



Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## The Parish of Darfield

*All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton*

**Sunday 30th April 2023**

*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

**10:45 a.m. Brunch Service** *Gt Houghton*

**10:45 a.m. Brunch Service** *Darfield*

**Sunday 7th May 2023**

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

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

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



## Coronation Celebrations

**Saturday 6th May: 2:30 p.m.**

**Tea and cakes @ St Michael's Great Houghton**

**Sunday 7th May: 12:00 noon**

**Listen to the Bells—Bring your own Picnic**

*Rectory Grounds, Darfield*

**Tuesday 23rd May:**

**Celebration Concert; All Saints Darfield**



## Succession:

In the first chapter of his Gospel, St Matthew firmly places Jesus as the Messiah and shows His descent from Abraham [St Matthew 1: 1-17]. St Luke gives a similar line of descent but takes the list right back to Adam. [St Luke 3: 23-38].

We often receive enquiries from people who are attempting to trace their family tree and believe that their relatives are buried in our Churchyard. Some questions are easily answered but others take some time and research. Some searches even reveal tragic events for the families involved.

The events of next weekend will confirm the succession within the structure of our Monarchy where the direct line of Kings and Queens can be traced back over many centuries.

The Israelites were wandering in the desert, paying the penalty for their disobedience. Moses was told by the LORD that he would be allowed to see the Promised Land but would not lead the people across the Jordan. The immediate reaction from Moses was to ask the LORD to appoint someone to lead the community and to prevent them becoming "sheep without a shepherd" [Numbers 27: 15-17]. The LORD chose Joshua, Son of Nun as the successor to Moses. The procedures laid down to authorise Joshua were completed and, following the death of Moses, he led the Israelites into Canaan to take possession of the land. Years later as Joshua's life was drawing to a close, he assembled the tribes of Israel at Shechem. He reviewed their history with them and re-affirmed their Covenant with the Lord [Joshua 24: 25]

What about our succession? Our present church buildings at All Saints and St Michaels have, for centuries, housed their congregations who have maintained the ministry of the Church. It is our generation's duty to not only maintain but expand our witness within our Parish. A few months ago, on 29<sup>th</sup> January and 5<sup>th</sup> February, our News Sheets listed the many tasks and duties which have to come together to maintain the life and worship. They are worth re-reading and are still available on the Church Web Site. Look back on these tasks and ask yourself "where is our succession and what can I contribute to it"



## Beware Angel bombing in December

There is still time for all of you who are knitters to contribute to this Parish-wide forecast

**Join us in our great angel campaign:**

Are you willing to start knitting angels NOW???

Patterns from Carol or Sheila



## St Michael's Video

*Out on YouTube*

Local film-maker Joshua Daniels recently visited Great Houghton and has produced a short video as part of his *Churches in Barnsley* series

The link is on our Church website or at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jHCFHgaznrl>

## Fourth Sunday of Easter Collect

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of  
Your Father's sheep: teach us to  
hear Your voice and to follow Your  
command, that all Your people  
may be gathered into one flock, to  
the glory of God the Father.

### Readings

Genesis 7: 1-24

Acts 2: 42-47

Psalms 23

1 Peter 2: 19-25

St John 10: 1-10

### Bible Readings for this week April

30th Matthew 5: 1-12

### May

1st Matthew 5: 13-20

2nd Matthew 5: 21-32

3rd Matthew 5: 33-48

4th Matthew 6: 1-15

5th Matthew 6: 16-24

6th Leviticus 7: 1-10

7th Leviticus 7: 11-21

## Prayer Square

**This week we are praying  
for Darfield and the  
residents of...**

Nanny Marr Road  
Nanny Marr Close  
Nanny Marr Crescent  
Garden Street

### Prayer:

Forward any prayer requests to our  
Prayer Ministry team through

**Carol Hunter: 07542 527 331**

**Funeral: Tuesday 2nd May 2023 at 2:30 p.m.**

**Sue Cousins** Darfield All Saints and Barnsley Crematorium

### How well did you know the Old Testament:

The first 22 books of the Old Testament begin...

Adam, Seth, Enosh, Kenan...  
After the death of Ahab...  
After the death of Joshua...  
After the Death of Moses...  
After the death of Saul...  
Blessed is the man...  
In the Beginning God created...  
In the days of Ahasuerus...  
In the days when the Judges ruled...  
In the first year of Cyrus King of Persia...  
Now King David was old...  
Solomon the son of David...  
The Lord called Moses...  
The Lord spoke to Moses...  
The Song of Songs...  
The words of the preacher...  
The words of Xxxxxxxx the son of Hacaliah  
The Pxxxxxxx of Solomon...  
There was a certain man...  
There was a man in the land of Uz...  
These are the names of the Sons of Israel...  
These are the words that Moses spoke...

**1 Chronicles**  
**2 Kings**  
**Judges**  
**Joshua**  
**2 Samuel**  
**Psalms**  
**Genesis**  
**Esther**  
**Ruth**  
**Ezra**  
**1 Kings**  
**2 Chronicles**  
**Leviticus**  
**Numbers**  
**The Song of Solomon**  
**Ecclesiastes**  
**Nehemiah**  
**Proverbs**  
**1 Samuel**  
**Job**  
**Exodus**  
**Deuteronomy**

### A Prayer for Growth:

Lord Jesus, as a Church Family in All Saints' and St Michael's, it is our mission to know  
You and proclaim You.  
We want to connect with our community and see Your Kingdom grow. Send Your Holy  
Spirit to renew, invigorate and inspire us in our work for You.  
Give us grace, wisdom and joy as we seek to hold out Your Word. Make us strong,  
powerful and courageous witnesses and grant that we grow in faith and in numbers,  
to the honour of Your Name Amen

### Psalm 23: Book of Common Prayer

*The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.  
He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the  
waters of comfort.  
He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of  
righteousness, for his Name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear  
no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.  
Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me:  
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.  
But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my  
life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

## Resources and Contacts

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St Michael



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