, I want to gently remind you that God has not forgotten you. Even though you might be hidden from the world, you are not hidden from him. Allow this anonymous season to deepen rather than discourage you. Don't chase after the spotlight, chase after the relationship. So I like to pray. Lord Jesus, you were a servant of all. Today I surrender all my desires to you; I ask that in my life my path maybe straight and lead to you. Even though time may be rocky, and I will feel alone and lost and not noticed help me to remember. You are there to guild and comfort, and that is more important than being noticed or famous.

So, if you are in a season of obscurity, let me encourage you to recalibrate your perspective. Today, choose to see obscurity as a gift and as a place where God does some of His best work.

Amen

Gail



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Heritage Day – Saturday 9th September

It was a beautiful day, in fact it was one of the hottest days of the year so far, but that didn't deter people from coming to our Heritage Open Day.

A lot of work had been done in updating and changing the information on the boards so that it would remain of interest to those who come year upon year.

As well as focussing on the past we also this year focussed on what we are doing currently, what groups are in the Parish Hall, the maintenance of the churchyard, the valuable contribution of the Community Payback Team and our hopes for the future. We also this year had several contributions from local people with information about their loved ones during the wars – a big thank you goes to Dawn who pulled this all together.

One popular Station on the Day is run by Morley Historic Society and another is run by Gail, our Pastoral Assistant aided by Lizzy who gets out all the graveyard books and people come to look and find their long lost relatives that are buried here. We had people from away as far as Australia looking for graves which was really interesting. It fell to Tom and I to find them and I can tell you it was not easy under the burning sun but we persevered!

Dave did a churchyard tour and there were twenty or so people who found this very interesting.

We had planned to do soup and a sandwich because the weather was forecast to be cloudy with possible rain and a few days before it changed to being the hottest part of the year and so we did do a small amount of soup, roast pork (Stuffing & Apple Sauce) sandwiches, ham salad sandwiches and of course lots of cakes and goodies.

You are never too young to enjoy this day – over the page you can see Thomas and Verity tucking into their soup....



I am betting they had a huge piece of cake as well! Thanks to Cath, Brian, Sandra and Barbara for the preparation and service of the food.

A good day was had by all and we raised slightly over £250 for the churchyard fund.

Thank you.

Sharon x



Following the success of the last course we ran in May, we are delighted to tell you that we will be holding another 'Heart Start' Course in the Parish Centre

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The course is free but is limited to 20 people aged 16 and above.

(If we receive more than 20 names we will aim to run a further course).

If you would like to attend, could you please contact;
Dawn Tattersfield on 07840 739239 or

email dawn@stmarywoodkirk.org

Deadline 5.00pm 19th October 2023

You do not have to be involved with the Church, this course is for anyone aged 16+ and open to everyone across the community.

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Recognising a Cardiac Arrest and performing C.P.R.

Dealing with choking

Dealing with serious bleeding

This is not a First Aid Course but will cover some aspects of first aid.

All are welcome, but we are limited to a maximum of 20 people by the British Heart Foundation who sponsor this training, which is why we need you to let us know if you would like to attend.

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Baptisms—If you wish to make an enquiry or book a Baptism please contact Barbara Tate on 07792 211095 in the first instance. Barbara will then arrange to visit you and book your Baptism into our Diary.

Funerals & Ashes - in the first instance please contact our Verger who co-ordinates these events.

Our Co-ordinator is Gail Townsend on 07792 975814 or email: gail@stmarywoodkirk.org.

Weddings and Banns

In the first instance please contact our Vicar or Church Warden Gary Mortimer on 07740 760556 who co-ordinates these events.

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The Woman at the Well

In this Gospel reading we have to look at 2 things the first is. is this woman the first evangelist and the second is the water. Here we have a bottle of water - Yorkshire water—some would say the best water, but I will try and tell you there is a better water, so it will be up to you to decide which water you want to take.

To an outsider, the word “evangelism” can be heard with a cringing sound or almost as a clanging gong. It can take some people back to bad church experiences, overly religious missionaries who meant well but possibly couldn’t express well, and a host of other awkward exposures of hearing the gospel.

What we know now is that social media has also made sharing our faith a bit more complicated by adding to these experiences. There can be a helpful or messy impact made depending on who typed, who heard, what was said, and what was heard—and the difference in between. Media has often become a bed of frustration to most who are trying to have meaningful conversations with others, while COVID had also created boundaries that hindered personal connection in a tangible way.

Let us look at the Samaritan Woman.

But what about the woman who Christianity often refers to as the first evangelist? Let’s take a look at how Scripture describes Jesus sharing himself with a Samaritan woman in a common place in town, the well, one where no one would have expected a divine encounter. This particular woman was living with a man (not her husband), had lived with other men (still not her husband), and was met by Jesus himself.

What was it about her and her life that compelled the Messiah to break boundaries and defy stereotypes, simply by asking her for a cup of water? And in her response to say yes to his request and hand it to him, what was already rooted in her heart that compelled her to obey, that made her listen to his words of both truth and compassion, conviction and instruction, and then go tell her entire village about it?

If we look back at John 4, we notice that Jesus speaks to this woman both in metaphors and also with prophecy. He tells her:

“Everyone who drinks from this water will get thirsty again. But whoever drinks from the water that I will give him will never get thirsty again. In fact, the water I will give him will become a well of water springing up in him for eternal life.”

It’s a pretty amazing statement about a daily necessity of life. If you drink the water Jesus has, you never have to take another drink of water again? That claim is enough to make anyone think twice, wonder why, and ask more questions. Ironically, though, she doesn’t ask any questions. Not one. Instead, she immediately asks him to actually give her some of the water that he speaks of.

In his reply, knowing exactly who she is, he prophesies to her. “Go call your husband, and come back here.” When she replies with the fact that she doesn’t have one, he speaks the truth right into her circumstances by acknowledging that she does not, in fact, have one nor did she have a husband in the last five men she had been living with. It’s safe to assume this would be a pretty awkward conversation for someone who might feel

shame over living a lifestyle that was culturally considered wrong. But then she starts to lean into the conversation by acknowledging Jesus' prophetic gift, as well as talking to him about what he believes, and ultimately, who he is.

If we are to look at this passage from John and relate it to our modern world, there are several pointers here that give us keys into a true heart of evangelism toward others.

As Christians, we absolutely should be passionate and expressive about the gift we have received in Jesus. Shouldn't we? We are called to tell others about him and to make him known (and of course we want to), but the process of doing so in a way that fosters sensitive subjects well and honours relational boundaries, while also filling the listener with a sense of both hope and conviction, can be a difficult task. So much so, there were times I even gave up intentional evangelism because I felt as though certain conversations were manufactured, manipulated, or non-organic. My mouth often felt like it couldn't express the joy that actually filled my belly in a way that could meet the need of the person I was speaking with.

But what I found by studying the woman at the well was that she was thirsty and in pain, and as a believer, I should help provide an answer with God's Living Water flowing through me. As well, I needed to and need to show up as best as I can, even if I'm a bit messy myself. Vulnerability is not necessarily a hindrance to the gospel but often an advocate of it.

All connection requires is a simple need. It's a basic and yet profound opportunity for refreshment. Just like

everyone else on the planet, this woman had to go get something to drink in order to function and survive. This was a regular, mundane, and normal part of life. She was not considering the task holy until the Messiah appeared, and then her whole life changed.

Is that what happens when people end up near you with a need?

We live in a world of needs. Constant needs. Sometimes even overwhelming needs. But what Jesus has promised us is that he is the Living Water that never runs out, he fills us with life everlasting, and we never have a need that he can't meet. And that is also the case with the rest of humanity. They are showing up for a glass of water just the same, and they need to be able to hear who can give them an eternal one.

So, take this time to pray about exactly that! Who in your life needs Living Water?

If it's you, pray and receive. Ask God to show you himself as the drink that never runs dry. Allow yourself the time to be filled with the Holy Spirit to overflowing. If it's other people that you know, pray for them. They need refreshment just the same. If it's a divine encounter that might occur while you're in the Supermarket store or in line for a coffee, be gracious and full ahead of time.

Pray for possibilities of divine connection for others. It doesn't have to be pretentious or pious, it can simply be: *God, let her know that you love her. Let him experience your joy. Let them encounter you in way that they have never experienced, so they can relish in the truth and grace of what Jesus has accomplished on their behalf.*

And then be open to the small ways Jesus will answer.

Because we know he will. He is always faithful in our meagre attempts to give his life to our neighbour.

Slow down, and watch expectantly for his response in the lives of others. Get someone a glass of water. Be a listening ear. Lend a hand, or open a door. Be honest with your own life, faults, failures, struggles and shortcomings. Ask others to pray for you, whether they “know” God or not. In humility, share your process and journey with others, so you can also be seen, prayed for, and refreshed. Grow relationships that are sustainable and that fill more water jugs. It doesn’t have to be complicated.

It simply has to be real.

Gail



House Box Collection Time

Hi there

Do you have a Children's Society Collection Box? If so, then it's the time of year when we get to empty them and send off what you have so generously collected to help the vital work of the Children's Society.

The House Box collections have been raising funds for young people since 1882, and it is still an excellent way to raise much needed funds, by putting your coppers and small change into your box. Over £1.3 million was raised in this way last year.

If you could return your boxes to church during September please (or as soon as possible thereafter) then on my return from holiday I can empty them and pass them back to you for another year!

Some of you may find that you don't seem to have as much change, but never fear!! You can donate via a cheque (payable to Woodkirk PCC (but please write 'Childrens Society' on the reverse of the cheque, or you could donate electronically through the Church Bank Account, (please make sure you identify it as Childrens Society so that Barbara sees it). Bank details as follows:

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Archive Treasure Bible Brainteasers

I've always enjoyed looking through old records and as I was looking for any useful information in our records held by West Yorkshire Archives recently for the Heritage weekend, I came across some quizzes from past church magazines.

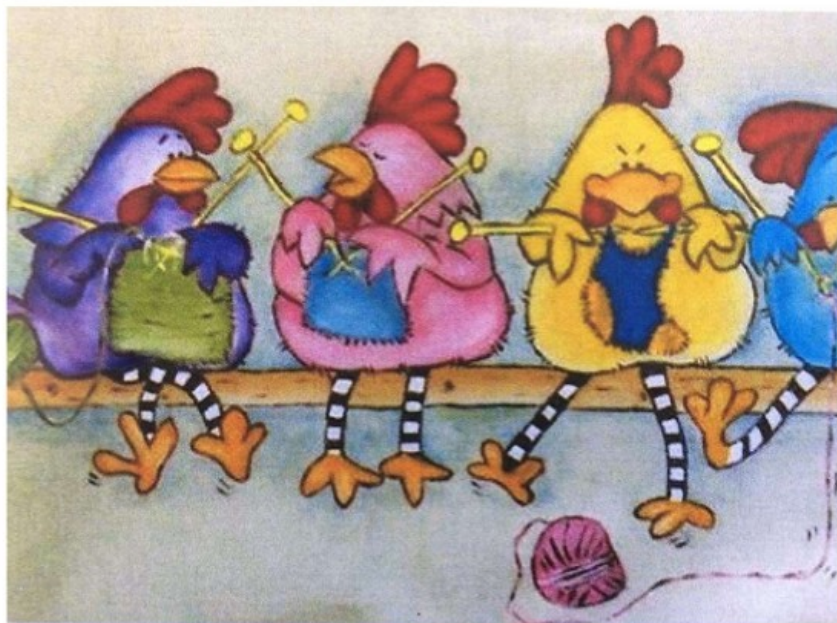
I'm not in any way wishing to interfere with Albert's excellent quizzes but thought I'd share one or two with you. Can you unscramble these words to discover the names of birds mentioned in the bible.

Birds of the Bible

TIREDGARP	RORWASP
OWLLAWS	CHRISTOR
ONIPEG	ACREN
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St, Mary's, Woodkirk



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Poetry Corner

To Autumn

Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness,
Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun;
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch-eves run;
To bend with apples the moss'd cottage-trees,
And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core;
To swell the gourd, and plump the hazel shells
With a sweet kernel; to set budding more,
And still more, later flowers for the bees,
Until they think warm days will never cease,
For summer has o'er-brimm'd their clammy cells.

Who hath not seen thee oft amid thy store?
Sometimes whoever seeks abroad may find
Thee sitting careless on a granary floor,
Thy hair soft-lifted by the winnowing wind;
Or on a half-reap'd furrow sound asleep,
Drows'd with the fume of poppies, while thy hook
Spare the next swath and all its twined flowers:
And sometimes like a gleaner thou dost keep
Steady thy laden head across a brook;
Or by a cyder-press, with patient look,
Thou watchest the last oozy hours by hours.

Where are the songs of spring? Ay, Where are they?
Think not of them, thou hast thy music too,—
While barred clouds bloom the soft-dying day,
And touch the stubble-plains with rosy hue;
Then in a wailful choir the small gnats mourn
Among the river shallows, borne aloft
Or sinking as the light wind lives or dies;
And full-grown lambs loud bleat from hilly bourn;
Hedge-cricket sing; and now with treble soft
The red-breast whistles from a garden-croft;
And gathering swallows twitter in the skies.

John Keats 1795—1821

ALBERTS GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ FOR OCTOBER

- 1) What is the capital city of Turkey?
- 2) Clarke Kent is the reporter on which fictional newspaper?
- 3) Mansion House is whose official residence?
- 4) What animal is used to describe a fall in the stock market?
- 5) What black & white sweets share their name with a premier league football club?
- 6) Which French singer was nick-named the little sparrow?
- 7) Queso is the Spanish name for which type of food?
- 8) Who played the TV detective Spender?
- 9) In which European country is the volcano Santorini located?
- 10) 'Au' is the chemical symbol for which metal?
- 11) Before finding solo success, Beyonce was in which band?
- 12) Who played 'The Joker' in the 2008 Batman film The Dark Knight?
- 13) Bangkok is the capital city of which country?
- 14) Who was the Egyptian God of the Sun?
- 15) Spud is the colloquial name for which vegetable?
- 16) Actor John Voight is the father of which Hollywood superstar?
- 17) Who is the patron saint of France?
- 18) Complete the saying... 'to err is human.....'
- 19) Complete the saying... 'a bird in the hand.....'
- 20) Complete the saying... 'little strokes fell.....'

Answers on page 33

Dates for Your Diary

October

Sunday 1st	Holy Communion	10.30am
Weds 4th	Holy Communion	10.00am
Sat 7th	Harvest Supper & Quiz	6.00pm
Sunday 8th	All Age Harvest Festival	10.30am
	Baptism	1:30pm
Mon 9th	PCC Mtg	7:30pm
Weds 11th	Holy Communion	10.00am
Sunday 15th	Holy Communion	10.30am
Weds 18th	Holy Communion	10.00am
Thurs 19th	Lydgate Lodge Service	11am
Sat 21st	Monks Walk	8.30am
Sunday 22nd	Holy Communion (& Baptism)	10.30am
Mon 23rd	Heart Start Course (Parish Centre)	5pm
Weds 25th	Holy Communion	10.00am
Sunday 29th	Holy Communion	10.30am

November

Weds 1st	Holy Communion	10.00am
Thurs 2nd	All Souls Service	7pm
Sunday 5th	Holy Communion All Saints	10.30am

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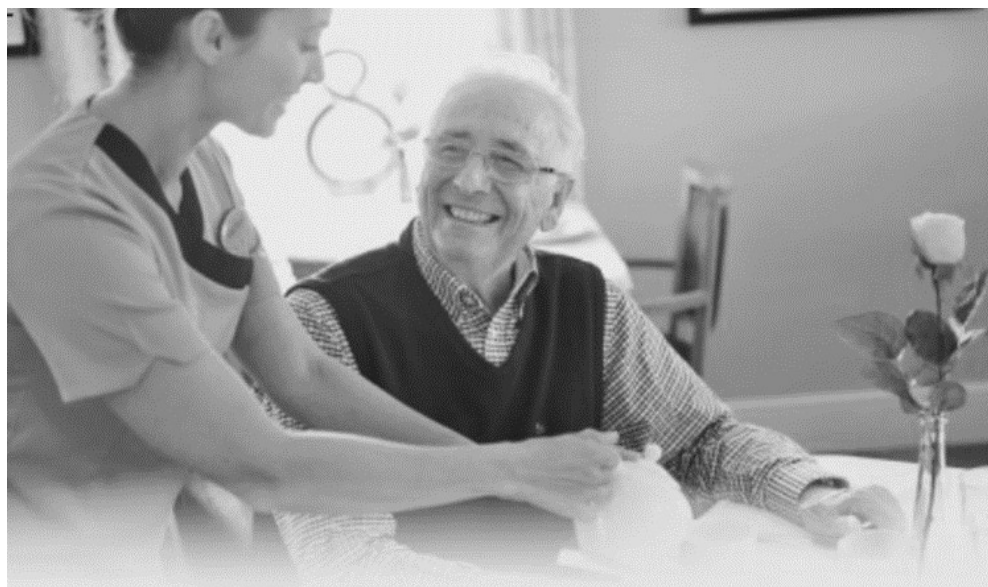
Then select 'Videos' from the side bar.

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QUIZ ANSWERS: 1) Ankara 2) Daily Planet 3) Lord Mayor of London 4) Bear 5) Everton Mints 6) Edith Piaf 7) Cheese 8) Jimmy Nail 9) Greece 10) Gold 11) Destiny's Child 12) Heath Ledger 13) Thailand 14) Ra 15) Potato 16) Angelina Jolie 17) St. Denis 18) to forgive divine 19) is worth 2 in the bush 20) Great Oaks

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BAPTISMS—

Joe Stephenson

Florence Bennett



DEATHS



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Richard David Binks

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What's on (please contact the leaders for further information)

ABC Group Adults, Babies and Children
Wednesday 9:30-11:00am (Term time)
Nikki Esberger 07932026419
Thursday 9.30-11.00am (Term time)
Charlotte 07972217528

Line Dancing 1.00-3.30pm Tuesday
Contact Helena 07719946917

Knit and Natter—come and enjoy help with crafts or just chat
Wednesday 1.00-3.00pm.
Dawn Tattersfield 07840739239

Pilates Wednesday 7.00- 8.00pm
Contact Erin Blake

Young at Heart 1st & 3rd Thursdays 2:00pm
Sally Shaw 07963610708

Rainbows Thursday 5.30 - 6.30pm
Ruth Osenton-Brown 01924 607393

Brownies Thursday 6.30 - 7.45pm
Hannah Tombling 01924 501892

Beavers Friday 5:00pm to 6:15 pm
Joanne Rutledge 07950 580877

Cubs Friday 6:30pm to 7:45 pm
Marianne Ingham 07778 542302

Scouts Friday 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm
Trevor Holdsworth 0113 253 0927

Explorer Scouts Friday 7:45 pm to 9:30 pm
Chris Ingham 07816 517838

Diary and Services this Month

Sunday Services.

Each Sunday there will be a Holy Communion Service at 10.30am in Church as well as Online.

Weekday Services

Mondays 9am	Morning Prayer	On Line
Tuesdays 6pm	Evening Prayer	On Line
Wednesdays 10am	Holy Communion	
	in Church & On-line.	
Thursdays 9pm	Night Prayer	On Line
Fridays 9am	Morning Prayer	On Line

Special Services in July & August:

Sunday 9th July—All Age Worship 10.30
Sunday 13th August—All Age Worship 10.30

Please see Page 41 for details of how to join a
streamed service