

Welcome to St Margaret's Frizinghall

Sunday 11th March 2018: Fourth Sunday of Lent: Mothering Sunday

Worship Today:

10am Holy Communion: Service led by Revd Alistair Helm; Preacher: Constance Miller

Jesus challenges us ... to seek to be fruitful with what he has given us: Luke 19:18-28

As part of "Fairtrade Fortnight" there will be a small fairtrade stall after the service, however we have decided to postpone our main fairtrade event until later in the Spring; more details to follow.

What's On this week?

Monday	7.45pm	PCC (Tim & Tammy's house)
Tuesday	9.45-11.45am	Patch
Wednesday	10am-12pm	Places of welcome cafe and knitting group
	12.30pm	Over 50s lunch
	6.00-7.15pm	ShIPLEY Christians Together Lent Meetings: Salvation Army

An invitation to meet for prayer and a soup and roll meal with other Christians. This week is co-hosted by St Peter's & the Salvation Army. The subject this evening is our wider responsibility: Christian Aid & mission agencies

Thursday	10.15-11.45am	Keep-Fit for the Over 50's: Christ Church Windhill
	6.30-7.15pm	Homework club

Worship Next Sunday, 18th March

3pm Guest family church with visiting speaker Revd Robin Gamble

A Special service to welcome our friends, neighbours and family into church. There'll be activities, songs, and a talk to help them discover something about Jesus for themselves. It will be friendly and fun. Our guest speaker is gifted at explaining the good news of Jesus in an enjoyable, accessible way. Please do take some invitations to give out.

Lent & Easter events coming up.....

Wednesday 21st March: Final Shipley Christians Together Lent Meeting

At St Margarets: co-hosted with Christ Church, Windhill. Please let Tim know asap if you can help. Thanks!

Maundy Thursday: 29th March

We've been invited by St Barnabas, Heaton to join them for their "Tea Time Thursday" family passover meal, 3.30pm at St Barnabas school. Alternatively there is an evening service at St Paul's Church, Manningham, at 7.30pm.

Good Friday: 30th March

ShIPLEY Christians Together Walk of Witness: details tbc

2-3pm: Hour around the Cross; service lead by Olau Thomassen

Easter Sunday: 1st April

10am Family Communion: Guest celebrant and preacher: Rt Revd Toby Howarth, Bishop of Bradford

If this is your first time or are visiting, we're happy you are joining us today. Please feel free to join us for refreshments. If you would like to know more about St Margarets please speak to one of the welcomers, the churchwardens or service leaders. Also if you would like someone to pray with you they can introduce you to one of our prayer team.

It is the desire of this fellowship to live out and

give out the good news of the love of Jesus Christ

Events Happening Elsewhere....

Lay Training: **The Bible in a Day** with Revd Canon John Bavington. 14th April 9.30 - 3.45: St John's Great Horton. Please bring your own lunch, drinks will be provided. To book please contact email carol.stenner@leeds.anglican.org or call Carol on 0113 353 0281. **Exploring the big story of the bible from Genesis to Revelation.**

Bradford Keswick 2018: Sat 12th, Mon 14th & Tues 15th May, 7.30pm at Sunbridge Road Mission. The theme for this series of talks is "First things First" with guest speaker Jonathan Lamb. More details to follow.....

News & Announcements

Baptisms: We are hoping to be able to have another service of baptism sometime during the summer term. Recently this has also meant, for our young people, they are then able to take Holy Communion, though this isn't compulsory. If you've not been baptised and are interested in making this declaration of your own faith, please have a word with Tim by Easter Sunday 1st April at the latest.

Holy Communion: Since Christmas, we've been using the altar on the chancel steps instead of the main altar for our communion services. Prior to this we'd tried a few different approaches, but it stems from a feeling held by many (including Mark) that the priest at the main altar seems so distant from the congregation. We do recognise, however, that it's not without organisational challenges, so Tim would be pleased to hear any comments you may have (good or bad) or suggestions for improvement. Thanks!

Our Special Prayer for today:

Lord, you are good.
We thank you for the good gifts you have given us.
You love us and your desire is that we invest these gifts in your kingdom work.
We ask for courage to do so.
And we ask you to bless us as we offer all that we are, and all that you have given us to you.
In your holy name we pray, Amen.

Prayer Space

Please pray for:

- The PCC, meeting this week to discuss our leadership in the run-up to the APCM;
- For those God is calling to serve in leadership roles;
- All those who are suffering in mind, body, soul or grief, especially:

Ken & Barbara Dearden	Brenda Shields	Dori Somers	Ron Reed
Shirley and Alan Wainman	Mike Allcock	Meg Bradley	Edna Clough
Revd Andrew Taylor	Tony & Irene Lofthouse		

Prayer Chain

Don't forget that the prayer chain is available to anyone who would like confidential prayer for themselves or a friend. Please use the blue box in church, or telephone Anne Ward on 01274 581061.

To be added to our mailing list and to receive these notices by email, please email notices@smcf-church.org.uk. Please submit any items for inclusion using the same email address or telephone to 01274 599324 by 5pm Thursday. Thanks!

Get in touch

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