

Notices

We all need to pray for so many things, wisdom for our Government, safety for our families but as Christians let us also be beacons of light to those around us. Help us share what we have and shop sensibly. Help us to be the ones to look out for our neighbours.

Once again if you need anything please do not hesitate to contact me. My prayers will be with you.

We are not people of fear: we are people of courage. We are not people who protect our own safety: we are people who protect our neighbours' safety. We are not people of greed: we are people of generosity. We are your people God, giving and loving, wherever we are, whatever it costs for as long as it takes wherever you call us. Amen

If you are not familiar with technology please ask a younger member of the family to show you. It is a way we can worship together in our homes, just as the early Christians did thousands of years ago.

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.

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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 19th April – Easter 2

10.30am Holy Communion (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 Holy Communion (streamed as above)
Thurs 9.00pm Night Prayer (streamed as above)
Fri 9.00am Morning Prayer (streamed as above)

Next Sunday's Services are as follows: -

10.30am Easter 3 - Holy Communion (streamed via Facebook live)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

From our Parish Prayer Diary: Pharmacists.

From our Church Prayer Diary – Local farms and farmers.

For those whose Baptisms have been postponed.

For those whose Weddings have to be changed

For those whose Funeral arrangements are not what they wish.

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

Kevin; Richard; Grace; Ben; Betty; Gethin; Lionel; Queenie; Nancy & Philip, Frank, Nicole, Ethan, Barbara, Diane, Margaret, Jerry, Louise, Simon, Chris

The family and friends of those who have recently died: -

Jim Smith, Jean Bilsborough, Kath Frost and Wendy Howley

And those whose **anniversaries** fall at this time: -

Scripture Readings for the coming Week:-

Sunday 19th April – HC – 10.30am

Acts 2:14, 22-32

John 20:19-31

Monday 20th April – Morning Prayer – 9.00am

Psalm 19

Exodus 15:1-21

Tuesday 21st April – Evening Prayer - 6.00pm

Psalm 104

John 20:11-18

Weds 22nd April – HC – 10.00am

Acts 5: 17-26

John 3:16-21

Thurs 23rd April – Night Prayer – 9.00pm

Psalm 104

Revelation 22:4-5

Fri 24th – Morning Prayer – 9.00am

Psalm 57

Exodus 18:1-12

For those who have joined in with Services on line – I thank you very much and hope that you are finding them beneficial at this time and hopefully meeting some of our needs for communal worship in this present climate.

A belated Happy Easter to you all. Last week was very busy with learning how to stream services and collate readers and music together for the many services in Easter Week. I owe a big debt to all those who took the time to record readings and to Dan for his music. On the whole I was very pleased with what we produced and indeed it has surprised me with how many are tuning in and taking part. Regulars and none regulars alike – all forming one new congregation in the this time of need. Somehow we need to think seriously about how we can keep streaming services once we are back in church. Thank you too for learning how to access these services – I know for some it has been difficult but most have managed a way.

We have had people from Lancaster, Norwich and Tucson joining in – how amazing is that?

One very sad piece of news on Easter Sunday was that it was the last Service for Dan and Sammi. None of us would have wanted it to be this way as we all would have liked to say goodbye to them in person.

So on behalf of the congregation, the Church has bought them a gift to say thank you for all they have done for the Church and for their friendship during the last four years.

The gift was an Amazon Voucher for £150.00 and that along with a card wishing them well from all of us is winging its way to them.

I have invited them back before they leave in the summer to share a meal with us and to say goodbye properly providing we are still not in lockdown.

Dan sent this message for all of us on Sunday and I have copied it here for you:

Hello to all of you at St Mary's from Dan and Sammi. We can't believe that today is our last service and for us to be speaking to you in this way which is not how we imagined this to be.

As you all know, Sammi and I are moving down to Dorset in the summer. We very much hope that once social gatherings are permitted again we will meet you all at the church in the summer before we depart.

Thank you very much for all the love and support you have shown us over the years. St Mary's has been the best church we have ever been involved with and you welcomed us both with open arms.

We will miss you tremendously and hope to stay in touch in the future. With love from us both x

This Sunday we have our new Organist starting with us and he has played for us before and his name is Mr Jason Hawkins. We look forward to welcoming Jason (and his wife Heather) formerly once we are back in church. Jason will be providing the music for this Sunday's service.

Yesterday we held our first zoom coffee morning which went quite well. There were seven or eight of us that managed to gather together.

We thought we would try it again next Saturday 25th April at 10.30am. If you would like to join in with this you will need to download zoom us from the App Store onto your computer. You will then need to email me so that I can let you have the access codes to enter the meeting (vicar@stmarywoodkirk.org).

Gail and I have kept in touch with all of you and so far everyone seems to be well and have the things they need. Please pray for Eileen as she goes into hospital on Weds for an operation.

You are all in my prayers and if you need anything please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes
Sharon