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MARCH SERVICES

Sunday 4 March

9.15am: Eucharist and Baptism (?) @ Armitage Bridge including Junior Church

9.15am: Morning Worship @ South Crosland plus Baptism at 12 noon

11.00am: Morning Worship and Baptism @ Newsome

Wednesday 7 March

10.00am: Morning worship @ 57 Marten Drive, Netherton

Thursday 8 March

10.00am: Holy Communion @ Newsome

Sunday 11 March, Mothering Sunday

9.15am: Morning Worship @ Armitage Bridge

9.15am: Eucharist @ South Crosland

11.00am: Eucharist @ Newsome

Wednesday 14 March

10.00am: Holy Communion @43 Delph Lane, Netherton

11.30am: Holy Communion @ Garden Court

Sunday 18 March

10.00am: Team Eucharist @ Armitage Bridge

Wednesday 21 March

10.00am: Morning Worship @ 11 Sherwood Drive, Netherton

Thursday 22 March

10.00am: Holy Communion @ Newsome

Sunday 25 March Palm Sunday

9.15am: Eucharist @ Armitage Bridge

9.15am: Eucharist @ Holy Trinity

10.30am: Communion with Arise @ Newsome

Wednesday 28 March

10.00am: Holy Communion @57 Marten Drive, Netherton

Holy Week

Monday 26 March	6.00pm – 6.30pm	Reflection
	Methodist Church, Netherton	
Tuesday 27 March	2.30pm	Stations of the Cross
	Holy Trinity , South Crosland	
Wednesday 28 March	6.00pm – 6.30pm	Reflection
	Berry Brow Methodist Church and Community Centre	
Maundy Thursday 29 March	7.30pm	Holy Communion
	St John's, Newsome	
Good Friday 30 March	2.00pm	Good Friday Vigil
	St Paul's, Armitage Bridge	
	5.00 – 6.00 pm	Good Friday Vigil
	Berry Brow Methodist Church and Community Centre	



NEWS

Wanted;decorators

The Revd Julie Anderson will be in residence at the Rectory 42 Beaumont Park Road from April 3rd.

Julie would appreciate some help with painting from Saturday April 7th. Its very easy; just magnolia emulsion, materials will be provided. This is your chance to meet our new incumbent and welcome her to Huddersfield , combined with a bit of help.



Any willing volunteers contact June Richardson.

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NOTICES

Coffee Mornings:

Newsome Church Hall on 17 March.
South Crosland Junior School will be on 10 March .
Both events start at 10.00 to 11.30.



Messy Church – We next meet on Wednesday 14 March, 4-6pm at Netherton Methodist Church. Join us for crafts, fun, and food.
10 March, Messy Church at Berry Brow Methodist Church and Community Centre.

South Crosland Women's Society

2.30 Jubilee Room, Holy Trinity

27 March Stations of the Cross, Holy Trinity, South Crosland.

Crafty kids

3 March at Holy Trinity, South Crosland church from 10am to 11.30am. Mother's Day activities. All welcome.

Meditation at St Paul's

Christian meditation is a simple way of finding inner stillness and peace. Come and find out more – everybody is welcome to the new group, every Thursday 5.30 - 6.30pm at St Paul's Church, Armitage Bridge

Café Church



Saturday 17 March at St Johns Church Hall Newsome. 4-5.30. Rev David Kent, 'Thought for the Month'.

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Light Quiz at St John's ,Newsome church

Thursday 22 March from 2pm to 3.45pm (approx).£2.

Light Quiz, refreshments and fun charades!!! No need to book....everyone welcome!!



Concentration at the Light Quiz

Quizzes at Holy Trinity, South Crosland church

Saturday 24 March. Quiz Night . Please contact Steve or Angela Gledhill to book a place. Phone 683124.

£5 per adult, £2.50 aged 16 or under. Refreshments include Pie and Pea supper.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 7 March: South Crosland PCC at 7.00

Wed 14 March Net APCM, Armitage Bridge at 7.00pm

Sun. 18 March : Deadline for News and Notices for the April Focus

Choral Evensong

Sunday 25 March At St Pauls, Armitage Bridge. 4pm
Choral Evensong

Huddersfield Friends of Church Music

M D Tim Slater

Organist Malcolm Hinchliffe

Pop Up Shop

Pop up shop in aid of the Churches together, in the Packhorse Centre starting 18th March to 24th. Please pass donations of bric-a-brac, surplus presents, jewellery, clothing, books , CD's DVDs to Carol Waters 07740425093 or Pam Kent. Volunteers to set up , help pack up or be there during the week, please contact Carol 07740425093.

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Recycling :

Angela Morton admits to be a re-cycling wiz. Here are some of her suggestions.

Recycle envelopes by using economy labels

Margarine and other similar plastic boxes can be used for storage in the fridge or freezer.

Old stamps can be given to Kirkwood Hospice.

Jam jars can be re-used for home made jams and chutneys.

Bottles to the bottle bank.

Also:

Plastic bags; these supermarkets collect old carrier bags in their stores.
Asda, Morrisons, Sainsbury's, Tesco, The Co-operative, Waitrose.

Rena

CLERGY PAGES

Praying is like sunbathing . . .



These words were written by our last Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, and I was reminded of them by an article in *The Guardian* by their “loose Canon”, Giles Fraser, and they set me thinking.

Prayer is like sunbathing . . . & a whole lot of other things. I remember an occasion when I was on Day 4 of an Individually Guided Retreat. Outside in the sunshine in the afternoon, just looking up at a crucifix, and . . . nothing. No answer to the question “Well, God, what are you saying to me this afternoon?”, as there hadn't been on days 1, 2, or 3 either. Nothing. Suddenly I thought “I know what I must do”. Go & play the organ. Go & play . . . , play a piece I hadn't played for at least 25 years. And I had never played the organ in Mirfield Chapel before. So I went, & I did, & something

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unlocked inside me, & I heard what I was to do. God spoke clearly to me as I was playing that piece. The prayer was in the playing.

. . . or I think of a young friend of ours at Lee Abbey. He didn't much enjoy it when it was his turn to polish the floor in the large Octagonal Lounge where worship took place. And so he went through his list of Intercessory Prayers - a segment of the room for South Africa, a segment for Zimbabwe, a segment for the Holy Land, a segment for his home Parish, etc, etc. And then something changed gear for him, and the polishing became the prayer, and he realised that he was being changed by doing it, as was his attitude towards South Africa, Zimbabwe, his home Parish, and so on.

. . . which reminds me of another friend of ours. She enjoys singing and playing the violin, & she enjoys the simplicity of Taize Worship. For many months, she found that the music led her into worship, and supported her prayers, but there came a time when the music became the prayer. After all, the language of music speaks a language which is deeper than words. Suzanne Langer wrote *"music can reveal the nature of feelings with a detail and a truth that language cannot approach"*

This is a personal approach, and it is for each of you to recall the times when prayer has worked for you, and when you could give an answer to that question "so what is God saying to you?" Often that is not a question that can be answered quickly, if at all directly, but it needs to be asked.

Prayer is different for each of us. It can be words written by great Spiritual Leaders, words you put together yourself, arrow prayers, a verse of Scripture, the Jesus Prayer, the Prayer of the Kingdom, a revelation when are out walking the dog, a work of art, a sculpture, a sunset, doing a piece of art work, taking part in a mime or a drama, poetry, listening to music,

performing music, a word spoken by a friend, or an enemy, or silent prayer, to name but 19!

I'd be really interested to hear of your own "prayer experiences". They may help us all to open our eyes and ears to the different ways God speaks.

Jeremy



Holy Trinity after it has been spruced up by the folk sent by the probation service. A repaired wall and tidied graves.
Thankyou Margaret Greaves for the photo.

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