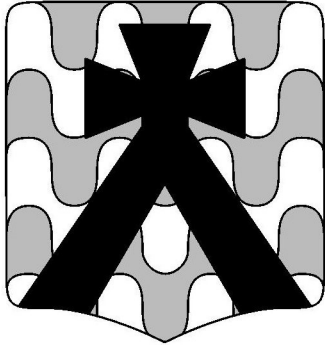




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Parish News

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of Knottingley



Sunday Services:

Parish Eucharist 10.00am
(all the family are welcome)

Holy Days - As announced

Contact us: Mother Sharon 01977 671415

Churchwardens : Linda 07939967800

Janet 07790939025

Or email **stbotolphchurchknott@yahoo.com**

Parents wishing their children to be Baptised should attend church beforehand, our services are 10 am on Sundays.

St Botolph's Diary Dates

27 September MacMillan Coffee Morning, 10am-12noon
Harvest Pie & Pea Supper, 4.30 pm

27 October Memorial Service, 4.00 pm

7 December Christmas Fayre

21 December Christingle Service, in church, 4 pm

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Ferrybridge War Memorial

Maintenance work was carried on the Ferrybridge War Memorial over the weekend commencing Friday 20th September. The memorial is grade 2 listed, so the work was carried out by accredited conservationists CalibreConservation of Saxilby, Lincs.

Thanks to the efforts of our local representatives a grant of £1000 has been obtained from the Community Fund, with the balance met from the Knottingley War Memorial Fund.

A brief history

The inhabitants of the village of Ferrybridge decided to honour those drawn from the community and slain in the Great War. To this end, a war memorial committee was formed with the aim of raising money to enable a suitable monument to be designed and erected.

The committee was under the chairmanship of Mr. E.L. Poulson, proprietor of the West Riding Pottery, Ferrybridge. A newspaper report in November 1920 revealed an ongoing series of fund- raising



events with the object of attaining the sum of £300 for a permanent memorial to the

"dear lads who gave their all in the great struggle for freedom."

The sum of £250 was eventually obtained by a combination of individual subscriptions and public events such as galas, concerts, whist drives etc., but there was still an outstanding sum of £100 at the time of the inauguration of the Memorial on Sunday 9th October 1921.

Designed and erected by E. Paver & Co., of Selby, the monument is an obelisk of Aberdeen granite some 6 feet in length standing on a rectangular base, making an overall height of 13' 6". On the face of the obelisk was carved a wreath and a sword and on the base in letters of lead were the words

"Lest We Forget"

above which in raised granite figures was the date "1914 – 1918". The die of the obelisk provided the space containing the names of the 38 servicemen who had forfeited their lives in the war.

In beautiful weather a large concourse assembled at the site near the foot of the Aire bridge, close to the junction of the new road to Castleford, to witness the unveiling and dedication of the Village Monument on Sunday 9th October 1921.



Some useful numbers

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Looking through my albums and scrap books I found
these lovely pieces that I would like to share with you all.
Peter Greenwood.

Autumn Light

Late Autumn, grey and misty
That early autumn light,
When trees wore glorious colours
And days were crystal bright,
Has faded into drabness
With all the trees now bare,
And days bring misty drizzles
And rawness in the air.
There's something quite nostalgic
About this time of year,
When skies are dark and heavy
And fog forgets to clear.
We resurrect our woollies,
Our winter scarf and hat,
And everyone just scurries
Too cold to stand and chat.
Our seasons show such contrasts,
Of that there is no doubt;
Without our changing weather
What would we talk about?



St Botolph's Church , Knottingley
REQUEST FOR AN ENTRY IN THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Please complete this form and return to one of the Churchwardens,
There is no fee for making an entry in the Book of Remembrance, but a donation towards the cost of a new Book will be most welcome, please make cheques payable to KNOTTINGLEY ST BOTOLPH'S PCC. The Parochial Church Council reserves the right to refuse any entry which is deemed unsuitable.

DETAILS OF THE DECEASED

Name _____

Date of birth _____

Date of death _____ Age _____

Additional short inscription (if required) _____

DETAILS OF PERSON REQUESTING ENTRY

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Telephone number _____

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The name and date of death will appear annually, in the appropriate month, in the Parish Magazine . Please tick the box if you do NOT agree to this.

For office use only – details to go in Church Parish Magazine

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Puzzle Corner



Can you spot 10 differences between these squirrels?



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Autumn Word Ladder

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St Botolph's



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St Botolph's Church Bell Ringers

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If anyone is interested in tower bell ringing, please get in touch.

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We gratefully acknowledge donations from everyone who has so generously given to our funds



To everyone who has donated in any way to our clock appeal

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Calendar - October 2024

27th Fri MacMillan Coffee Morning, Parish Room, 10 am - 12 noon

Harvest Pie and Pea Supper, Parish Room, 4.30 - 6.30 pm

29th SUNDAY - TRINITY XVIII
MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

TEAM EUCHARIST, ST ANDREW FERRYBRIDGE, 10.00 am

6th SUNDAY - TRINITY XIX
PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am
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13th SUNDAY - TRINITY XX
PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am

20th SUNDAY - TRINITY XXI
PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am

**CLOCKS FALL
BACK**

27th SUNDAY - LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
PARISH EUCHARIST 10.00 am
MEMORIAL SERVICE 4.00 pm



St Botolph's Parish Room

Monday

Tuesday Saviour Trust
Rainbows, Brownies and Guides
Hand Bells

Wednesday Children's Dance

Thursday Friends of St Botolph's (second Thursday)
Lunch Club (fourth Thursday)
Judo

Friday

Church Rotas



29 September	Team Eucharist, St Andrew, Ferrybridge, 10am		
6 October	Glenis	Ann	Colin
13 October	Sheila	Rita	Sheila
20 October	Renée	Edna	Mark
27 October	Dianne	Jackie	Jackie



Knottingley Judo Club

**BRITISH
JUDO**



Knottingley Judo Club can be found in St Botolphs parish rooms on Thursday evenings. We pride ourselves on the fun, friendly, family atmosphere in the club and welcome all new members regardless of experience and ability. The club is run by Ian Sidaway (3rd Dan) with the help of Catriona Barber (1st Dan). All coaches are fully qualified, DBS checked and first aid trained.

Training Times

Thursday evenings at St Botolphs parish rooms

Junior grades	(5-14years)	6-30-7.30pm
Senior grades	(14 years +)	8.00-9.00pm

Contact

Ian Sidaway	07935 498518	iansid@live.co.uk
Catriona Barber	07594 922614	catriona.barber50@gmail.com

Bottery



Club

Membership costs £1 per week per number and the draw takes place in the Parish Rooms after the Sunday morning service

4 August	37	Sheila Hutley	£40
	11	Avril Chisem	£10
11 August	53	A H	£40
	21	Louise Wrigley	£10
18 August	13	Ray Wilson	£40
	4	Susan Barlow	£10
25 August	7	Agnes Fife	£40
	87	Annie Jones	£10

We would be grateful for any additional members to join our Bottery Club, all proceeds go directly to support the upkeep of St Botolph's Church.

If anyone would like to join the weekly bottery, which is £1 per number per week, please contact Sue Barlow on 07485170704



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Tuesday and Friday 10am – 12noon

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Milk, Cordial, Tinned meat/
fish, Biscuits, Sugar,
Tinned Soup

Volunteer

We rely on volunteers and we
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volunteer with Knottingley
Foodbank! If you would like to
volunteer please do
get in touch

Contact via Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or Email
manager@knottingley.foodbank.org.uk

St Botolph's Parish Giving Scheme

As reported in last month's magazine, the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) was launched for St Botolph's in June 2020.

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is an established service for managing Direct Debit donations, designed to support churches to fund their mission and ministry. It reduces the burden of work on church volunteers and provides a simple and secure service to donors.



The service is freely available to all parishes, their churches and donors, within dioceses that have chosen to participate. Uptake is growing every year, with the majority of dioceses in the Church of England - and many of their parishes - now members of PGS and experiencing the benefits.

Further details can be found here: www.parishgiving.org.uk

The PGS makes it possible for donors to:
Donate monthly, quarterly or annually by Direct Debit
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Enhance your gift to your church by having Gift Aid at 25%
added to your giving
Give securely and donate anonymously, if you prefer

You can set up a Direct Debit to donate regularly to St Botolph's:

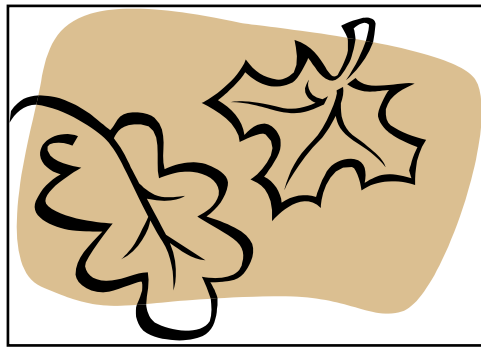
via gift form available from Richard Bagley (Treasurer).

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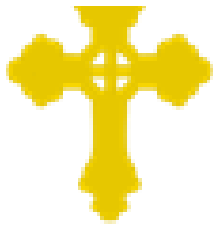
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The Knottingley Club



Meet for a bacon butty and a cuppa
With your local British Legion





St Edward the Confessor

From the parishes of Ferrybridge and Brotherton and Byram



Our usual service times are below:

Sunday

8am Said Holy Communion
9.15am Parish Eucharist
11.00am Parish Eucharist

St Andrew
St Edward the Confessor
St Andrew

Wednesday

9.15 am Eucharist

St Edward the Confessor

Thursday

10.00 am Eucharist

St Andrew

We now hold our Sunday evening services. Their format will vary, more information will be found on our Facebook pages and website.

1st Sunday of the month

St Edward the Confessor

3rd Sunday of the month

St Andrew

Facebook: St Edward the Confessor, Brotherton.

Facebook: St Andrew's Church, Ferrybridge

Website: www.stedwardsbrotherton.co.uk

Website: www.standrewsferrybridge.co.uk

Events

20 Sept Phoenix Singer Concert, 7 pm, St Andrew

All welcome

To arrange weddings or baptisms please contact Mother Sharon.

God Bless

Mthr Sharon Brown MA SCP

Priest in Charge of the parishes of Ferrybridge, Brotherton, Knottingley, Kellington & Whitley with Eggborough, and Womersley.

New Vicarage

Pontefract Rd

Ferrybridge

WF11 8PN

Tel: 01977 671415

Womersley

Church of St Martin

Sunday Mass 11am

Arrangements for Baptisms and Weddings
contact Mother Sharon Brown 01977 671415



Events

5 Oct Coffee Morning with various stalls, 10.30am - 12 noon
18 Oct Afternoon Tea, 2 - 4 pm
2 Nov Coffee Morning with various stalls, 10.30am - 12 noon
16 Nov Knottingley Brass Concert, 7.30 pm
7 Dec Coffee Morning with various stalls, 10.30am - 12 noon
20 Dec Carols by Candlelight, 7 pm
Everyone Welcome

Kellington, Eggborough and Whitley

Church of St Edmund King and Martyr



Sunday Parish Eucharist 9.30 am

Events

5 Oct Autumn Fair, Eggborough Village Hall, 10am-2pm
15 Dec Carol Service in Church, 3pm

Arrangements for Baptisms and Weddings contact Mother Sharon Brown 01977 671415

Please come along and join us



Harvest Pie and Pea Supper

including raffle

St Botolph's Parish Room

Friday 27 Sept 2024
4:30 - 6:30pm

Tickets £7



All welcome



1st Knottingley Rainbows, Brownies and Guides

The logo for Guides, featuring a blue star above the word "Guides" in a white, sans-serif font, all set against a dark blue rectangular background.

We returned to meetings after the summer break refreshed and ready to meet the challenges and adventures of learning Skills for My Future.

Some of the girls had been busy with interest badges over the summer including Rainbows Book Lover, Family Tree, Drawing and Recycling and Brownie Archaeology and Cooking.



Our units are full at the moment but we are in need of additional helpers. If you would like to help, even on a rota, please let me know as there are girls waiting to share the fun and pleasure of guiding with you.

Our young leaders successfully completed their A levels; Mia opting for Newcastle University and Elisha Leeds University. We wish them well and hope that they have a successful future. Hopefully Elisha will still be helping us if her timetable allows.

This term Skills for My Future includes handling money, science and DIY skills. We have also been selected to test and feedback on some new badges that are planned to be introduced in the future.

Our annual coffee evening is on Tuesday 26 November, raffle and tombola prizes welcome.

The logo for Brownies, featuring a magnifying glass icon above the word "Brownies" in a bold, black, sans-serif font, all set against a yellow rectangular background.The logo for Rainbows, featuring a rainbow arch above the word "Rainbows" in a bold, red, sans-serif font, all set against a light blue rectangular background.

The Cottage

A short story by a late, local author

Neil Holmes closed the gate and set off up the path. Two steps and the front door was flung open. His sister flew out and hurled herself into his arms, sobbing hysterically,

“Dave! Dave! Oh, no! Dave!”

“Carol! What ...?”

He tried to free himself; to question her, but all he could get from her was her husband’s name. He swung her up into his arms and strode into the bungalow.

Dave Langley was lying on the floor and the room was a shambles. Setting his sister down on the settee, Neil felt for his brother-in-law’s pulse. He was still alive but someone had given him a thorough beating. Neil headed for the phone. It was lying on the floor, broken wires declaring it useless.

He phoned for an ambulance from the house next door and brought back with him the owner’s wife, who went straight into the kitchen to make some tea. A stifled groan from Dave took Neil to his side.

“Don’t move.”

“Neil?” Faint though it was, the word was clear. “Neil – Carol - ?”

“She’s alright. Don’t worry.”

“Neil – the cottage – tell ---.” He tried to reach for Neil’s hand but the effort proved too much.

He was still unconscious when he was carried into the ambulance. Carol, still dumb with shock, went with him to hospital. Neil was left to tell what he could to the Police. It was little enough and, for some inexplicable reason, he decided against repeating Dave’s words. Maybe, subconsciously, he realised that Dave had told him what his attackers had wanted to know. When he was at last free, Neil returned to his car and set off, not for home, but to the holiday cottage his brother-in-law owned. He had been there several times and knew that it was on the outskirts of a small village, out in the country.

Having parked the car just inside the copse near the cottage, he moved quickly through the trees. At the foot of the garden, he surveyed the place from the shelter of a tall oak. There was no sign of anyone in residence; no tell-tale smoke or curtain movements. He frowned. Why had Dave suffered a beating because of this place.



Cautiously, Neil made his way up the short path and tried the back door. It yielded and he carefully stepped into the building.

The blow caught him at the base of his neck bringing him to his knees; stunned and in pain.

"Who are you?" The voice was low and menacing. Neil carefully raised his head and looked down the barrel of a gun. Shocked disbelief cleared his mind. He tried to rise.

"Stay there. Who are you?"

"Neil Holmes."

"Proof?"

He kept his eyes on the gun as he delved into his pocket for his driving licence. The man took it with a bandaged hand. Neil looked up into a thin, pale face that was bruised and scarred. Behind it, a mirror showed himself, also pale, with a wary expression in his eyes.

"Why are you here? Does Dave know?"

Neil took back his licence and rose, a little unsteadily.

"He's in hospital. Someone beat him up."

The man swore softly.

"What happened?" he asked, putting the gun in his pocket.

Neil quickly explained. A look of faint alarm crossed the man's face.

"You came straight here?"

"Yes, I gathered he wanted someone to know what had happened."

"Were you followed?"

Neil looked startled. "I've no idea."

"Wait."

He waited as the other man went through to the front of the cottage. He returned quickly.

"Where did you leave your car?"

"At the other side of the copse."

"Mine's in the garage." He held up his right hand, the one that had held the gun – and Neil saw Plaster of Paris on his wrist. "I can't drive. They'll recognise yours."

"Give me the keys. Where do you want to go?"

"Make for the village. We'll see what happens."

They had not gone far when Neil's companion said: "They've found us. Put your foot down."

Neil obeyed.



The wing mirror suddenly shattered. A moment later the rear window disintegrated. He felt something slam into the back of his left shoulder. The car swerved. He righted it, aware that a numbness was spreading down his arm. He was vaguely aware that his companion was kneeling on the front seat, facing the back of the car. He heard the sound of a shot as they approached the village. Hoping fervently that there would be no-one about, Neil kept up speed and hurtled through it at eighty miles an hour.

Now there was open road stretching between lonely fields and isolated farms. Neil found difficulty in turning the wheel but he knew he must keep going. Up ahead, a small wood bordered each side of the road. As he approached it a truck moved out completely blocking the way. Even as the realisation hit him, he heard a small explosion and the steering wheel developed a mind of its own. His left arm was practically useless as he fought to control the car.



There was a screech of tearing metal as he scraped the side of the truck – a tree loomed up ahead – Neil pulled frantically on the wheel – the tree moved aside. It was immediately replaced by another. With a deafening noise, the car smashed into it and Neil knew no more.

Dave Langley, the cuts and bruises on his face now fading, looked unhappy. “I just didn’t realise the seriousness of the situation. If I had -----” Neil moved carefully in a bid to make himself more comfortable.

“I should have told the Police instead of haring off like that. If I’d stopped to think I would have known it could be dangerous.”

Dave eyed the cage over Neil’s right leg.

“I’d like to ring Len Wright’s neck!” he said violently. “He’s running around like a two-year-old.”

“He wasn’t when he was at the cottage.” Neil reminded him.

Dave calmed down.

“He’d had an accident, he said, and he wanted somewhere quiet to recuperate. He knew about the cottage. If only I’d known ----”

“You didn’t and I didn’t and it’s too late now. He came to see me this morning. He apologised.....”

“I should hope he did!”

“..... and offered me a job.”

Dave blinked.

“Will you take it?”

“I might as well. I can’t do my old job any more. He said he’ll be along to see you to thank you for what you did. Or, rather, didn’t do.”

Dave looked uncomfortable.

“If you hadn’t turned up when you did, I might have told them where he was. They saw you arrive and left by the back door.”

“They must have waited and followed me. Your friend told me that the Police rounded them up nicely and they’re in for long jail sentences. Several people rang the Police about my speeding through the village. They knew I had to go past those trees and set up their road block just in time.

“They couldn’t believe their eyes when you nearly missed the truck. What with the bullet in your shoulder and the back tyre in shreds, they considered it a miracle that you didn’t kill the pair of you.”

“It was a good car. Pity it was wrecked.”

Dave glanced again at the cage. “Yes. Well. You can replace a car.”

Neil’s eyes followed his. “These days you can even replace a limb. They don’t think it will be necessary though. Tell you what, Dave. Maybe I’ll not be able you play you at cricket but I’ll beat you at Scrabble.”

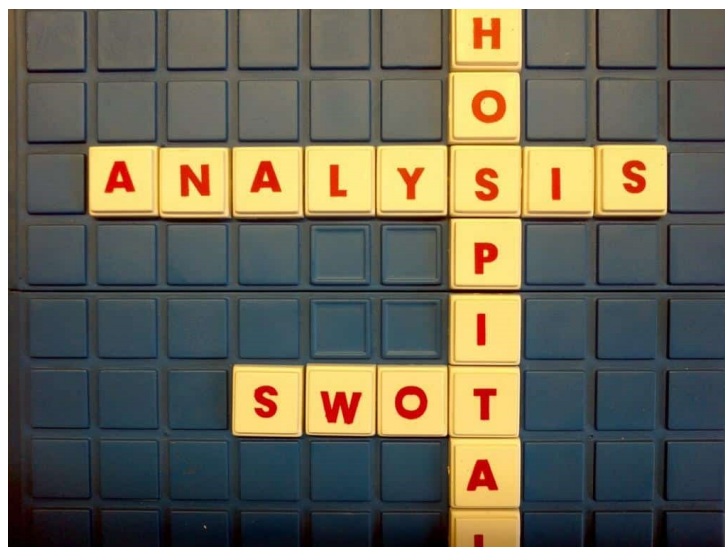
Dave smiled with relief.

“I’ll take you up on that challenge.” He stood up. “I’ll be off, now. I’ll need to practise.”

Neil grinned at him.

“Bring me a dictionary next time you come.”

By D Kaye



Diocesan News

September 2024

Church Buildings Grants scheme round 3 is open



The Diocese of Leeds is pleased to announce that the third round of our Church Buildings Grants scheme is now open.

Additional new funding is now available to help churches reach net zero carbon, increasing the capacity of the scheme to support churches in a variety of ways.

In order to support mission across the diocese, we launched our Church Buildings Grants scheme in 2021, which currently is providing £80,000 of grants per year for a minimum of five years.

The scheme now also allocates funds from two additional sources, the Church of England's Buildings for Mission fund, and their Net Zero Carbon Quick Wins fund.

Our Net Zero Carbon Quick Wins grants will be given to

churches to support new energy, heating and lighting projects, including new insulation, solar panels, smart meters and more.

Fran Taylor, Diocesan Net Zero Carbon Fundraising Officer, said: "I am delighted that I am able to support churches in their own environmental projects, and the new Net Zero Carbon Quick Wins grants are a fantastic opportunity to kick start a huge variety of projects".

The Ven Dr Andy Jolley, Archdeacon of Bradford, sits on the panel that considers grant applications, and said: "I'm really delighted that we can offer this kind of concrete support to parishes across the diocese, helping churches get their buildings fit for the future.

"The new Net Zero Carbon Quick Wins grants are a great addition to our existing scheme, allowing us to support an even greater range of projects than before."

The deadline for applications is Thursday, October 31.

Chinese church leaders meet and eat with Bishop Nick



Leaders from Chinese churches across the diocese met with the Rt Revd Nick Baines, Bishop of Leeds, to share about their mission in our region.

Bishop Nick invited the leaders from five churches in Leeds, Bradford and Huddersfield to a lunch to speak and eat together, to learn about the ministry of Chinese churches in our area and to discuss how the Diocese of Leeds can work together with Chinese churches.

The Revd Dave Ho Young represented St Barnabas' Alwoodley, which has a significant number of people from Hong Kong attending worship, and said: "The meeting between Bishop Nick and Chinese church leaders recognised the important role that Chinese churches have in the UK today."

A pilgrimage to discover life in Christ

Bishop Smitha

In the very week marking the 80th anniversary when a young 25 year old Swiss man risked everything for an adventure of holiness and founded the Taize community on a hillside in Burgundy, pilgrims from the Diocese of Leeds alongside other friends travelled together to glimpse the mystery of the undivided church in simplicity, joy and trust.

21 hours on coach and ferry and a damp, cold arrival did not make for the most promising of beginnings for the pilgrimage, but, in the words of one person: "It turned from hell to fabulous, overnight."

Life in Taize is simple. Pilgrims fall into the rhythm of life of the Taize community with prayer 3 times a day, simple meals, a Bible introduction, the opportunity to reflect and discover with others what life in Christ can mean and to discern God's presence amid the challenges of everyday life.

We rejoiced in the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell joining us for the weekend and presided at a glorious Eucharist in the village church and, in preaching at the



Sunday Eucharist reminded everyone that "however difficult, challenging or costly, Jesus has the words of eternal life".

Among the joys of the week was connecting the Taize Prior, Matthew with his former neighbours in Pudsey and presenting him with a football shirt of his beloved Bradford City Football Club!

In the words of a pilgrim: "Worship, a bit challenging at first, at the start sitting in silence for 10 minutes seems ridiculous, but you find it easier and it has more meaning as you go along. It is amazing how many different ways there are to sing Alleluia. You don't have to be an amazing singer to join in, fortunately, everyone together sounds great. I have had a really pressured year studying for my A levels, waiting for results. Life is so different and so simple at Taize, you reset. It's worship, work and the people you are with. It is completely relaxing.

"I want to come again next year and would recommend it to others who haven't made the pilgrimage yet."

Grand days out thanks to charity support for a Leeds church community

Dozens of children and adults have enjoyed special summer days out, thanks to hard work by one of our Leeds churches and funding by a generous local charity.

St Agnes church serves the people of Burmantofts and Richmond Hill – the most deprived council ward in Leeds – and members organised trips to Forbidden Corner, the popular family attraction near Middleham and to Bridlington for the seaside and fish and chips.

Organiser Gill Wigham told how thanks to the Leeds-based Wades Charity, everyone had great experiences without hurting their pockets.

Gill said: "At Forbidden Corner we had a picnic and we were blessed with dry weather."

"The cost of everything was provided thanks to Wade's Charity and that included coach travel, lunch, drinks, entry to the attraction and even the ice creams."



More than a quarter of parishes engage with Barnabas: Encouraging Confidence



More than 25 percent of our parishes have engaged with Barnabas: Encouraging Confidence since we were granted national funding just over a year ago.

Barnabas: Encouraging Confidence exists to offer support to every church to move forward in their mission in a way that is prayerful, intentional and with God's grace possible.

It offers one to one help (mentoring and coaching), places to learn from each other (learning communities is the term we use) and courses that aim to encourage confidence in line with our diocesan vision.

Personal Growth and Leadership is one such course. PG and L is homegrown, starting in Bradford but now available to many churches. Last year 16 churches and 65 individuals were able to take the course which works with teams of clergy and lay people from churches to grow in confidence.

Confident Leadership for Missional Church is now in its second year, with 19 individuals in the first cohort and 21 in the second.

The CPAS-designed course is a 10

month leadership development journey for clergy seeking to be equipped for new leadership challenges they will face.

In the Diocese of Leeds we also use mentoring in a variety of ways in order to support groups and individuals, to encourage those facing challenging circumstances.

35 mentors have been trained in the last year, offering encouragement, support, perspective, challenge, accountability and prayer to provide the mentee with a safe environment for exploring important issues.

Barnabas: Encouraging Confidence has helped many new learning communities get started in the last year, creating another way we can hear and grow from the wisdom in parishes.

Since last year we have begun several new Barnabas learning communities and trained their facilitators.

These communities cover topics including interim ministry, Messy Church, church grafting and planting, Growing Faith, Net Zero Buildings and more.

National report notes progress on racial justice in our diocese



A report on progress on racial justice in all 42 CofE dioceses has noted that in Leeds, this important work is "a whole diocese matter".

Progress on Racial Justice across the Church of England Dioceses from the Committee for Minority Ethnic Concerns (CMEAC), gives an account of how all 42 dioceses have responded to From Lament to Action (FLTA) recommendations along with examples of good practice and case studies.

The review covers the work of the dioceses in promoting diversity and inclusion from support for UKME/GMH vocations, to racial justice charters, and work in partnership with local racial justice groups.

The new report's comments regarding the Diocese of Leeds included: "Racial justice is a 'whole diocese' matter. Since its formation in 2014, the Diocese has taken a number of steps to promote racial justice." ■■■

Fresh starts

Simone Bennett
Diocesan Director of
Education



As summer draws towards a close, so our new school year begins. This is a time of fresh starts, the simple pleasure of a new exercise or notebook, new pupils and staff and the anticipation of what lies ahead.

Every new school year is a time of opportunity. A time for new goals, new roles and personal and professional growth.

Lamentations 3 reminds us, "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." Trusting in God, each other and ourselves can bring us the wisdom, courage and joy we so often need day to day.

In school, we do not journey alone. We are part of the wider diocese and the family of church schools. Over the Summer I visited an ancient church. On the wall was the outline of a cross, long since removed and yet the outline remained. Similarly, each Headteacher and leader serves as a gatekeeper for a time. They, along with every staff member, governor, pupil and family leave their mark.

Each one contributes something unique, enriching the lives of our schools and communities for everyone.

So, whether returning or starting out with us for the first time, welcome back. Wherever you are on your faith and education journey, on behalf of myself, the education team and the Diocesan Board of Education, thank you for all you are and will bring this academic year. Thank you for all you will sacrifice and all you will share as you create the next chapter of your school.

One thing is certain, there will be moments of joy and triumph, disappointment and struggle. We are here for you. We offer you our on-going support, encouragement and love as you navigate your role with purpose, kindness and integrity.

As you shine and share the light of Christ in every classroom and with every member of your school community, may this year be a manageable one - one where you can fully flourish.

Our new Director of
Vocations aims to
harvest new clergy and
lay leaders



Our new Diocesan Director of Vocations is Revd Canon Sean Robertshaw from the Holme Valley.

Revd Sean was born and raised in Huddersfield where he was a youth worker, becoming ordained in 1993.

He served as curate in Morley before becoming team vicar in the Upper Holme Valley Team in 1996.

Since 2001 Revd Sean has lead the team as Rector and since 1998 he has also served in the Army Reserve (formerly the Territorial Army) holding a number of positions as chaplain and being closely linked with the Army Foundation College in Harrogate.

He is looking forward to growing into the new position of Diocesan Director of Vocations later this year and to meeting people from the parishes across all the episcopal areas as he wants to see new vocations both lay and ordained springing up in the harvest fields.

Heritage Day

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported our Heritage Day on Saturday 7 September 2024.

There were many stories and memories from people revisiting the place of their baptism or wedding. Visitors searched the baptism, marriage and burial records and had the opportunity to browse through albums of photographs and articles from the past; more time for reflection and reminiscing. For some it was their first visit to our beautiful church. Whatever the case it was lovely to be able to welcome them to St Botolph's Church.

The beautiful church vestments were on display; purple, white, gold, red and green.

There was an opportunity to follow the way of the cross with our Stations Of The Cross prints by Adolfo Pérez Esquivel of Argentina (Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, 1980).

Did you know that during the War of the Roses there was a Battle of Ferrybridge? It was the day before the Battle of Towton. Details were on display.

Thank you to everyone who helped by being stewards in church, serving refreshments and running stalls. A splendid effort. Donations and sales meant that we raised £120 for the clock appeal, £195 for church funds and £30 for the Prince of Wales Hospice.



Memorial Service



Dear

Knottingley, St Botolph's Parish Church will be holding a Memorial Service on Sunday 27th October 2024 at 4:00 pm.

This is a time when, in our worship, we will remember loved ones who have died recently. Family and friends are warmly invited to attend the service which will include the lighting of a candle in memory of your loved ones and to hear their name read out in prayer.

If you would like a lily placed in church in memory of your loved one please send a donation of £3.00 to:

Linda Brown, 2 Cheviot Place, Knottingley, WF11 8EW
Or Janet Laycock, 1 ~~Ryecroft~~ Gardens, Eggborough, Goole, DN14 0JZ

or complete the form below and return it to the either of the above addresses by 30th September 2024. The lilies will be placed around church on the evening of the 27th October.

After the service you are invited to share in light refreshments in the Parish Rooms.

The Churchwardens of Knottingley St Botolph's Parish Church.



Memorial Service to be held at Knottingley St Botolph's Parish Church on Sunday 27th October 2024 at 4.00 pm.

Name of deceased:(Block Capitals please) _____

I / We will / will not be attending the Memorial Service on 27th October 2024.

I do / do not enclose a donation of £3.00 for a lily.

Please do not post coins as they can fall out of the envelope. Cheques can be made payable to St Botolph's PCC. Please return by 30th September 2024

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Coffee Morning

Friday 27 September 2024

10 am – 12 noon

in St Botolph's Parish Room

**Please come along for a cuppa
and a chat**

Everyone welcome

Words of Wisdom

Senior Citizens are constantly being criticised for every deficiency of the modern world. We take responsibility for what we have done and do not blame other, but may we point out that it was not senior citizens who took:

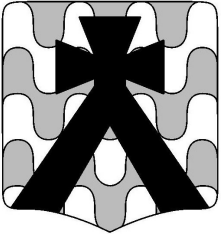
The melody out of music
The pride out of appearance
The romance out of love
The commitment out of marriage
The responsibility out of parenthood
The togetherness out of family
The learning out of education
The service out of patriotism
The religion out of school
The Golden Rule from rulers
The Nativity Scene out of the cities
The civility out of behaviour
The refinement out of language
The dedication out of employment
The prudence out of spending
The ambition out of achievement

And we are certainly not the ones
who eliminated patience and
tolerance from personal relationships.

Remember, inside every older person
is a younger person wondering just
what has happened???

From Dennis





From the

Funeral

13 September

Kayleigh Mae Davis

21yrs

St B

May she rest in peace
And rise in glory

A prayer for those who mourn

May God be with you in your sorrow
And comfort you in your loss.

May your God, your family and your friends,
Give you strength and confidence.

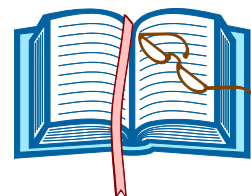
May your spirits be lifted,
May your heart be filled with peace and
May the light of God's promise fill you with
joy and hope.

Amen



Parish Registers

IN MEMORIAM



On these days of October please pray for the repose of the souls of:

1	Agnes Adams	1998	20	Paul Steven Livsey	1973
2	Thomas Forster	1983		Mary Ann Spencer	1994
3	Alwin Hughes	1995		Elsie Woodall	1995
	George Robert Huscroft			Bernard Cooper	1997
		2003		Mary Wood	
	Jack Aaron	2013		Glendenning	2002
	Kathleen Aaron	2014	21	Mary Raynor	1983
4	Elsie Winter	1973		Brian Shaw	1989
	Clifford Charlesworth	1987		John Henry Branford	1964
5	Mary Hannah Schofield		22	Alice Chapman	1982
		1992		Kate Timms Adams	1994
6	George Hunter Bagley	1998	23	Marian Daw	1976
	Grace Frances Jordan	1999		Mary Hannah Holroyd	1978
7	Elizabeth Parkin	1954		Irene Bains	1998
	Pete Ellis	1989		Allan Drury	1992
	Sandra Fox	2012		Harry Conroy	1999
8	Robert Webster	1955	24	Stanley Kynman	1983
	Lily Clayburn	1974		Wilfred Chisem	2020
	Ada Miller	2005	25	Mary Rebecca Walker	1937
	Mary Newby	2011		Gwenneth Georgina	
9	June Bywater	2020		Hargrave	2016
10	Jack Hargrave	1978	27	Walter Miller	1991
11	Frances Swales	1988		Violet May Stones	1987
	Stanley Joe Whitwell	2006	28	Alfred Lunn	1988
12	Reginald Turner	1993	29	Elizabeth Ann Smith	1991
	Ann Woodcock	2020	30	William James Fuller	1998
13	Leonard Lifsey	2012		Richard Harland	2006
14	John (Jack) Hall	2020	31	Sidney Shay	1986
15	Margaret Dunn	1987		Alice Birkitt	1993
16	Gladys Ethel Turner	1985			
	Fred Wilkinson	2009			
17	Irene Mary Drury	2015			
18	Doris Whitwell	2006			
	Glen Andrew Wilson	1975			
	Julie Clayton	2016			



Holy Days and Commemorations October

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- 4 Francis of Assisi, 1226
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- 6 **TRINITY 19**
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- 9 Robert Grosseteste, Bishop of Lincoln, 1253
- 10 World Mental Health Day
- 11 Ethelburga, 675
- 12 Elizabeth Fry, 1845
Nurse Edith Cavell, 1915
- 13 **TRINITY 20**
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- 18 Luke the Evangelist
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- 20 **TRINITY 21**
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- 23 James of Jerusalem
- 24 United Nations Day
- 25
- 26 Alfred the Great, 899
- 27 **LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**
- 28 Simon and Jude, apostles
- 29
- 30
- 31 Martin Luther, 1546
- Nov
- 1 **ALL SAINTS DAY**

Eucharist Readings

6 October
TRINITY 19
DEDICATION SUNDAY
Genesis 2:18-24
Hebrews 1:1-4;2:5-12
Mark 10:2-16

13 October
TRINITY 20
Amos 5:6-7, 10-15
Hebrews 4:12-16
Mark 10:17-31

20 October
TRINITY 21
Isaiah 53:4-12
Hebrews 5:1-10
Mark 10:35 - 45

27 October
Last Sunday after Trinity
Jeremiah 31: 7– 9
Hebrews 7: 23-28
Mark 10:46 - 52

3 November
4th Sunday before Advent
Deuteronomy 6:1- 9
Hebrews 9: 11 - 14
Mark 12: 28 - 34

10 November
3rd before Advent
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Aire Benefice Events (Correct at the time of going to press)

26th Sept	Lunch Club, St Botolph's Parish Room, 12 noon
27th Sept	MacMillan Coffee Morning, St Botolph's Parish Room, 10 am - 12 noon Harvest Pie and Pea Supper, St Botolph's Parish Room, 4.30 - 6.30 pm
29th Sept	Team Eucharist, St Andrew, Ferrybridge, 10am Sunday Social, 1 - 3pm Brotherton Parish Hall (last Sunday of the month)
5 Oct	Kellington Church Autumn Craft Fair, Eggborough Village Hall, 10am - 2 pm Coffee Morning St Martin, Womersley, 10.30am - 12 noon (first Sunday of the month)
10 Oct	Knit and natter, St Botolph's Parish Room, 1.30 pm
18 Oct	Afternoon Tea, St Martin, Womersley, 2 - 4 pm
24 Oct	Lunch Club, St Botolph's Parish Room, 12 noon
27 Oct	Sunday Social, 1 - 3pm Brotherton Parish Hall (last Sunday of the month) Memorial Service, St Botolph, 4pm
2 Nov	Coffee Morning St Martin, Womersley, 10.30am - 12 noon (first Sunday of the month)



Knottingley, St Botolph's Church
in the Parish Room

Lunch Club
Fourth Thursday of the month
12 noon

Tickets £5 available from Linda

Friends of St Botolph's
in the Parish Room
Knit and Natter
Second and fourth Thursdays of the
month
1.30 - 3 pm

All welcome

**The Parish Room is available
for hire for
Parties or Meetings
at a reasonable rate
Ring 673463
for bookings**