

Today – 6TH Sunday of Easter

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Leonard's
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

Monday 22 May 2017

- 7.30pm Bible Study at 14 Bendwood Close

Tuesday 23 May 2017

- 9.00am Prayer Meeting in the Green Room
9.30am Little Lennies at St Leonard's
10.00am Pennine Community Credit Union
7.30pm Bible Study at St Margaret's

Wednesday 24 May 2017

- 9.30am Busy Bees at St Margaret's
10.00am Holy Communion at St Leonard's
12.45pm Funeral for Elsie Hayhurst
2.30pm Bible Study at 2 Woodlands Grove
5.00pm Evening Prayer (BCP) at St Leonard's
6.15pm Choir Practice at St Leonard's
7.30pm Thy Kingdom Come Prayer event at Blackburn Cathedral

Ascension Day - Thursday 25 May 2017

- 9.30am Little Lennies at St Leonard's
1.15pm Hapton School Service at St Margaret's
2.00pm Tea@Two at St Leonard's
6.00pm Rainbows at St Leonard's
6.30pm Brownies at St Leonard's
7.30pm Guides and Rangers at St Leonard's
7.30pm Holy Communion at St Margaret's

Friday 26 May 2017

- 10.00am Ladies' Bible Study in the Green Room
10.00am Padiham Green School Service at St Leonard's

Saturday 27 May 2017

- 9.00am Parish Breakfast at Molly Rigby's

Next Sunday – Sunday after Ascension Day

- 9.30am Holy Communion with Cornerstone Club at St Leonard's
11.00am Holy Communion with Junior Church at St Margaret's
5.30pm Lord's Supper with Cornerstone Club at St Leonard's
6.30pm Rock Solid at St Leonard's



Padiham Parish

Weekly
News Sheet
Sunday
21 May 2017

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

especially if you are visiting us today. Please come again and we'd be delighted if you could stay for refreshments after the service.

Contact numbers in the Parish

Vicar – Canon Mark Jones - 772442
Curate – Rev Michael Print - 774465
Outreach Worker – Colleen Beers - 338573; 07756 453689
Diocesan Reader – Lynne Trudgill - 776166

Cornerstone Club/Junior Church run as usual today; new children are always welcome. 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. If you are a visitor in the congregation please make yourself known to us.

Today's Readings

First Reading – Acts 17:22-31 on **page 1113** of the church Bibles (**page 1687** in the large print Bibles)

Gospel Reading – John 21:15-25 on **page 1090** of the church Bibles (**page 1653** in the large print Bibles)

This Morning's Hymns are:

St Leonard's

449 Love Divine
372 Jesus Lover of My Soul
624 Take My Life
988 How Deep the Father's Love
857 I the Lord of Sea and Sky

Choir Anthems

894 My Jesus I love thee
646 The greatest thing

St Margaret's

217 Love Divine (HTC)
438 Jesus Lover of My Soul (HTC)
510 Lord Speak to Me (HTC)
554 Take My Life (HTC)
219 O for a Thousand Tongues (HTC)

Bible Studies The next dates for the various groups are as follows:

Monday evening at 14 Bendwood Close (7.30pm) – 22nd May.

Tuesday evening (7.30pm) at St Margaret's – 23rd May

Tuesday evening (7.30pm) at Vicarage – 30th May

Wednesday afternoon (2pm) at 2 Woodlands Grove – 24th May.

Friday morning (10.00am) at St Leonard's – 26th May

New members are most welcome at all of these groups.

Colleen Beers With regret the PCC has decided to make the post of Parish Outreach Worker redundant and so Colleen will no longer be employed by the parish at the end of May. We thank her for the work she has done over the last 20 months. Colleen is not moving away and will continue to live at Albert Street in Padiham and be a member of our two churches.

Elsie Hayhurst We have received the sad news that a long standing member of our church passed away last week. Elsie's funeral will be held in church at 12.45pm on Wednesday (24th May). All are very welcome to attend.

'**Thy Kingdom Come**' is a global wave of prayer in which the Archbishop of Canterbury, **Justin Welby**, is inviting Christians to pray as one for people to know Jesus Christ. The initiative will run through the ten days of Ascensiontide and finish on Whit Sunday (25th – 4 June).

On **Wednesday 24th May** at 7.30pm, the Eve of '**Thy Kingdom Come**', *Blackburn Cathedral* is the venue for the Lancashire 'Thy Kingdom Come' Beacon Event. At this, people from across the diocese will get together to pray for the empowering of the Holy Spirit for effective worship before going back to their own towns to continue to pray together during this time.

Back in our parish the eleven days that follow will continue as a special season of prayer. In particular please come to the **Ascension Day service of Holy Communion** at *St Margaret's* on **Thursday 25th May** at 7.30pm (followed by a Jacob's join supper), **Evening Prayer (BCP)** at *St Leonard's* on **Wednesday 31st May** at 5pm and then a special prayer in the Green Room that same evening at 7.30pm.

Parish Breakfast. We're delighted to welcome the Bishop of Blackburn's new Chaplain, **Rev John Chitham**, as our speaker. His title is '*Out of my depth – insights into the Kingdom of God from a scuba diver.*' The venue is *Molly Rigby's*, **Saturday 27th May** at 9am. Price £5. Please sign list at either church.

CDs of Sermons - these are now available at St Margaret's as well as St Leonard's. Contact Eddie for more info at edwardp.bobrowski@ntlworld.com

Holiday Bible Club will run again at St Leonard's this May half term from **Tuesday 30th May to Friday 2nd June** from 10.00 till 12.15. Our theme this year is a '**Race around the world.**' Activities will include bible stories, crafts, games and lots of fun. Children aged 4 to 11 years are welcome. To book your place, either complete the forms at the back of church or contact padiham.parish@gmail.com.

Walking Day is **Sunday 11th June**. Both St Leonard's and St Margaret's assemble in Bank Street ready to move off at 10.30am. That day there will be a said service of Holy Communion at St Margaret's at 9.15am and the Evening Service will be Holy Communion at 5.30pm at St Leonard's. The Rose Queen will be crowned at St Leonard's on Sunday 4th June at 9.30am. As well as offers of help to carry our Banners, we are also looking for extra help stewarding traffic. If you help at all (ladies or gents) please have a word with John Sellick or put your name on the list on the notice board in the Green Room. Offers from St. Margaret's will also be most welcome.

Burnley Deanery Summer Outing For the summer meeting of Burnley Deanery we've arranged a visit to the Cathedral on Monday 19th June to see the new buildings and meet the new **Dean, Very Rev Peter Howell-Jones**. The programme is as follows:

Arrive by 7pm, 7-8pm Meet the Dean and see the new buildings.

8-8.30pm Light refreshments at Cafe Northcote (£5 payable on the night).

8.30pm Compline in the Cathedral led by the Dean.

All welcome. For catering purposes please let Mark Jones (jones.padiham@btinternet.com) have your name by Monday 12th June.

St Margaret's Skills Audit The Church Committee is trying to discover if we have some hidden talents in the congregation. If you didn't fill in a questionnaire last week please complete one today. Also the churchwardens are drawing up a list of jobs that need doing around the church building. We hope to tackle some of these on the morning of Saturday 10th June; please come along and help as you are able. If this day is inconvenient but you could help another day please let the wardens know.

St Margaret's – could you help with Junior Church?

We are looking for some extra pairs of hands to help with Junior Church. No preparation would be required, it would just involve helping with the children and supporting the leader who is teaching the lesson when you are available. Please speak to Natalie Print, John Dell or Gill Lamport for more information. Thank you.