

## 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](http://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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*St Mary's Church, Woodkirk,  
and Friends of Woodkirk Churchyard.*

**TWITTER:** tweet us and follow us @stmarywoodkirk



## 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 24th May – Ascension

**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 Pentecost (streamed via Facebook live)**

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

From our Parish Prayer Diary: For our local community

From our Church Prayer Diary : For the Cleaning Team

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, Frank, Nicole, Ethan, Barbara, Diane, Margaret, Jerry, Louise, Simon, Chris, Eileen, Faith, Harold

The family and friends of those who have recently died: - Shirley Fothergill, Mary Oakland

And those whose **anniversaries** fall at this time: - Allan Ernest Kelly

Scripture Readings for the coming Week:-

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May – HC – 10.30am

Acts 1:1-11

Luke 24:44-53

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Psalm 93

Numbers 27:15-23

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Psalm 68

1 John 3:1-10

Weds 27<sup>th</sup> May

Acts 20:28-38

John 17:11-19

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> May

Psalm 86

Joel 2:28

Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May

Psalm 28

Ezekiel 36:22-28

### **Sponsorship for Church Funds**

Me 'n' Simon are planning to do the walk next Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May starting at 10am from Nostell Priory. The route takes in Walton Colliery Nature Reserve, Sandal Castle as well as a section of the river Calder, 2 golf courses and even a walk up Broadway (although we wont be singing). It is about 13 miles in total mainly on rural footpaths and will take about 5 hours. Last time we did it was in 2016 – there were 30 of us then. The Monks of that time must have made the journey between Nostell and Woodkirk many times so we are recreating a little bit of history.

Take Care

Dave Townsend

If you are able to Sponsor Dave and Simon on their walk then please do so. Payment can be made by cheque made payable to Woodkirk PCC and sent to:

the Treasurer, Barbara Tate, 388 Westerton Road, Tingley

or paid direct into our Bank Account details of which are below:

Yorkshire Bank Morley

Sort code 05-01-31

Account – Woodkirk PCC 31405751

I understand times are hard right now for many people if you need a listening ear then we are hear for you.

As you are all aware I have had Tuesday – Saturday off this week and although I haven't done anything much I have had a good rest and simply enjoyed the sunshine and sat around reading and talking. The weather on Tues, Weds and Thurs was wonderful!

I also managed to get a haircut!! So thanks to my eldest boy Thomas.

This morning I am going to attempt to stream from church and I expect this will be an emotional moment for many of you. I tested it all out last night and I am hoping it will go without a hitch this morning.

We are privileged to have such a wonderful building but please always remember that during the time it has been closed we, the people, have been God's church and our ministry and mission to our community has carried on.

I still have no clear indication of when the building will be "open" to others but when I do I will keep you informed.

Bishop Nick has asked us to think about four questions A) what have I/we lost in the last two months that must remain lost? B) what has been lost in the last few months that we must regain in the weeks and months ahead? C) what has been gained in the last few months that must now be retained or developed? D) what has been gained that was fine for the season but can now be lost?

If you have any thoughts on this please email them to me for consideration by the PCC.

Finally, Services will resume this week as indicated on the Notice Sheet and we will get back into a pattern of worship together.

We will continue to have a virtual coffee morning at 10.30am on Saturday mornings on Zoom. If you haven't attended and would like to join in then you will then need to email me so that I can let you have the access codes to enter the coffee morning.

I have spoken with Gail who I know has spoken to most of you and I am glad to hear that for the most part all of you are well and have the help you need which is wonderful.

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

Please continue to pray for Nancy, Eileen and Liz.

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Best wishes. Sharon