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WHAT'S ON EACH WEEK	
Mondays 11am—11.30am	Storytime
Mondays 1pm-3pm	Bingo
Tuesdays 10am-12pm	Adult Craft & Chat
Thursdays 10am—12pm	Coffee morning
Thursdays 2.30pm—4.30pm	Family Games
Fridays 10am—12pm	Mindful morning
Fridays 3.30pm—4.30pm	Lego Club
Saturdays 10.30am—11.30am	Family Crafts
Saturdays 10am—1pm	Family History Sessions




**Christmas
Craft Fair**

Stanley Library
Friday 29th November
10-2

Browse a wonderful selection of craft stalls, pick up some unique, handmade Christmas gifts and enjoy a mince pie and hot drink at our festive craft fair.

LIBRARY OPENING TIMES	
Monday	9.30am—5pm
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,
plus light lunches on Mondays from **12pm—1pm**

*Plus free Wi-Fi, Books, Games, Jigsaws,
Newspapers, Children and babies welcome.*

A Warm Space and a Warm Welcome—Come and join us!

Children's Ark

A relaxed and friendly baby and toddler group for pre-school children and their carers. Come and enjoy a cuppa and meet friends. £1.50 per child.

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 warm welcome to anyone who enjoy a good sing! 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 and refreshments are available after the singing with time to chat.

The Stanley Singers Christmas Concert

is at St Peter's on
Sunday 15th
December at 3pm.



EVENTS IN STANLEY THIS MONTH

Services and events every week at St Peter's Church

Sundays
10am



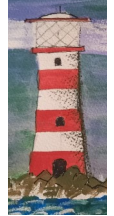
Family Communion service: with Holy Communion most Sundays and refreshments after the service.

Mondays
9.30am

Morning Prayer service: a short, informal service every Monday morning. All welcome.

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

Sat 9th November
10.30am - 12.30pm

Coffee morning with bacon butties, cakes, tombola, raffle, refreshments and more!



Sun 10th
Nov, 10am



Remembrance Sunday service—with an outdoor act of remembrance on the old church site at 10.45am.

Weds 20th Nov

PCC meeting at 7.30pm

Sat 23rd November
10am-1pm

Christmas Fair with lots of refreshments and stalls. Join us for a lovely morning! p11



Sat 29th November
10am-2pm



Christmas Craft Fair at Stanley Library with lots of craft stalls with unique gifts, plus refreshments.

Sun 1st December -
Sat 7th December

A Christmas Carol pantomime See page 11 for show times, ticket prices and how to book.

Weds 4th Dec
5pm-7pm



Santa comes to Stanley event at Stanley community centre with free gift, community stalls etc. See p19.

Sun 8th Dec
10am

St Nicholas service: Bring brand new gifts to be given to the Salvation Army to donate to children in need.

Our Royal Army Chaplains

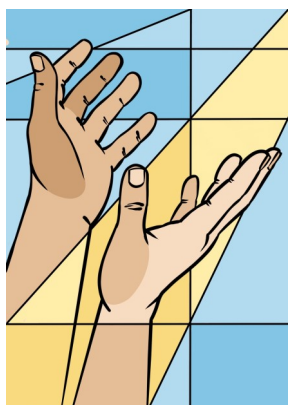
For centuries, armies worldwide have taken their clergy to war with them. And while over the years the roles of chaplains may have changed, their presence among the troops has remained as important as ever.

The British Army Chaplain's Department was founded in 1796 by the Revd John Gamble, who became its first Chaplain General. In 1879 the Revd James William Adams became the first chaplain to be awarded the Victoria Cross for his brave actions during the Second Afghan War. During the First World War chaplains became known for bringing of comfort, care and compassion to the troops. In 1919 the King honoured them by granting them the prefix 'Royal' .

The Second World War saw chaplains learning new skills like parachuting with the Airborne Forces. During those years, Royal Army Chaplains were everywhere, sustaining captives in Far East prison camps and on the Burma-Siam railway. Since then, Royal Army Chaplains have continued to serve wherever British soldiers are sent. The wars may differ, but the need for care and prayer remains constant.

Chaplains are typically assigned to bases or units in sets of three, including Anglican, Catholic, and Non-Conformist chaplains while four civilian chaplains minister to Buddhist, Sikh, Hindu, and Muslim soldiers. However, all chaplains will provide pastoral care to any soldier, regardless of their faith or denomination. Chaplains are non-combatants and are not permitted to carry weapons.

The current chaplain general, the Revd M Parker KHC CF says: "As chaplains, we have time for people and time to care for them. We celebrate with them. We listen to them. We are there for them in all of the challenges that they might face, whether on operations, serving at home or times of separation from their families. It may to us be the smallest example of our vocation – listening, comforting, advising, praying – but to those we serve, it can be a life changing encounter."



Morning prayer every Monday 9.30am

Join us on Monday mornings at St Peter's Church for a weekly morning prayer service led by Rev Diane Komorowski.

This is a short, informal service lasting 15-30 minutes following various worship styles and including a passage from the Bible and opportunity for prayer.

Open to everyone!

THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND



North Wakefield Benefice

North Wakefield Team of Churches

Newsletter for November 2024



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80th Anniversary Year

Dear Friends,

“No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. “

John 15:13 (NRSVA)

It’s been a real joy since I arrived with you nearly two months ago to worship in all of the churches and to begin the process of getting to know you all. As I write I’ve been in post now for nearly six weeks and a lot has happened. It’s scary to think that we’re already nearly at Christmas!

But between then and now we have our season of remembering and our season of Advent. November is always a significant time in the church year when we remember those who have died. Over the past couple of weeks we have held our All Souls, or Memorial, services in each of our four churches. At these services we remembered all those who have had funerals in our churches over the last twelve months, as well as those who are requested in each church. If you missed it this year, look out for details of next year’s services—they are always held at the end of October or the beginning of November. Everyone is welcome to these services whether the loved one you are remembering died recently or many years ago.

Remembering those who have gone before us is a really important thing for us to do. Remembering the things they’ve done for us, the things we’ve learned from them and that everything we do today is built upon the work and the prayers of those who have gone before us. And we in our turn are laying more foundations for future generations to come.

Perhaps the most poignant part of our season of remembering is our annual Remembrance Sunday services around the benefice. (See opposite for details of the service times). The freedoms we take for granted now were won by the sacrifice of many men women and children. We remember their sacrifice and pray that never again will such sacrifices be required so we continue to pray for peace in our world. These services of Remembrance are not about glorying in victory but remembering the hardships the struggles and the sacrifices everyone affected experienced as a result of the conflict. Peace takes work, hard work and as churches we need to be people who seek to build peace in everything we say and do.

May God’s peace dwell in your hearts in everything you say and do this season of remembrance.

With love and prayers

Diane

Revd Diane Komorowski (Associate Vicar)



See the Alverthorpe church page for Diane’s review of last month’s benefice meeting with a link to the slides.

Events for November

Mon 4th November 10.30am [Outwood](#)
Mother's Union meeting at Outwood church with a talk about refugees.

Sat 9th November, 10.30am [Stanley](#)
Coffee morning with refreshments, bacon sandwiches, raffle and more!

Sat 9th November, 11am [Outwood](#)
Autumn Fair with various stalls and refreshments, at Outwood Institute.

Sunday 10th November Remembrance

Sunday services:

- Outwood at 9.30am
- Stanley at 10am
- Alverthorpe at 10am
- Wrenthorpe at 10am



Monday 11th Nov, 12pm [Wrenthorpe](#)
Forget-Me-Not friendship group.

Saturday 16th Nov, 10am [Wrenthorpe](#)
Women of Substance group, discussing the story of Jochebed.

Weds 20th November 7.30pm [Outwood](#)
Fashion show at Outwood church. See Norma for tickets or purchase on door.

Thurs 21st November 7.30pm [Outwood](#)
MAPPs men's group meeting with a talk from a voice-over artist.

Sat 23rd November, 10am [Stanley](#)
Christmas Fair with lots of stalls and refreshments. Please come along for a very enjoyable morning.

Sat 30th November, 10am [Alverthorpe](#)
Lifeboat prayer meeting at St Paul's church with Bible study and prayer.

Sun 1st—Sat 7th December [Stanley](#)
'A Christmas Carol' pantomime. See the Stanley page for performance dates and times, ticket prices and how to book.

Tues 3rd December, 5pm-7pm [Outwood](#)
and Weds 4th December [Stanley](#)
Santa events at Outwood Memorial Hall on the Tuesday and at Stanley Community centre on the Wednesday organised by our local councillors with free gift, Santa visit and community stalls.

Saturday 7th Dec, 10am [Wrenthorpe](#)
Christmas Fair at St Anne's with stalls and lots of craft activities for everyone.

Contact details for our clergy:

Vicar



Rev Glenn Coggins

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**Associate
Vicar**



Rev Diane Komorowski

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St Peter's Church, Stanley



Lake Lock Road
Stanley
WF3 4HW

Stanley



Services every week at St Peter's:
10am on Sundays—Family Communion
 Our weekly family service includes Holy Communion most weeks, followed by refreshments and time to chat.
9.30am on Mondays—Morning Prayer
 A short informal prayer service.

Weekly events at St Peter's

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

Remembrance Sunday Service Sunday 10th November

10am in church and
10.45am at the War Memorial

Join us as we remember those from our village and beyond who served in all wars. The service will begin at 10am in church, and from 10.45am the service will move to the War Memorial on the old church site, where the names of the fallen will be read out. This outdoor service will be broadcast live on our Facebook page. Please join us for either or both of these services.



Monthly Coffee morning

We hold a coffee morning on the 2nd Saturday of every month, the next one being on **Saturday 9th November** 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!



'A Christmas Carol' panto

Pantomime tickets are now on sale! Email churchoffice@stpeters-stanley.org.uk or send us a message via our Facebook page to order tickets. Performance dates and times are:

- ~~3pm on Sunday 1st Dec (sold out)~~
- 7.15pm on Mon 2nd Dec
- 7.15pm on Tues 3rd Dec
- 7.15pm on Fri 6th Dec
- 3pm on Saturday 7th Dec
- 7.15pm on Saturday 7th Dec



Tickets cost £7.50 adults, £5 children and concessions. Please come along and enjoy the show!

St Peter's Church Christmas Fair Saturday 23rd November 10am—1pm

Lots of stalls:

Tombola, raffle, greetings cards, bottle stall, books, cakes, toys, children's tombola, knitted crafts, bric-a-brac and more....

And refreshments:

Bacon sandwiches, tea and coffee

Everybody welcome!

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

Tuesday Lunch Club

Every Tuesday 10.30am-1.30pm

The lunch club is an ideal activity for older ladies and gentlemen, costing just £6 for a hot 2 course meal and various activities. We have a lot of fun and always learn something new!

These are our forthcoming activities:

- 5th Nov—Guy Fawkes day
- 12th Nov—1940's music etc.

On 19th November, Bishop Moses from Tanzania will be visiting us.

- 26th Nov—St Andrews Day / Scotland
- 3rd Dec—Christmas crafts

Don't be lonely, please join us!

Phone the church 835746 for more info

St Mary Magdalene, Outwood



Leeds Road
Outwood
WF1 2JL

Outwood



St Mary Magdalene

Services at St Mary Magdalene

Sundays, 9.30am	Parish Mass
Thursdays, 9.15am	Morning Prayer

Regular Events:

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

Remembrance Sunday

9.30am on Sunday 10th November



All welcome to our special service when we remember those who fought and died in service to our nation



Autumn Fair

**Saturday 9th November, 11am
In Outwood Institute**

Come and support our event!
Lots of stalls and refreshments

Fashion Show

**7.30pm on Wednesday
20th November**

at Outwood parish church



All welcome!
See Norma Moore for tickets or pay on the door

Our next meeting is at **10.30am on Monday 4th November** in church. A speaker from Wakefield City of Sanctuary based at St Michael's, Wakefield will be telling 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. I'm sure you would all like to hear about that so do please come along if you can.

Other branches of MU have been invited to attend too. Bring some lunch if you can; we will provide drinks and cake, and we can have some fellowship together.

Sadly the unveiling of the Blue Plaque for Mabel Norton had to be abandoned on 26th September due the awful weather—dangerous to use an electric drill in the pouring rain! However, we finally managed it on Thursday 17th October before our Wakefield Area meeting. Please have a look when you're next in Wakefield. It's on the small pillar that used to be a gatepost for the Cathedral and matches the one on the other pillar dedicated to Noel Gray. Watch this space for details of when we are celebrating her life and achievements next year.

As always, feel free to join us, or 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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Duncan Hall

Benefice Magazine, Coffee mornings

Brian Taylor 07815 311082

Safeguarding

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MAPPs for Men

Our next Men's Group meeting is at **7.30pm on Thursday 21st November**. We are hoping to meet in the Kirkland Hotel on Leeds Road but if it's not possible, we will be in Outwood Church.

We will be hearing from a most unusual profession—a voice over artist! Paul Blundell lives locally but his work is wide ranging across a vast variety of productions. A fascinating evening is in store.

MAPPs is open to all men from our four churches and beyond. Please join us!

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

Wednesdays, 9am Morning Prayer

Wednesdays, 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



Our Remembrance Sunday service on **Sunday 10th November will start at the earlier time of 10am** so that we can move outside for the 11am Act of Remembrance outside the church.

Making Time for God— Daily Bible Reading booklets

It's time to sign up for next year's Bible reading notes! They can really help us keep the habit of learning about and listening to God every day. There are five different booklets to choose from and each provides a Bible passage, a thought for the day and a short prayer. Sample booklets and a sign-up sheet are available in each church. The cost is £15 for the year. See the list in your church or see Rev Stuart Millington for more information.



Next month it's our

CHRISTMAS FAIR

**On Saturday 7th December,
10am—1pm in St Anne's Church**

With various stalls and refreshments.
Plus craft activities—with something for everyone!



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!

Forget-Me-Not friendship group Monday 11th November, 12pm-2pm

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



Women of Substance

The next meeting of our Women of Substance group 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 Pharaoh's palace as a Prince of Egypt.

We would love to welcome any new ladies to the group. If you would like to come but need transport, please let me know so that I can arrange a lift for you and so that we can make sure there is enough lunch and study materials for everyone. God's blessings to you all.



Lynn Fowley, 7890 589907
or 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.

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Lisa Cooper

PCC Secretary

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Treasurer

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Church Hall bookings

Bob Illingworth 07443 459558

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 Termttime

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

9am Tuesday morning: 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 guaranteed

Fall, leaves, fall

Fall, leaves, fall; die, flowers, away;

Lengthen night and shorten day;

Every leaf speaks bliss to me

Fluttering from the autumn tree.

I shall smile when wreaths of snow

Blossom where the rose
should grow;

I shall sing when night's decay

Ushers in a drearier day.

By Emily Bronte (1818-48)



Open Benefice Meeting

On Saturday 19th October we held an open benefice meeting at Wrenthorpe. Firstly, thanks to everyone who made it possible, including those providing the refreshments and managing the tech. Thank you to everyone who attended what was a very well attended meeting.

We began by reviewing the foundations upon which we're building; everything that has happened since we came together as a benefice. We then broke into smaller groups to work on the components of a North Wakefield Benefice Vision statement. Feedback from all the groups has given us a lot of good words to try to work into a statement that reflects where we think we're going as a benefice – focusing on our individuality as church communities and our service of the wider communities in which we're based. We'll work on the input from the different groups to try to prepare a draft vision statement for consideration next month.

We then looked at what we need to do to take the benefice forward. We've been looking at three key areas:

- **Service times** – the need to move to a service pattern which can be operated by two clergy
- **Lay ministry** – the need to broaden and manage all lay ministry happening in the benefice
- **Benefice office** – a requirement to support the mission and ministry in the benefice and improve website and social media engagement

Teams will be convened to develop each of these areas. Glenn will lead on the benefice office with Diane leading on service times and lay ministry development.

We are aiming to resolve the issue of service times by Easter so we will be looking to get a team together that will include 2 members from each PCC, a member of the lay ministry team as well as Diane, to try to bring this about. These PCC representatives will be responsible for taking note of the issues we need to consider from each church and negotiating to find the best possible solution for service times for the benefice as a whole. If you have particular concerns about service times that need to be considered, please speak to your PCC reps. We are aware that change is difficult and no church is going to get everything they would like but we believe this is the best way forward for the benefit of all of the churches.

For a copy of the slides from the benefice meeting please scan the QR code opposite using your phone, or visit <https://shorturl.at/TxhoX>.

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



Updates will be given regularly to PCCs and congregations both at the front of church and through this newsletter.

Thank you again to everyone who attended for their constructive contributions and support of everything all four churches are trying to do to see God's Kingdom come here in North Wakefield.

Lifeboat prayer group

Sat 30th November

10am—11.30am

Join us on the last Saturday of every month at St Paul's Alverthorpe from 10am—11.30am for refreshments, prayer, Bible study, and discussion.



Talk to Jesus

When all hope is disappearing
And your spirit is so low
When your days are full of fearing
And you suffer blow on blow
There's a tried and trusted method
Which will ease all sense of loss
Just kneel and talk to Jesus
The one who died upon the cross

When deep shadows overcome you
And your heart's full of despair
When your life seems torn and tattered
And appears beyond repair
When you suffer great misfortune
And need lifting from a fall
Just kneel and talk to Jesus
Who died to save us all

For when you talk to Jesus
You'll not even have to ask
Because He knows your every need
And gives courage for each task
With Him life's long hard journey
Becomes easier every day
For He's the sturdy footwear
That helps you travel life's highway

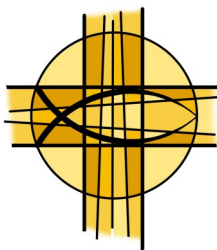
By Colin Hammacott

Words to Remember

The years of remembering go by, accumulating name after name,
As wars and conflicts continue in a world, deaf to the lessons of history.
But through the negativity of November,
A different remembering brings hope and meaning.
Words of the world's Creator; words to make sense of chaos
And bring order and peace in the end.
"In this world you will have trouble, but take heart!
I have overcome the world."

Words of Jesus: we will remember them.

By Daphne Kitching



Prayers for November

Peace

My soul, there is a country
Far beyond the stars,
Where stands a winged sentry
All skilful in the wars:

There, above noise and danger,
Sweet Peace sits crowned with smiles,
And one born in a manger
Commands the beauteous files,

He is thy gracious Friend,
And – O my soul, awake! –
Did in pure love descend
To die here for thy sake.

If thou canst get but thither,
There grows the flower of Peace,
The Rose that cannot wither,
Thy fortress and thy ease.

Leave then thy foolish ranges;
For none can thee secure
But one who never changes –
Thy God, thy life, thy cure.



'To God be the Glory' - the story behind the hymn

Fanny Crosby (1820 – 1915), the American singer and musician, was blind from the age of six weeks. She married her music teacher, Alexander Van Alstyne, who was also blind. She was a prolific song-writer, and once signed a contract with a publisher to write three songs every week throughout the year. But in fact, she wrote thousands during her lifetime.

Although American evangelists Moody and Sankey used this hymn on their missions, it did not become an immediate favourite. But after Billy Graham featured it in his Haringay crusade in 1954, Londoners were soon singing it on their way home, in streets and busy queues and underground trains. When Dr Graham took it back to the United States and introduced it at his crusade in Nashville, Tennessee, it soon took its place in the group of top favourites hymns:

To God be the glory, great things He hath done,
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life our redemption to win,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice;
Oh, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory; great things He hath done.



Santa comes to Stanley!

**Wednesday 4th December, 5pm-7pm
Stanley Community Centre**

Santa will be coming to Stanley again this year with a free gift for every child! This wonderful community event organised by our local councillors will be at Stanley Community Centre with refreshments, activities, information stalls and more! Santa will also be visiting Outwood Memorial Hall on Tuesday 3rd December, 5pm-7pm.



St Nicholas Parade service

Sunday 8th December, 10am

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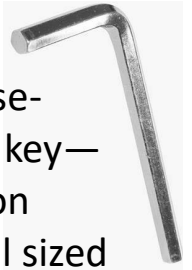
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Cartoon Corner



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