

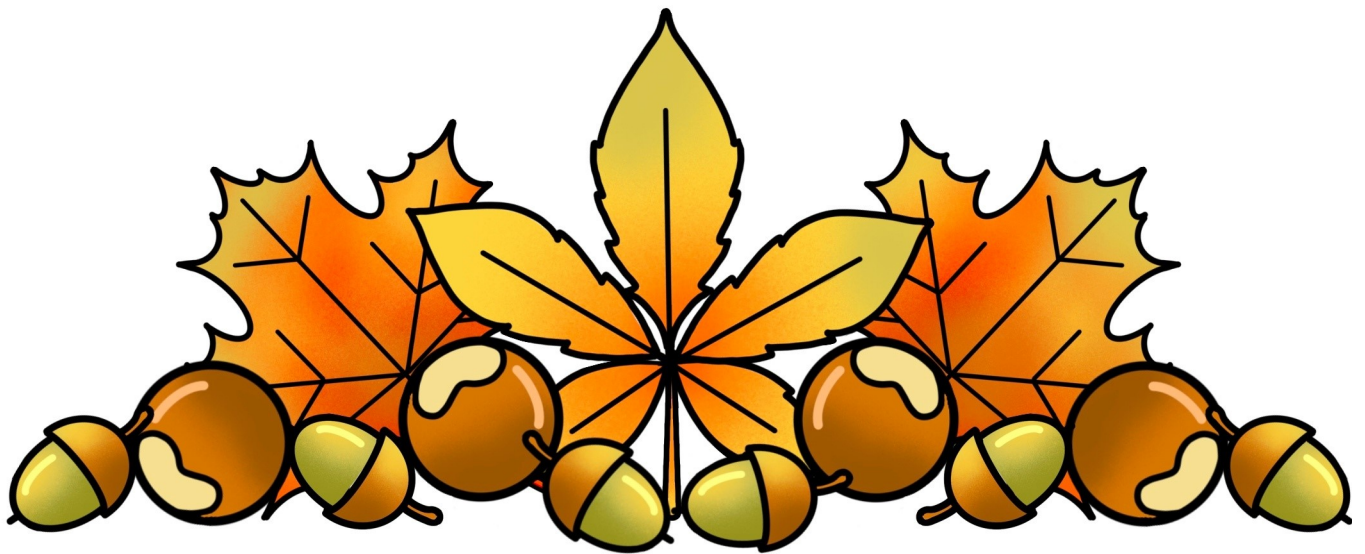
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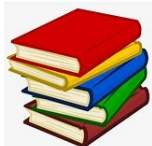


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<b>Tuesdays</b> 10am-12pm	 <b>Adult Craft &amp; Chat:</b> Join us for a friendly session of crafting.
<b>Thursdays</b> 10am—12pm	<b>Coffee morning:</b> Meet friendly faces, have a chat and a cuppa at our weekly coffee morning. With the occasional quiz you're guaranteed to have a fun-filled morning. All welcome.
<b>Thursdays</b> 2.30pm—4.30pm	<b>Family Games:</b> You'll never be bored at our family games sessions. Fun for all the family! 
<b>Fridays</b> 10am—12pm	<b>Mindful morning:</b> Relieve stress and anxiety by focussing on mindful colouring, painting and puzzles.
<b>Fridays</b> 3.30pm—4.30pm	 <b>Lego Club:</b> Build Lego scenes, stories and characters. Lego provided. All ages welcome.
<b>Saturdays</b> 10.30am—11.30am	<b>Family Crafts:</b> Colour, craft and create in our weekly family craft sessions.
<b>Saturdays</b> 10am—1pm	<b>Family History Sessions:</b> Discover the secrets of your past with our resident family history expert.

LIBRARY OPENING TIMES	
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Tuesday	9.30am—5pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	9.30am—7pm
Friday	9.30am—5pm
Saturday	10am—1pm
Sunday	Closed all day

**Stanley Readers Group**   
 First Monday of the month  
 10am-11am: come and join our discussions! Ask in the library for more information or contact Mary on 07900 534571

**Contact Stanley Library:** Lake Lock Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4HU  
 Telephone: 01924 303130,  
 Email: stanleylibrary@wakefield.gov.uk





## LIGHTHOUSE CAFÉ at St Peter's Church Every Monday and Wednesday 10am—12pm

With snacks and refreshments,  
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*Plus free Wi-Fi, Books, Games, Jigsaws,  
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**A Warm Space and a Warm Welcome—Come and join us!**

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**Play! Singing! Snacks! Stories! Toys!**

Every **Thursday** in termtime at St Peter's church from **9:15am to 11:15 am**

Phone 01924

835746 or

07746 849509

*for more info*



**Knit & Natter**  
St Peter's Church,  
**Every Wednesday**  
**1.30pm-3.30pm**

*Enjoy a cuppa, company and a 'crafty' afternoon!*

New members always welcome—  
knit, sew, swap patterns and  
ideas, learn new skills, and  
share friendship, conversation  
and refreshments.

**Come along for a very  
warm welcome**

## Stanley Community Singers

**Every Monday, 1pm-2pm, St Peter's Church**

The Stanley Community Singers offers a very warm welcome to any new members who would like to join us, enjoy a good sing and make new friends. There is no audition and no previous experience required, just a love of singing!

**Come and make friends and enjoy a good sing!**




The cost per session is £2.50. Light lunches are available from 12pm in our café (soup, sandwiches, hot meals etc.) and refreshments are available after the singing with time to chat.








## EVENTS IN STANLEY THIS MONTH

### Services and events every week at St Peter's Church

- Sundays**  
10am Family Communion service: with both a traditional and modern approach to worship, Holy Communion most Sundays and refreshments after the service.
- Mondays & Weds**  
10am -12pm Lighthouse Café A warm space with drinks, snacks, games, Jigsaws etc. Also on Wednesdays.
- Mondays**  
1pm-2pm  Stanley Community Choir New members always welcome, no audition! Make friends and enjoy singing!
- Tuesdays**  
10.30am-1.30pm Tuesday lunch club for older people with games, quizzes, talks, films, crafts and a hot lunch—£6.
- Wednesdays**  
1.30pm-3.30pm Knit & Natter with crafts, chat and refreshments. New members always welcome. 
- Thursdays**  
9.15am-11.15am  Children's Ark baby and toddler group with toys, play, singing and snacks. Cost £1.50 per child.

### Special services and events this month

- Mon 7th October**  
9.30am New weekly morning prayer service with Rev Diane—a gentle start to the week with a 15 minute service.
- Thurs 10th October**  
7.30pm Come and Sing with the Rodillians A free taster session for all ladies. Come and enjoy a sing and cake! p11
- Sat 12th October**  
10.30am - 12.30pm Coffee morning with bacon butties, cakes, tombola, raffle, refreshments and more! 
- Sun 13th October**  
10am Harvest Festival service—an informal family service followed by a bring and share lunch. See p10.
- Tues 15th October**  
11am-1pm Harvest community lunch with singing from Stanley St Peter's school choir and quizzes. £6 per person.
- Sat 19th October**  
9.30am-12pm Benefice meeting at St Anne's for everyone across the benefice, to chat, plan and share. All welcome, p8.
- Sun 27th October**  
3pm Memorial service for anyone suffering bereavement. Please just come along. 
- Thurs 31st Oct**  
5pm-7pm  No tricks just treats! A fun evening with treats, games and crafts for children up to year 6. See p11.



# Celebrating 200 years of St Peter's church

Thank you to everyone who helped us to celebrate 200 years of St Peter's church during our bicentennial weekend at the beginning of September. The weekend began with a very moving outdoor service on the old church site. On the Saturday we held a flower festival and exhibition and had some wonderful displays of photographs, memorabilia, some very creative flower arrangements and even a wedding dress!

On the Sunday, Rt Rev Nick Baines, the Bishop of Leeds led our morning service and blessed our new wall hanging and our refurbished window. He greatly enjoyed his time with us and gave some lovely feedback about the service. Please call into church anytime and look at the new wall hanging and window. We also have a special commemorative booklet that was produced for the occasion that can be purchased for £1.



It was a privilege to celebrate two centuries of worship in the different St Peter's churches in Stanley and we want to give thanks for everyone who has been involved in its history over the years. We finally signed a long term lease with Wakefield Council for the church centre building earlier this year, and therefore can look forward to many more years of service to our congregation and community.

## Monthly Coffee morning

Our coffee mornings are always on the 2nd Saturday of every month, and the next one will be on **Saturday 12th October** at St Peter's church from 10.30am—12.30pm. We have some fantastic refreshments including bacon sandwiches, as well as a raffle and a tombola.

Councillor Lynn Masterman is usually available for anyone to raise any local issues.

Please join us and enjoy a lovely morning!



Next month, our **Christmas Fair**... will be on **Saturday 23rd November** from 10am—1pm and will include refreshments, cakes, toys, raffle, tombola, and various other stalls. More information next month.



Thank you to everyone who supported our **Macmillan coffee afternoon** last month. We were delighted to raise an incredible £230.55 for this wonderful charity. Thank you for your generosity.







North Wakefield Benefice

North Wakefield Team of Churches

# Newsletter for October 2024





**Dear Friends,** It was wonderful to gather at St Mary Magdalene in Outwood on last month for Rev Diane's licensing to serve here in the Benefice. It has been a long journey since Fr Jonathan left in January 2023 with a lot of extra work to cover, and therefore we are very appreciative of the many people in the four churches who have helped in many ways during this time.

We are all pilgrims on a journey, and as we look to future, it will be lovely to share with Diane our hopes and vision for the future of our benefice. To get us started, you are invited to join us on **Saturday 19th October at St Anne's in Wrenthorpe**. There will be refreshments from 9.30am, then worship at 10am, with the session finishing at 12pm at the latest. The meeting will allow us the time to pray, share, discuss and plan the next stage in the life of the benefice. At harvest time we give thanks for God's bounty, and this meeting will allow us to give thanks for the many gifts and talents we can offer to God in his service in our benefice.

This year, we have celebrated the 200th anniversary of St Peter's and the 150th anniversary of St Anne's. It has been good to look back and reflect on the journey of these churches, but we know the baton has been passed to us to continue 'being the church' in these villages at this time. Therefore, please do join us on the 19th October and in the meantime pray for our time together that our plans and discussions will be in line with God's will for the benefice.

From Monday 7th October 2024 we will be celebrating **Morning Prayer** on a different day each week in each of our four churches. Anyone is welcome to join any of the services. It will give us an opportunity to pray for what's happening in each church and the mission of the wider benefice as well as the world and community in which we live. The times and locations are as follows:

Mondays	9.30am	St Peter's church, Stanley
Tuesdays	9am	St Paul's church, Alverthorpe
Wednesdays	9am	St Anne's church, Wrenthorpe
Thursdays	9.15am	St Mary Magdalene, Outwood

If you would be interested in having a regular zoom prayer meeting on a Saturday morning, please contact Rev Diane ([revddianek@gmail.com](mailto:revddianek@gmail.com)). If there is sufficient interest we will organise one from November. If anyone is unable to join any of the prayer meetings but would like to pray with us from homes there will be prayer sheets available in each church from October that you can take home to pray alongside us. Take care and God Bless, Glenn

*Rev Glenn Coggins, Vicar of the United Benefice of North Wakefield*

## Events for October

**Sunday 6th October, 10am** [Alverthorpe](#)

Harvest festival service at St Paul's.

**Monday 7th October, 9.30am** [Stanley](#)

New weekly Morning prayer service.

**Mon 7th October 10.30am** [Outwood](#)

Mother's Union meeting in church.

**Tues 8th October, 9am** [Alverthorpe](#)

New weekly Morning prayer service.

**Weds 9th October, 9am** [Wrenthorpe](#)

New weekly Morning prayer service.

**Thurs 10th October 9.15am** [Outwood](#)

New weekly Morning prayer service.

**Sat 12th October, 10.30am** [Stanley](#)

Coffee morning with refreshments, bacon sandwiches, raffle and more!

**Sun 13th October, 10am** [Stanley](#)

Harvest Festival service at St Peter's.

**Mon 14th October, 12pm** [Wrenthorpe](#)

Forget-Me-Not friendship group for anyone facing bereavement or loneliness.

**Tuesday 15th Oct, 10.30am** [Stanley](#)

Harvest lunch—school choir at 11.30am and lunch served 12.15pm, cost is £6.

**Sat 19th October, 9.30am** [Wrenthorpe](#)

Benefice meeting to chat, pray, plan and share. Please join us!

**Sun 20th October, 9.30am** [Outwood](#)

Harvest Festival service at Outwood.

**Thurs 24th October 7.30pm** [Outwood](#)

MAPPs men's group meeting.

**Sat 26th October, 10am** [Alverthorpe](#)

Lifeboat prayer meeting at St Paul's church with Bible study and prayer.

**Sunday 27th October**

Remember to turn your clocks back!

### Memorial Services

**Sun 27th October, 3pm** [Stanley](#)

**Sun 27th October, 6pm** [Wrenthorpe](#)

**Sun 3rd November, 3pm** [Outwood](#)

**Sun 3rd November, 6pm** [Alverthorpe](#)

**Tues 5th November, 5pm** [Alverthorpe](#)

Bonfire night party in the vicarage garden in Alverthorpe. Please let Glenn know if you'd like to come along.

### Contact details for our clergy:

**Vicar**



**Rev Glenn Coggins**

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Alverthorpe, WF2 0BT

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07951 651952

cogginsglenn@gmail.com

**Associate  
Priest**



**Rev Diane Komorowski**

St Anne's Vicarage,  
121 Wrenthorpe Road,  
Wrenthorpe, WF2 0JS

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# St Peter's Church, Stanley



Lake Lock Road  
Stanley  
WF3 4HW

Stanley



## 10am Sunday family communion

Congregational services take place every Sunday morning at St Peter's church, with Holy Communion on most Sundays, and opportunities for one-to-one prayer. We serve refreshments after every service.



## Harvest Festival Service Sunday 13th October, 10am

A warm welcome to our harvest festival service on **Sunday 13th October** when we will be giving thanks for all God's many blessings to us. This will be an informal family service and will be followed by a bring and share lunch to which everyone is invited.

Donations of food are welcome: gifts such as fresh fruit and vegetables will be used in our harvest lunch on Tuesday 15th October, and dried or tinned food will be donated to CAP Care in Wakefield which supports homeless people.

## Generosity and Gratitude Week

At our services on 6th and 13th October we will be focussing on generosity and gratitude and will giving thanks for all the many ways that people support our church. Rev Diane Komorowski will be leading our Generosity Sunday service on **6th October at 10am**; this will be Rev Diane's first service at St Peter's following her recent licensing.



## Weekly events at St Peter's

<b>Mondays</b> 10am - 12pm	<b>Lighthouse Café</b> A warm space with drinks, snacks, games, jigsaws etc.	
<b>Mondays</b> 1pm- 2pm 	<b>Stanley Community Choir</b> New members welcome, no audition! Make friends and enjoy a sing-song.	
<b>Tuesdays</b> 10.30am- 1.30pm	<b>Tuesday lunch club</b> for older people with games, quizzes, talks, films, crafts and a hot lunch—£6.	
<b>Wednesdays</b> 10am-12pm	<b>Lighthouse Café</b> Also on Wednesdays!	
<b>Wednesdays</b> 1.30pm- 3.30pm	 <b>Knit &amp; Natter</b> Enjoy a cuppa, company & a 'crafty' time.	
<b>Thursdays</b> 9.15am- 11.15am	<b>Children's Ark</b> baby and toddler group with toys, play, singing and snacks.	



## Community Harvest Lunch

**Tuesday 15th October 11am—1pm**

Everyone is warmly invited to St Peter's church on Tuesday 15th October for a Community Harvest Lunch. There will be a delicious home-cooked meal and refreshments. Arrive from 10.30am for tea and coffee, and at 11.30am we will be welcoming Stanley St Peter's school choir to entertain us with some harvest songs. We will also have some fun harvest themed quizzes!

The cost per person is £6.



### Weekly Morning Prayer

will be available at St Peter's church on Mondays at 9.30am starting 7th October. All welcome.

**The Rodillian Singers** invite all ladies to a **FREE SING** on Thursday 10th October from 7.30pm-9.30pm at St Peter's church in Stanley. No obligation to join! Just come and enjoy a lovely sing and maybe make some friends. There will be cake!



## Contact details for St Peter's Church

### Clergy

*For baptism and wedding enquiries, to request home communion visits and one-to-one prayer, please contact Rev Glenn Coggins or Rev Diane Komorowski: see page 3 for contact details.*

### Church Office

*Room hire enquiries, information about church groups, publicity:*

Eleanor Plant 01924 835746  
churchoffice@stpeters-stanley.org.uk

### Church Officer roles

Jason Plant Church Warden  
David Sunderland Church Warden  
Libby Gates PCC Secretary  
Jason Plant Treasurer

### Safeguarding concerns

Dave Florence 07957 203898  
daveflorence@gmail.com

## Memorial service

**Sunday 27th October, 3pm**

To remember loved ones who have died recently or in the past. Everyone welcome, please just come along.



## No Tricks Just Treats!!

**Thurs 31st October 5pm-7pm**

A family friendly alternative to the spooks and scares of the season—a party for all school age children up to year 6. Bring your children to St Peter's for food, games, a silent disco, crafts and goodies, call in anytime from 5pm—7pm.

# St Mary Magdalene, Outwood



Leeds Road  
Outwood  
WF1 2JL

## Outwood



### Church Services every week:

**Sunday 9.30am Parish Mass**

### Regular Events:

<b>Mondays</b> 7.15pm	<b>Blokes United</b> in the Choir Vestry
<b>Wednesdays</b> 10am—12pm	<b>Free Drop-In</b> at the Church Institute: coffee/tea, quizzes, music, bingo, raffle
<b>Fridays</b> 9.15—11.15am	<b>Mini Monsters</b> at the Church Institute.

### Outwood Institute contact details

**Institute Manager**—Keith 07837 386891

**Brownies**—Rachel 07587 919263

**Guides**—Karen 07719 669146

**Scouts**— Josh or Toni 07407 497289

**Wives Group**— Norma 07854 780694

**Mini Monsters**— Barbara 07580 042854

**Dance Class**—Paula 07780 688623

**Weight Watchers**— Sara 07775744237

**Pre-school**—Suzanne 01924 825688

### MAPPs for Men

Our Men's Group will next meet at 7.30pm on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October in the Kirkland Hotel on Leeds Road in Outwood. There will be convivial company! and also a talk by George-Nairn-Briggs (former Dean of Wakefield) about the day the late Queen visited the Cathedral to present the Maundy Money.



George's talk will describe the event itself, but also the complex planning and preparation, and the elaborate security arrangements behind the scenes. It should be a most enlightening evening.

Looking further ahead, at our meeting on Thursday 21st November, also 7.30pm at Kirkland, we shall hear from Paul Blundell, a voice over artist! A fascinating evening is in store.

And a date for your diary—on 23rd January we will welcome Rugby League national and international referee Ben Thaler. He's quite a character and a great evening in his company is assured.

MAPPs is open to all men in our four churches, but equally to any others who would like to share an evening with us.

Our next meeting is at 10.30am on Monday 7th October in church.

On Thursday 26th September we attended the unveiling of a Blue Plaque dedicated to Alice Mabel Race Norton on the boundary wall of Wakefield Cathedral. Mabel has been researched by Dream Time Creative as part of the Forgotten Women of Wakefield project. She was born in 1878 and became the first Diocesan Secretary back in 1900. She was also a lynchpin of the Mothers' Union, producing our very first banner. She was also a member of the Girls Friendly Society and Huddersfield's 'Waifs & Strays'. During the war she found accommodation for hundreds of child evacuees and also adopted one. She has been described as a 'Quiet Feminist'.

Hopefully a service to celebrate her life and achievements and a display of artefacts will happen in 2025.

Next month's meeting is at 10.30am on Monday 4th November. A speaker from Wakefield City of Sanctuary will tell us about their work and the problems faced by refugees in our city. A refugee from Ethiopia will be coming along to tell us what it is like being a refugee in Wakefield. Please come along if you can. Feel free to bring some lunch, we will provide drinks and cake.

Contact me for any further information: *Sheila Crosby on 01924 825866*

## Contact details for St Mary Magdalene

### Clergy

*For baptism and wedding enquiries, to request home communion visits and one-to-one prayer, please contact Rev Glenn Coggins or Rev Diane Komorowski: see page 3 for contact details.*

### Church Warden

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Joanne Zubovas 07889 304979  
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### Parish Secretary

Beverley Beaumont  
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### Treasurer

Duncan Hall

### Benefice Magazine, Coffee mornings

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### Safeguarding

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Our Harvest Festival service will be on **Sunday 20th October at 9.30am**, Everyone is very welcome!

**Weekly Morning Prayer** will be available at Outwood church on Thursdays at 9.15am starting 10th October. All welcome.



**Memorial Service**  
**Sunday 3rd November at 3pm**  
Join us at this Memorial service to remember those who have died recently or in the past. All welcome.



# St Anne's, Wrenthorpe



121 Wrenthorpe Road  
Wrenthorpe  
WF2 0JS

## Wrenthorpe



St Anne's

### Services at St Anne's, Wrenthorpe

Sundays, 10.30am Holy Communion

Weds, 2.15pm Holy Communion

### Other weekly events (term time only)

Mondays, 10am Cheeky Cherubs

Mondays, 2.30pm Youth Drop-in

### Monthly events

2nd Monday of the month, 12pm-2pm Forget-me-not friendship group

### Benefice meeting

**Saturday 19th October from 9.30am**

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone from the four churches of the benefice to St Anne's for our benefice get together. It will be a great opportunity to chat, pray, plan and share. Refreshments will be available from 9.30am with the session starting at 10am and finishing no later than 12pm.



## School Years 7 - 11



St. Anne's Church Wrenthorpe



# Young People's Drop-In

on Mondays from 2.30pm - 4pm in Church

Come and join us for a snack, games, creative activities, watch a bit of a movie followed by some discussion, and more!



After School during Termtime

**Weekly Morning Prayer** will be available at St Anne's on Wednesdays at 9am starting on 9th October. All welcome.



**Memorial Service  
Sunday 27th October at 6pm**

Join us at this Memorial service to remember those who have died recently or in the past. All welcome.

**Forget-Me-Not friendship group  
Monday 14th October, 12pm-2pm**

Anyone who is bereaved or lonely is welcome to join us at St Anne's. Bring a packed lunch.



**Cheeky Cherubs**

Our toddler group meets in church at **10am on Mondays in term time.**

It is for children aged 0-4 years and their carer, and includes stories, activities, crafts and plenty of time to play!

*Women of Substance ....*

The group met last month for a very challenging but thoughtful discussion. What a lot we learned from Shiprah and Puah; their story created some opinions and personal insights into who God is and how He is perceived.

The group have decided to cancel the meeting in October because of other meetings going on, so the next meeting will be on **Saturday 16th November** when we will be studying Jochebed: the mum who taught her son truths he never forgot, even though he was raised in a palace and became a Prince of Egypt.

Join us for Bible study, crafts, friendship and a light lunch. If anyone would like to come but needs transport, please let me know so I can arrange a lift for you. We would love to welcome any new ladies to the group. God's blessings to you all.

Lynn Fowley, 7890 589907 or [ldfowley@live.co.uk](mailto:ldfowley@live.co.uk)



**Contact details for St Anne's Church Clergy**

*For baptism and wedding enquiries, to request home communion visits and one-to-one prayer, please contact Rev Glenn Coggins or Rev Diane Komorowski: see page 3 for contact details.*

**Church Wardens**

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Lisa Cooper

**PCC Secretary**

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**Treasurer**

David Payne  
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**Church Hall bookings**

Bob Illingworth 07443 459558



**Thank you.....**to everyone who attended Jane and Bob Illingworth's Christian Aid fundraiser in August, a fantastic £212.85 was raised to support those in need across the world.

# St Paul's, Alverthorpe



St Paul's Drive  
Alverthorpe  
WF2 0BT

## Alverthorpe



St Paul's

### We are St Paul's Church, Alverthorpe

#### Sunday and mid-week services:

**10am Sunday morning:** a mixture of Holy Communion and Morning Prayer

**11am Wednesday morning:** a short 'said' Holy Communion

#### Saturday coffee & chat:

**10am-12pm Saturday morning** quiet time, or simply a chat and tea/coffee.

We have tea and coffee after all services. We are on Facebook, and broadcast live every Sunday morning service

**A WARM welcome is guaranteed**

### Bonfire Party

There will be a bonfire party at Alverthorpe vicarage on **Tuesday 5th November, 5pm-7pm.**



You would be very welcome to join us! It would be a good to have an idea of numbers so please contact

Glenn or Angela on 01924 218484 or email [cogginglenn@gmail.com](mailto:cogginglenn@gmail.com) if you'd like to come.

We look forward to seeing you!



Our Harvest Festival service will be on **Sunday 6th October at 10am**

Everyone is very welcome to join us for this service as we give thanks for God's blessings

### Weekly Morning Prayer

will be available at St Paul's church on Tuesdays at 9am starting 8th October. All welcome.



### Lifeboat prayer group

**Sat 26th October  
10am—11.30am**

The Lifeboat prayer group meets on the last Saturday of every month at St Paul's Alverthorpe from 10am—11.30am. Lifeboat is a spirituality group for the whole benefice and everyone is welcome. The sessions begin with refreshments before leading into a time of prayer, Bible study, and discussion. You would be very welcome to join us.





## Making Time for God

Are you a creature of habit? The truth is that to a certain extent we all are. Some habits or routines are forced on us, while others are what we choose to do whether for the good of our health and/or because we enjoy doing them.

The one area where we're often tempted to get out of the habit or let our routines slip, concerns maintaining and nurturing our inner or spiritual life. For some, we may become lackadaisical in our church attendance, or for others we may not put aside regular moments in the day "to be still before God" (however we use those times).

To help us get into and maintain the habit of being still before God, the Bible



Reading Fellowship produces a wonderful series of booklets. Each provides a thought for each day throughout the year based on a short Bible passage.

This is the time of year when those who are already using the Bible notes are invited to sign up again for 2025. We currently have around 15 people across the benefice signed up, but any newcomers who wish to 'come on board', are warmly invited to do so.

This is not intended to 'tread on the toes' of any other Bible reading schemes available in our four churches, but if you think this offer is for you then do give it serious consideration.

## Contact details for St Paul's Church

### Clergy

*For baptism and wedding enquiries, to request home communion visits and one-to-one prayer, please contact Rev Glenn Coggins or Rev Diane Komorowski: see page 3 for contact details.*

### Church Warden

David Dews

### Uniformed groups

*Cubs meet Monday evenings, and Beavers and Scouts meet Friday evenings:*

Bill Sim 01924 382245

*Guides meet Wednesdays and Rainbows and Brownies meet Thursday evenings:*

Mrs Pat Lambert 01924 376857

From the end of October and into November, leaflets will be available in our churches explaining which notes are available, as well as sample copies to give an idea of what is on offer. If you'd like to maintain or get into a Bible reading habit, please do sign up on the sheet provided.

*See Rev Stuart Millington for more info.*



### **Memorial Service, Sunday 3rd November at 6pm**

Join us at this Memorial service to remember those who have died recently or in the past. All welcome.



**DON'T FORGET!!**  
**Remember to turn  
your clocks back one hour  
on Sunday 27th October.**

## The Dance

Life is a dance –sometimes you lead,  
Sometimes you follow,  
At times the steps are hard to learn  
But persevere - there is a tomorrow.

It can be hard—sometimes it's right,  
Sometimes it's wrong,  
As you learn to move to a different beat  
But don't look back keep moving on.

Problems may come –sometimes you can,  
Sometimes you fail  
To do the things you did before,  
But carry on you will prevail.

Life is still there –sometimes it's practice,  
Sometimes it's chance  
As you've learnt the steps that take you on  
And the music plays as you join in the dance

Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
I AM the Lord of the Dance said He.

*By Megan Carter*



## Prayers for October

### The Church Floor

Mark you the floor?  
That square and speckled stone,  
Which look so firm and strong,  
Is Patience.

And th'other black and grave,  
wherewith each one  
Is chequered all along –  
Humility.

The gentle rising,  
which on either hand  
Leads to the quire above  
Is Confidence.

But the sweet cement,  
Which in one sure band  
Ties the whole frame,  
is Love – And Charity  
*By George Herbert from  
The Temple (1593-1633)*



### A prayer for October

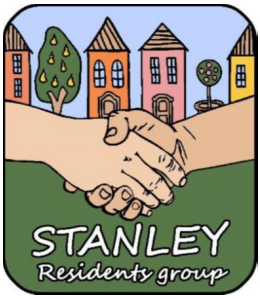
As we move into autumn and the month of October, the normal seasonal changes are all around us: the beautiful colours, the falling leaves, the cooler days. And that is reassuring. But, so much else in our world is changing so rapidly, often in ways we don't understand. And that can be worrying.

Thank you that You never change. You are always the same, faithful, present and loving. And You tell us in Your Word, not to be anxious about anything, but to bring all things to You in prayer and to trust You. When we do this, You promise us Your Peace – a peace of heart that steadies us and helps us move forward.

Thank you that whatever comes, we are secure in You, when we put our trust in Jesus. In His name, we pray. Amen.

*By Daphne Kitching*





## Update from Stanley Residents Group

We had a fantastic Scarecrow Trail once again and we would like to thank all our entrants for their hard work and to let them know how much we appreciate all their efforts. Whilst we only publish the winning 3 from the Individual/family category and the winners of the business/group Trophy, we can report that every single entry received votes and there were very few between some of them. So it could easily have been a very different outcome! However the main point is that lots of children had a fabulous time going to see them all. Our winners were:

- 1st Peter Pan on Orchard Avenue
- 2nd Mr McGregor's garden on Lake Lock Drive
- 3rd Gingerbread Fred on Lake Lock Road.
- The Trophy was won by the Tuesday Lunch Club at St Peter's Church.



Our next open meeting is on **Monday 21st October at 7pm** and will be held in the Thatched House pub. We would welcome anyone and everyone to attend. We have plenty of things planned which we'd like to do but we do need volunteers to help with the Group as we look ahead to another year's events and activities. We hope you feel that we are make positive improvements across the village but it's hard work when the load is shared by only a few. Please consider coming along to offer some help here and there, we would appreciate it very much.

We are very pleased to announce that SRG have had nominations in three categories of the Wakefield District Housing Love Where You Live Awards:

1. Digital in the Community—volunteers organising and monitoring our Facebook page, website etc.
2. Anne Waring for Community Champion
3. Lynsey Tomlinson in Arts & Culture for her fantastic painting on the wall at the Community Orchard on Mount Road.

Winners are chosen by public vote. Please show your support for all we do by taking time if you can, to vote where you feel appropriate. The link is as follows: <https://www.lovewhereyouliveawards.co.uk>.

Many thanks in advance.

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## Where do postcodes come from?

Some 65 years ago, on 11th October 1959, Britain began introducing postcodes. They started in Norwich, and were rolled across the UK by 1974. The aim was to speed up sorting following the mechanisation of the postal system.

But for the process to work, people had to use it, and it was therefore important to make sure that people could remember their postcode easily. In fact, a survey in 2016 revealed that people are more likely to remember their postcode than their debit card PIN (92%, compared with 77%). And the information sticks: apparently 17% of people questioned could still remember the postcode of the house they lived in up to 30 years earlier.

When the first postcodes were trialled in Norwich, the first three characters were NOR (now NR followed by a number) for name of the city, and the last three signified a particular street or large business. The main point of a postcode is to ensure that a letter or parcel gets to the correct Royal Mail sorting office, where it can then be sorted into the correct round.

The smallest postcode area in Britain is WC in London, covering one square mile. The largest is IV, Inverness, at 6,243 square miles.



### Cartoon Corner



The harvest produce was taken to the old people's bungalows

### The pantomime is coming....

Rehearsals are underway for our 19th pantomime! 'A Christmas Carol' will run from Sunday 1st December to Saturday 7th December with matinees at 3pm on Sunday 1st and Saturday 7th. The evening performances will be at 7.15pm on Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd, Friday 6th and Saturday 7th December (please note, no performance on either the Wednesday or Thursday).



Ticket prices will be £7.50 for adults, £5 for children and concessions and £25 for a family ticket. Tickets will be on sale at the end of October.

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