Welcome to St Leonard’s and St Margaret’s Churches – especially if you’re a visitor today – we hope to see you again soon. Children are welcome to go to Cornerstone Club/Junior Church after the first part of the service. Everyone is warmly invited to stay for refreshments at the end of the service.

If you have a baby or toddler who becomes restless in the service, please consider others by using the crèche facilities at the back of church.

Contact numbers in the Parish
Vicar – Canon Mark Jones – 772442
Curate – Rev Kit Walker – 07944 258477
Diocesan Reader – Lynne Trudgill – 776166

Text for 2019
“We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, his power, and the wonders he has done.”
(Psalm 78:4)

Today’s Readings:
First Reading – Acts 17:22-34 and on page 1113 of the church Bibles (page 1687 in the large print Bibles)
Gospel Reading – John 1:9-18 on page 1063 of the church Bibles (page 1613 in the large print Bibles)

This Morning’s Hymns:
St Leonard’s
465 Meekness and majesty
Gloria
146 Fill thou my life
857 I, the Lord of sea and sky
528 O worship the King

St Margaret’s
448(HON) Meekness and majesty
171(HON) Fill thou my life
332(HON) I, the Lord of sea and sky
551(HON) O worship the King

Choir Anthems
1022 Above all Powers,
162 The Servant King
Bible Studies/Housegroups
Monday at 20 Scott Ave, Simonstone at 7.15pm (15th July)
Tuesday at the Vicarage and 14 Bendwood Close at 7.30pm (16th July) (Please note that the Vicarage group is meeting jointly with Kit’s group this week)
Wednesday at 2 Woodlands Grove at 2pm (17th July)
Friday at St Leonard’s at 9.15am (For ladies every week)

Bishop’s Bible Challenge Blackburn Diocese has produced a booklet entitled Knowing the Scriptures Better. The booklet is warmly commended by Bishop Julian and is designed to be used over a six week period – it suggests readings to take you through the gospel of John in manageable sections. If you don’t already read your Bible regularly why not give this a try over the summer? Free copies are available in church. If you would like something that gives help in understanding a passage then the Explore Bible notes are hard to beat. As we begin a new quarter the latest edition is available. If you’d like a copy then James Addison is the person to ask.

Padiham Visiting In this anniversary year we’re aiming to knock on every door in Padiham with an invitation to St Leonard’s Church. The next date for visiting is Wednesday 17th July meeting at church at 6pm. Do join us.

Coffee Morning at St Leonard’s Make sure you save the date, Saturday 20th July, from 10am until midday. There is a list in the Green Room of stalls for this event if you can help please put your name against a stall. Tickets available (adults £1.00) from either Kate Proctor or Margaret Morton. If you have anything that can be sold, please bring them along to church ASAP. We will be needing CAKES to sell, so please plan to bake. Thank you

Knight’s Quest We’re running a one day Holiday Bible Club for primary aged children at St Leonard’s on Friday 26th July from 9am until 4pm. “Come and join Sir Prance-a-lot and Princess Sweet Pea as they try to find out how to get into the Kingdom.” Lots of fun to be had along the way with singing, games and competitions as well. All the family is then invited to hear about the day at a BBQ at 4pm. Children need to bring a packed lunch with their name on it. Registration forms are available at either church and can be returned to Isabel, Mark or Kit. The cost of the day is £2.

St Margaret’s Summer Fair: Many thanks to all those who helped with or supported the Summer Fair yesterday.

St Margaret’s Committee Meeting on Tuesday 23rd July at 7.30pm.

Tea at Two Summer Outing This will be to the Vicarage – 1 Arbory Drive Padiham – on Thursday 1st August from 2pm as usual.

Safeguarding Concerns If you have a concern about the safety or welfare of a child or vulnerable adult at church then please speak up. Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Mrs Claire Beattie Telephone 01282 779485 or email: safeguarding@padihamparish.org or you may prefer to speak to the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor: Sharon Hassall Telephone: 01254 503070 or Mobile: 07711 485170 Email: sharon.hassall@blackburn.anglican.org. The Parish Safeguarding Policy is on display at the back of both churches.

Parish Pixeas. Our insurers are currently running a photography competition in which we can show off our church. We want to show just how special our church and congregation are through a single photograph for the chance to win £1,000, whether taken by a professional, or a member of the congregation on their smartphone. The photograph will be judged on a) the visual effect, b) originality of the photo and c) the interpretation of the theme. Please have a crack at this and let me have your photo before 7th October. (e-mail to me at john.seltec27@gmail.com). There are more details in the Parish magazine. John Sellick

Mission Partner of the Month: Keswick Ministries
The central vision of Keswick Ministries is to see the people of God equipped, inspired and refreshed to fulfil that calling, directed and guided by God’s Word in the power of his Spirit, for the glory of his Son.

Please Pray for the annual convention starting this month:
For those planning, organising or speaking at the events.
For the travel and accommodation needs of those hoping to go.
For all present to learn about and love God in new and deeper ways

The 3 Amigos are, once again, are undertaking a long distance walk! Hadrian’s Wall path from Wallsend to Bowness-on-Solway. They would appreciate any donations you can spare and all cash raised will be donated to the costs of the CAP project in the Borough. The walk is to take place from 22nd to 26th August and they are currently in an extensive training period in order to prepare for this epic journey!! Donations can be given to Richard and Ron at St. Leonard’s and Graham at St. Margaret’s. Many thanks.