



NEWSLETTER



A Season of Harvest and Hope



Dear friends,

As September arrives, the days subtly shorten, the air takes on a new, fresh edge, and our gardens, fields, and hedgerows offer up their fruits with quiet generosity. There is a gentleness to autumn's approach, yet beneath its golden surface lies an invitation: to reflect, to give thanks, and to prepare for all that is to come.

Perhaps September is a time to try something new—a fresh commitment to personal prayer, joining a church group, or exploring where God might be calling you next.

For some, September may mark anniversaries of loss. The return of routine can sharpen the ache of absence, as we remember loved ones who are no longer with us. If you are grieving, know that you are held in prayer. Reach out to any of our Churches and experience love and support.

I would like to express my gratitude to all who continue to serve in visible and invisible ways: Your faithfulness is a blessing to us all.

May September bring you moments of beauty and peace. May you find time for rest, joy, and reflection. And may you sense God's loving presence in every step you take.

With every blessing,

Fr Andrew.

St John the Divine, Cliviger are happy to
announce that, commencing
Sunday 28th September and on
every FOURTH Sunday monthly,
the 9.30 am Service will be an
ALL-AGE EUCHARIST

*The next Deanery Newsletter will be the WINTER edition, and will be published on
1st December, covering the months of December/January/February
Please send any news/updates to me by **15th November at the latest***

Open Meeting of Deanery Synod
2nd October
Re: Parish Mission Weekend
11th—13th September 2026

In case you didn't know already, the next Deanery Synod meeting will be open to all **Churchwardens and Vision Champions, as well as Deanery Synod Reps.** Steve Haskett's team are coming to talk to us about the Parish Mission Weekend and would like as many as possible there. Invitations will be sent out in early September.

It is to be hosted by St Matthew's, Burnley, who have kindly offered to provide a light tea of soup and sandwiches to give the opportunity for a time of fellowship with others in the deanery beforehand.

DOORS WILL OPEN AT 5.30 PM WITH FOOD FROM 6.00 PM —business starting at 7.00 pm.

Please email St Matthew's (stmattsburnley@yahoo.com) by **Thursday 25th September** if you will be attending for tea, together with any dietary requirements, so that St Matthew's can cater accordingly.



ST MATTHEW'S

A New Vicar for St James, Briercliffe & St John the Evangelist, Worsthorne!

The congregation was filled with joy on the evening of Tuesday 22nd July as Rev. Michael Read was officially installed as the new vicar of the benefice of St James Briercliffe and St. John The Evangelist Worsthorne. For several years of faithful prayer for new leadership, the appointment of Fr. Michael felt like an answer to the hopes of both parishes, who have patiently journeyed through a time of vacancy supported by dedicated clergy and lay leaders. The service, led by the Rt Revd Bishop Philip North, was attended by members of both churches, local and diocesan clergy, and several special guests including the Mayor of Burnley and the Headteacher of St James' Primary School.

The atmosphere was one of celebration and renewal, as the community gathered to welcome not only Fr. Michael but also his family—Sharon, Ian and Lucy into the heart of parish life. The occasion marked the beginning of a new chapter for the benefice, filled with hope, shared faith, and the promise of deeper connection with the wider community. Both parishes extend their heartfelt thanks to all who have supported them during the interregnum and give thanks to God for guiding Michael to this place and this people.





CANAL MINISTRY WEEK

Between the 3rd and 9th August we have enjoyed a visit from the Canal Ministry Team to Burnley. The team spent their days visiting some of the churches in town and taking innumerable people on trips on their narrow boat, Ten Thousand Reasons, along the straight mile or through Weavers Triangle. This gave people an opportunity to relax and chat over a cuppa or have a go at steering. Some were better at steering than others! A fantastic folk evening, with pie and peas supper, was a great success with everyone singing along. The song about the number of different items that caught around a propellor had to be heard to be believed! On Thursday, Bishop Phillip came along and had a ride on a bike that had been dredged out of the canal on one of the trips then preached from the roof of the boat.... At times looking alarmingly like he was getting a little too near to the edge. Thursday evening saw a great turnout from lots of churches to join in a "short and gentle stroll" (or a very long walk depending on who you talk to) organised by Rev. Kat. The weather was glorious, everyone mingled and it was surprising that even some of the local people found themselves exploring bits of the town and canal that they had never seen. The final event was an open afternoon on Saturday at Finsley Gate Wharf with crafts provided by several churches and yet more boat trips! We believe the event has involved approximately 2000 people and everyone has thoroughly enjoyed themselves, so much so that we are going to repeat it next year!

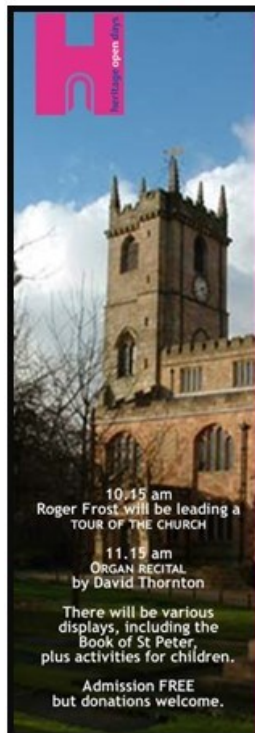
Carol Pike

Churches Together In Burnley





Coming Up!



St Peter's Church
Burnley

HERITAGE OPEN DAY Saturday 20th September

10.00 am - 1.00 pm

REFRESHMENTS
HERITAGE STALLS

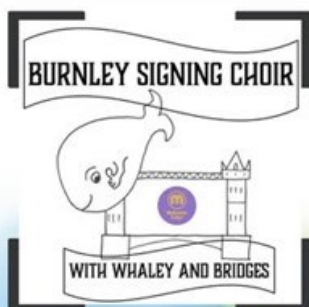


10.15 am
Roger Frost will be leading a
TOUR OF THE CHURCH

11.15 am
ORGAN RECITAL
by David Thornton

There will be various
displays, including the
Book of St Peter,
plus activities for children.

Admission FREE
but donations welcome.



EVERYONE WELCOME

COME AND LEARN SOME MAKATON, HAVE A SING-ALONG
AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

St. Matthew's
Church Hall

Albion Street, Burnley, BB11 4JJ

28th August
25th September
23rd October
27th November

St. Cuthbert's
Community Hall

Sharp Street, Burnley, BB10 1SL

6-7PM

FREE!

5th August
9th September
7th October
11th November

St Luke's Church, Brierfield
invite you to join them for an action-
packed fun-filled Family Night

Hobbie Horse Race Night

in St Luke's Church Hall
Friday 12th September
7.00 - 9.00 pm

£4.00
per person
(Includes pie & peas)

Tel: Michelle
01282 619 183

A photograph of a three-tiered silver tray filled with afternoon tea treats, including sandwiches, scones, and macarons, next to a white teapot and cups. The background is a soft-focus image of the church interior.

St Stephen's Church, Burnley
Oxford Road, BB11 3JA

invite you to
**Afternoon
Tea
with
Contempo**
Saturday
27th September
at 2.30 pm

Tickets:
£10.00
Available
from Church
or Choir

RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S

CAROUSEL

3rd - 8th November

Excluding 5th November

7:15pm

St Cuthbert's
Community Hall,
Sharp Street,
Burnley BB10 1SL



Tickets available on
ticketsource or call
01282 451200

Music by RICHARD RODGERS. Book and Lyrics by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II. Based on Ferenc Molnar's Play "Liliom". As adapted by Benjamin F. Glazer. Original Choreography by Agnes de Mille.

The logo features a stylized sun with rays rising over a green hill, with three silhouettes of people sitting on the hill. The text "Burnley Prayer Breakfast" is written in a curved path above the sun.

Burnley Prayer Breakfast
9am - 10.30am
2nd Saturday of the month

Free breakfast - everyone welcome:
Meet people from churches around
Burnley and enjoy a short, informal
service to start your weekend

20th September

(note: 3rd Saturday this month!)

@ St Stephen's Church, BB11 3JA

11th October

@ St Matthew's Church, BB11 4JJ

September at St Stephen's - the theme is
'STEPPING UP'

All Welcome!

FREE DEBT HELP DROP IN

VALLEY STREET COMMUNITY GROCER-
BURNLEY

Come along to discuss any
issues you might be having

Friday 19th September
11.15-12.45

Friday 10th October
11.15-12.45

Friday 14th November
11.15-12.45

Friday 12th December
11.15-12.45

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ST LUKE'S, BRIERFIELD

Come and See

the parent/carer and toddler
group will soon be celebrating
its 30th Birthday.

Watch out for details of an
event planned to thank God
for all the workers and
children/adults who have
supported this ministry.
Spread the word to those you
know who have been involved.



invite you to

St John the Divine, Cliviger for

HYMNS & PIMMS for Harvest

SUNDAY 28th SEPTEMBER at 6.30 pm

**Come along and sing all your favourite
Harvest hymns**

Enjoy a
glass of
Pimms

(non alcoholic
drinks available)

All
Welcome!



Special Services at

ST JAMES BRIERCLIFFE:

Sunday 12th October :
9.30 am: Harvest Service

Sunday 2nd November
4.00 pm: All Souls' Service

Sunday 9th November
9.30 am
Remembrance Service

HARVEST SERVICE AT ST LUKE'S
Sunday, 5th October -9.15am

There will be a collection for
the local food banks. Tinned/
dried food; any toiletries and
nappies appreciated.



ST STEPHEN'S BURNLEY

Friday 7th November:	7.00 pm	Murder Mystery Evening
Saturday 29th November	11.00 - 1 pm	Christmas Fair—All Welcome

ST PETER'S BURNLEY

Every First Saturday:	11.00 am	Saturday Morning Concerts (see the website for details)
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ST CUTHBERT'S	11.00 - 1.pm	Christmas Fair—All Welcome
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for September/October/November

Week Commencing	Please pray for
1st September	St Cuthbert , Burnley & St Luke, Brierfield
8th September	St James & St John the Evangelist, Worsthorne
15th September	St John the Divine, Cliviger
22nd September	St Leonard, Padiham & St Margaret, Hapton
29th September	St Peter & St Stephen, Burnley
6th October	Habergham, All Saints with John the Baptist
13th October	Our Ecumenical partners in Burnley
20th October	Other Faith partners in Burnley
27th October	The Diocese of Blackburn and our Bishops
3rd November	St Andrew with St Margaret & St James, Burnley
10th November	St Catherine with St Alban & St Paul, Burnley
17th November	St Cuthbert , Burnley & St Luke, Brierfield
24th November	St James & St John the Evangelist, Worsthorne



Don't forget, you can advertise your Services/Events on the Deanery FB Page—just search BURNLEY DEANERY

Regular Weekly Events Across the Deanery

ST JAMES BRIERCLIFFE

Monday: 6pm PRAYER MEETING
Wednesday: 9:30 am SAID EUCHARIST
Thursday: 6pm FAMILY SERVICE

ALL SAINTS, HABERGHAM

Tuesday - 10am MORNING PRAYER
Tuesday evening - BROWNIES
Weds morning - MOTHERS AND TODDLERS
Wednesday 7pm - HOLY EUCHARIST
Thursday 7pm - BIBLE STUDY
1st Thursday Monthly—7pm
MOTHERS UNION

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, WORSTHORNE

Tuesday: 7.00 pm
MIDWEEK COMMUNION

Monday 10.00 am: ART CLASS
1st Tuesday monthly: 2.00 pm
MOTHERS' UNION
2nd Tuesday monthly: 8.00 pm
MEN'S GROUP
Speaker/Bar Open

ST ANDREW, BURNLEY

Thursday: 9.30 am
MASS

Monday and Friday: 9.30—11.30
STAY & PLAY (Church Hall)
Cuppa/Toast/Chat/Toddler Toys
Thursday: 10.00 am
TEA & TOAST THURSDAYS (Church Hall)
Chat/Meet new people

ST CATHERINE, BURNLEY

MASS TIMES

Monday: 8.30 am
Tuesday: 6.00 pm
Wednesday: 8.30 am & 6.30 pm
Thursday: 12 noon
Friday: 12 noon
Saturday: 10.00 am

Wednesday: 6.00 pm - Rosary
Thursday: 11.30 am - Exposition &
Intercessions
Saturday: 9.30 am—Confessions



Mondays 9:30 –11:30am,
DROP-IN ADVICE
Breakfast & Lunch provided
Tuesdays
10:00 – 12:00 noon FEEL GOOD GARDENING
12:30pm – 3:00pm, CRAFT GROUP
7:30 – 9pm COMMUNITY CHOIR
Wednesday
7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 5pm, 6:30pm.
SLIMMING WORLD

Thursdays 12:30pm: LUNCHEON CLUB
a two-course meal at the cost of £5.
To book, contact Ellen: 07783 143719.

Thursdays 1:30pm – 3:30pm
BINGO BUDDIES

Thursdays 7pm – 8pm
TFSW JU JITSU: for Adults
Fridays 9:30am – 11:30am
BRUNCH CLUB



All of the above non-service events take
place in the Community Centre

ST CUTHBERT, BURNLEY

2nd & 4th Wednesday monthly at 2 pm
EXPLORING THE BIBLE
in the Thursby Room, St. Cuthbert's Hall

2nd & 4th Wednesday Monthly at 7 pm
ALL NATIONS LIFE GROUP (in Homes)

1st Sunday of each month at 3pm
ALL NATIONS WORSHIP - St Luke's Church Hall

4th Sunday of each month at 7pm
BURNLEY PRAYER GROUP
in the Thursby Room, St. Cuthbert's Hall

Every Friday 6.30—8.00 pm
FUSION YOUTH CLUB

Fun, Faith & Fellowship for 11-18 yr olds
in St Cuthbert's Hall—All Welcome
Contact: Teeman Zaki 07476 953197
Email: teemanzaki2@gmail.com



Mon: 1.30-3.30 - SEQUENCE DANCING
Community Hall

2nd Tues: 2-4 pm - KNITTING CLUB
Thursby Room

1st Weds: 2-3.30 pm MOTHERS' UNION
Thursby Room

Thurs: 10.30-11.30 am GENTLE EXERCISE
Community Hall

Friday: 8.45—11.45 am PAINTING GROUP
Community hall



MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING,
BOOK SALE & JIGSAW SALE

First Sunday of the month and on the
previous day, in the Community Hall
Saturdays 10-11.30am,
Sundays 11.30-12.15pm

ST JOHN THE DIVINE, CLIVIGER

Weds: 7.00 pm -MIDWEEK EUCHARIST
in Church House

ST LUKE, BRIERFIELD

1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 1.00 pm
HOLY COMMUNION - in the Hall or Church
depending on the weather

1st Sunday monthly at 3.00 pm
ALL NATIONS WORSHIP in the Hall
*NB. On 6th April we will be in the
Cathedral at 4.00 pm to join in with Arch-
deacon Mark's Leaving Service*



Tuesday 9.30 am (in term time)
COME AND SEE for Mums & Toddlers
St Luke's Church Hall

2nd, 4th & 5th Tuesdays 1 - 3 pm
CHATTER MATTERS—Tea/Coffee & a Chat
in the Hall

1st Thursday monthly at 7 pm
MEN'S EVENING—Snooker Table Tennis,
Darts, Board Games etc
in the downstairs room of the Hall

2nd & 4th Thursdays 6—7 pm
THURSDAY LIVE (Youth group)
Crafts, Snacks, Fun, Fun & Games

ST PETER, BURNLEY

Wednesday: 9.15 am Prayer Meeting
10.30 am: MIDWEEK EUCHARIST

Thursday 9.30 am: THURSDAY CHAT
Bible Study/Coffee/Chat



1st Wednesday Monthly: 1.30—3 pm
WELCOME ON WEDNESDAY
All invited—Young families & toddlers
especially welcome

2nd & 4th Wednesday: 11.00 am
LUNCH CLUB

1st Saturday Monthly: 11.00 am
SATURDAY MORNING CONCERT

ST MATTHEW, BURNLEY

Tuesday 10.00 am:

SAID EUCHARIST

1st, 2nd, 3rd 5th Friday: 10.00 am

SAID EUCHARIST

2nd Saturday Bi-Monthly: 9.00 am

BURNLEY PRAYER BREAKFAST

April/June/August/October/December



Monday in Term Time: 3.30-5 pm:

FUN CHURCH

Crafts/Games/Prayer/Songs/Food

Tuesday in Term Time: 5.30 pm

YOUTH CHOIR

Wednesday in Term Time: 9.15—10.45

WEDNESDAY MORNING GROUP

Coffee/Chat/Bible Study

Wednesday 12.30—1.30 pm

LUNCH CLUB

Wednesday: 1.45 pm: PARISH PRAYERS

Thursdays in Term Time: 9.30-11 am

TODDLER GROUP

ST STEPHEN, BURNLEY

2nd & 4th Wednesday: 2.00 pm

Midweek Eucharist

2nd Saturday bi-monthly: 9.00 am

BURNLEY PRAYER BREAKFAST

July/September/November/January/March/May



Monday: 1 - 3 pm, KNIT & NATTER

Bring your own crafts or just sit & chat

1st Tuesday: 11.30—1.30

1ST TUESDAY HUB

Crafts, Soup & Sandwich, Friends

1st & 3rd Wednesday; 2 - 4 pm

FRIENDS, FOOD & FUN

Afternoon Tea (£5 - donations welcome)

7.15 pm: BIBLE STUDY HOUSE GROUP

10 Hall Park Avenue

2nd & 4th Wednesday: 12.30 pm

LET'S DO LUNCH

(on the house—donations welcome)

2nd Tuesday (2pm) & 4th Tuesday (7 pm)

MOTHERS' UNION

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, WORSTHORNE

Monday: 6.00 pm CUBS
7.30 pm SCOUTS

Tuesday: 6.00 pm BEAVERS

Wednesday: 6.00 pm BEAVERS

Thursday: 6.00 pm BROWNIES
7.30 pm GUIDES

WELLFIELD RAINBOWS & BROWNIES

Tuesday: 6.00—7.15 pm
in Wellfield School

Contact: Carol Pike
carol.pike@btopenworld.com

ST CUTHBERT, BURNLEY

Mondays: BROWNIES, GUIDES & RANGERS

Tuesdays: RAINBOWS

Contact Janis: jc30guider@yahoo.co.uk

Thursdays: SQUIRRELS, BEAVERS, CUBS, SCOUTS,
EXPLORER UNIT Contact:

mattbarnesburnley@gmail.com Tel: 07792 987303

ALL SAINTS, HABERGHAM

Tuesday Evening: BROWNIES

ST STEPHEN'S, BURNLEY

Wednesday: 6.15 pm RAINBOWS
in St Stephen's Church

Wednesday: 6.15 pm BROWNIES
in St Stephen's School

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