

The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

Sunday 11th September 2022: 13th after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: Thurnscoe

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion: Darfield

Sunday 18th September 2022: 14th after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: Great Houghton

10:45 a.m. Service for Sunday: Darfield

4:00 p.m. The Well: Darfield Church Hall

The Ten Commandments and a Golden Calf – A wayward people.

A few weeks after the Israelites had left their slavery in Egypt and the miraculous crossing of the Red Sea, they came to the Sinai desert and camped close to Mount Sinai. [Exodus 19: 1, 2]. Moses then spent some time away from them talking to the Lord. He received a promise for the people that, subject to them obeying the Lord, they would be a Holy Nation for the LORD [Exodus 19:6]. Moses returned to the people who, when told of this, agreed wholeheartedly.

Three days later, a cloud descended on the mountain with thunder and lightning which was seen as a sign that the LORD was present. It seems that the words of what we know as the Ten Commandments were spoken by the LORD in the presence of the people. [Exodus 20].

Moses then received a range of other instructions from the LORD and the various Festivals which were to be celebrated. [Exodus 20: 22 to 23:33]

After building an altar to the LORD and consecrating the people, Moses went up the mountain and spend 40 days and nights within the cloud, in the presence of the LORD. [Exodus 24:] During this time, Moses received two stone tablets with the Commandments inscribed by the finger of God [Deuteronomy 9: 9]. Moses was also given instructions to collect gifts from the people and to create a Tabernacle which would act as a place for the LORD to be with the people. [Exodus 25].

Meanwhile, back at ground level, the Israelites were concerned that something had happened to "*this fellow Moses*" leaving them leaderless. They persuaded Aaron to fashion them *gods to go before them*. [Exodus 32: 1] Aaron collected gold earrings from the people and made a figure of a calf. He set up an altar and declared a festival.

The LORD heard and saw what the people were doing and threatened to destroy them and make a new nation from Moses [Exodus 32: 9,10]. Moses made a plea to the LORD to remember His Covenants with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and emphasised the potential response from the Egyptians to the Israelites being taken out of Egypt by their LORD, only to kill them in the mountains [Exodus 32; 11-14.]

The LORD relented and sent Moses back to the people noting that they were *quick to turn away from the Commandments* [Exodus 32: 8].

Moses returned, saw the altar and calf and was so angry that he smashed the stone tablets, tore down and burned the calf, ground it into powder, scattered it on the water and made the Israelites drink the water.

As we read the books of the Old Testament we see that rebellion against the Lord formed a regular pattern throughout the history of the Israelites, culminating several centuries later in the breakup of the Kingdom and exile of the people.

Over the next few Weeks

11th September: 2:00 p.m. **Heritage Opening Darfield**
12th September: 8:00 p.m. Zoom Prayer Meeting
17th September: 9:00 a.m. Table Top Sale
 18th September: 9:00 a.m. Great Houghton [HC]
 18th September: 10:45 a.m. Darfield
 18th September: 4:00 p.m. **The Well** Darfield
 25th September: 10:45 a.m. Darfield [HC]
 2nd October: 9:00 a.m. Great Houghton [HC]
 2nd October: 10:45 a.m. Darfield

Table Top Sale in the Church Hall.

Saturday 17th September: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Organised by Linda Oates (07434 798 517).

The table hiring fees will come to All Saints

We need to have a visible Church presence at this event to chat to the sellers and buyers and to provide drinks and biscuits throughout the day.

YOUR HELP IS URGENTLY NEEDED

Tables available for **£5.00**—or free if you donate all profits to the Church

Contact Sue Lee or Linda for details or bookings

13th Sunday after Trinity Collect

Almighty God, you search us
and know us: may we rely on
you in strength and rest on you
in weakness, now and in all our
days; through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Readings

Exodus 32: 7-14:

Psalms 51: 1-11

1 Timothy 1:12-17

St. Luke 15: 1-10

Bible Readings for this week

September

11th Psalm 73

12th Psalm 74: 1-11

13th Psalm 74: 12-23

14th Psalm 75

15th Psalm 76

16th Psalm 77

17th Psalm 78: 1-16

Leading your Church into Growth;

The LYCIG Collect

God of Mission, who alone brings
growth to Your Church, send Your
Holy Spirit to give **Vision** to our
planning, **Wisdom** to our actions,
and **Power** to our witness.

Help our church to grow in
numbers, In spiritual commitment
to you, And in service to our local
community, Through Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen

Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our
Prayer Ministry team through

Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331

Prayer Meeting: Monday 12th September 2022 8:00 p.m.

**From September, the monthly Zoom Prayer Meeting will be held
on the Second Monday of the month,**

Join us on Zoom for half an hour to pray for all things needful.

Contact **Carol Hunter** for the Zoom link.

Heritage Open Day: Sunday 11th September

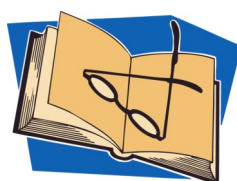
Come and join us to explore the history of our stained glass



From the Parish Registers:

Friday 2nd September: Laura Fearons aged 91

All Saints, Darfield and Darfield Cemetery



Are you interested in joining a Book Club?

If so, fill in a questionnaire, available from Rachel Ward
or Andrea Harrison, and attend a planning/first
meeting on **Thursday 22nd September at 7:00 p.m.**
in the Rectory Cottage.

Comfortable Words

All of us will have certain verses in the Bible which we turn to for inspiration
and comfort. Today's Epistle prompted a return to the Book of Common
Prayer where, following the General Confession and Absolution we hear
these Comfortable Words

**Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh
you.**

[St. Matthew 11: 28]

**So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end
that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.**

[St. John: 3: 16]

**This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ
Jesus came into the world to save sinners.**

[1 Timothy 1: 15]

**If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the
righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins.**

[1 St. John 2: 1, 2]

Psalm 51: 1, 10

¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love, according to
your great compassion

¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Resources and Contacts

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Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

All Saints

St Michael



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