

Notices

Instructions to access the live stream for services:-

- Navigate to the main St Mary's Woodkirk Facebook page.
www.facebook.com/stmarywoodkirk.
- All scheduled lives will be pinned at the top of the page and you can join them by clicking on them at the time that they start.
- Alternatively a link to the live will also be published on our **A Church Near You** page
- Find the event taking place and click on "More about this event" this will automatically take you straight to the live service on Facebook.

If you wish to make a donation to the work of this church or if you wish to pay your weekly collection via our bank account then the details are given below:-

Yorkshire Bank Morley
Sort Code 05-01-31
Account – Woodkirk PCC 31405751

Thank you - Sharon



WELCOME TO ST MARY'S WOODKIRK

 THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Leeds

*Engaging with God
Engaging with Each Other
Engaging with the Community*

Sunday 8th November 2020 – Holy Communion

10.30am Said Holy Communion – Remembrance Sunday
(Service streamed via Facebook live)

Instructions to Connect given in column 4

Services for next week

Mon 9.00am	Morning Prayer streamed as above
Tues 6.00pm	Evening Prayer streamed as above
Weds 10.00am	Said Holy Communion - Service streamed as above
Thurs 9.00pm	Night Prayer streamed as above
Fri 9.00am	Morning Prayer streamed as above

**As per Government Guidelines for Lockdown
the Church Building will be closed until 2nd December.**

Next Sunday's Services (2 before Advent) are as follows:

10.30am	Said Holy Community – (Service streamed via Facebook live)
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FOR YOUR PRAYERS

From our Parish Prayer Diary: Those who gave their lives serving their county.

From our Church Prayer Diary : Those whose lives were lost as victims of war.

We pray for Baptism Families, Wedding Couples and Funeral Families.

Those who have asked for **prayers for healing**:

Kevin, Richard, Grace, Betty, Lionel, Queenie, Frank, Nicole, Ethan, Barbara, Diane, Margaret, Jerry, Louise, Simon, Faith, Alfie, Bree, Beryl, Marlene, Philip, Christine, Trevor, Barbara, June, Steven, Shelley, Jillian.

The family and friends of those who have recently died: Barry Law

And those whose **anniversaries** fall at this time:
Michelle Crook

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CHRISTENINGS can be booked by contacting:

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CHURCH WEBSITE: www.stmarywoodkirk.org

FACEBOOK: regular updates about life at St Mary's can be found on our Facebook pages:

*St Mary's Church, Woodkirk,
and Friends of Woodkirk Churchyard.*

TWITTER: tweet us and follow us @stmarywoodkirk

Scripture Readings for the coming Week:-

Sunday 8th November – Said HC –streamed live

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

Monday 9th November – Morning Prayer – streamed live

Psalms 20

Daniel 4: 19-37

Tuesday 10th November - Evening Prayer – streamed live

Psalms 40

Matthew 5:13-20

Weds 11th November – Said HC – streamed live

Titus 3:1-7

Luke 17:11-19

Thurs 12th November– Night Prayer – streamed live

Psalms 16

Matthew 24:13,14a

Fri 13th November– Morning Prayer – streamed live

Psalms 32

Daniel 7:1-14

So here we are again at the mercy of another lockdown scenario. The Guidelines we have been given are as follows:

Places of Worship will be closed, unless they are being used for:

- Funerals
- To broadcast acts of worship
- Individual prayer
- Formal childcare or where part of a school
- Essential voluntary and public services, such as blood donation or food banks
- Other exempted activities such as some support groups

Funerals can be attended by a maximum of 30 people, and it is advised that only close friends and family attend.

Linked ceremonial events such as stone settings and ash scatterings can also continue with up to 15 people in attendance. Anyone working is not included. Social distancing should be maintained between people who do not live together or share a support bubble.

Weddings, civil partnership ceremonies will not be permitted to take place except in exceptional circumstances.

Churches can open for Private Prayer but it seems to me that it is confused logic to say that a church cannot open for worship and yet can open for individual prayer. It puts people at risk unnecessarily and so at least initially we have made the decision not to open for Private Prayer. However, should anyone wish to pray in church then they

can contact me and it can be arranged on an individual basis.

All Services will be streamed on-line on our Facebook Page and you are welcome to join in – if you follow St Mary's Facebook page then you will be notified of all that we offer in the way of services. Joining instruction on page 4.

With regards to activities in the Parish Hall only those that meet the Government's/Church of England's criteria will continue whilst we are in lockdown. Those groups will be St Mary's Playgroup and Baby Sensory. I understand the Government will review the situation at the beginning of December so I will keep you informed.

It isn't easy to follow these guidelines they do give mixed messages and guidelines themselves are slow in coming out in any detail so I apologise for the lack of a notice sheet last week but I didn't have sufficient correct information to keep you informed.

Somehow this lockdown seems more serious and yet people seem to take it more lightly it defies logic really. There are several members of our congregation and local community who have suffered or are suffering with COVID. Please take care and take no risks and of course if you need anything please contact myself or Gail.

Remembrance Sunday will be held on 8th November at 10.30am and will be streamed live from Church.

PCC Meeting will take place at 8.00pm on Monday 10th November via zoom.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) - November 22nd 2020, 2.00pm

This date will be discussed at the PCC meeting on Monday as will how we are going to access or manage it and a definitive answer will be in next weeks' Notice Sheet.

Christian Aid Afternoon Tea which was scheduled for 5th December is cancelled until further notice. Hopefully, we will be able to run this in January.

To finish, I would just like to say a big thank you to all those who volunteer and have worked so hard to make sure the church and church hall have remained Covid Secure. I am blessed to have such good people around me.

I feel weighed down at the moment with sadness for our world and for our people and like most people struggle to put into words, sometimes I feel angry, sometimes sad, sometimes frustrated and confused. My answer is to walk and pray – I hope you can find an answer that helps you. We are here if you need anything at all. Sharon