



## The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

### Sunday 21st August 2022: Tenth after Trinity

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

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

The Well : postponed until September

### Sunday 28th August 2022: Eleventh after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: Thurnscoe

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion: Darfield

#### Jeremiah

Jeremiah is one of the major prophets of the Old Testament who was active between 626 BC and 587 BC, which covered the reign of King Josiah and beyond. Jeremiah was moved by the LORD to issue warnings to the people of Judah that Jerusalem would be destroyed by invaders from the north and that the people would be taken into exile. This was brought on by their repeated failures to trust the LORD in religious and national affairs. They had adopted many of the rituals of the local tribes including the Canaanite's devotion to the fertility god Baal.

King Josiah had attempted to return them to the worship of the LORD, but after his death, in their turns, his sons became King but quickly turned back to ignoring the LORD.

After the battle in which Josiah was killed, Pharaoh Neco of Egypt left a sizable contingent of his army in Judah. Josiah's son Jehoahaz reigned for only three months before being deposed by Neco and taken to Egypt in chains. [2 Kings 23: 30-33]; Jehoahaz is a king described as doing evil in the sight of the Lord.

The next in line was Jehoiakim, again put in place by Neco. He lasted eleven years but also did evil in the sight of the Lord [2 Kings 23: 36-37]. During his reign Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon invaded Judah and Jehoiakim became a vassal king. After three years Jehoiakim rebelled against Babylon, but the response was a severe and ongoing occupation. He was dethroned and succeeded by his son Jehoiachin. After three months Nebuchadnezzar took Jehoiachin prisoner and began the process of removing the people into exile in Babylon.

The final king of Judah was Zedekiah who reigned for eleven years having been put in place by Nebuchadnezzar. Despite having Jeremiah as his counsellor, he chose to ignore his advice and shared the description of doing evil in the sight of the Lord. His reign ended when Nebuchadnezzar succeeded in capturing Jerusalem after a lengthy siege. The Temple of Solomon and the city of Jerusalem were destroyed. The repeated warnings by the prophets had come to pass.

Jeremiah was despised and rejected by his own people but there are many references to his words throughout the New Testament. In one example, Jesus berates His disciples with the question "**Do you have eyes but fail to see, and ears but fail to hear?**" [St Mark 8: 18]. Compare this with "**Hear this, you foolish and senseless people, who have eyes but do not see, who have ears but do not hear**": [Jeremiah 5: 21]

Jeremiah is often described as the Weeping Prophet with many of his writings including such as this...

**If you do not listen, I will weep in secret because of your pride; my eyes will weep bitterly, overflowing with tears, because the Lord's flock will be taken captive.** [Jeremiah 13: 17]

#### Psalm 103: 1; 8

<sup>1</sup> **Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.**

<sup>8</sup> **The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.**

#### Over the next few Weeks

##### August: Churchyard Trail - Creation

21st August:	9:00 a.m.	Great Houghton [HC]
21st August:	10:45 a.m.	Darfield
28th August:	9:00 a.m.	Darfield [HC]
4th September:	9:00 a.m.	Great Houghton [HC]
4th September:	10:45 a.m.	Darfield
10th September:	10:00 a.m.	Heritage Opening arfield
11th September:	10:45 a.m.	Darfield [HC]
11th September:	2:00 p.m.	Heritage Opening Darfield

#### Salvation Army Appeal—August☆

Thank you for your continued support.

We now have donated enough boxes of cereals to cover the summer holidays.

However, there is an ongoing need for other foodstuffs. If you could either add some of the following to your own shopping list, or the money for me to buy on your behalf, that would be greatly appreciated

Coffee, dilute pop, UHT milk, gravy granules, instant custard and flour (SR or plain): Thankyou, Sue & Frank

## Tenth Sunday after Trinity

### Collect

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught His disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before You; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Readings

Isaiah 58: 9b-14

Psalm 103: 1-8

Hebrews 12: 18-29

St Luke 13: 10-17

### Bible Readings for this week August

21st Genesis 32: 1-21  
22nd Genesis 32: 22-32  
23rd Genesis 33  
24th Genesis 34: 1-17  
25th Genesis 34: 18-31  
26th Genesis 35: 1-15  
27th Genesis 35: 16-29

### 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**

## Summer Churchyard Trail—Creation



A visit to our Churchyard over the next few weeks will allow you to follow our Creation Trail, see the artwork from All Saints Academy, see the flowers alongside the church provided and tended by Denise Lumley and the dedicated work put in week by week by the volunteers from FODCY, the Friends of Darfield Churchyard. *Thanks to Kay and Diane for the trail.*

### From the Parish Registers

**Friday 12th August 2022 Funeral** *All Saints, Darfield*  
**Ernest Wiley** aged 91



**Sunday 21st August  
POSTPONED until September**

### Heritage Open Days—Advance Notice

All Saints will be open on **Saturday 10th September and Sunday 11th September** under this National scheme.

We will need everyone's involvement to meet and greet our visitors and to refresh them physically and spiritually: **Book the dates to be with us**



#### Sabbath Rules: read St Luke 13: 13-17

The Israelites who returned to Jerusalem from exile in Babylon had to build a new community and settled on a half church half state hybrid with their leaders mainly drawn from the religious teachers who developed into a group known as the Pharisees.

Today's Gospel reading is one of several occasions where Jesus and his disciples came into conflict with these religious leaders regarding working on the Sabbath. The fourth of the Ten commandments [Exodus 20: 8] had established a weekly pattern with the seventh day being a Sabbath on which no work was to be done. This would then allow rest, spiritual renewal and worship. The Pharisees had developed their own rigid interpretation of the Law with many detailed additions which effectively turned their religion into hollow ritual.

Today we read of Jesus healing a woman crippled for over eighteen years on the Sabbath in a synagogue. The synagogue leader complains that there are six days for work to come and be healed but is rebuffed by Jesus.

On another Sabbath Day, the Disciples picked and ate some grain which was classed as "work" by the Pharisees. [St Mark 2: 23-27]

The response to them included...

**"The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath"** [St Mark 2:27]

## Resources and Contacts

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**Tuesday 5:00 p.m.**

All Saints

St Michael



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