

## Denholme Shared Church

A partnership between the Baptist Church,  
the Church of England and the  
United Reformed Church

***Three traditions One Faith***



**Newsletter for 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025**  
**Mothering Sunday**  
**Morning Worship at 10.30 am**  
**with Chris Wilcock**

**Midweek Services this Wednesday**  
10.00 am Eucharist at Wilsden  
10.00 am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth  
2.30 pm Personal Prayer at Harden

### LENT 2025

We continue to hold our Lent course on Thursday mornings, 10.30 to 12noon at Denholme Shared Church followed by a soup and roll lunch, and Thursday evenings, 7.00pm to 8.30pm at St John's, Cullingworth.

Our Lent course follows a book called: "Let me go there: The Spirit of Lent" which is a course written by Paula Gooder.

Copies are available for £8.99

and over the 96 days from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost Sunday Richard is reading all four Gospels on our Benefice Facebook Page and YouTube Channel.



**Quote of the week:** "The truth is, of course, is that what one regards as interruptions are precisely one's life." C. S. Lewis

## Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April – Volunteers needed for Community Eco-Garden Day at Denholme Shared Church from 10.00 am



Weeding, trimming, pruning, sweeping and a general tidy up after the winter. Have a word with Robert if you can help or just turn up on the day. It would be helpful, but not essential, to bring along your own garden tools. Good exercise with good company and maybe even a cuppa!



### **Richard is to be the next Team Rector of Keighley!**

It was announced last Sunday that Revd Richard will be taking up the post of Team Rector in Keighley. His final service in the Benefice will be here, at Denholme Shared Church, at 10.30am on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June. His licensing is expected to be on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July.

We knew that Richard's time with us was only on an interim basis but his arrival, not long before the Covid pandemic, with his enthusiasm and encouragement, was a real blessing throughout those difficult times and beyond. We thank God for Richard's time with us and offer our prayers for both Richard and Heather as they progress to the next chapter of their lives.

**Revd Anna's Licensing Date** Anna is to be licensed in Her new post in Honley with Brockholes on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Save the date! We will look to co-ordinate transport for all Who wish to go.



**Bishop Nick to retire** The Bishop of Leeds announced his retirement this week. He will continue in post until 30<sup>th</sup> November, delegating his authority to Bishop Toby from the middle of September. He will officiate for the final time at Bradford Cathedral on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 3.30pm.

## Church of England, St Paul's Electoral Roll

Under the Church Representation Rules it is necessary every six years to prepare a completely new Electoral Roll and 2025 is the year for us to do this. If you are currently included in St Paul's Church Electoral Roll you will need to complete a new form to be included in the roll. Margaret Spencer will give you a form to complete and return as soon as possible. Forms are also available for anyone who would like to join the roll. Further information from Margaret, and forms must be returned by 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025.

Being on the roll allows you to vote at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners and the APCM at our Annual Meeting which takes place this year on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025. Please don't get confused with the Membership Roll of Denholme Shared Church. If you are on this roll you don't need to do anything. Any queries please speak to either Margaret or Judith.

### DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS

Donations for refreshments are forwarded to a chosen charity each month. This month we're supporting the Zephaniah Trust, a Christian charity based in Shipley which supports which works with schools, churches and community groups to "take light into dark corners".



**Advance Notice! – Plant Sale on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30 a.m.**



Please remember the following in your prayers this week:

- Our ministry team, especially Revds Richard and Anna as they prepare for their future ministry;
- all those who have been an inspirational presence in our lives;
- those caught up in natural disasters, Myanmar in particular, and those who await news of loved ones;
- Organisations such as Medecins sans Frontieres who provide humanitarian aid in places of conflict;
- all those engaged in peace making, at home and abroad;
- those who are housebound, together with those who act as carers;
- as we journey towards Easter our own walk with God;
- all those who are preparing for new and different chapters in life;
- the bereaved and those facing painful anniversaries.

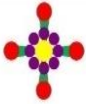


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(Days off: Richard – Saturday; Alison Thursday, Friday, Saturday,

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