



Today 26 May 2019 – 6th Sunday of Easter

- 9.30am Holy Communion with Cornerstone Club at St Leonard's
11.00am Holy Communion with Junior Church at St Margaret's
5.30pm Evening Service with Cornerstone Club at St Leonard's
6.30pm Foundations at St Leonard's

Tuesday 28 May 2019

- 9.00am Prayer Meeting in the Waddilove Room
No Little Lennies at St Leonard's

Wednesday 29 May 2019

- No Busy Bees at St Margaret's
10.00am Morning Prayer (BCP) at St Leonard's
2.30pm Bell ringing in the Green Room
5.00pm Evening Prayer (BCP) at 4 Shakespeare Street

Ascension Thursday 30 May 2019

- No Little Lennies at St Leonard's
9.45am Funeral of Diane Smith at St Leonard's
2.00pm Tea at Two at St Leonard's
7.30pm Holy Communion at St Margaret's

Friday 31 May 2019

- 9.15am Ladies' Bible Study at St Leonard's

Saturday 1 June 2019

- 9.30am Life Explored at 5 St John's Road

Next Sunday 2 June 2019 – 7th Sunday of Easter

- 9.30am Service of the Word with Cornerstone Club at St Leonard's
11.00am Service of the Word at St Margaret's
5.30pm Lord's Supper with Cornerstone Club at St Leonard's
6.30pm Rock Solid at St Leonard's

Welcome to St Leonard's and St Margaret's Churches.

Over the next three weeks there will be a series of sermons on the persons of the Trinity. Today we hear about **The Father in Salvation**, next Sunday **The Son in Salvation** and the week after (Whit Sunday) **The Holy Spirit in Salvation**.

Children's groups take place as usual in the services.

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.

Please stay for refreshments after the services.

Contact numbers in the Parish

Vicar – Canon Mark Jones – 772442
Ministry Assistant – Kit Walker – 07944 258477
Diocesan Reader – Lynne Trudgill – 776166

Today's Readings:

First Reading – Ephesians 3:14-21 on page 1174 of the church Bibles (page 1778 in the large print Bibles)

This Morning's Hymns:

St Leonard's

36(HTC) O God beyond all praising

For God so loved the world

285(HTC) Eternal Father, strong to save

392(HTC) And now, O Father

518(HTC) To him we come

Choir Anthems

O Great God

291 I rest in God alone.

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)

Gospel Reading – John 3:16-21

on page 1066 of the church Bibles (page 1617 in the large print Bibles)

St Margaret's

36(HTC) O God beyond all praising

S.18(HTC) Let us praise God together

392(HTC) And now, O Father

518(HTC) To him we come

For God so loved the world
He gave His only Son;
And whoever believes in Him
Shall not die but have eternal life.

L is for the love that He has for me;
I am the reason he died on the tree;
F is for forgiveness and now I am free;
E is to enjoy being in His company.

Bible Studies/Housegroups

Monday at 20 Scott Ave, Simonstone at 7.30pm (3rd and 17th June)

Tuesday at St Margaret's, the Vicarage and 14 Bendwood Close at 7.30pm (4th and 18th June) (NB Vicarage and Bendwood groups will combine at Kit's house on 4th)

Wednesday at 2 Woodlands Grove at 2pm (5th and 19th June)

Friday at St Leonard's at 9.15am (For ladies every week)

Ascension Day is Thursday 30th May. There will be a parish service of Holy Communion at St Margaret's at 7.30pm that evening followed by a Jacob's Join supper. (Please bring contributions) **Canon Andrew Raynes** from Christchurch Blackburn will preach and preside.

Life Explored This excellent 7 session course will be running again on Saturday mornings beginning **on 1st June from 9.30 to 11am.** The venue will be 5 St John's Road, Padiham. The course helps us to see what we really love and reminds us that true and lasting joy is only to be found in loving the Lord Jesus Christ. For more info please speak to Joseph Pendley or Kit Walker.

Men's Pubmeet Our next meeting is at Molly Rigby's at 7.45pm on **Monday 10th June** when Bishop Philip North will be our speaker. Whether you're a regular or never been before, it would be great to see you.

Ladies' Lounge meets next at 7.30pm on **Tuesday 11th June** at 17 Green Street, Padiham. The discussion will be on chapter 6 of Rachel Jones' book **Is this it?** The chapter is entitled **Doubt – Is God even real or am I wasting my Life?** Copies of the chapter are available at the back of church.

Confirmation Service and Dedication of new Vestry/Parish Office Bishop Philip will be with us at St Leonard's for our Confirmation on **Sunday 16th June.** **NB the service time is 10.30am.** Bishop Philip will also be asked to dedicate the new vestry at St Leonard's and there will be an opportunity to see the new room.

Praise in the Park – Sunday 23rd June This was a great success last year. We start with an Open-Air Service at the Bandstand in Padiham Memorial Park at 3pm – the hymn singing will be accompanied by the Goodshaw Band. This is followed by games for all ages, or you can simply meet up with friends and enjoy your picnic tea. The afternoon concludes with a concert by the Band. Bring a rug or deckchairs to sit on and don't forget your picnic! Ice Creams available. In the event of bad weather head for St Leonard's. **There will be no 5.30pm service that day.**

Ordination of Kit Walker Kit is to be ordained deacon on **Sunday 30th June at 10.30am** at St John's Whittle-le-Woods. Regrettably this clashes with the visit of our Crosslinks Mission Partner, Rev Alun Burt. Therefore the plan is to send token support for Kit's ordination but encourage most members of the churches to be at St Margaret's and St Leonard's to hear Alun and Debbie's news from South Africa. There will be a lunch at St Leonard's church at 13:00 after the ordination and all are invited to attend. Further details will given nearer the time.

Stewardship Envelopes. I am preparing new sets of envelopes for the next twelve months, commencing on the first Sunday of July. If you are a regular attender at St Leonard's and don't have weekly envelopes, I urge you to consider requesting a set. Regular giving is an important part of stewardship, and weekly envelopes have a number of advantages. If you would like to discuss any aspect of this, please speak to me. An alternative to weekly envelopes is to set up a standing order. I have a good supply of these also. Fred Birch.

Mission Partner of the Month: Yorkshire Camps

Please Pray For: Their July and August camps this year, the leaders and the young people who will be going on them. Growing faith for our Padiham Parish young people going away.



St Margaret's

Monthly Family Service, Breakfast and Ice-cream Sunday at St Margaret's: Our next Ice Cream Sunday is on 2nd June.

Confirmation Sunday Please note that the Confirmation on Sunday 16th June at 10.30am is a Parish event and so there will be no service at St Margaret's that morning.