Home, Hope, Hands

May 2024

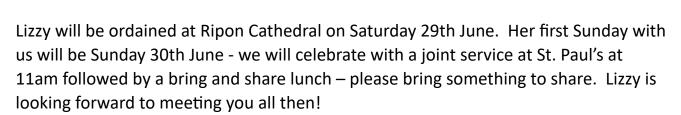
From our Vicar, Revd Hannah Smith

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 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) 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.



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

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

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)

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 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

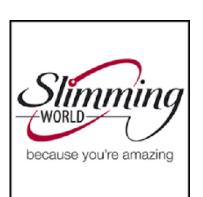
Kaiju Martial Arts Afternoon Tea – Saturday 8th June, 3pm @ The Spring - gather your friends and family together and come and enjoy one of our delicious Afternoon Teas as we raise funds to send Digory Gabriel and his Martial Arts Squad to represent England at the World Karate and Kick Boxing Championships 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



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 JohnThis 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)

Portobello Community Centre Programme



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 tp 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



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.

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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)
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	11.00 am St Paul's (Morning Prayer)
Sunday 12th May	9.30am St Helen's (Morning Prayer)
Sunday 12th May	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)
Sanday 15th May	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



