

# St Botolph's Church Magazine

September 2024

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# Knottingley



# Parish News

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# of Knottingley



## Sunday Services:

**Parish Eucharist 10.00am**  
(all the family are welcome)

**Holy Days - As announced**

**Contact us: Mother Sharon 01977 671415**

**Churchwardens :** Linda 07939967800

Janet 07790939025

Or email **[stbotolphchurchknott@yahoo.com](mailto:stbotolphchurchknott@yahoo.com)**

Parents wishing their children to be Baptised should attend church beforehand, our services are 10 am on Sundays.

## St Botolph's Diary Dates

7 September Heritage Day, 11 am - 2 pm

Clock Appeal Fundraiser, Knottingley Club, 12 noon

15 September Parish Lunch, 12 noon

27 September MacMillan Coffee Morning, 10am-12noon

Harvest Pie & Pea Supper, 4.30 pm

27 October Memorial Service, 4.00 pm

16 November Hand bell concert

7 December Christmas Fayre

The Editor

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Dear Friends,

September – a month of endings and beginnings.

As summer draws to a close, and shorts and t-shirts are put away for another year, the usual rhythm of life returns with children heading back to school, youngsters packing up for university or college, and the TV is full with ads for all the new programmes about to begin. In the church, we look towards all that lies ahead in the next few months – Harvest Festival, All Souls, Remembrance Sunday, Advent and then, of course, the culmination of it all, Christmas!



But before we get to Christmas, we enter the season of autumn a time of thanksgiving. Maybe you want to give thanks to God for a lovely summer holiday, for weddings, for friends and family or for new beginnings. Our group of 5 churches have new beginnings to give thanks for as well. We will soon come under the benefice name of The Aire Benefice, and we have new additions to our clergy team, Fr Philip Grayson (associate priest) and Revd Jo Byrne (curate). Together with Fr Peter Clapham (associate priest), Mthr Millie Day (curate) and myself (priest in charge) we are all working to spread the good news of Jesus Christ in our parishes.

In his letter to the Ephesians St. Paul encourages us all to live our lives in an attitude of thankfulness. It is hard and takes a lot of discipline and requires effort. If you're feeling grouchy for no good reason, try smiling - the physical act of smiling makes you feel more cheerful whether you want to or not.

But living lives of thankfulness doesn't mean that we should just ignore our sufferings or the suffering of others and say they don't matter, because they do matter. There is a time to laugh and a time to cry. So many people say they mustn't grumble and imply that their sufferings are too small to be of value compared to other people's, "there are so many worse off than me" That is not true. All of our struggles and sufferings matter to God, however small

they are. But St. Paul understood that if we can learn to be positive and thankful during the good times, then that will help to sustain us through the bad times. He was in prison when he wrote to the Ephesians. Being thankful didn't diminish his hardship, but it did help him to endure it.

Each new day brings with it a new beginning and a challenge. So how about a challenge, a challenge to be thankful! To make the effort to see the positive in a situation rather than the downside. To stop us when we start moaning and give thanks instead. And I think that if we can do that, we'll discover that whatever life may bring, it will be the better for having consciously tried to live it in an attitude of thankfulness.

God bless,  
Mother Sharon



**Sunday 15 September 2024**  
**in the Parish Room**  
**12 noon**

**Ticketed event £7.00**



## Some useful numbers

Ash Grove Drs Surgery 01977 673141

Ash Grove Pharmacy 01977 622107

Ferrybridge Medical Centre 01977 664141

Non Emergency Medical 111

Emergency Dentist Urgent treatment cost £23.80 + Dental cost 111

### Non Emergency Number 101

You should call 101 if you want to talk to your local police officer, get crime prevention advice, or report a crime that does not need an emergency response, for example: if your car has been stolen. your property has been damaged. you suspect drug use or dealing.

Emergency 112 can use this on mobiles also landline world wide; equivalent to 999

Emergency Gas Number for gas leaks or you can smell gas. 0800 111 999

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Looking through my albums and scrap books I found  
these lovely pieces that I would like to share with you all.

*Peter Greenwood.*

### **September**

The golden-rod is yellow;  
The corn is turning brown;  
The trees in apple orchards  
With fruit are bending down.  
The gentian's bluest fringes  
Are curling in the sun;  
In dusty pods the milkweed  
Its hidden silk has spun.  
The sedges flaunt their harvest,  
In every meadow nook;  
And asters by the brook-side  
Make asters in the brook.  
From dewy lanes at morning  
the grapes' sweet odour rise;  
At noon the roads all flutter  
With yellow butterflies.  
By all these lovely tokens  
September days are here,  
With summer's best of weather,  
And autumn's best of cheer.  
But none of all this beauty  
Which floods the earth and air  
Is unto me the secret  
Which makes September fair.  
'T is a thing which I remember;  
To name it thrills me yet:  
One day of one September  
I never can forget.



*Helen Hunt Jackson*

**St Botolph's Church , Knottingley**  
**REQUEST FOR AN ENTRY IN THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

Please complete this form and return to one of the Churchwardens, There is no fee for making an entry in the Book of Remembrance, but a donation towards the cost of a new Book will be most welcome, please make cheques payable to KNOTTINGLEY ST BOTOLPH'S PCC. The Parochial Church Council reserves the right to refuse any entry which is deemed unsuitable.

**DETAILS OF THE DECEASED**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date of death \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Additional short inscription (if required) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**DETAILS OF PERSON REQUESTING ENTRY**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

Donation enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

The name and date of death will appear annually, in the appropriate month, in the Parish Magazine . Please tick the box if you do NOT agree to this.

For office use only – details to go in Church Parish Magazine

Full date of death, day-month-year \_\_\_\_\_

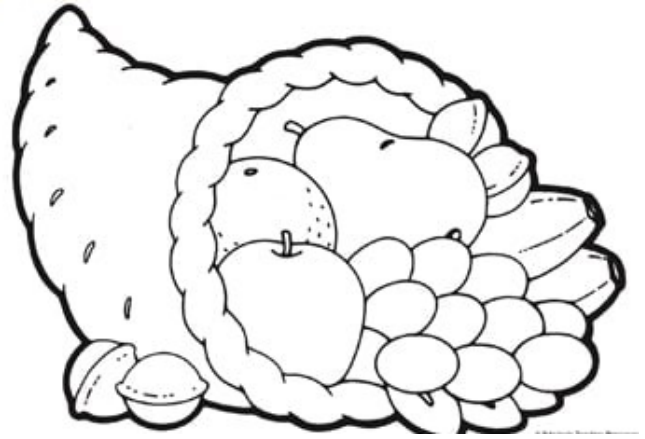
Name of deceased \_\_\_\_\_

Date request received \_\_\_\_\_



## Puzzle Corner

How many words can you make from the letters of CORNUCOPIA?



Start from the shaded letter to make a 'harvest' sentence. The letters not used also give a 'harvest' word.

E	U	R	E	G
L	O	R	H	R
F	R	I	T	A
T	G	N	D	I
E	G	O	T	N

The remaining letters  
spell the word



## Harvest Wordsearch

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harvest  
crops  
feast  
grains  
wheat  
apples  
plums  
potatoes  
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squash

# St Botolph's



## Handbell Ringers

**Available for any event to provide some musical entertainment, with tunes that can be adapted to any function,  
i.e. Garden Parties, Charity Fundraisers, Christmas and Easter Festivities, Care Home Gatherings, and much more.**

**Contact Paul Hargrave, Bells Captain, on 01977 678741 to discuss how we can best perform to your particular audience.**

***We do not charge a specific fee, but donations are appreciated towards the upkeep of the handbells – thank you.***

## Summer Concert at St Botolph's Church

On Friday 28th June at 5pm we had a wonderful concert to raise funds for the Renovation of the church clock.

It was a great success and a varied programme. The evening began with Womersley Community Hand Bells who played 3 different, beautiful tunes including one from Japan entitled Peace.

This was followed by our soloist, Janice, who sang some lovely pieces including Panis Angelicus, Clare Benedictus, Ave Verum Corpus, Andrew Lloyd Webber's Love Changes Everything and a favourite from Elvis, Can't Help Falling In Love with You.

Our own church organist, Daniel played the wonderful piece, Aida by Verdi.

Grahaeme, with his guitar, brought the concert to a lively conclusion entertaining us with traditional songs from Scotland and Ireland.

We then adjourned to the Parish Room for delicious refreshments. We would like to thank Iryna and her daughter, Marta, who helped to set up the parish rooms and prepare the food and Michael for most of the baking. Without all these people this evening wouldn't have been possible, a massive thank you to everyone.

We, at St Botolph's, would like to thank you all who made this event a success we raised £333 for the clock appeal.



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## Church Funds/Flowers

We gratefully acknowledge donations from everyone who has so generously given to our funds



## Market Stall

Thank you to everyone who supported our market stall in Pontefract, on Wednesday 17 July, in aid of our Church Clock Appeal.

People were so generous and we raised £148 towards the renovation of our church clock.

Thank you to St Giles for allowing us to use the space, Sheila for organising the event and to Ray, Iryna and Joan who came along to run the stall.



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# Calendar - September 2024

15th Aug Thu Blessing the Virgin Mary, Team Service, 10 am  
St Andrew's, Ferrybridge

**1st SUNDAY - TRINITY XIV**  
**PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am**

7th Fri Heritage Day, Church and Parish Room, 11 am - 2 pm

Clock Appeal Fundraiser, Knottingley Club, 12 noon - late  
afternoon

**8th SUNDAY - TRINITY XV**  
**PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am**  
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**15th SUNDAY - TRINITY XVI**  
**PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am**  
**PARISH LUNCH 12 noon**

**22nd SUNDAY - TRINITY XVII**  
**PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am**

27th Fri MacMillan Coffee Morning, Parish Room, 10 am - 12 noon

Harvest Pie and Pea Supper, Parish Room, 4.30 - 6.30 pm

**29th SUNDAY - TRINITY XVIII**  
**MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS**  
**PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am**

## St Botolph's Parish Room

Monday  
Tuesday

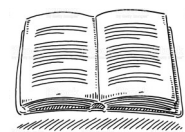
Saviour Trust  
Rainbows, Brownies and Guides  
Hand Bells

Wednesday  
Thursday

Children's Dance  
Friends of St Botolph's (second Thursday)  
Lunch Club (fourth Thursday)  
Judo

Friday

## Church Rotas



1 September	Volunteers please, let Linda or Janet know		
8 September	Glenis	Ann	Colin
15 September	Sheila	Rita	Sheila
22 September	Renée	Edna	Janet
29 September	Dianne	Jackie	Jackie
6 October	Glenis	Ann	Colin
13 October	Sheila	Rita	Sheila
20 October	Renée	Edna	Janet
27 October	Dianne	Jackie	Jackie





# Knottingley Judo Club

**BRITISH  
JUDO**



Knottingley Judo Club can be found in St Botolphs parish rooms on Thursday evenings. We pride ourselves on the fun, friendly, family atmosphere in the club and welcome all new members regardless of experience and ability. The club is run by Ian Sidaway (3<sup>rd</sup> Dan) with the help of Catriona Barber (1<sup>st</sup> Dan). All coaches are fully qualified, DBS checked and first aid trained.

## **Training Times**

Thursday evenings at St Botolphs parish rooms

Junior grades	(5-14years)	6-30-7.30pm
Senior grades	(14 years +)	8.00-9.00pm

## **Contact**

Ian Sidaway	07935 498518	iansid@live.co.uk
Catriona Barber	07594 922614	catriona.barber50@gmail.com

# Bottery



## Club

Membership costs £1 per week per number and the draw takes place in the Parish Rooms after the Sunday morning service

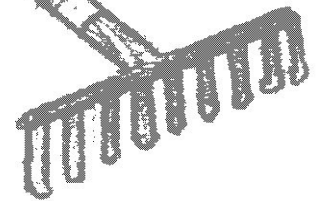
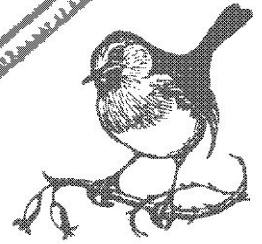
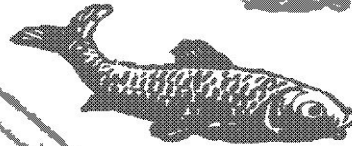
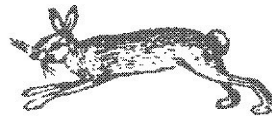
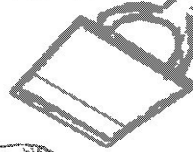
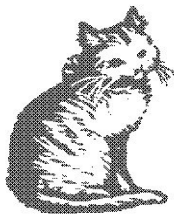
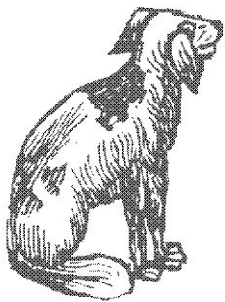
2 June	138	Sandra Ward	£40
	4	Sue Barlow	£10
9 June	163	Anne Barker	£40
	73	Renée Huby	£10
16 June	54	Simon Ward	£40
	30	Avril Chisem	£10
23 June	87	Annie Jones	£40
	7	Agnes Fife	£10
30 June	104	Julie Dobbins	£40
	68	Michael Kite	£10
7 July	39	Sheila Wilson	£40
	50	Glenis Moon	£10
14 July	41	Julie Haggan	£40
	51	Ann Middleton	£10
21 July	14	Peter Greenwood	£40
	64	Avril Chisem	£10

We would be grateful for any additional members to join our Bottery Club, all proceeds go directly to support the upkeep of St Botolph's Church.

If anyone would like to join the weekly bottery, which is £1 per number per week, please contact Sue Barlow on 07485170704

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fish, Biscuits, Sugar,  
Tinned Soup

## Volunteer

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have some amazing people who  
volunteer with Knottingley  
Foodbank! If you would like to  
volunteer please do  
get in touch

Contact via Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or Email  
[manager@knottingley.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:manager@knottingley.foodbank.org.uk)

## St Botolph's Parish Giving Scheme

As reported in last month's magazine, the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) was launched for St Botolph's in June 2020.

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is an established service for managing Direct Debit donations, designed to support churches to fund their mission and ministry. It reduces the burden of work on church volunteers and provides a simple and secure service to donors.



The service is freely available to all parishes, their churches and donors, within dioceses that have chosen to participate. Uptake is growing every year, with the majority of dioceses in the Church of England - and many of their parishes - now members of PGS and experiencing the benefits.

Further details can be found here: [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk)

**The PGS makes it possible for donors to:**  
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**added to your giving**  
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**You can set up a Direct Debit to donate regularly to St Botolph's:**

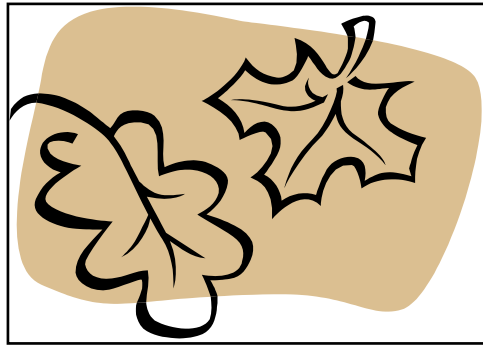
**via gift form available from Richard Bagley (Treasurer).**

**Tel: 07396598237. Email: [richardbagley99@gmail.com](mailto:richardbagley99@gmail.com)**

**or directly via the Parish Giving Scheme on 0333 002 1271  
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# Fancy a cuppa?

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21 September and 19 October**

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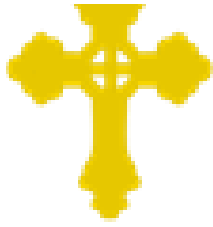
at

The Knottingley Club



Meet for a bacon butty and a cuppa  
With your local British Legion





## St Edward the Confessor

From the parishes of Ferrybridge and Brotherton and Byram



Our usual service times are below:

### **Sunday**

8am	Said Holy Communion	St Andrew
9.15am	Parish Eucharist	St Edward the Confessor
11.00am	Parish Eucharist	St Andrew

### **Wednesday**

9.15 am	Eucharist	St Edward the Confessor
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### **Thursday**

10.00 am	Eucharist	St Andrew
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We now hold our Sunday evening services. Their format will vary, more information will be found on our Facebook pages and website.

1st Sunday of the month	St Edward the Confessor
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3rd Sunday of the month	St Andrew
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Facebook: St Edward the Confessor, Brotherton.

Facebook: St Andrew's Church, Ferrybridge



Website: [www.stedwardsbrotherton.co.uk](http://www.stedwardsbrotherton.co.uk)

Website: [www.standrewsferrybridge.co.uk](http://www.standrewsferrybridge.co.uk)

## **Events**

15 Aug Blessing the Virgin Mary Team Service, 10am, St Andrew

20 Sept Phoenix Singer Concert, 7 pm, St Andrew

All welcome

To arrange weddings or baptisms please contact Mother Sharon.

God Bless

Mthr Sharon Brown MA SCP

Priest in Charge of the parishes of Ferrybridge, Brotherton, Knottingley, Kellington & Whitley with Eggborough, and Womersley.

New Vicarage

Pontefract Rd

Ferrybridge

WF11 8PN

Tel: 01977 671415

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## **Womersley**

### **Church of St Martin**

Sunday Mass 11am

### **Events**

6 Aug Transfiguration Team Service, 9.30 am

7 Sept Coffee Morning with various stalls, 10.30am - 12 noon

14 Sept Heritage Day, Church Open 10am - 4 pm

5 Oct Coffee Morning with various stalls, 10.30am - 12 noon

18 Oct Afternoon Tea, 2 - 4 pm

2 Nov Coffee Morning with various stalls, 10.30am - 12 noon

16 Nov Knottingley Brass Concert, 7.30 pm

7 Dec Coffee Morning with various stalls, 10.30am - 12 noon

20 Dec Carols by Candlelight, 7 pm

Everyone Welcome



# Kellington, Eggborough and Whitley

## Church of St Edmund King and Martyr

Sunday Parish Eucharist 9.30 am



### Events

- 14 Sept Heritage Day, Church Open, 10am-2pm
- 5 Oct Autumn Fair, Eggborough Village Hall, 10am-2pm
- 5 Dec Carol Service in Church, 3pm

Arrangements for Baptisms and Weddings contact Mother Sharon Brown 01977 671415

Please come along and join us



## Harvest Pie and Pea Supper

including raffle

St Botolph's Parish Room

Friday 27 Sept 2024  
4:30 - 6:30pm

Tickets £7



All welcome



# 1st Knottingley Rainbows, Brownies and Guides



The Rainbows, Brownies and Guides broke up for the summer holiday in July and meetings will resume on 10 September 2024.

The girls have enjoyed finding out about the RNLI as part of their 200 year anniversary, the Olympic Games before they began in Paris in July and they also discovered how to stay safe in the sun, making a personalised sun hat.



## **Progress with the church clock**

Many of you will have noticed that the first part of our clock renovation began in June when the scaffolding was erected.

The history of our clock dates back to the late 1800s.

Although the clock faces appear to have been included in the building of the tower which began in 1873, initially no actual clock was installed.



The faces were intended for a town hall, but as this wasn't built they were placed on St Botolph's tower. In 1883 determined efforts were made to raise the necessary finance to install a clock by way of subscription. It was erected by Potts & Sons of Leeds and it was opened on Thursday 10 April 1884. Mrs Edwards wife of the Vicar Rev J W G Edwards set the clock in motion. An hourly striking mechanism was installed in 1896.

It has been showing the time in Knottingley all those years. It is serviced every year by Hills Tower Clocks of Leeds, but this is the first major works on it for over 30 years.

We were pleased to engage Hills Tower Clocks to carry out the renovation. Some work is being done in situ while some pieces have been removed and taken to the workshop.

We are looking forward to seeing the clock restored to its former glory.

## **Why was all this necessary?**

Every five years a Quinquennial Report is required for every church. This is a report on an inspection which has been a statutory requirement for all churches since 1955. The church was

inspected by the church architect firm from Leeds, Pearce Bottomley LLP.

The report is legal requirement and it is the document which assists and guides the PCC (Parochial Church Council) in the care and repair of the church building. It gives the level of priority for each recommendation.

When our last report was issued to the PCC, in September 2022, it stated our clock needed painting or what we thought just needed painting at the time.

We consulted Hills Tower Clocks and the Cumbria Clock Company as both firms have worked on our clock previously. We appointed the Hills company, Terry Hills knows the clock as he services it regularly. Tom Precious, the DAC (Diocesan Advisory Committee) clock specialist who oversaw our faculty application for permission to have the work done, did mention we would probably need more than the painting of the clock as there had been problems regarding the dials. Tom had serviced the clock for many years ago before handing over to Terry, so he also knows the clock very well.

The work on the church clock will take around 13 weeks, the scaffolding was erected 20 June and should take around 13 weeks for the clock to be renovated.

In 2016 Terry wrote in his annual service report that the four sets of dial motions works had worn bearings. (At the time I doubt if we were able to afford the work). The worn bearings weren't dangerous however as we were having work done on the clock, it would save more expense in the future, and while scaffolding and everything was on hand scaffolding



etc, it was good idea to have the clock overhauled and then restored. Terry's report supported the Quinquennial Report in stating that the clock dials are faded and will benefit by restoration.

When the work started Terry stopped the clock, disconnected all four sets of dial motion works and removed the hands in order to withdraw the dial motion works, then prepare the dials for painting using a rustoleon paint system, apply rust inhibitor as necessary to the clock dials applying small amounts of metal filler to them. Then apply one coat of damp proof primer on most parts inside and out. As the dials turned to a shade of rusty red Terry described them as going through their "Angel of the North" phase.

When the clock hands are in the work shop, Terry will mark out the clock dials ready for gilding guild numerals and minute marks etc with 24 carat extra gold leaf.

Terry will overhaul all four sets of dial motion works including lining brushes, firmly securing all four internal minute balance to the internal end of the minute spindle this will reduce hand balancing issues.

The cast iron clock dials are very heavy and the existing iron dials fixing are very old, so it was recommended for safety that new unobtrusive stainless steel fixings should be fitted around each edge of each clock dial . Should the original dial fixings fail, the clock dials will be safe and firmly attached to the Tower wall by the new stainless steel fixings.

Terry will overhaul all four sets of dial motion works including lining brushes, firmly securing all four internal minute balance to the internal end of the minute spindle this will reduce hand balancing issues. There will be twenty-



seven new clock dials fixings consisting of stainless steel threaded rods, he will drill seven fixing holes fit in the stainless steel fixings tightly around the edge of each clock dial.

The clock and its mechanism date from 1884. There are four, approximately 8' diameter clock dials.



The clock movement is a half hour striking flat-bed design with a double three legged gravity escapement made by William Potts of Leeds 1884. The clock movement drives four sets of clock dials, the dials are made of cast iron with acrylic central glazing .

The Potts family came from the North East of England.

William Potts set up his own business making clocks in Pudsey in 1883. He had been apprenticed to Samuel Thompson a Darlington clockmaker before moving to Pudsey at the age of 24.

William's company began making domestic clocks and when this was a success, he started manufacturing and repair Turret clocks, jewellery and silverware. Turret clocks are large pendulum clocks with hanging weights, modern clocks often run by electricity.

In 1862 the Company mass produced clocks for schools, offices, railways and exported clocks over all the world.

The Company was sold to John Smith of Derby in 1935 where they moved to Bayfield Terrace Burnley Leeds. In year 2000 the premises sadly closed.



*Let's get the clock ticking*

**Fundraiser for St Botolph's Church  
Clock Appeal**

**Saturday 7 September  
at 12 noon - 5 pm**

**Knottingley Club  
Hill Top  
Knottingley**

**Various stalls tombola, raffle  
Disco and Karaoke  
Refreshments available**

**Please come along and join the fun**



# Diocesan News

## July 2024

### Our deacons welcomed into their new exciting roles at packed ordination service



A "Leeds Eleven" of new deacons were welcomed into their exciting roles at a packed service in Ripon Cathedral, led by the Anglican Bishop of Leeds, the Rt Revd Nick Baines.

The new signings include a former lawyer, a former combat medic and a TV production assistant and family, friends and well-wishers gave them all a long round of applause.

Preacher, the Rt Revd Smitha Prasadam, Bishop of Huddersfield described them as "ambassadors of God's Kingdom" embarking on roles that are about sharing the Good News and putting other people first.

"God needs agents and disciples and it's about living a

life that will demand courage, but that will be reflected back to you in the compassion and generous hospitality that you receive."

Bishop Smitha also highlighted the steady rise in Church of England membership during the last three years and said to the full cathedral: "If you haven't joined the club yet, please do so today!"

The Very Revd John Dobson, Dean of Ripon said after the service: "It is always a privilege for a cathedral to host an ordination service and we pray for the deacons, their families and the parishes in which they serve."

Within the Church of England there are three stages of ordained ministry: deacons, priests and bishops.

### Lord Mayor of Leeds welcomed at city's Faiths Forum event in Church House



The Lord Mayor of Leeds Councillor Abigail Marshall Katung was welcomed by Bishop Arun at a special meeting of Leeds Faiths Forum in Church House.

The Rt Revd Arun Arora, Bishop of Kirkstall chairs the well-established interfaith group that is dedicated to building knowledge and understanding of the diverse faiths within the city and its communities.

And Cllr Marshall Katung received a warm welcome at the informal gathering where Bishop Arun said: "You may be sure of our support and blessings in all that you do."

Born in Nigeria, she is the first African Lord Mayor of Leeds and said while the importance and breadth of her role was still sinking in, she was committed to engaging with all faith groups and bringing people together.

## Act justly, love mercy and walk humbly

Bishop Anna

In 2018 I could not wait to take my two young daughters to see the 'Vote 100' exhibition at the Houses of Parliament marking the anniversary of the first time women, over the age of 30 and with certain property rights, were able to vote and stand for election. I was so moved to see my 6 year old 'role play', giving a speech in the House of Commons, pointing her finger with great authority and talking about fairness.

During a recent day trip to Manchester, I reminded my daughters again about their 'herstory' when the three of us had a photo taken next to the Emmeline Pankhurst statue in the centre of the city of her birth that recognises the contribution of Emmeline and her daughters to British politics.

While pointing fingers may be part and parcel of electoral politics, as my daughter had already learned, in recent weeks we will have seen politicians intentionally avoid pointing their fingers, instead bending fingers inwards so knuckles awkwardly protrude prodding the air, a practice first introduced by Tony Blair.

In contrast, the statue in Manchester (and the statue of her in London), has Emmeline reach a hand out, suggesting either an invitation to join her hand-in-hand in the struggle or a command to go and do what was needed. After all the Women's Social and Political Union was dedicated to 'deeds, not words'.



The story of the gift the suffragettes gave to our nation (and the wider world) still empowers me as a woman today. Not only politically but professionally, personally and prophetically, in my faith. I still find it incredibly humbling to hear the stories about women who gave so much, in some cases their lives and I find it shocking that so many people don't bother to vote today. Exercising our democratic right to vote is an act of respect not only for the suffragettes, but the millions (mainly men) who fought and died in two world wars, for our democratic freedom.

Following the General Election result, let us use our democratic freedom well, not just in how we vote at election time, but also how we continue to lobby and campaign around the matters which matter in our lives and faith, holding the government we have just elected to account. Let us also hold out hands of invitation to others to active collaboration to improve our lives and the lives of others.

In gratitude and debt to the prophets of old, and the prophets of more recent times, let us like them 'act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God'. (Micah 6v8)

## One of our schools celebrates its journey from broken to brilliant

One of our schools has gone from "broken to brilliant" and been praised in a recent Ofsted report for being Good in every area.

Bishop Young Church of England Academy, in Seacroft, Leeds, was rated as Inadequate in 2017 when the school first joined the Abbey Multi Academy Trust – with the then National Schools Commissioner ranking Bishop Young as one of the schools causing the most concerns in the country.

Fast forward seven years, and Ofsted has now found the school (visited recently by Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell and Bishop of Kirkstall, Arun Arora) has "high expectations", students can access "a richer, more ambitious curriculum" and there is an "inclusive and accepting environment" that helps to "raise pupils' aspirations of what they can achieve".

Rachael Cole, Bishop Young's Head of School, said: "This is one of those milestone moments that our community should really celebrate."



## Diocesan Synod tackles busy agenda in last meeting of triennium



How we continue to grow God's Kingdom here in our region was the theme of the most recent Diocesan Synod, which took place on Saturday, June 15 in Leeds.

The busy agenda covered topics including the work of our Children, Young People and Families Team, diocesan finances and an update from our Barnabas team on a new tool to help parishes chart ways forward.

Bishop Nick gave his Presidential Address, which highlighted the desperate situation of Christians in war-torn Sudan and their need for our prayers and support, and also examined the intellectual challenge of deciding personal priorities in the face of constant and often conflicting media.

After this, Bishop Nick outlined the process for choosing a new Bishop of Wakefield to Synod, which was a moment where members showed their full appreciation for the work of the outgoing Bishop, the Rt Revd Tony Robinson.

Synod then heard from Liz Morton, Team Leader for our Children, Young People and Families Team, as part of a motion about Synod received the annual reports from all our diocesan teams.

Synod then heard from Elaine Swinhoe, Mothers' Union President for our diocese, about the work of the Mothers' Union, which has over 4 million

members in more than 80 different countries.

Irving Warnett, Chair of our Finance, Assets and Investments Committee, and Geoff Park, Chief Finance Officer for the diocese, then gave a presentation on our 2023 accounts, looking at the current situation and giving an outline of where we would like to be in the coming years.

After a good debate, Synod approved the motion receiving the accounts.

The Revd Jude Smith, Diocesan Director of Church Revitalisation, then gave a presentation of Compass, a new tool for parishes from the Barnabas: Encouraging Confidence team.

Compass is a tool designed to help churches work out where they are in ministry and mission, chart what they are currently doing, and help them decide what comes next, the barriers to this and how the diocese can support churches to move forward.

As Synod drew to a close it ended with a Eucharist for members, as it was the last Synod of this triennium.

Bishop Nick thanked all Synod members for their contributions over the tumultuous last three years, with a particular thanks to Matthew Ambler, outgoing Chair of the House of Laity, and the Revd Canon Rachel Firth, outgoing Chair of the House of Clergy.

## Bishop Nick and Bishop Toby take messages of support to war-torn Sudan



The plight of people in war-torn Sudan was witnessed first hand by Bishop of Leeds, Nick Baines and Bishop of Bradford, Toby Howarth during a recent visit to our link diocese.

This significant visit to a country riven by conflict was aimed at showing our diocese's ongoing support for the many Christians displaced by hostilities.

Bishop Nick said: "In conversations with Archbishop Ezekiel, who now runs the whole province from a small desk in the corner of his bare bedroom in Port Sudan, we pledged our continuing support – our love and commitment to him and his people. Thank you to all in this diocese who have given money in order to keep besieged clergy paid, fed and resourced to feed and serve others."

Bishop Toby told how they hoped to make people feel that they are not abandoned:

"The main reason Bishop Nick and I went was basically to say, 'you are not forgotten, we pray for you every day, we love you, we stand with you,'" he said.

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## A call to rest

Revd Phil Arnold  
Vicar of Upper Armley

Each Wednesday afternoon at Christ Church, we have Warm Welcome, joining with churches across the country to welcome people to a safe space who may not otherwise make it to church.

In our case, this involves table tennis, pool, tea, coffee and a meal high on calories and low on nutrition. One of our regulars who is currently homeless has a cup of tea and takes his place at the piano where he sits and plays jazz piano, tears often streaming down his cheeks.

Last month we added a 'circle time' where everyone shares something that has happened in the last week, along with a small act of worship: listening to a worship song, a passage, and a simple response like lighting a candle.

The challenges in the inner-city and outer estates are well-known: poverty, isolation, and poor mental health are all common. However, accompanying that is often a sense of gratitude for what I take for granted.

Listening to people wonder at



the sense of peace from sitting in church, seeing people's pride at reading a Bible passage: these are challenges to us all.

In this election, with all the discussion about manifestos, it's made me wonder what Jesus would have chosen as his manifesto commitments?

Perhaps the statement early in his ministry in Luke 4:18-21 about his purpose, or Matthew 5:1-12 as he describes who is to be 'blessed'. I've settled for Matthew 11:28: 'Come all you who are weary, and I will give you rest.'

Increasingly in a weary world, I suspect that it is this verse that would resonate with the electorate. I am aware that the lens I look through is different to what people in other contexts see. However, I think in Jesus' genius for capturing people's hearts and minds, his call to rest would speak to people from all walks of life. This is good news indeed.

## First conference held for new Church Buildings Support Officers

Our new Church Buildings Support Officer Alena-Rose Douglas has reported back from a conference at Peterborough Cathedral for people in her role who are now helping churches across the country.

Alena-Rose has already visited 29 churches in the diocese over the six months since her appointment, providing expertise and advice in areas ranging from starting long term church re-ordering projects, to help with application forms to grants panels.

Alena-Rose said: "It was great to meet with the other Church Buildings Support Officers in person and see how every diocese is working to support parishes.

"In ours, the role is focused on providing bespoke, tailored, ongoing support for selected parish churches, following the priorities of our Barnabas: Encouraging Confidence initiative."



## Memorial Service



Dear

***Knottingley, St Botolph's Parish Church will be holding a Memorial Service on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 4:00 pm.***

This is a time when, in our worship, we will remember loved ones who have died recently. Family and friends are warmly invited to attend the service which will include the lighting of a candle in memory of your loved ones and to hear their name read out in prayer.

If you would like a lily placed in church in memory of your loved one please send a donation of £3.00 to:

Linda Brown, 2 Cheviot Place, Knottingley, WF11 8EW

Or Janet Laycock, 1 ~~Ryecroft~~ Ryecroft Gardens, Eggborough, Goole, DN14 0JZ

or complete the form below and return it to the either of the above addresses by 30th September 2024. The lilies will be placed around church on the evening of the 27<sup>th</sup> October.

After the service you are invited to share in light refreshments in the Parish Rooms.

*The Churchwardens of Knottingley St Botolph's Parish Church.*



**Memorial Service to be held at Knottingley St Botolph's Parish Church on Sunday 27th October 2024 at 4.00 pm.**

Name of deceased:(Block Capitals please) \_\_\_\_\_

I / We will / will not be attending the Memorial Service on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

I do / do not enclose a donation of £3.00 for a lily.

Please do not post coins as they can fall out of the envelope. Cheques can be made payable to St Botolph's PCC. Please return by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**In support of**

**WE ARE  
MACMILLAN.  
CANCER SUPPORT**

**Coffee Morning**

**Friday 27 September 2024**

**10 am - 12 noon**

**in St Botolph's Parish Room**

**Please come along for a cuppa  
and a chat**

**Everyone welcome**



## St Botolph's Church Open

**Saturday 7 September 2024**  
**11.00 am - 2.00 pm**

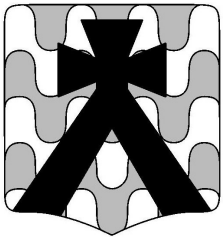
**Refreshments available in the Parish  
Room**

**Look around church, look at our beautiful vestments, search our records or follow the way of the cross in our lovely prints by Nobel Prize winner Perez Esquivel. Pebble painting in the Parish Room for children.**

*Saint Botolph's Church, Knottingsley*

**Do come along and join us**

**Everyone welcome**



# From the

## Baptism

9 June Kiran Kaur Gill  
Alfie Frank Liddle

28 July Axel George Eltringham



Shine as a light in the world

## Funeral

14 June	Sheila Frasier	91 yrs	St B
26 June	Barry England		St B
23 July	Rachel Martha Turver	91 yrs	St B
31 July	Sylvia Hodson-Walker	92 yrs	St B

May they rest in peace  
And rise in glory

### A prayer for those who mourn

May God be with you in your sorrow  
And comfort you in your loss.

May your God, your family and your friends,  
Give you strength and confidence.

May your spirits be lifted,  
May your heart be filled with peace and  
May the light of God's promise fill you with  
joy and hope.

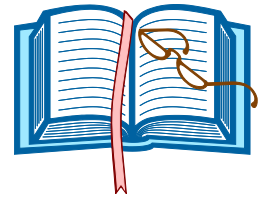
Amen





# Parish Registers

## IN MEMORIAM



*On these days of September please pray for the repose of the souls of:*

1	Rose Greenwood	1961	19	Alfred Schofield	1973
	Graham Ledger	1990		Doris Harker	1988
2	Lizzie Webster	1947		Belinda Sara Fussey	2009
	Robert Miller	1990		Alice Buckley	2012
	Doris Towell	1994		David Richard Schofield	2022
3	Thomas Edwin Forder	1920	20	Harry Fenwick	1978
	Herbert Cooper	1976	21	Rowley Alice Coward	1955
4	Jane Turpin	1967		Lillian Violet Walker	1987
	Minnie Williamson	1984		Paul Gosling	1995
	Violet Knapton	1982		Jemima Dunn	1986
5	Alice Ellis	1992		Michael Morgan	2023
6	Frank Burden	1991	22	John Henry Hemingway	
	Muriel Elizabeth Wilson	1993			1960
7	Elsie Etherington			Jonathan Gardiner	1988
	(Hiorns)	1998	23	Florence Isabel Dey	1965
9	Dorothy Court	1981		Mary Burden	1986
	Cora Elizabeth Birkitt	1993		Jennie Sunderland	1993
	Arthur Adino Ridge	1995	24	Irene Beaumont	1974
	Matthew McLauchlan	1977		Edward Kirkwood	1996
	Edith Wilcox	2020		Beatrace Elizabeth	
10	Mary Ann Hartley	1921		Dawson	1989
	HM Queen Elizabeth II	2022	25	Millicent Sherwood	2012
11	Arthur Herbert T. Ridge	1986	26	Hilda Brookes	1975
	Dennis Smith	1992		Janet J B Taylor	2023
	Mildred Cooper	1990	27	Sidney Winterbottom	1996
	Doreen Brown	2007		William Gregg	1995
	David Ian Jackson	2022	28	Eva Annie Dibb	1964
12	Olga (Mollie) Downing	1980		Cyril Ernest Frank Clark	
	John Edward Betts	2016			1990
13	Barbara Newlove	2020		St Mary Ivaline Smith	1992
14	May Ethel Dawson	2014		Margaret Taylor	1999
15	John Michael Barns	1997		Margaret Jean Jordan	2003
	Peggy Betchette	2013		Margaret Ann Firth	2020
16	Ronald S Tunningley	1987	29	Walter Whitwell	1974
17	Gordon Charles Nash	1977	30	Catherine Downing	1978
	Jean Rhodes	1994		Keith Brown	2000
18	Brian Fox	1981		Frederick Maeer	2000

## Holy Days and Commemorations

## Eucharist Readings

### September

- 1 **Trinity 14**
- 2 Martyrs of Papua New Guinea, 1901 & 1942
- 3 Gregory the Great, 604
- 4 Cuthbert of Lindisfarne, 687
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- 7 Evurtius, 340
- 8 **Trinity 15**
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- 10 Gibraltar Day
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- 14 Holy Cross Day
- 15 **Trinity 16**
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- 20 John Coleridge Patteson 1871
- 21 **Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**
- 22 **Trinity 17**
- 23 Francis Kilvert, 187
- 24
- 25
- 26 Wilson Carlile, 1942
- 27 Vincent de Paul, 1660
- 28
- 29 **Trinity 18**
- 30 Jerome, translator, 420

### 1 September **TRINITY 14**

Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9  
James 1: 17-27  
**Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23**

### 8 September **TRINITY 15**

Isaiah 35:4-7  
James 2:1-10,14-17  
**Mark 7:24-37**

### 15 September **TRINITY 16**

Isaiah 50:4-9  
James 3:1-12  
**Mark 8: 27-36**

### 22 September **TRINITY 17**

Jeremiah 11:18-20  
James 3:13- 4:3,7-8  
**Mark 9:30 - 37**

### 29 September **TRINITY 18**

**MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS**

TBC

### 6 October **TRINITY 19**

**DEDICATION SUNDAY**

TBC

## **The Aire Benefice Events (Correct at the time of going to press)**

- 7th Sept Heritage Day, St Botolph's Church Open,  
11am– 2pm  
Coffee Morning, St Martin, Womersley,  
10.30am - 12 noon (first Sunday of the month)
- 12 Sept Knit and Natter, St Botolph's Parish Room, 1 pm
- 14th Sept Heritage Day, St Martin's, Womersley, 10am - 4pm  
Heritage Day, St Edmunds, Kellington, 10am - 2 pm
- 15th Sept St Botolph's Parish Lunch, 12 noon
- 20th Sept Phoenix Singers Concert, 7pm, St Andrews,  
Ferrybridge
- 26th Sept Lunch Club, St Botolph's Parish Room, 12 noon
- 27th Sept MacMillan Coffee Morning, St Botolph's Parish  
Room, 10 am - 12 noon  
Harvest Pie and Pea Supper, St Botolph's Parish  
Room, 4.30 - 6.30 pm
- 29th Sept Sunday Social, 1 - 3pm  
Brotherton Parish Hall (last Sunday of the month)
- 5 Oct Kellington Church Autumn Craft Fair, Eggborough  
Village Hall, 10am - 2 pm  
Coffee Morning St Martin, Womersley,  
10.30am - 12 noon (first Sunday of the month)



Knottingley, St Botolph's Church  
in the Parish Room

Lunch Club  
Fourth Thursday of the month  
12 noon

Tickets £5 available from Linda

Friends of St Botolph's  
in the Parish Room  
Knit and Natter  
Second and fourth Thursdays of the  
month  
1.30 - 3 pm

All welcome

**The Parish Room is available  
for hire for  
Parties or Meetings  
at a reasonable rate  
Ring 673463  
for bookings**