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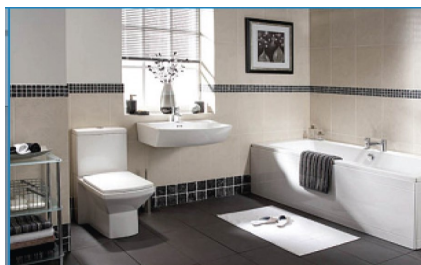
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THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

Dear Friends,

Imagine this scene. You are on the Florida coast and you see an old man with curved shoulders, bushy eyebrows and bony features carrying a bucket of shrimp. He carries it to the end of the pier and looking up begins to throw handfuls of the bucket's contents into the air. In seconds he is surrounded by gulls. They land on his hat, on his shoulders and begin to eat the shrimp with great excitement. Even after the bucket is empty they linger, the old man and his feathered friends.

This happened every week in this particular part of the U.S.A until the death of the old man. His name was Eddie Rickenbacher, a famous World War II pilot. His plane, the 'Flying Fortress', went down in 1942 and no-one thought he would be rescued. The story is still well known of how he and his eight crew members escaped death by climbing into two rafts for thirty days. They fought thirst, the sun and nine-foot sharks (their rafts were just eight feet long) but what nearly killed them was starvation – their rations were gone in just eight days.

Rickenbacher wrote that even on those rafts they would have a daily afternoon time of prayer. One day, after their devotions, Rickenbacher leaned back with his hat over his eyes and tried to sleep. Within moments he felt something perch on his head and he knew in an instant that it was a gull. But they were hundreds of miles from land. Where did it come from? He was also certain that if he didn't catch that gull he and his crew would die. Soon all the others on the two boats noticed the bird. No-one spoke, no-one moved. Rickenbacher quickly grabbed the bird and with thanksgiving they ate the bird's flesh. They used the intestines as fish bait and survived.

Rickenbacher never forgot that visitor, that sacrificial guest and every week he went out on the pier with a bucket of shrimp to say, "Thank you, thank you, thank you".

The apostle Paul wrote, "For Christ's love compels us..." (2 Corinthians 5:14). The word 'compels' means literally, 'leaves me no choice.' Paul is saying, "I have no choice but to respond to the love of Christ with my whole being – to say, thank you, thank you, thank you!"

When we serve Christ, when we share God's love with others, when we come to church each week to worship him, when we give generously a portion of all that we have received we don't do it grudgingly. We do it with thankful hearts because we really have no choice. It's how we say thank you to God for all that he has given us.

This month on Sunday 10th October we will be giving special thanks at our annual Harvest Festival and as usual we will be collecting produce to be shared out later with needy families via the Food Bank. If you would like to show your gratitude to God by bringing something for others can I request that, although fresh produce is still welcome for decoration purposes, it would be helpful if donations were mainly of the tinned or packet type so that they would have a reasonable shelf life?



All Souls Day

Next month we give thanks for the lives of our dear departed loved ones. On 7th November, the nearest Sunday to All Souls, we will be having a special service also known as 'The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed' – this will be at 6pm. We will be writing to the families of those whose funerals we have taken over the last year inviting them to attend. The service of course is for all who want to give thanks for departed loved ones, no matter how long ago or recently they died. Please come and help us to give thanks as we read out the names of our departed loved ones during the service.

May God help us to be truly grateful for his goodness to us and may he continue to pour out his blessings on you and on all his creation.

Your friend,
Revd Bob

East Widnes Team Service Rota October 2021

Date	St Ambrose	St Luke's	Cronton
Sunday 3rd	09.00 HC		
TRINITY 18	10.30 Harvest/HC	10.30 HC	10.30 MP
		12.30 Baptisms	
Wed 6th		09.30 HC	
Sunday 10 th		08.00 HC	
TRINITY 19	10.30 MP	10.30 Harvest/HC	10.30 Café Style
SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY		15.00 JAM Church	
Wed 13th		09.30 MP	
Sunday 17 th	10.30 HC	10.30 MP	10.30 HC
ST LUKE'S DAY	12.30 Baptisms	18.00 HC [BCP]	
Wed 20th		09.30 HC	
Sunday 24 th	09.00 HC		
BIBLE SUNDAY	10.30 HC	10.30 HC	10.30 Café Style
		12.30 Baptisms	
Wed 27th		09.30 MP	
Sunday 31 st			
TEAM Service	10.30 HC with Songs of Praise		

East Widnes Team Service Rota November 2021

	St Ambrose	St Luke's	Cronton
Wed 4 th		09.30 MP	
Sunday 7 th			
ALL SAINTS	10.30 MP	10.30 HC	10.30 MP
		12.30 Baptisms	
ALL SOULS	4pm Remembering	6pm Remembering	
Wed 10th		09.30 HC	
	REMEMBRANCE	SUNDAY	
Sunday 14 th	09.00 HC	8.00 HC	10.30 service with Methodist church
	10.30 HC	10.30 HC	
		15.00 JAM Church	
Wed 17th		09.30 MP	
Sunday 21 st	10.30 HC	10.30 MP	10.30 HC
CHRIST THE KING	12.30 Baptisms	18.00 Choral Evensong	
Wed 24th		09.30 HC	
Sunday 28 th	9.00 HC		
	10.30 MP	10.30 HC	10.30 Café Style
		12.30 Baptisms	

Heritage Day by Barry Horabin

On Saturday 11th September we held our annual Heritage Day Celebration with guided tours round the church and Farnworth's Historic Village. Numbers attending this year, after the effects of the Pandemic in previous years, were excellent with just under a hundred people attending over the day. Many of the people attending used the new guide book which explains details at every point indicated in the guide. Volunteers were on hand to answer the many questions that emerged. The guide and the information on the pull up banners answered and prompted numerous questions all of which we were able to answer. The guide and banners were produced by Rob Leach, one of our new Wardens who presented our information in a very readable and presentable package. Refreshments were provided for the slightly exhausted village tour participants who had asked many questions during the walk, all of which were answered by our intrepid guide Geoff Poole.



We also used the day, being an ideal occasion, to re-launch the Friends of Farnworth Church group. We started this project 10 years ago with the initial Roof Appeal for the Chancel and Cuerdley roofs.

This had carried on over the years as a major fund raiser for repairs and had been successful with grants from Heritage England etc. to fund almost all of the major works in the church but of late had become less productive due to many things including the effects of the Covid Pandemic. It seemed the right moment to kick start the initiative and complete the rest of the Restoration work. After a brief introduction and explanation of our intentions for the coming year we answered some relevant questions thrown up by the audience. Donations on the day amounted £475 and hopefully more will follow when the advertising campaign gets under way.

If you would like to join the Friends of Farnworth Church you can do so by contacting :- Barry Horabin barry.horabin@btinternet.com and offer help. This can take the form helping with raising money at events or a regular donation which if you are a tax payer you can gift aid your donation which we can claim from the Government.

Please join us in helping us to restore this Iconic building for the future and remember our Motto -

**THE PAST IS OUR INHERITANCE, THE FUTURE
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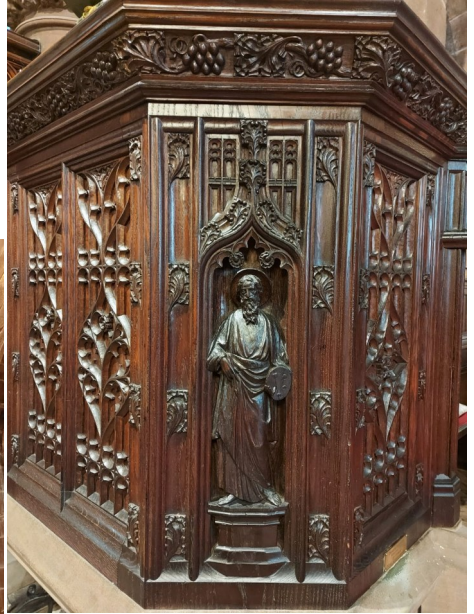
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Photographs of church on
Heritage Day courtesy of
Andrew Seadon



TIME FOR CELEBRATION

First wedding held in church since 2019



Wedding	Parish Register
Date	Names
30th July	Sarah Louise Whitfield and Keith Turpin
31st July	Laura Anne Darlinton and David John Wood
4th September	Sarah Teebay and Laurence Emanuel
24th September	Donna Hodson and Simon Jones

Sunday Club September

Welcome back to Sunday Club! It was wonderful to be joined by Summer, Luca and Zoe for the first Sunday Club for a VERY LOOOONG TIME!! We were few in number but that didn't matter one bit. I started off by asking what people might say about them. I learned that Zoe's is a sister to Owen, she is now in Y6, her best friend is Madison, she loves gymnastics AND that she has been coming to Sunday School since she was just three years old!! How fantastic is that? I learned that Luca is now in Y5, his sister is Lyra, he likes to ride his bike and anything to do with science AND he too has been coming to Sunday School since he was three! Amazing! I learned that Summer has a sister Alexis who is three, Summer is now in Y2 and she is very excited because she is going on her **very first** school Residential visit and staying overnight at Tattenhall. And guess what? She has ALSO been coming to Sunday School since she was three.

They all deserve

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When we talked about who Jesus was and what he meant to US we soon learned that he was our FOREVER FRIEND and that HE LOVES US VERY MUCH and that we love him too. The cross is a sign of just what Jesus was prepared to do for us and so all the children made and decorated their own cross using coloured salt crystals which they were taking home to hang in their bedrooms AND the children made one for Rev'd Bob too. They also took home some activity sheets just like the children who join us via Zoom had for this week. Thank you to Zoe, Luca and Summer for making my Sunday morning very special!

Sue



St Lukes Sunday Club

Hi everyone I am delighted to say that Sunday Club is up and running again after eighteen long months. As I write this we are about to meet again for the second time in the Bridewell.

The children are to going to hear and learn about how Jesus told his disciples that being the best or the greatest is not the most important thing but serving God is the most important thing at all.

Being kind, caring, loving and sharing is what should matter. We should all be kind, try our best and help others. We should all try and serve others, it doesn't matter who's the best

I'm so excited to be with these wonderful children again.

I would also thank to give grateful thanks to Mrs Smither who has kindly agreed to lead Sunday Club when I am not there. Despite being so busy with her role as reader she is taking the time to help and support me and its very much appreciated, thank you.

Best wishes everyone and stay safe Lynn

Baptisms	Parish Register
Date	Name
1st August	Freddie Alexander Scott
1st August	Charlotte Elsie Griffiths
22nd August	Henrietta Jean Tague
22nd August	William Alexander Tague
22nd August	Grayson Christopher Forward
22nd August	Jacob Stephen Owen Sherlock
5th September	Amayia Stevenson
5th September	George Edward Potter
5th September	Oscar Callum Smith
26th September	Elia Nieve Hollingsworth
26th September	Maisie Edith Starkey
28th September	Bodhi Arthur Roman Buckley

BAPTISMS

Welcome to Amayla, George and Oscar.



BAPTISM

One very happy family. Congratulations to Hannah, Alex and big sister Elizabeth on the double Baptism of little sister Henrietta Jean and baby brother William Alexander. Alex is one of our bell ringers when he has time!



Fabric Report. September 2021

Work carries on as we start the next round of Renovations. At present we are in discussions with our Architect and Contractor regarding the proposed work on the toilets and small kitchen in the base of the tower, I will report further as hopefully things progress. We first of all have to raise the funds for the project before we start work so please continue to donate for this essential addition to the church.

We are constantly repairing the boundary stone wall, weather permitting, and any exterior stonework around the church. My thanks to Geoff Poole who continues to undertake this task which saves us a large amount of money. He has also repaired some essential stonework in the Bold Family Crypt and painted and made the door secure.

At this moment there is only the roof inspection to take place and this will have to wait until later in the year when all the leaves have dropped and the gutters can then be inspected for any blockages. We have also received a quote for Security Cameras around the church to combat the number of youths assembling at the back of the church and leaving litter and evidence of drug taking. Now that the vegetation is being cut back it gives us a better view of any activities taking place and evidence of those who are responsible. The cost of the equipment is £6,310-80 INC.VAT of which have £4.000 existing the Friends Account. If anyone would like to donate towards the cost of the remaining amount it would be gratefully received and faithfully applied.

Churchyard

Many of you have commented on how good the churchyard looks. This entirely down to the Government Scheme of Community Service. The groups are working seven days a week in all weathers to achieve the results you can see, This will be an ongoing service as they are always looking areas that can be used in the scheme. The Monday



morning group still meet but as we are all getting older the help from these groups is enabling us to keep the church looking an attractive place to visit.

Farnworth C of E Primary School



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Toys can be taken to the 10,30am services at St. Luke's church and Cronton Mission and to the JAM family service 3pm to 4pm on Sunday 21st November or taken to the church porch between 10am and 12noon on Saturday 20th November.

A big "hello" from everyone at St Luke's Church and Cronton Mission Church AND Jack!



We would like to invite you to join us at our children and family worship - Jesus and Me (JAM) on the **second Sunday in each month 3pm to 4pm at St Luke's Church. Starting on Sunday 10th October.**



This time of worship will be focused on families with young children but children of any age, in fact anyone who is young at heart, is welcome to come and join in. There will be bible story, songs and crafts and

a time to share toast together. The theme for October will be Harvest and so if you like to please bring along donations for the Food Bank. For further information please don't hesitate to contact me (Clare 07976549410). Clare & Jack xx

Cronton Mission

It was with a thankful prayer that weekly Services at Cronton Mission resumed on the 1st August. The regular pattern of our services will be:

1st Sunday – Morning Prayer

2nd Sunday - Café style worship

3rd Sunday – Holy communion

4th Sunday - Café style worship



We have been encouraged by the number of people, especially children, attending services, as August has traditionally lower numbers with school and family holidays. Social distancing and optional use of masks has remained, and thank you God, that SINGING has resumed. There was no request for Zoom and families have sat at tables for each service to complete the craft activities arranged by Sue for use across the Parish. Thank you, Sue.

Now we are back into a routine we need to appeal to the congregation to take on sidesperson duties, preparing and serving refreshments at café style, and putting away church furniture after the service. We would particularly like to recruit leaders to enable us to restart a Sunday School. Can I also take this opportunity to give our thanks to Alan Hill who has resumed setting up church each week, a task he has been committed to for many years. Thank you, Alan.

Cronton CE school has reopened after the summer break and is being cautious in its removal of Covid restrictions. Very sensible looking at the rising cases across the region. In addition to providing an enriched curriculum with high quality teaching and assessment, this years' school priorities are to ensure that all pupils develop positive learning attitudes with a focus on pupil voice and health and wellbeing, and to embed the school's Christian vision to enable all pupils and adults to flourish.

Church will welcome the new RECEPTION children and their parents to Café Style worship on 26th September. The junior children however, will not attend HARVEST on the 10th October due to concern in bringing large numbers together. Children will prepare a presentation for use in the service to portray the Harvest message.

Cronton village REMEMBRANCE service on the 14th November is currently being finalised by the Parish council.

Father, we thank you.

**Thank you for the new beginnings you provide in every moment.
Our bodies are filled with praise and thanksgiving for the love,
mercy, grace and forgiveness you give.**

**Even when we fail, you are there waiting to pick us up and guide
us back on the path you have ready for us.**

**You have placed wonderful people in our lives to help us follow
you.**

**We will praise you in the storms and we will praise you in the
joys.**

Thank you, God for new beginnings. Amen

Debbie Doyle



	FLOWER ROTA
	October
3	Mrs L Gregson
10	Mrs Gail Beswick
17	Miss L Runcorn
24	Mr P Herriman
31	Mrs W Collinson
	November
7	Mrs S Connolly
14 & 21	Mrs V Park-Funnell
28	ADVENT

Thank you to Lesley and her team who decorate the church so beautifully.

Treasurer's Report, January –August 2021

	Actual	Adjust	Total
Receipts	50514	9299	59813
Expenses	<u>(54092)</u>	<u>(13892)</u>	<u>(67984)</u>
Deficit	<u>(3578)</u>	<u>(4593)</u>	<u>(8171)</u>

The actual figures above refer to the monies received and paid out in the period.

The adjustments in receipts £9,299 is for Parish share credits for 2021. In expenditure £13,892 is for Parish share owed to Diocese at end of August 21.

The total Parish share due for January to August amounted to £56,217 less credits of £9,299 =£46,918 We were able to pay £33,026 towards this leaving £13,892 still outstanding to the diocese.

We have been notified by Bishop Paul that the Liverpool Diocese is to receive further sustainability funding from the church commissioners of one million pounds to assist parishes unable to pay their parish share in full. We are hopeful that St Luke's will again benefit from some of that money.

A further payment of £5,000 in September has been made to the diocese.

Thank you everyone for your donations and continued support, in these still troubled times.

Yvonne Horabin (Treasurer)



Thank you!

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Funeral	Parish Register		
Date	Name	Age	Place
12/08/2021	Elizabeth Doris Martindale	98	W.crem
25/08/2021	David Ralph Collins	71	St Luke & crem
26/08/2021	Wendy Margaret Tiernan	72	St Luke & burial
08/09/2021	Diane Crane	57	St Luke & crem
10/09/2021	Debra Morris	38	St Luke & burial at crem
10/09/2021	David Morris	50	St Luke & burial at crem
14/09/2021	George Thomas Mellor	65	St Luke & crem
15/09/2021	Allan Edward Booth	73	W.crem
17/09/2021	Sheila Clarke	86	St Luke & crem
22/09/2021	Ian Baskerville	78	St Luke & crem
24/09/2021	William Joseph Cank	77	Burial of Ashes
28/09/2021	Edna Oakes	92	St Luke & crem
28/09/2021	Wallace Woods	96	W.crem

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen..



Bible Sunday: October 24th 2021



The Bible Society offer lots of wonderful material throughout the year. Below is a selection of reflections they suggest may be used on Bible Sunday.

Jeremiah 15.16

Read: Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

Think: Are you eager to read God's word and allow it to shape your perspective and actions?

Pray: Lord God, guide me when I read your word. Speak to me through the Scriptures. Help me to seek you, listen to you and obey you. Amen

Psalms 18:28

Read: For it is you who light my lamp; the Lord my God lightens my darkness.

Think: In what way can you walk more closely with God? Identify a key step you can take.

Pray: Thank you Lord that I have been reached by your word. Please create opportunities for the Bible to be shared with more people, here in England and Wales as well as around the world. Please inspire mission workers, church leaders and individuals to communicate your promises to others. Amen





Luke the Evangelist

On October 18th, we at St Luke's, along with Christians around the world, will celebrate the feast of St. Luke, whose writings contains the most extensive biography of Jesus Christ. Luke never met Christ in person, but in his Gospel he says that he came to know about Jesus by talking people who were eyewitnesses to all the events of Jesus' life and ministry, his death and Resurrection.

Hearing those stories helped Luke to become a believer, and he wrote his Gospel so that others would come to know and love Jesus. Luke was a doctor and he travelled widely with Saint Paul on his second missionary journey. Because he cared for the physical needs of others, Luke is known as the patron saint of doctors; he is also the patron saint of artists because it is believed that he painted a famous portrait of Mary, our Blessed Mother. In his Gospel, Luke helps us to know how concerned Jesus was for the sick, the poor and anyone in need of help, mercy, and forgiveness. Luke tells us that Jesus came to save ALL people. Through Luke's Gospel, we learn how compassionate and caring Jesus was. Some of the most famous stories Jesus told are found in Luke's Gospel: The Good Samaritan and the Lost Son among them. The symbol for Luke's Gospel is an ox, an animal that was often sacrificed as an offering to God in ancient times. In his writings about Jesus, Luke reminds us of the great sacrifice Jesus made to save all people through his death on the cross and his Resurrection. Between his Gospel and the Book of Acts, Luke wrote 27.5% of the New Testament, that's more than anyone else, including Paul. Even though Luke makes it clear that he wasn't an eyewitness to Jesus' ministry, according to his own writings, he "carefully investigated everything from the beginning". Without Luke's accounts, especially in Acts, it would be hard to imagine how Christianity grew from a small movement within Judaism to what would eventually become the largest religion in the world. Colossians 4:14 is the only passage that actually mentions Luke's role as a physician. Paul wrote: "Our dear friend Luke, the doctor, and Demas send greetings." Luke is also known as the Patron Saint of bachelors, bookbinders, brewers, butchers, doctors, glass makers, glassworkers, gold workers, goldsmiths, lace makers and workers, notaries, painters, physicians, sculptors, solicitors, stained glass workers and surgeons.

In The Pink at 75

First an apology. No-one would shave my hair off but my hair stylist said she would colour my hair and we thought pink would be fun.

And so the deed is done as you will see from the photograph.

Therefore I have your money under false pretences, but MacMillan do such wonderful work that I suspect no-one will be knocking on my door for a refund!

A big thank you for the many contributions.

When Margaret brought the collection box to my home, I asked had she counted the money. She hadn't and so we tipped it out and counted. Over £50! When Margaret decided to check the box again, we were amazed to find several more notes clinging inside. The very grand total was £108.89! So a very big thank you to St. Luke's generous members on behalf of MacMillan. I shall let you know the overall total when I have all the money in from other sources.

Annie Marsh



OPEN DOOR and GAMES GALORE WEDNESDAYS

Church will be open at 9.30am service (30 minutes) until 4pm

People on hand to show you around our beautiful church and chat to you over a cuppa.

'GAMES GALORE'

Grosvenor Women's club is hosting and providing refreshments

1.30pm to 3.30pm Wednesday

Men welcome.

Come and join a light hearted group of people who play games - scrabble, chess, dominos, UNO and many more.



Folk getting to know each other and sharing laughter and tales recalling childhood memories of games played. Afternoons are free - donations gratefully accepted for church funds.

Each Wednesday.

We look forward to seeing you!

Contact Pat Johnson 0151 257 7737



Finally, we were able to meet up for our MU communion service in church on the 8th September. We haven't met since March 2020 so I believe. We have lost 3 members during lockdown Doreen Whimperly, Dorothy Wall and Barbara Houghton, we are going to miss them all. Mary Westbury, Joan Bean and Edna Hutchinson are now indoor members and Janet will keep in contact with them. We prayed for them and Jackie Whitehead, who had a successful

breast cancer operation and now awaits new hips. We also remembered in our prayers Val, who has lost 3 family members in such a short time, her husband, sister and brother-in-law.

Revd. Bob took our communion service and made it a warm and friendly meeting of worship and fellowship. We were pleased to have Joy Miller join our group and Colleen presented Joy with her badge and prayer book. Welcome Joy. Iris Davenport was going to re-join but had bronchitis and was unable to attend, we hope she soon recovers. The Bible reading was 1 James 27 read by Colleen. Along with Joy we all renewed our vows and the Purpose, Aims & Objects of the MU were read out.

- To uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage and promote its wider understanding.
- To encourage parents to bring up their children in the faith and life of the church'
- To maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship & service.
- To promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life & the protection of children.
- To help those whose family life has met with adversity.

Our hymn was 'God is working His purpose out' and it was so good to be able to sing again. We didn't have an organist but we didn't let a little thing like that stop us. I do believe our members enjoy singing and as Bob reminded us singing to praise the Lord is the most important part. We were pleased to be able to have a drink at the end of the service, we have missed that social part of our gatherings. I would like to say thank you to Colleen, she does a lot to organise our meetings and printing off service sheets. We do appreciate all she does.

We normally collect the subs but at the time of writing we don't know how much it will be. Hopefully you are refreshed ready for Autumn with its longer evenings, the bringing in of harvest and the beautiful russet tones of God's world. With travel restrictions changing daily most people have stayed in Britain and we do have some beautiful countryside and plenty of history. From the Scottish Highlands to the English Riviera in Devon and Cornwall, the moors, woodlands, country houses, ancient monuments cultural legacies from our own peoples and invaders. There is plenty to see and all surrounded by our varied coastline.

Our next meeting will be on Oct 13th in church 7-30. Yvonne Horabin will speak about the Restoration and Renovation project just started at St Luke's. She can tell us what's involved and we will be able to ask any questions. Colleen is hoping to have an agenda ready by then.

Nov 10th will be craft with Carole. It will be painting Christmas cards. I do love the craft evenings. Colleen has sent some dates for your diary. Friday October 22nd Vigil for Modern Day Slavery at St Brides church 7pm-9pm details to follow

Sat Nov 6th York Provincial End of Triennial service 3pm Liverpool Cathedral

Tue 30th Nov 16 days of Activism service details to follow

Sat 11th Dec Liverpool Diocesan Carole/ end of Triennial service details to follow.



A prayer for Autumn

All thanks to God for the harvest of the orchard; all thanks to God for the harvest of the fields; all thanks to God for the harvest of the garden; all thanks to God for the earth and all its yield.

From Vicky, Widnes Project Coordinator

As the nights draw in and the season begins to change, we look forward to Harvest. Harvest is a busy period for us all at Widnes Foodbank, not only with feeding our community and collecting donations but also a time for us to offer thanks and to show our gratitude to those that continue to support us even through their own difficult times. Please hold us in your prayers as we approach the season. Here is our Harvest shopping list.



500g rice

Sponge Puddings

Corned Beef

Toilet rolls

Unisex Toiletries

Chocolate

Packet Pasta 'n' Sauce

Packet rice

The Lodge at entrance to Widnes Crematorium is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9.30am to 11am. On Sundays donations can be taken to church and Barry Ingram will take them to the Lodge. Thank you.

All Souls Service

'The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed'

Sunday 7th November at 6pm.

The service is for everyone but especially those who want to give thanks for departed loved ones, no matter how long ago or recently they died. If you would like to have the name of a loved one read out at the service please give the name of your loved one to Sue Smither or enter the name of your loved one on the list in church.

If you have any queries do not hesitate to contact Rev Bob
07904320542

All Saints Service

Sunday 7th November at 10.30am. This will be a celebration of Holy Communion for All Saints. It is an opportunity to remember all saints and martyrs, known and unknown, throughout Christian history.



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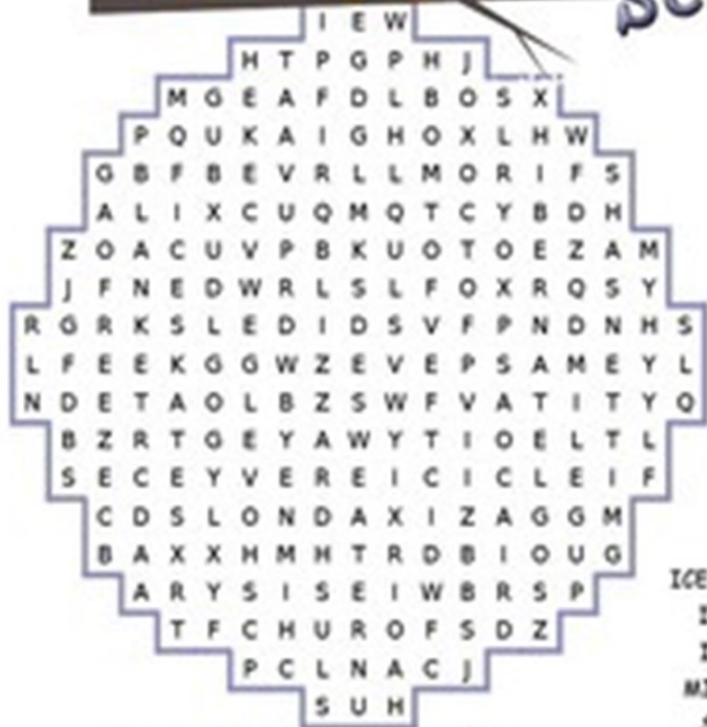
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Oct	Bible Readings	Nov	Bible Readings
1	Luke 10:13-16	1	Matthew 5:1-12
2	Luke 10:17-24	2	John 6:37-40
3	Mark 10:2-16	3	Luke 14:25-33
4	Luke 10:25-37	4	Luke 15:1-10
5	Luke 10:38 to end	5	Luke 6:1-8
6	Luke 11:1-4	6	Luke 16:9-15
7	Luke 11:5-13	7	Mark 1:14-20
8	Luke 11:15-26	8	Luke 17:1-6
9	Luke 11:27-28	9	Luke 17:7-10
10	Mark 10:17-31	10	Luke 17:11-19
11	Luke 11:29-32	11	Luke 11:20-25
12	Luke 11:37-41	12	Luke 17:26 to end
13	Luke 11:42-46	13	Luke 18:1-8
14	Luke 11:47 to end	14	Mark 13:1-8
15	Luke 12:1-7	15	Luke 18:35 to end
16	Luke 12:8-12	16	Luke 19:1-10
17	Mark 10:35-45	17	Luke 19:11-28
18	Luke 10:1-9	18	Luke 19:41-44
19	Luke 12:35-38	19	Luke 19:45 to end
20	Luke 12:39-48	20	Luke 20:27-40
21	Luke 12:49-53	21	John 18:33-37
22	Luke 12:54 to end	22	Luke 21:1-4
23	Luke 13:1-9	23	Luke 21:5-11
24	Mark 10:46 to end	24	Luke 21:12-19
25	Luke 13:10-17	25	Luke 21:20-28
26	Luke 13:18-21	26	Luke 21:29-33
27	Luke 13:22-30	27	Luke 21:34-36

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28	John 15:17 to end	28	ADVENT BEGINS
29	Luke 14:1-6	29	Luke 21:25-36
30	Luke 14:1. 7-11	30	Matthew 8:5-11
31	Mark 12:28-34	31	Matthew 4:16-22

'Advent Calendar' by Rowan Williams



He will come like last leaf's fall.
 One night when the November wind
 has flayed the trees to bone, and earth
 wakes choking on the mould,
 the soft shroud's folding.

He will come like frost.
 One morning when the shrinking earth
 opens on mist, to find itself
 arrested in the net
 of alien, sword-set beauty.

He will come like dark.
 One evening when the bursting red
 December sun draws up the sheet
 and penny-masks its eye to yield
 the star-snowed fields of sky.

He will come, will come,
 will come like crying in the night,
 like blood, like breaking,
 as the earth writhes to toss him free.
 He will come like child.



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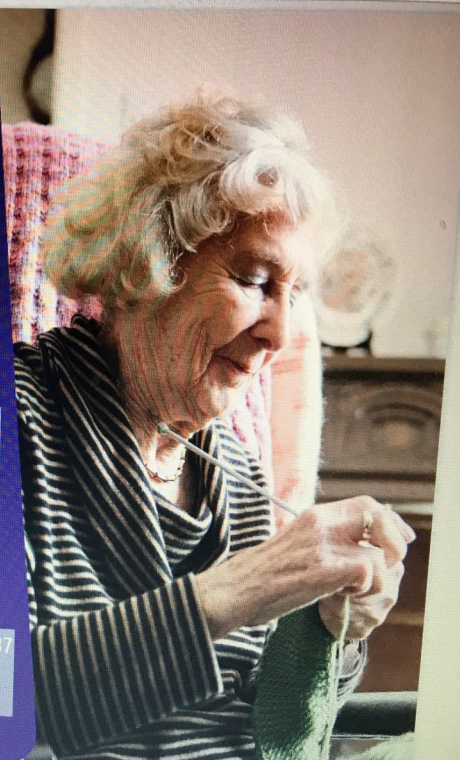
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