



The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

Sunday 5th June 2022: Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: Thurnscoe

10:45 a.m. Holy Communion: Darfield

Sunday 12th June 2022: Trinity Sunday

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

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

The Day of Pentecost: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. [Acts 2: 21]

During the year we will have a number of personal events which we will want to celebrate in our own way. Equally, our Church year has a sequence of regular events which mainly coincide with significant events in our Lord's earthly ministry.

Just before the Israelites entered the Promised Land, The LORD gave them a series of yearly festivals [Leviticus 23: 1-44].

Starting with the weekly Sabbath, these festivals would encourage them to remember the provision that the LORD had made for them and would continue to make. Each event required them to present an offering to the LORD.

The festival of First Fruits, two days after Passover, marked the start of the barley harvest when a sheaf from the first crop was waved by the Priest as a Wave Offering. The nightly ritual of Counting the Omer then started as they counted 50 days to the Feast of Weeks, Shavuot, which marked the start of the wheat harvest. The Omer was a measure of the volume of grain, in today's terms around 6 pints or 3.4 litres. The Omer was the amount of manna needed by and collected by the wandering Israelites. [Exodus 16: 16]. Shavuot became one of the three Pilgrimage festivals when those who were able would make a pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem.

Ten days after Jesus had ascended to Heaven, the disciples had gathered in Jerusalem for the Festival. The promise of Jesus [Acts 1: 8] to send on them the Holy Spirit was fulfilled. They felt a mighty wind which shook the room and saw what seemed like tongues of fire coming to rest on each one of them [Acts 2: 3]. A great crowd from "every nation under Heaven" who were in Jerusalem for Shavuot [Acts 2: 5] heard the disciples speaking in tongues that they could individually hear as if in their own language. Peter's strong defence to the accusation of drunkenness [Acts 2: 14-40] was rooted in the Old Testament prophecies of the Day of the Lord [Joel 2: 28-32]. Many in the crowd were convinced and we read that around 3,000 received the message and were baptised [Acts 2: 40].

This event contributed much to the development of the early church as "the Lord added daily to their number, those who were being saved" [Acts 2: 47].

The Day of Pentecost marks the start of the spread of the Gospel as communities of believers were established throughout the then known world. The name Pentecost is derived from the Greek for fifty marking the number of days between the Resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire and lighten with celestial fire;

thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart. Attributed to Rabanus Maurus c776-856

Forthcoming Services

5th June:	10:45 a.m. Darfield [HC]
12th June:	9:00 a.m. Great Houghton [HC]
12th June:	10:45 a.m. Darfield
19th June:	10:45 a.m. Darfield [HC]
19th June:	4:00 p.m. The Well: Darfield Hall
26th June:	9:00 a.m. Great Houghton [HC]
26th June:	10:45 a.m. Darfield

More confusion – Read Genesis 11: 1-9

This week's Old Testament reading describes a scene sometime after the Flood. In the previous chapter we read of the re-population of the World with the tribes sharing a common language. Settled in the plain of Shinar they built a city with a very large tower, reaching to the heavens to show their superiority. The LORD interrupted this work by confusing their language so they could no longer work together. The Tower was left incomplete and the tribes dispersed.

In what could be seen as a restart of the links between God and man, in Chapter 12 we meet Abram who obeyed the LORD's instructions and was given the LORD's promise. [Genesis 12: 2-3]

Prayer Requests

Please pray for

Olive Shaw
Pat Bentley
Steve & Val Myers
Stella Firth
Joan Bramall
Linda and her family
Walt Law
Hilda Jobling

Our bereaved families

The family of Raymond Shaw

Prayer Contact:

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Pentecost Collect

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with
the gift of faith, revive your
Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Acts 2: 1-21

Genesis 11: 1-9

Psalms 104: 26-36, 37b*

Romans 8: 14-17

St John 14: 8-17 [25-27]

Bible Readings for this week

June

5th	Psalms 33: 12-22
6th	Psalms 34: 1-14
7th	Psalms 34: 15-22
8th	Genesis 14: 13-31
9th	Genesis 15: 1-11
10th	Genesis 15: 12-21
11th	Genesis 15: 22-27

Monthly Prayer Meeting

Monday 6th June 2022 8:00 p.m.

Join us on Zoom for half an hour to pray for all things needful.
Contact **Carol Hunter** for the Zoom link.

A date for your Diary - Saturday 25th June An Evening of Modern Board Gaming

Darfield Church Hall 6:30 p.m. for a 7:00 p.m. start

Modern board games offer so much more varied and thematic gameplay, interesting decision making and engaging social interaction.

You could bring your own games...

Refreshments will be available. If you are able to come then sign up on the notice at the back of church or contact Darren Ward daward@sky.com

Flower Rota for 2022

Do you want to mark a day which is special to you and your family?

Our flower rota has dates available when you can provide flowers to decorate our churches.

See the Rota on the notice board to sign up...

Psalm 104: 33

I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Help Needed!

See Peter or Kay

Can you wield a wire brush or a paint brush? If not then now is an ideal time to improve your skills!

We are in need of a working group to scrape and re-paint the **Churchyard gates and railings**

Other different opportunities to help are available!

Resources and Contacts

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Tuesday 5:00 p.m.

All Saints



St Michael



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