



The Parish of Darfield

All Saints, Darfield and St Michael, Great Houghton

Sunday 1st August 2021

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: Thurnscoe
10:30 a.m. Partnership Service on Facebook
10:45 a.m. Holy Communion: Darfield

The Transfiguration. The Law and the Prophets

The **Law and the Prophets** was a term used at the time of Christ to describe the Hebrew Scriptures, what we know as the Old Testament. **The Law** refers to the Torah or Pentateuch, the first five books, whilst **The Prophets** refers to the rest of the Old Testament even though the link in some cases is not immediately obvious. In the Sermon on the Mount [Matthew 5: 17], Jesus uses the term as He describes His purpose to fulfil the teachings of the Old Testament rather than to destroy them.

Following the Feeding of the Five Thousand, Jesus quizzed His disciples initially as to who the crowds thought He was and then what they thought. The ultimate answer came from Peter, "You are God's Messiah" [Luke 9: 20]. Jesus then went on to describe the events which would lead up to His death and Resurrection. It was to be after the events of the first Easter Sunday that the disciples realised the true significance.

A few days later, Jesus took Peter, James and John to a mountain to pray. Whilst on the mountain the face of Jesus changed and his clothes took on a dazzling appearance. Two men appeared and talked with Jesus about His departure to Jerusalem. They were identifiable as Moses representing The Law and Elijah representing The Prophets. Peter is roused from partial slumber and as the two men make to leave suggests putting up three shelters probably to prolong the encounter. Not for the first, or last time, Peter, despite his earlier revelation failed to realise the significance of what he had witnessed. "He did not know what he was saying" [Luke 9: 33]. Before Peter had completed his words, a cloud appeared and covered them all. From the cloud the voice of God completed the encounter by saying **"This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him."** We should follow that command.

In-Church Services of Holy Communion

1st August: 9:00 a.m. St Helen, Thurnscoe
1st August: 10:45 a.m. All Saints, Darfield

8th August: 9:00 a.m. St Michael, Great Houghton
8th August: 10:45 a.m. Christ Church, Ardsley
8th August: 10:45 a.m. Service for Sunday, Darfield

15th August: 9:00 a.m. St Helen, Thurnscoe
15th August: 10:45 a.m. All Saints, Darfield

Bookings are no longer required but we will need you to record your attendance.

**A Service for Sunday
 Sunday 8th at 10:45
 at All Saints:**

Instructions for Christian Living

Come to this service which will include hymns, prayers and Bible readings with a pre-recorded sermon on Ephesians 4 by Rev. George Crowder, Vicar St John, Over, Winsford, Cheshire a Regional Director of the Church Society

Prayer Requests

Please pray for

Olive & Raymond Shaw
Pat Bentley
Steve & Val Myers
Stella and Raymond Firth
Barry & Joan Bramall

Prayer Contact:

Carol Hunter
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9th Sunday after Trinity Collect

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our
day,
and make her holy, strong
and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15
Psalm 78: 23-29
Ephesians 4: 1-16
St John 6: 24-35

Bible Readings for this week

August:

1st Ephesians 2: 11-22
2nd Ephesians 3: 1-13
3rd Ephesians 3: 14-21
4th Ephesians 4: 1-16
5th Ephesians 4: 17-32
6th Ephesians 5: 1-20
7th Ephesians 5: 21-33

Monthly Prayer Meeting

Monday 2nd August: 8:00 p.m.

Take some time to join us on ZOOM for this chance to pray together and to present our requests to our Lord for our world/nation, our church, our community and ourselves.

Contact **Carol Hunter** for the Zoom link.

The Diocesan Vision Prayer

Living God, Jesus calls his followers to seek first your Kingdom.

RENEW us as we make your love known;

RELEASE us to share freely together in mission;

and **REJUVENATE** us to be fruitful in your service.

Give us courage, wisdom and compassion, that strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may, as the Diocese of Sheffield, both flourish and grow through Christ our Lord. Amen

Churchyard Notes

Summer Exercise Trail

Don't miss the chance to exercise your **Mind, Body and Soul** on our Summer Exercise Trail. We have unconfirmed reports that some of our visitors have been advised by their grandchildren to sit down during one of the challenges which is to count down to zero from their age.

Children's Artwork

You can relax by looking at the Artwork on the Churchyard gate and railings provided by the pupils of All Saints Academy. Thanks to them and the Staff for this burst of Summer.

From the Parish Registers

Thursday 22nd July 2021

Funeral

Irene Manderson aged 90

Darfield Church and Cemetery

Sunday 25th July 2021

Holy Baptism

Molly Elizabeth MATYSIAK

St Michael's Church

Resources and Contacts

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Wednesday 5:00 p.m.

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