



Outlook

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St Mark's Church
Longwood**



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From Fr Simon: Parishes, Prayers and Perambulations

We all pray in different ways.

On occasion, I join the monks at Mirfield for a service. I love their prayer. I find the services simple and beautiful, emotional without being gushy. Other people may prefer small group prayers, such as prayer triads. Most people benefit from some time of prayer by themselves, possibly in a moment of quiet.

I remember once, after a beautiful service of Morning Prayer, someone saying to me, “wouldn’t it be nice if sometimes we could come together and really pray?” Clearly, what had been a poignant moment of prayer for me had not connected at all with someone else!

I like walking as prayer. It is dedicating a walk or a particular journey to God as a prayer. In this way it is as if my whole body is praying, and not just my mind. It is not just about walking to get somewhere to pray, neither does it have to be saying or thinking the right things whilst walking. The walking itself is the prayer. The journey is the prayer. In a sense, the destination becomes the “Amen”.

From 13th to 16th May we are having a Prayer Walk. Over the 4 days this will go to all the churches in our deanery (see below to find out what a deanery is).

Each day will start about 9am, and end with lunch (bring some to share) at about 1pm, and will cover between 4.5 and 6 miles. Along the way we will walk to all the Church of England churches in our Deanery. In addition we will also go to the University Faith Centre, the HRI Chapel, and Shred Chapel (early optional extra on the Monday).


Each day will have a group of people from the across the deanery coming together to walk: some will do just a short section, others a whole day, and maybe some will do the whole 4 days. Others might just meet us at a church at the beginning, end or in the middle.

Do join us one way or another if you can. It is a good opportunity to enjoy our own and others’ parishes, to get to know a few folk from nearby churches, and to support each other as we pray “Thy kingdom come on earth as it is heaven.”

From Psalm 148:

O let me hear of your merciful kindness in the morning, for my trust is in you:
show me the way in which I should walk, for you are my hope.

God bless




PARISHES, PRAYERS

& PERAMBULATIONS

MAY 13-16

2024



WHAT IS IT?


This is a chance to visit and pray for all the parishes and churches within our Deanery of Huddersfield.

Each day is between 4.5 and 6.5 miles of walking, on a mixture of pavements, surfaced footpaths and canal towpaths. We will stop briefly at each place of worship to pray and use the facilities.

You can join us for the whole of the walk across all the days, or for single days, or for smaller sections.

You can also join us at a church without a walk!

Contact revscrook@gmail.com for more information.



CHURCHES & ESTIMATED TIMES OF ARRIVAL

*Bring and share lunch.
Leave when you wish*

MONDAY 13TH MAY

- **9:00 am:** Gather at St Bartholomew's Marsden. HD7 6DJ
- **9:30 am:** Prayers
- **9:40 am:** Set off
- **11:00 am:** St James' Slaithwaite
- **12:30 pm:** St John's Golcar
- **1:30 pm:** St Mark's Longwood. HD3 4SZ

TUESDAY 14TH MAY

- **9:00 am:** Gather at Christ Church Linthwaite. HD7 5TA
- **9:30 am:** Prayers
- **9:40 am:** Set off
- **10:35 am:** St Barnabas Crosland Moor
- **11:30 am:** St Thomas' Huddersfield (Manchester Road)
- **12:15 pm:** Holy Trinity, Huddersfield
- **1:00 pm:** St John's Birkby. HD1 5EA



WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY

- **9:00 am:** Gather at Christ Church Woodhouse. HD2 1HA
- **9:30 am:** Prayers
- **9:40 am:** Set off
- **10:10 am:** St Hilda's Cowcliffe
- **11:00 am:** St Cuthbert's, Birkby
- **12:00 pm:** Huddersfield Royal Infirmary, The Chapel
- **12:40 pm:** St Stephen's Lindley
- **1:15 pm:** St Philip's Birchencliffe HD3 3BS

THURSDAY 16TH MAY

- **9:00 am:** Gather at St Thomas' Bradley. HD2 1SL
- **9:30 am:** Prayers
- **9:40 am:** Set off
- **11:40 am:** The University of Huddersfield Faith Centre
- **12:35 pm:** Huddersfield Parish Church (St Peter's) HD1 1BU



What's on – some important dates

Sunday 12th May 11am Family Service

Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May Deanery Prayer Walk
(see separate poster)

Pentecost Sunday 19th May, joint Benefice service

[for this wonderful service, we begin at St John's Golcar, and then walk down to St Mark's where we finish the service, and then have lunch.

Other local churches will be joining us]

Looking Ahead

Sunday 7th July 10am at St John's Church, Golcar. Confirmation service with the Bishop of Huddersfield, Smitha Prasadam

Memorial Roses

We have created an area of the churchyard for roses to be planted in memory of loved ones. To do this, please make a donation, and we will purchase a suitable plant on your behalf.

The Diocese of Leeds

Did you know the Anglican Diocese of Leeds is 10 years old? It was formed from the previous dioceses of Wakefield, Bradford, and Ripon and Leeds. Look out

for news of events on our Facebook page.

To mark the occasion, this prayer has been written by Simon

Cowling, the Dean of Wakefield, who came and preached to us a couple of years ago:

God of all grace,
whose boundless and transforming love
gives life and growth to your Church:
enrich us with the fruits of your Spirit,
that with joy and thanksgiving
we may share the good news
of your kingdom on earth
fulfilled in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Puzzle Pages

This month our Puzzle Pages have a Pentecost theme.



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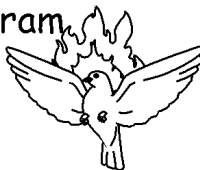
Joke

How do we know the Apostles drove a Honda?

“When the day of Pentecost came,
they were all together in one Accord.”

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Pentecost Anagram



Pentecost is the day when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples in a new and special way.

We celebrate it 50 days after Easter Sunday.

Pentecost is also called Whit Sunday. It used to be a tradition for churches to have a procession called a Whit Walk.

In Western Churches, Pentecost is usually represented with the colour red, which symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit.

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Weekly events

Sunday Services are at 11am

Tuesdays 6pm Midweek communion, it is a shorter and simpler service than our Sunday services

Mondays and Wednesdays 9am morning prayer (use the side door, and dress up warm!)

Wednesdays 2-4pm friendly gardening group, often with a cup of tea.

Bible studies are usually Mondays 2pm at St John's Golcar, Thursdays 7.30pm at the vicarage. See the weekly pewsheets for more details.

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