

# Sandal Magna Parish Newsletter

Home, Hope, Hands



## May 2024

From our Vicar, Revd Hannah Smith

Hello everyone,

After a rather wet winter, it feels like Spring has finally sprung – or we're at least getting there! After busy and wonderful Christmas and Easter seasons, we now move into a different season in the Church year and we are eagerly anticipating the arrival of our curate Lizzy.



Lizzy and her family will be moving into the area at the end of May and will have a month to settle in, unpack and get used to living in the North again before ordination. Lizzy won't be working for the parish until she is ordained, so please give their young family space to settle by not calling round.

Lizzy will be ordained at Ripon Cathedral on Saturday 29th June. Her first Sunday with us will be Sunday 30th June - we will celebrate with a joint service at St. Paul's at 11am followed by a bring and share lunch – please bring something to share. Lizzy is looking forward to meeting you all then!

Lizzy will be only working half time from July-December this year due to their youngest Zachery only being 6 months old. So once Lizzy has started can I encourage everyone to call or email ([lizzy@sandalmagna.com](mailto:lizzy@sandalmagna.com)) before popping round so that she has space to negotiate balancing family life and curacy particularly in those initial months.

Lizzy is going to bring so much to our parish and I know will bless many of you in the coming years – and I know also we will welcome and love her and her family.

Can I also remind everyone of our APCM on Wednesday 22nd May also at St. Paul's where we will also be having a bring and share at 7pm followed by the business of the meeting. We will also hear some good news stories from our ministries across the parish so please do come along – it would be great to have you there.

With love and prayers,

*Hannah*

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## Women's Fellowship

At our meeting last month, we joined with Ann and her Community Spirit Games, even though not so many attended it was a fun and sociable morning.

Here are the dates for the rest of our 'summer' meetings!

- MAY 6th; Val Williamson; The three Kings, called Charles!
- JUNE 3rd Madeline Wilson ; Author
- JULY 1st; LAST MEETING BEFORE THE SUMMER BREAK; Social!

All meetings take place in the Emmaus rooms at the rear of the church, from 10am to 12 noon, with refreshments !

Looking forward to seeing you !

*Gill Heap*



## Regular Activities at Helen's and St Paul's

1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of each month 10.00 -12.00	Women's Fellowship. Emmaus Room. Contact Gill Heap. 01924 250103
3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month 7.30pm – 9.30pm	Mother's Union. Barnabas Room, St Paul's
Wednesday 9.00am -12.00	Gardening Team. Contact Alex Hull 01924 256764
Church Cleaners 9.30am – 12.00 midday	Contact Vickie Lord. 01924 255938
Wednesday 7.00pm	Bellringers practice for Sunday Services. St Helen's. Contact Margot Cutt. 01924 255918
Thursday 7.00pm	Choir Practice. Usually the Thursday before the 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays. St Helen's Church. Contact John Arnold. 01924 372597
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of month 2.00 - 3.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group. Barnabas Room, St Paul's. Contact Sue Davies. 07749 592858
Every 1st and 3rd Sunday. 6 -7:30pm in the Emmaus Rooms.	Shield Youth Group. Contact Rachel Chapman

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## A Celebration of the 10th Anniversary of the Diocese of Leeds at Bradford Cathedral 20th April 2024

The Diocese was created on Easter Day 20th April 2014. The Rt Revd. Nicholas Baines became its first Bishop in June 2014.

The Bishop welcomed Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York. Also present were the Episcopal Area Bishops: Toby Howarth, Smitha Prasadam, Arun Arora, Anna Eltringham and Tony Robinson, plus the Deans of the three cathedrals, Andy Bowerman, Simon Cowling and John Dobson.



The Area Bishops introduced persons of interest whom they considered were bringing new perspectives and enhancing the Church's mission in their Areas :

- From Bradford--Fountains Church, a multi-national ,multi-generational 'church plant' in the city centre. Charismatic in style.
- From Huddersfield--Holy Nativity Church, Mixenden. The building is early 20th century - must have been traditional Anglo-Catholic now goes in for 'Rock Masses .'
- From Leeds--'Lighthouse' , a Christian charitable Community for vulnerable adults battling with addiction, poverty and mental health issues. This originates from the work done from St George's in Leeds city centre.
- From Ripon-- Auction Market Chaplaincy ; offering pastoral and spiritual care at livestock markets across this rural area. The clergy involve themselves in the actual work of a livestock market.
- From Wakefield—Wakefield District City of Sanctuary offers help to Refugees and St Michael's ( Westgate End) is a base for much of this help.



Children (7-9 yrs) from Lepton School sang a wonderful song '.....Loving, Living and Learning here at Lepton School ....' ( four verses). There was a soft piano accompaniment in the traditional junior school style.

Altogether the service was really well planned and produced.

*Mike Keeton (Deanery Synod Rep)*



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## News from The Spring

**Volunteers needed** – if you find you can spare a few hours a week to volunteer at The Spring – we'd love to hear from you. Our current areas of need are working with our Washing Up team on Wednesday Afternoons & Friday Afternoons from 2-4pm. We do also have opportunities in The Shop at varying times. I am always happy to chat through with you the various roles on offer or if you know someone who is currently a volunteer perhaps ask them!!! We really are a very friendly bunch and time and time again our team say what an amazing place to serve in – but don't take our word for it come and down and give it a go!!

**Job Opportunity** – a role will be becoming available in our busy Spring Kitchen from Summer 2024 – happy to have an initial informal chat with any interested parties in the first instance.

## Whats On at The Spring

**Kaiju Martial Arts Afternoon Tea** – Saturday 8th June, 3pm @ The Spring  
- gather your friends and family together and come and enjoy one of our delicious Afternoon Teas as we raise funds to send Digory Gabriel and his Martial Arts Squad to represent England at the World Karate and Kick Boxing Championships in Portugal this October - every ticket sold will generate £10 for this amazing opportunity for our young people. Tickets available from The Spring Café @ £15 each.

**The Spring Garden** – having finally managed to find a Grounds Maintenance Volunteer we are delighted to be able to open our Outdoor Seating area after Easter.

**Knit & Knatter** – held in the Spring Café every Thursday from 2pm-4pm – come and join Liz and the gang and enjoy a couple of hours of fellowship with like minded folk – who knows you may learn a new skill and be exhibiting at the Craft Fayre in 2024.

**Yoga Classes with Margaret Clegg** Wednesday 7.30 – 9pm. If you are interested in joining this class please call Margaret on 01924 370673 & Mobile 07787175432 and she will be happy to talk you through any questions you

may have – all levels catered for from beginners to the more advanced

**Slimming World with Vicky.**

Every Tuesday 5pm and 6.30pm – a warm welcome

extended to all whether your new, existing or returning – contact Vicky on 07966 202826 if you want any further information



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## More from The Spring

Huge thanks to one of our Spring Friends'- John who presented me today with this poem, all about us !!

### Spring Café, by John

This homage is to Spring café  
(on Mondays sadly closed all day),  
I seldom fail to stop  
to call in at the Charity Shop  
A welcome waits both warm and safe  
For Charity's in the Christian Faith;  
Among the diverse things they sell  
Of course there's clothes and books as well  
But at the bottom tucked away  
You'll find this wonderful café  
It's been here a fair few years  
and run by lady volunteers  
Always helpful with a smile  
To brighten up your day a while.  
The menu has a fine array  
with specials changing every day  
From all-day breakfast, simple fayre  
To Christmas Lunch fit for the Mayor  
and cakes and tray-bakes all home-made  
The quality is just top grade;  
It's Eggs Royale on toast I'd choose  
Then in the papers read the news

### So if you feel a break you're owed

While on the Wakefield-Barnsley Road  
and find that you are passing by  
Pop-in- you'll find it's worth a try.  
So raise a cheer " Hip, Hip, Hooray  
For the Spring Community Café"



*Cath Moxham (*  
*Manager at The Spring)*

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## Portobello Community Centre Programme

**OUR YEAR**  
Portobello 2024

**THIS IS OUR YEAR**

www.portobellocommunitycentre.org  
portobellocommunitycentre

### WHAT'S ON IN APRIL

**MONDAY**

**Sewcial Crafting Group**  
10am to 1pm | £2

**Trash Scrap Booking**  
4pm to 6pm | Family Activity  
£2 adults | £1 over 5s

**Hot Chocolate Youth Club**  
7pm to 8pm | 11 to 16 year olds  
FREE Pizza and hot chocolate

**TUESDAY**

**Portobello Craft & Photography Group**  
12.30pm to 2.30pm | £2  
AA  
7.30pm to 8.30pm

**WEDNESDAY**

**Portobello Baby & Toddler Group**  
9.15am to 11am  
£1 adults / 50p baby or toddler

**THURSDAY**

**Portobello Drop In**  
11am to 1pm | Donations welcome

**Chair Based Exercise Class**  
1.30 pm to 2.30 pm | £3

**Kung Fu**  
7pm to 8pm - Beginners  
8pm to 9pm - Advanced  
£2 adults / £1 children 10+

**FRIDAY**

**Sewcial Crafting Group**  
10am to 1pm | £2

**Zumba**  
6pm to 7pm  
£2 adults / £1 children over 14+

**Yoga**  
7pm to 8pm  
£2 adults / £1 children 11+

**MONTHLY**

**Wed, 15 May COMMUNITY MEAL**  
5pm to 7pm | £2 adult / £1 child

**Wed, 29 May SEWCIAL CRAFTING**  
7pm to 9pm | £2 adult / £1 child

**Sat, 11 May TRINITY MODELLERS**  
10am to 1pm | £2 adult / £1 child

**WORKSHOPS**

**Needle Felting**  
10am to 12.30pm | Sat, 4 May  
£10 for session

**Yorkshire Buttons**  
2pm to 4pm | Sat, 18 May  
£6 for session  
Call or text 07388 356008 to book

**FREE HOLIDAY EVENT**  
**Friday, 31 May - 2pm to 4pm**  
**Sunflower Tea Party**  
Story telling | Pot planting and painting  
Cake and drinks

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## Events in the Parish

### Cream Tea at Sandal Rugby Club

On Friday 12th July 2024 2 to 4pm  
£4 - Tickets available or pay at the door  
(Homemade Scones)  
There will be a variety of stalls Raffle,  
Cakes and Preserves, Tombola,  
Haberdashery, Cards and several others.  
Everyone is made welcome.

*Brenda Abbott'*

1-31 May 2024

### WAKEFIELD TALES OF WONDERMENT

Weds MAY 29th  
2pm @ Walton Library

We are hosting an interactive, multi-sensory storytime session for children aged 2-4.  
**THIS IS FREE** but places are limited to 15 children and 15 carers  
**PLEASE BOOK AT WALTON LIBRARY**

The session is led by 'WHAT'S THE STORY'

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# Wine TASTING

## ITALIAN WINES

THURSDAY May 23rd @7pm

TICKET HOLDERS ONLY!  
Available from the library  
£10 per person

# BINGO NIGHT

FREE Admission! (Adults only please)  
BRING YOUR FAVOURITE DRINKS AND NIBBLES!  
Cards available to purchase on the night.  
All profits are to keep our library running!

Tuesday 4th June at 7 PM

Walton Community Library  
6 Almond Avenue (off The Grove) WF2 6UA

www.waltonlibrary.org.uk



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## Worship at St Helen's and St Paul's May & June 2024

Sunday 5th May	9.30am St Helen's (Morning Prayer) 11.00am St Helen's (Morning Prayer with Kids Church) 11.00 am St Paul's (Morning Prayer)
Sunday 12th May	9.30am St Helen's (Morning Prayer) 11.00am St Helen's (All Together Service) 11.00 am St Paul's (Morning Prayer)
Sunday 19th May	9.30am St Helen's (Holy Communion) 11.00am St Helen's (Holy Communion with kids church) 11.00 am St Paul's (Holy Communion)
Sunday 26th May	9.30am St Helen's (Holy Communion) 11.00am St Paul's (Morning Prayer) 4.00pm Cafe Church, (The Spring Community Cafe)
Sunday 2nd June	9.30am St Helen's (Morning Prayer) 11.00am St Helen's (Morning Prayer with Kids Church) 11.00 am St Paul's (Holy Communion)
Sunday 9th June	9.30am St Helen's (Holy Communion) 11.00am St Helen's (All Together Service) 11.00am St Paul's (Morning Prayer)
Sunday 16th June	9.30am St Helen's (Morning Prayer) 11.00am St Helen's (Holy Communion with kids church) 11.00 am St Paul's (Holy Communion)
Sunday 23rd June	9.30am St Helen's (Holy Communion) 11.00am St Paul's (Morning Prayer) 4.00pm Cafe Church, (The Spring Community Cafe)
Sunday 30th June	11.00am Joint (Holy Communion) Service at St Paul's to welcome our new curate Revd Lizzy Brothwood

