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Church News for Sunday 11th October 2020 Trinity 18 Worshipping With Us

We are delighted to be open for gathered worship once again for details please see below.
We are also continuing with PhoneChurch at 09:00

To join in simply call 03300 945 940
then at the prompt Room number: 55017514 #
and use Guest PIN: 3885 #

We are planning to open all 6 churches for worship during October - please see below for more detailed information.

Sunday 11th October **Trinity 18**

09:00 [Morning Prayer](#) Spennithorne with PhoneChurch

11:00 Holy Communion **Hornby**

16:00 [Taizé](#) - **Crakehall** and via Zoom - An evening service with music from the Taizé community.

Readings

Isaiah 25.1-9, *Psalms* 23, Philippians 4.1-9, & Matthew 22.1-14

Evening Readings

1 John 3.1-15

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

for ever.

Post Communion

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

During the week

09:00 [Morning Prayer](#) - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 [Holy Communion](#) - Wednesday

Sunday 18th October **Trinity 19**

09:00 [Prayer and Praise](#) - **Patrick Brompton** with PhoneChurch

11:00 Holy Communion - **Hornby**

16:00 [BCP Evensong](#) - **Finghall**

Readings

Acts 16.6-12a, *Psalm* 147.1-7, 2 Timothy 4.5-17, & Luke 10.1-9

Evening Readings

Psalms 142, Proverbs 4.1–18, 1 John 3.16 – 4.6

Collect

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

BCP Collect

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During the week

09:00 [Morning Prayer](#) - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 [Holy Communion](#) - Wednesday

Sunday 25th October **Bible Sunday**

09:00 [Holy Communion](#)-**Spennithorne** & Phone Church

11:00 Morning Prayer - **Hornby**

Readings

Nehemiah 8.1–4a 8–12, *Psalm* 119.9–16, Colossians 3.12–17, & Matthew 24.30–35

Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

During the week

09:00 [Morning Prayer](#) - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 [Holy Communion](#) - Wednesday

Sunday 1st November **All Saints' Day**

09:00 [Holy Communion](#)-**Patrick Brompton** & Phone Church

11:00 Morning Prayer - **Hornby**

16:30 BCP Evensong - **Hauxwell**

Readings

Revelation 7.9-17, *Psalm 34.1-10*, 1 John 3.1-3, Matthew 5.1-12

Evening Readings

Psalms 148, 150, Isaiah 65.17-25, Hebrews 11.32 - 12.2

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth

be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

BCP Collect


O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During the week

09:00 [Morning Prayer](#) - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 [Holy Communion](#) - Wednesday -

16:00 All Souls Service - Monday 2nd **Patrick Brompton** & Phone Church - If you would like names of loved ones remembered please call or message Rev'd Chris



All Souls Service
Monday 2nd November
16:00 St Patrick's
Patrick Brompton

As the leaves begin to fall
we pause to remember



PhoneChurch is working well, but please remember it is live and unless you mute the microphone on your phone everyone can hear anything that is happening at your end of the line. We are still learning how to best use this system and whilst responses during the service are working well, communal singing is causing problems - so for the moment please just listen to the music as it plays rather than singing along.

For the liturgy/service booklet please follow the link for the relevant service.

As above to join in simply call 03300 945 940
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For the latest update from the Church of England please visit
<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches>

Weddings Baptisms & Funerals

Once again the number have changed

Weddings can have a maximum of 15 present

Funerals 30 people present.

However, the guidance for other 'Life Events' such as Baptism and Confirmation is unclear and the Bishop of London is working with the government to achieve clarity!

There continue to be complex restrictions and procedures in place and these services will look and feel very different to what you might be used to so please do talk with Rev'd Chris at the earliest opportunity to avoid disappointment.

Please see link above or contact Rev'd Chris if you would like further clarification.

Meetings

We continue to hold phone discussions for Churchwardens, PCC Secretaries, & worship leaders every other Wednesday. Our next meetings are at **16:15** - on 21/10/20 and 04/11/20 on the PhoneChurch number.

Rev'd Chris will be taking Tuesday the 13th and Monday the 19th and as his rest days.

2020 APCM Dates

Monday 2nd November 19:00 Hauxwell

Thursday 5th November 17:00 Patrick Brompton

Monday 9th November 19:00 Hornby

Thursday 12th November 19:00 Finghall

Monday 16th November 19:00 Spennithorne

Thursday 19th November 19:00 Crakehall

With continuing uncertainty around physical meetings the above will take place via Zoom - please email Rev'd Chris for login information or for the telephone number to join by phone.

As a fun way to introduce people to meeting via Zoom, we will be hosting a [social Zoom](#)



Please consider donating the following items

- Hot dogs
- Tinned Carrots or mixed veg
- Instant potato
- Tinned pies
- Small sugar (500g)
- Sponge puddings
- Creamed Rice
- Custard
- Biscuits
- Shower gel
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste

Thank you - all donations are gratefully received.

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Centering Prayer Introductory Course Online

St Oswald's Church, Sowerby & Hambleton Centering Prayer Meeting

Centering Prayer is both a method and a relationship which prepares us to awaken to the gift of contemplation and to rest in God. It is a discipline of intentional silence, and a way of surrender to the Divine Presence. It is complementary to other forms of prayer. *Be still and know that I am God. Ps.46:10*

This course will take place online (via Zoom) on two mornings.

Each morning consists of two talks, an opportunity to practice Centering Prayer, and times for discussion.

Materials will be provided. For Zoom instructions contact the organiser

Part 1: Saturday 26th September 2020, 10:30- 13:00

Part 2: Saturday 3rd October 2020, 10:30-13:00

Presenters: Rev'd Mel King and Carole O'Reilly

Course Fee: £25.00 (+ Eventbrite booking fee.)

To Book: Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/centering-prayerintroductory-course-online-tickets-116995321155>

Centering Prayer was originally developed in the mid-1970's by Fr Thomas Keating OCSO and other Trappist monks of St Joseph's Abbey, Massachusetts. Firmly rooted in the Christian tradition, and the teachings of Jesus (Matthew 6:6), it is inspired by the 14th century anonymous English spiritual classic, The Cloud of Unknowing. This introductory course is both for those who are drawn to silent prayer and would like to explore further, and also for those who may already have a practice of silent prayer, and want to explore further. Participants will be provided

with both the tools to practice Centering Prayer and some of the conceptual background.

Introductory Followup Series: A six-eight week Introductory follow-up Series of 90 minute meetings (via Zoom) will also take place, for those who wish to continue, hosted and led by the Hambleton Centering Prayer Meeting, Sowerby. It will include time to practice within a supportive group setting, and to explore concepts in more depth. Details to follow. All welcome. For further information contact:

Mel King: revmelking@gmail.com or Penny Johnson: pennyj.johnson5@gmail.com

Mel King is an Anglican priest in the Diocese of York. She is a registered presenter for Contemplative Outreach in Britain and the Regional Co-ordinator for the North-East. Carole O'Reilly is a spiritual director and presenter for Contemplative Outreach in Britain. She facilitates Centering Prayer groups and Quiet Days in London.

Liberia News



Simon and Grace Stretton-Downes

Simon is a dentist leading a team at a clinic at the Eternal Love Winning All (ELWA) Hospital in Monrovia. Grace is a nurse and will support Simon as well as seeking God's direction for her role in the mission field. The couple are sent by St Gregory's Church, Crakehall and are working for Serving In Mission (SIM)

Rosemary Gaven is our local contact and keeps us update with the news they send. Simon and Grace are faced with another situation at the dental clinic regarding financial irregularities. They are praying for the truth to be revealed. It is a horrible time.

They are looking for new staff for the chairside and a Janitor/Laundry person. Only five people have applied.

Grace audits hospital charts. Anomalies have been revealed here too. She has meetings on Thursday with the

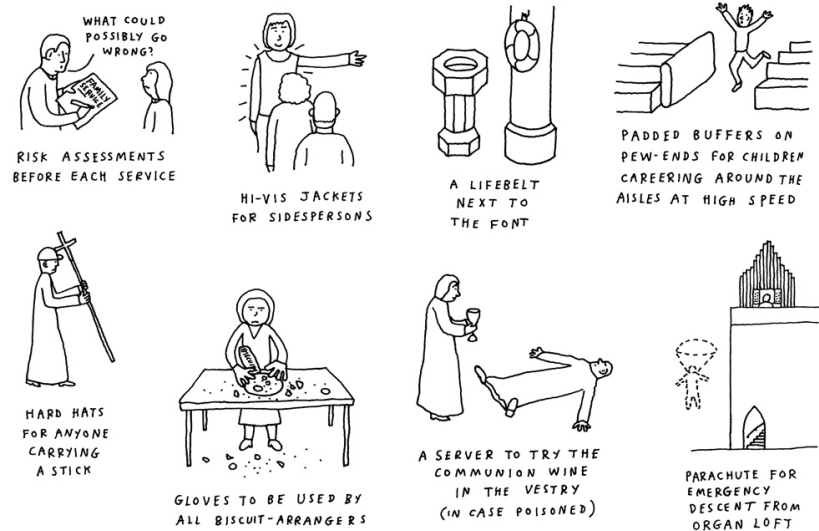
hospital hierarchy to see how they proceed with clear protocols and proper consequences for actions/inactions. A few important changes would make a huge difference.

They are really tired and thunderstorms at night make for very disturbed sleep. Rainy season has its pluses though - beautiful sunsets!

They thank God for His faithfulness, and sovereignty, and that He is perfectly trustworthy and thank you for praying.

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And Finally

From Rev'd Chris

This Sunday sees the reopening for gathered worship of both St Michael and All Angles Spenithorne and St Gregory's Crakehall.

We are so glad that we can once again gather to hear God's word, receive the sacraments, and share in fellowship. We have found at St Mary's that although things are still significantly different to what we are used to and the building looks a bit strange in its COVID Secure layout, we are able to worship together. The Benefice choir will continue to focus each week on the communion service but we hope to include music in most of our services in some way, whilst we remain prohibited from congregational singing. I have received a few messages of concern especially about St Gregory's, but the same also holds true for St Andrews and St Oswalds so I will try and address them here. You will see from the rota that St Gregory's only have afternoon services, this is because the building is only able to hold a small number of worshipers due to Government COVID regulations. Where before we could easily accommodate over 100 we are now extremely limited to 14 if people come on their own and maximum of 34 if people come in groups of 6!

For this reason, we have decided to have the morning services in the larger capacity buildings and Evensong in the

smaller ones. At St Andrew's and St Oswald's, this will be a BCP Evensong. At St Gregory's we will have a Taizé and a Revive service, both of these services are similar to a traditional evensong with bible reading, prayers, reflection and music. The music at the Revive service will be from contemporary church musicians and from The Taizé community. The Taizé Community is an ecumenical Christian monastic fraternity in Taizé, Saône-et-Loire, Burgundy, France. It is composed of more than one hundred brothers, from Catholic and Protestant traditions, who originate from about thirty countries across the world. It was founded in 1940 by Brother Roger Schütz, a Reformed Protestant. Guidelines for the community's life are contained in The Rule of Taizé written by Brother Roger and first published in French in 1954. Taizé has become one of the world's most important sites of Christian pilgrimage, with a focus on youth. Over 100,000 young people from around the world make pilgrimages to Taizé each year for prayer, Bible study, sharing, and communal work. Through the community's ecumenical outlook, they are encouraged to live in the spirit of kindness, simplicity and reconciliation.

If you would like to listen to music from the community which can be described as "meditative singing" [please see this Youtube Channel](#)

I hope this helps answer some of the questions that have been raised, please do be in touch with myself or the Wardens if there is anything else that we can help with.

And so as we come to a new pattern of normal I'm giving the final - Final Words to Rev'd Lisle who has written the following reflection on the Gospel reading for this Sunday.

A banquet was arranged by a king
but the guests wouldn't come to the wedding.
One and all they refused,
so the king feeling bruised
welcomed all who could be found to join in.

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