

The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

Sunday 5th September 2021 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Gt Houghton 10:30 a.m. Partnership Service on Facebook 10:45 a.m. Holy Communion, Ardsley 10:45 a.m. A Service for Sunday, Darfield

Traditions- what to keep and what to leave behind.

What traditions do we need to consider as we move into what will be the new normal for our congregations? Some to think about which are considered to be amongst the top ten most fiercely defended traditions; Worship and music Style; Orders of Service; Times of services; Expected Role of the Incumbent; Specific ministries;

We are gradually moving from what has been one of the hardest periods most of us have lived through. We had become used to worshipping and meeting online but are now able to meet and worship in our Church buildings.

The Christian Church in its two thousand year history has developed many different traditions, some of which may have lost their meaning.

We are in a period of change and need to look at our own traditions to see what remains relevant. Over the past few years your PCC has developed a series of Mission Action Plans [MAP] which gave the opportunity to set short and long term goals for our activities. In MAP4, for this current year, we were asked to reflect on the past year and answer the following questions...

What have we stopped that we are happy to leave behind?

What have we developed that we will leave behind?

What have we stopped that we wish to pick up again?

What have we developed which we wish to take forward?

Darfield Church Hall

Definite answers have yet to be made but one thing is certain, it is far easier to leave things behind than to pick up and move forward with them.

You will have read or heard about the new designation of Parochial Clergy as Oversight Ministers. In many cases, the clergy will take on the responsibility of overseeing more than one Parish. A main requirement in this scheme is that each parish should develop its own Focal Ministry. In a parish of our size and complexity, it is inappropriate to expect a individual lay person to take on this role as a Focal Minister. What we need is a **Focal Ministry Team** which to some extent already exists. You may have, with others, a special interest in or a gift for a particular ministry. A Focal Minister can be described as someone who we might have previously called a Team-Leader or Co-ordinator.

What we do need are volunteers to pick up again or anew the many different duties and activities that we took for granted.

Forthcoming Services

5th September: 9:00 a.m. St Michael, Gt Houghton
5th September: 10:45 a.m. All Saints, Darfield
5th September: 9:00 a.m. Christ Church, Ardsley
12th September: 9:00 a.m. St Helen, Thurnscoe
12th September: 10:45 a.m. All Saints, Darfield
19th September: 9:00 a.m. St Michael Gt Houghton
19th September: 10:45 a.m. All Saints Darfield
19th September: 10:45 a.m. Christ Church Ardsley
19th September: 4:00 p.m. The Well @



4:00 p.m. Sunday 19th September

A family friendly service where all are safe and welcome, and can explore new ways of worshipping together. A chance to discover and sing new songs, to ask questions and to encounter Christianity and the Bible anew.

Follow up on Zoom on Thursday 23rd September

Prayer Requests

Please pray for

Olive & Raymond Shaw Pat Bentley Steve & Val Myers Stella and Raymond Firth Barry & Joan Bramall

Our bereaved families

Andrea & Andrew Harrison The family of Jean Barnes

Prayer Contact:

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14th Sunday after Trinity Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Isaiah 35: 4-7a Psalm 146

James 2: 1-10 [11-13] 14-17

St Mark 7:24-37

Bible Readings for this week September:

5th 2 Thessalonians 1: 1-12 6th 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-17 7th 2 Thessalonians 3: 1-18 8th 1 Timothy 1: 1-11 9th 1 Timothy 1: 12-20

10th 1 Timothy 2: 1-15 11th 1 Timothy 3: 1-16

The Diocesan Vision Prayer

Living God, Jesus calls his followers to seek first your Kingdom.

RENEW us as we make your love known;

RELEASE us to share freely together in mission;

and **REJUVENATE** us to be fruitful in your service.

Give us courage, wisdom and compassion, that strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may, as the Diocese of Sheffield, both flourish and grow through Christ our Lord.

Monthly Prayer Meeting

The prayer meeting scheduled for 6th September has been cancelled to allow members of the PCC to meet with the Bishop of Sheffield to discuss pastoral re-organisation in our area.

Back on Monday 4th October

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