

**THE PARISH OF ST MATTHEW
LITTLE LEVER**

www.saintmatthews.org.uk
CHURCH FOR A DIFFERENT WORLD
SUNDAY 20th May 2018
PENTECOST

Accipite Spiritum Sanctum
MARY'S MONTH OF MAY
Welcome to Fr Bill Baldwin

SUNDAY WORSHIP TODAY

8.00 am Mass (Said with a short Homily)
10.00 am Parish Sung Mass. Sunday Club meets in Church House and comes into church at the Offertory. During the last hymn of the Mass there is a Copper Collection. Proceeds from this go to various charities nominated by the congregation.

TODAY'S LITURGY

The Scriptures -

1st reading – In this reading Luke gives an account of the story of the day. There is a great sense of mystery – almost as if he cannot quite find the words to describe the powerful experience.

2nd reading – In this reading St Paul teaches that the Spirit unites us and equips us for service. We live for love and joy and all that is good.

HYMNS AT 10.00 am

118 Music 268 98 813

Readers at 10.00 am

1st Andrew Sproat **2nd** Lynn Donnelly
Int Linda Barton R/ Josie Branche

Eucharistic Ministers at 10.00 am

Janette & Ian David & Terry

Sides persons on duty today

Elaine Bailey Helen Cowley

Sides persons on duty next week

Janet Sproat Jean Rothwell

Today :- Tea/ Coffee and a chat in Church House after the Parish Mass – all welcome!

11.30 pm – Interment of Ashes
– Alma Schofield

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We aim, under God, to be an open and welcoming community seeking to serve God through worship and witness. We are committed to mission and constantly seek new ways of proclaiming the Gospel to those around us.

MASS IS CELEBRATED DAILY IN OUR PARISH AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES:

Mon	21st	7.30 pm – OT Week 7 Yr 2
Tues	22nd	9.30 am
Wed	23rd	9.15 am
Thurs	24th	9.00 am – School Mass
Fri	25th	5.00 pm – St Bede the Venerable
Sat	26th	6.00 pm – St Philip Neri

RESPONSES TO THE PSALM AT THE WEEKDAY MASS

Monday: The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

Tuesday: Entrust your cares to the Lord and he will support you.

Wednesday: How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Thursday: How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Friday: Lord, teach me your statutes.

Saturday: I will bless the Lord at all times.

PARISH PRAYER DIARY

Sunday For our parish's continued growth

Monday For Europe and Brexit

Tuesday For all who suffer persecution

Wednesday For all bishops

Thursday For Vocations to the Priesthood

Friday For the Diocese of Durham

Saturday For the London and Birmingham Oratories

For your prayers this week:-

People who are sick: Joan Fowles, David Seed, Christine Turner, William Gill, Joan Hallows, Dawn Russell, Ken Helsby, Bev Holt, Anya Grace Robbie-Ottley (6), Lesley Swinerton, Carol Schooling, Evelyn Vinning, Vera Holt, Albert Yates, Peter Farthing, Lorna Holloway, Margaret McCreavey, Margaret Hall, Linda Duncan, Ray Moscrop, David Wike, Judith Clow, Gladys Settle, Peter Entwistle, Adrian Charles.

Those who have died:

Alma Schofield, Margaret Harrison

Anniversaries: Bill Whitehead, Ethel Burke, Jean Large, James Riley, Gladys Yates, Edith Mary Ryan, Julie Page, Anna Maria Taylor.

SANCTUARY LAMP burns this week in thanksgiving for **THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AT PENTECOST** and in Loving Memory of **Anna Maria Taylor (Walton)**

FLOWERS DURING THE EASTER SEASON are in Loving Memory of **Mary Taylor** and **Anna Maria Taylor (Walton)**

NEXT SUNDAY:-

TRINITY SUNDAY

1st – Deuteronomy 4: 32-34, 39-40

Psalm – 32

2nd – Romans 8: 14 - 17

Gospel – Matthew 28: 16 - 20

THIS WEEK:-

Monday - 8.00 pm - Choir Practice

Tuesday – 9.00 am – 11.00 am – Coffee Shop – Church House

Wednesday – 7.30 pm – Archdeacon's Visitation – St Peter's Halliwell BL1 5RR

THANK YOU to the Fun and Events committee for a splendid Italian Evening last night.

Also the Mothers' Union Afternoon Tea last Saturday raised £203 for Church Funds.

BIBLE STUDY

Meets in the Vicarage at 7.30pm on the following dates:-

Tuesday 5th June led by Fr John

Wednesday 4th July

led by Canon Anthony

Wednesday 12th September

led by Pat Hallows and Linda Barton

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th October.

If you would like to go would you please let Canon Anthony have your booking form and deposit as soon as possible. Many thanks.

LLANDUDON CHRISTMAS CRACKER

Friday 2nd to Monday 5th November.

Booking Forms are at the back of Church.

MOTHERS' UNION TRIP TO LEEDS

Saturday 2nd June. Could everyone going please meet at Church House for 8.45 am. The coach leaves at 9.00 am prompt.

LUNCHEON CLUB - On Fridays

8th June and 13th July
from 12 noon till 2.00 pm.

SAY IT WITH FLOWERS – a good way to remember a loved one or to celebrate something special is to have flowers put in Church. If you would like to do that see Jennifer, Josie or Anna.
Josie – 480763, Jennifer – 578955.

WORSHIP FOR TODDLERS!

Singing, Stories, Worship, Puppets at St Matthew's School – Tuesday afternoons 2.15-3.15 pm No charge. Open to any child under school age and their parents/carers – just come along. From Tuesday 15th May –to 3rd July. Have fun, make new friends!

DIARY DATES FOR 2018

Sunday 10th June – Summer Lunch – Tickets are now available from Mavis

Friday 22nd June – Summer Bingo

Saturday 14th July – Summer Fete - Vicarage

Saturday 15th September – Fish & Chips & Quiz

Saturday 22nd September – Cheese & Wine

Saturday 6th – Sunday 7th October – Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Saturday 17th November – Lancashire Evening

Sunday 25th November – Christmas Lunch

Friday 14th December – Christmas Bingo

CONFIRMATION will be administered by Bishop Glyn (Beverley) on Sunday 9th September during the 10.00 am Parish Mass.

NEW DATA PROTECTION LAWS

All those who have their names and contact details in the parish directory (and that is most members of the congregation) need to fill in a form to give us permission to hold that information. This is to comply with the new data protection laws. The forms are available at the back of church.

TESCO BLUE CHIPS – Once you've done your shop at Tesco's – large or small - don't forget to get your Blue Chips and put them in the box for St Matthew's Church House project. The staff won't mind if you ask for them!

PARISH CLERGY

Fr John Wiseman – 700936

Canon Ian Anthony – 7914376

Fr Stuart Haworth – 384006

Please take your News Sheet home.