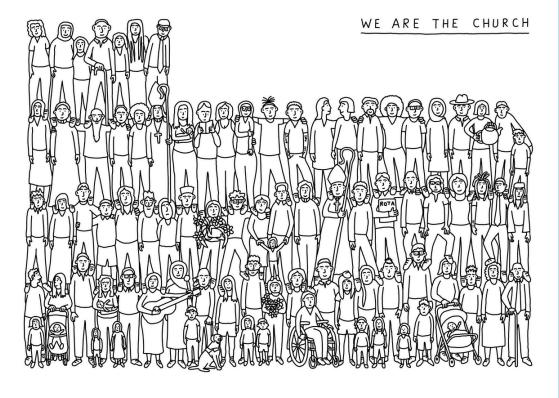


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A Letter From The Vicar



Welcome to the summer months of August and September. This is a time when the sun rises the highest and we behold the beauty of warmth and sunshine. C S Lewis said, "I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else." And it is true, by means of the sunlight, we witness the wonders of God's creation.

When the sunshine moves into our hearts, the impact is equally impressive. Tom Baker quoted: "Strive to have sunshine in our hearts each day as it will greatly improve our outlook". Our outlook is regularly tested by the cross-winds of life itself. Coming out of a pandemic was one thing, dealing with family bereavement is another but carrying long term illnesses or experiencing recent ailments are just as challenging. The 119th chapter of Psalm cites: "my suffering was good for me, for it taught me to pay attention to your decrees (or commands)". How challenging! Can any good improve our outlook?

We grow though the resistances we meet in our families, communities work and wider environment. It is not so much what happens to us, but what we do with it which determines the result and outcome. It is a fact of human nature that learning and growth, development and change require a process, and so often the most important changes take place within the framework of struggle or a wrestling of circumstances. It was this insight that led the Psalmist to record the above truth: "my suffering was good for me, for it taught me to pay attention to your decrees (or commands)".

In overcoming the impediments of life, we complete ourselves. The world around us is like an emery stone on which we sharpen ourselves revealing lessons through our adversities. Things that strike into our lives make us 'bitter' – or 'better'– according to the way we respond. who seem to do a perfect job of irritating our spirits, then this can become a 'cage' or a 'challenge'. What do we want it to be?

How we handle it decides whether it is a 'groaning point' or a 'growing point'.

St Francis of Assisi said, "A single sunbeam is enough to drive away many shadows". Doubt, fear, anxious, worry and resentful are examples of shadows that disrupt our outlook. Although there are many ways of winning over these negative emotions, the important most point to remember is that we are God's children and His personal responsibility. Nothing that happens to us can outwit God's loving provision.

I am inclined to agree with an unknown author who said: "we delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty".

If we live or work with people

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CLEANSED!

Mission Enabler, SSM at All Saints Ilkley

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And who knows what life challenges have we experienced of late, yet our inner beauty remains intact. We become a sunbeam to others too and are driven to do good all around us starting with our family, community, schools, supporting our key workers, vulnerable helping our residents in and beyond this parish. The internal rays of sunshine become infectious spreading from person to person until the sunshine flourishes in the hearts of our village residents. How lovely!

Permit me to leave an encouraging quote of Hans Christian Anderson to ponder until the next magazine edition: "Just living is not enough", said the butterfly. "One must have sunshine, freedom, and a little flower".

Stay blessed with love.

Rev'd Mike



The news has been full of stories of contaminated water lately, bringing pain and disruption to many peoples' lives in the UK. Worldwide, cleanliness is a daily challenge for many. Have we brought this horror on ourselves?

Water was and is still used ritually in all three Abrahamic faiths to denote cleansing from sin. In Christian Baptism, lifegiving water represents a fresh start, a new life in the Spirit.

As we consider our polluted waterways, we must ask the question have we sinned in our persistent refusal to reconnect with the rest of Creation. selfishly exploiting its resources and creatures, resulting in damaged eco-systems and increased health risks? In Ezekial 34, when God speaks to the leaders of the people, we

might hear Him talking to us (the shepherds) about how we have treated His Creation (the sheep).

'Ho you shepherds of the people who have been feeding yourselves, should not shepherds feed the sheep? You eat the fat, clothe yourselves... you have not strengthened the weak, not sought the lost, not healed the sick... I Myself will seek the sheep. I will rescue them and bring them back. Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, but you must tread down with your feet the rest of the pasture? When you drink of clear water, must you foul the rest with your feet?'

Among others the singer Sharkey, from Feargal The Undertones, and the comedian Paul Whitehouse have been speaking out about the deteriorating water quality of our rivers. They challenge us all to consider, for example, the chemicals we wash our cars with at the kerb, which run straight from the drain into the river. Water treatment plants do their best, but sewage runoff during heavy rain means that what we pour down our loos and sinks is damaging too. Important bacteria are killed through excessive use of bleach and other detergents.

We now know that our gut biome is affected by the overuse of chemical cleaners and detergents in the home. Killing off most bacteria is disastrous, but of course there are some forms of bacteria we don't want, such as E coli in our homes or protozoan parasite Trichomonas gallinae on our birdfeeders. Eco liquids contain naturally occurring antibacterial ingredients that are less destructive than chemical ones.

When we consider our own actions we can feel guilty, however, in Numbers 14 the Lord says to Moses 'I do forgive', about the contemptuous and ungrateful behaviour of the people. Jesus tells people to repent and they will be forgiven. When we take Communion, we remember this. During the consecration of Bread and Wine we say: 'that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood.' Jesus' blood shed for our sins.

The next step is not continuing in our sinful action. Using biodegradable eco liquids for cleansing our homes and bodies is such an easy way of repenting. While changing from unhealthy, destructive and sinful overuse of chemicals, we are encouraging new life back into our rivers and oceans too, which will benefit us all.

The extraordinary way in which Nature replenishes itself, given the chance. is well documented. It feels like forgiveness in technicolour when we see the small areas of ocean or woodland, moorland or plain repopulated with a wider range of life – if given the chance.

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Legacy of Tiananmen Square, 35 years on

This summer it is 35 years since China crushed the Tiananmen Square democracy protests (4th June). And since then, China has also progressively stepped up its persecution of Christians.

The latest report by the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) warns that China's crackdown on Christians has extended to Hong Kong and beyond China's national borders.

According to USCIRF, increased political pressure, including the

"has led to self-censorship among Hong Kong's religious leaders and closures of some religious groups."

New legislation, passed in March 2024, could force Catholic priests to reveal the secrets of the confessional. Under Article 23, priests could face a 14-year jail sentence if they refuse to reveal so-called 'crimes of treason' shared during confession.

Meanwhile, in mainland China, Release International reports that thousands of churches have been demolished and crosses destroyed. Pastors have been imprisoned, and collecting tithes and offerings has been criminalised as financial fraud.

In consequence, a recent report by the British and Foreign Bible Society has found that several thousand Hong Kong Christians have fled to the UK. some 30 establishing new churches. As a result, the study finds the Chinese Church is now - by far - the fastest growing in Britain.

From the registers in the last 3 months

Baptisms

Rosie, Riley, Ada, Stanley & Elizabeth

Confirmations

Emma, Sam, Isabella, Anna & Lukas

Weddings

Elizabeth & William Doveston Biance & Luke Lavelle

Funerals

Alan Parker

Colin Dobson

Please pray for them all.

Quick Sudoku

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Answers next time.

News from St Andrew's Tower

Much has happend in the tower over the last three months.

There was the magnificent 'Ring for Peace' on the 80th anniversary of the D Day Landings on Thursday 6th June.

Then on Thursday 27th June the clappers were removed from the bells for repair work, taking advantage of the time the roof is being repaired.

Here are some photos from those occasions. A big thank you to Chris all who took part, and especially to Chris & Jill Wright for transporting the clappers to be repaired and bringing them back!











Confirmations in the Parish

On Sunday 7th July we welcomed Bishop Toby, the Bishop of Bradford, to St John's Church in Cononley to confirm five people from the parish.

In a very upbeat service, Bishop Toby asked us to think of our of our own journey of faith and that of the candidates that they were taking the next step with their confirmation, much like Kier Starmer just winning the General Election, and the England Football team winning in the Euro 2024 Quarter Finals.



Those confirmed, with Rev'd Mike, Bishop Toby and baby Joseph. From left to right, Samuel Cragg, Isabella Redman, Baby Jospeh (11 weeks old), Anna Calvert, Lukas Green, Rev'd Mike, Emma Proctor, & Bishop Toby

present in the service in a very powerful way.

confirmed will remember for the rest of their lives.

There were many comments that people felt the Holy Spirit service and something those

Thank you for all who helped make it such a wonderful Bishop Toby will be back with us on Sunday 6th October, 10am at St Andrew's Kildwick.

My Favourite Bible Verse is

By Sue Hargreaves

Choosing a favourite Bible verse is a difficult choice, as I have so many that are of special significance to me.

I have chosen Proverbs 3.5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him And He will direct your paths."

These verses give me a clear instruction and a promise.



I admit that to trust with all my heart is far from easy. Much easier to think I know best, then live to regret it. God is the better judge of what is best. That doesn't mean I shouldn't use any gift of insight I have been given, but I should ask God how I should use it.

These verse have been my guide and compass throughout my Christian journey. If I can bring every aspect of life to God on a daily basis in prayer and Bible study, I am assured of His guidance. Sometimes I look at the sadness of the world and question, "where is God in all this?" That's when I can go back to the verses and say "Lord I do not understand but I will trust you, for your understanding is SO much greater than mine".

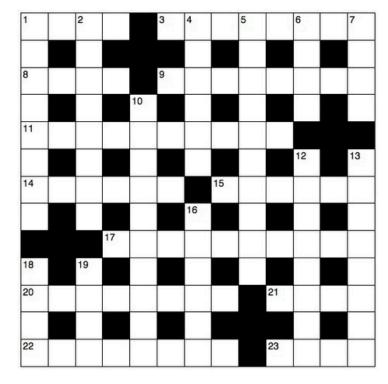
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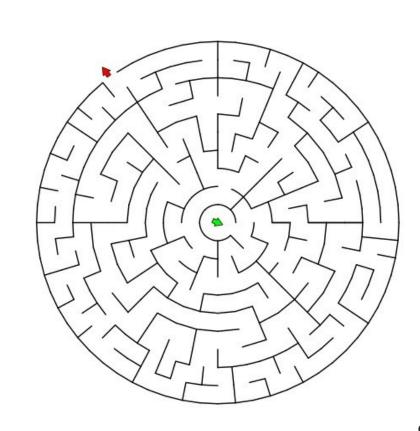
- 1 & 3 Two of the disciples who witnessed the transfiguration of Jesus (Luke 9:28) (4,3,5)
- 3 See 1 Across
- 8 'Let us draw to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith' (Hebrews 10:22) (4)
- 9 O Simon is (anag.) (8)
- 11 Form of government under the direct rule of God or his agents (10)
- 14 How Jesus found his disciples when he returned to them after praying in Gethsemane (Luke 22:45) (6)
- 15 In The Pilgrim's Progress, the name of the meadow into which Christian strayed, which led to Doubting Castle (2-4)
- 17 Glad sin rat (anag.) (10)
- 20 Spinal column (Leviticus 3:9) (8)
- 21 Valley of the Balsam Tree with a reputation of being a waterless place (Psalm 84:6) (4)
- 22 'The oracle of Balaam son of Beor, the oracle of one — sees clearly' (Numbers 24:3) (5,3)
- 23 Adam and Eve's third son (Genesis 4:25) (4)

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- 1 David's great friend (1 Samuel 20:17) (8)
- 2 'The Lord... will bring me safely to his — kingdom' (2 Timothy 4:18) (8)
- 4 'I, Daniel, mourned for three weeks. I ate no choice food; —
 or wine touched my lips' (Daniel 10:3) (2,4)
- 5 Seeking to vindicate (Job 32:2) (10)
- 6 Female servant (Isaiah 24:2)(4)
- 7 'For Christ died for once for all' (1 Peter 3:18) (4)
- 10 'Offering spiritual sacrifices to God through Jesus Christ' (1 Peter 2:5) (10)



- 12 Jesus said that some people had renounced this 'because of the kingdom of heaven' (Matthew 19:12) (8)
- 13 One of the three men thrown into the furnace for refusing to worship Nebuchadnezzar's golden image (Daniel 3:20) (8)
- 16 'You have of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry' (Luke 12:19) (6)
- 18 'There before me was a white horse! Its rider held — — , and he was given a crown' (Revelation 6:2) (1,3)
- 19 Equipment to Charity Hospitals Overseas (1,1,1,1)



August 31st - St Raymond Nonnatus

Raymond Nonnatus (1204 – 40) is a good patron saint for anyone who does not take life for granted. The account of his own life begins with the story of how his mother died just before his birth, and of how Raymond was somehow extracted from her dead body just in time to save him. ('Nonnatus' means 'not born').

Raymond grew up in Portello, Catalonia and became a monk, joining the Mercedarian Order. Perhaps because of his gratitude for his own life having been spared, Raymond



developed a passionate desire to see other people set free to live the lives God had given them. Whatever the reason, Raymond made the difficult and dangerous journey out to Algeria in order to redeem many slaves from a living death. So passionate was he to free them, that he even offered himself as a ransom for others' liberation.

While in Algeria, Raymond preached Christianity to the Muslims, and was put into prison, before eventually being sent back to Spain. The Pope sent for him, but Raymond was so weakened by his suffering in Algeria that he died on the way to Rome. But by then Raymond was content. Just as his life had been given back to him, so he had used it to give life back to others.

A Palestinian Christian Reflection

Palestine is, and still remains, a land full of life. The cultural, religious, landscape, and biodiversity are just a few of the many characteristics that make Palestine a land worth living and 'dying' for. Mahmoud Darwish, a famous Palestinian poet, in his poem "On this Land," celebrates the beauty of Palestine and the resilience of people. The land its of Palestine is not merely a piece of property and real estate; it is a living entity, a mother that gives birth and provides for its

people. Palestinians have a very unique attachment to their land, saying, "All nations have a land to live on, but our land lives in us."

It is important to learn with intentionality and openmindedness about Palestine and Palestinians. **Here are two practical pieces of advice:**

First, read books about the Palestinian experience and theology that challenge the dominant Israeli narrative. There is an abundance of resources available.

Second, when it is deemed safe by your government, come and see Palestine and the living stones, Palestinian Christians, who remain resilient despite all challenges over centuries of constant oppression. With a broken heart, we are grieving the severe decline in the numbers of Palestinian Christians in Gaza and the West Bank due to the absence of (continued over) (continued from page 10)

security and prospects for peace. Nonetheless, those who are rooted in the land continue to witness to God's love for our world and share faithfully the Good News.

In these times of pain and deep grief, the Psalmist reminds us that "God is near to the brokenhearted" (Psalms 34:18). There are millions of Palestinians who are still grieving the loss of their land and loved ones.



The Prince of Peace has commissioned us to share and be the Good News, and to be active peacemakers (Matthew 5:9) in a world groaning for peace. Therefore, your prayer, solidarity, and support for Palestinian Christians are more critical today than ever.

Please pray for: (a) those are mourning the loss of their loved ones and houses in Gaza and the entire land, (b) the Palestinian Christian community in Gaza and the West Bank, (c) the Christian bold witness to be and prophetic, a light in dark times.

Archbishop of Canterbury urges end to violence in Sudan

urged an end to the 'unconscionable' suffering in Sudan, calling on the countries As the violence intensifies with supporting the destruction to the siege and battery of El "channel instead their resources into peace negotiations."

It is estimated that between 8 and 11 million people have displaced, and been that famine and other forms of insecurity are now inevitable.

The archbishop said: "It is He said that an honouring of unconscionable that immense suffering is allowed to UN Security Council's call for a

Archbishop Justin Welby has continue, forgotten by most of the world."

> Fasher by the Rapid Support Forces, the Archbishop has urged them to stop. He went on: "I call on the countries supporting this destruction through weapons and financing to channel their resources instead towards negotiations for peace."

such the Jeddah commitments and

ceasefire "is now of paramount importance. All those engaging in violence must cease."

Archbishop Justin Welby recalled the "strong links" between the Church of England, specifically the Dioceses of Leeds and Salisbury, and the Episcopal Church of Sudan. "I stand in solidarity with my brother, the Most Revd Ezekiel Kondo, Primate of Sudan. We will continue to work and pray for peace and justice - and for a reconciliation that makes security and stability possible."

REV'D MIKE

In The Hot Seat

Rev'd Mike has just celebrated two years as vicar of Kildwick, Cononley & Bradley and realised he has never done anything like this, so here goes...

Where were you born and where did you grow up?

I was born in Grimsby in 1978, and lived in Cleethorpes until I moved to Hull for a job when I was about 24.

When did you become a Christian?

I went to church on parade Sunday's as a child, that is what happened when vou are involved in scouting back then. It was boring though! You had to sit silently and not move! Not surprisingly I didn't go to church after I left scouting. I did get drawn to religious sites though when I went on holiday, the Sacré-Cœur in Paris, St Mary's Cathedral in Kuala Lumpur and many more. It wasn't until I met Esther though, that I found Jesus.

Which university did you go to and what did you study?

I studied Theology at St Mellitus College in Liverpool, graduating with a degree from Durham University.

When and where did you meet your wife, Esther?

We met in York, interestingly, at the model of York Minster just outside it's west doors.

What was your occupation prior to being a priest?

When I left school at 16, I completed an apprenticeship in Electrical and Instrumentation Engineering at Courtaulds in Grimsby. I then worked at a few different factories in that area before moving to Yorkshire and working my way up into the first as the offices. Site Electrical Engineer, then as a Design Engineer, before becoming the Engineering at Wilson Manager Power Solutions in Leeds.

Do you have a favourite verse of Scripture? If so, what is it? Yes, the following piece of scripture is what I feel called to do as a priest, and so has been influential in my ministry:

'The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to good news the bring to oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted. to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour...' Do read the whole of Isaiah 61.1-6 for the full passage.

Do you like music of any kind?

I love most types of music, from baroque, to jazz, to rock and metal, to classical, to musicals and opera. Of course there are always exceptions though!

What would be your favourite meal - 2 or even 3 courses?

It would have to be some kind Indian food, perhaps Fish Pakora, followed by Gosht Patta served with Bhindi Bahji, Chapati and Pilau Rice. All with a pint of Cobra.

Do you have favourite parts of the world where you like to visit?

We love to visit Germany, where we have family. Specifically our bits favourite the are Schwarzwald, and the Islands in the north, Amrum and Sylt.

Do you have any pets at home?

We have a Guinea Pig called Oliver and two house cats called Percy and Charly.

If you were to spend a whole year on a desert island on your own, what luxury would you take with you?

If I am honest, my phone. I would have lived to have said Church Dogmatics bv Karl Barth, but that would have just hurt my head!

Which one word best describes your life right now? Evolving.



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A Prayer for Peace

Father, In a world marked by uncertainty, we seek Your guidance and stability. Help us find faith in the face of the unknown and strength amidst doubt. Grant us the wisdom to adapt and the resilience to persevere. As we navigate uncharted waters, may Your unwavering presence be our anchor, and Your promises our steadfast hope. We thank You for Your assurance that, even in uncertainty, we are not alone .. Amen.

If you have any special prayers you would like to share, please them to send magazine@kcb.church 13

Michaelmas

Happy Michaelmas!

In times past, the streets of the UK rang with this greeting on the 29th of September. Just like Christmas—the "Mass of Christ"—so too does the term Michaelmas denote the "Mass of Michael," that is, St. Michael the Archangel.

In the current calendar, we celebrate all three Archangels this day—Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael—and all the holy angels. But in former times, the three archangels had their own feast days, with today being the great and ancient feast of St. Michael the Archangel. Alone among the Archangels he possesses a first-class feast

In the Middle Ages, the September feast of St. Michael was actually a Holy Day of Obligation, though this hasn't been the case since the 1700s. varied cultural Many and celebrations existed—and still exist!-to honor this day, its importance extending even to secular affairs. In Great Britain, Michaelmas was one of the four "quarter days" of the year where debts and rents would be settled. The autumn term at British universities many is



Archangel Michael – Saint and patron of the city Kiev, Ukraine

called "Michaelmas term," as it commences on or near this feast day.

29th September is, therefore, a day of immense historical significance in the Church and society at large, and reflects the high esteem in which she has always held this Archangel and his singular role in the life and defense of God's people throughout the ages.

Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they were defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. Revelation 12:7-8

Prayer Corner

Lord, in a year of changes in our country and in the world, we thank You for the regular rhythm of each year.

We thank You for August, the month of holidays and rest for many, especially for families and those tied to termly timetables. We pray for Your blessing and restoration for all. As we take time out of normal routines, help us to still make space for You; to be refreshed spiritually as well as physically.

Feed us, Lord, by Your Word; revive us by Your Holy Spirit; encourage us by Your indwelling presence, so that we might naturally reflect Your love to all we meet, on holiday or at home or at work. In Jesus' name.

Amen.

A Breton fisherman's prayer

Protect me, dear Lord; My boat is so small, And Your sea is so big.



11 new Deacons in the Diocese of Leeds



Eleven new deacons were welcomed into their exciting roles at a packed service in Ripon Cathedral on 29th June, led by the Anglican Bishop of Leeds, the Rt Revd Nick Baines.

The new signings include a former lawyer, a former combat medic and a TV production assistant and family, friends and well-wishers gave them all a long round of applause.

Preacher, the Rt Revd Smitha Prasadam, Bishop of Huddersfield described them as "ambassadors of God's Kingdom" embarking on roles that are about sharing the Good News and putting other people first.

"God needs agents and disciples and it's about living a life that will demand courage, but that will be reflected back to you in the compassion and generous hospitality that you receive."

Bishop Smitha also highlighted the steady rise in Church of England membership during the last three years and said to the full cathedral: "If you haven't joined the club yet, please do so today!"

Within the Church of England there are three stages of ordained ministry: deacons, priests and bishops. Following training at theological college, newly ordained deacons are appointed to a three to four year post of curate, for training alongside an experienced vicar. After one year, deacons are normally ordained as priests.



The Very Revd John Dobson, Dean of Ripon said after the service: "It is always a privilege for a cathedral to host an ordination service and we pray for the deacons, their families and the parishes in which they serve."





The new deacons are:

Leeds

Joanne Medhurst - Allerton Bywater, Kippax and Swillington

Bradford

Rebecca Mathen - Little Horton

Huddersfield

Sarah Long - Halifax Holy Trinity & St Jude Mark Naylor - Ravensthorpe & Thornhill Lees with Savile Town

Ripon

Esli Lees - Harrogate St Mark **Lorna Heatley** - Richmond with Hudswell & Downholme and Marske

Sarah Tapley - Starbeck Simon Edens - Masham and Healey, & West Tanfield & Well with Snape and North Stainley

Wakefield

Matthew Brothwood - East Wakefield

Elizabeth Brothwood - Sandal Magna

Joann Byrne - Ferrybridge, Brotherton, Knottingley and Kellington, & Womersley.

Bishop Nick and Bishop Toby take messages of support to war-torn Sudan



The plight of people in war-torn Sudan was witnessed first hand by Bishop of Leeds, Nick Baines and Bishop of Bradford, Toby Howarth during a recent visit to our link diocese.

This significant visit to a country riven by conflict was aimed at showing our diocese's ongoing support for the many Christians displaced by hostilities, explained Bishop Nick:

"Essentially, we went to visit our sisters and brothers in the Episcopal Church of Sudan. Although Port Sudan itself is safe, we visited camps for displaced people and refugees, listening to stories of loss at every level: family, land, home, possessions, jobs, hopes. 2,000 people in a single camp, many of them children living in fear or uncertainty and with little food or effective sanitation."

"We also listened to stories of terrible violence. One pastor

told how his home had been raided in Khartoum and everything destroyed or stolen. After his fourth beating by RSF soldiers, he was asked how he wanted to die. It was his Muslim neighbour who saved and gave him refuge until he could escape and make his way to Port Sudan."

"In conversations with Archbishop Ezekiel, who now runs the whole province from a small desk in the corner of his bare bedroom in Port Sudan, we pledged our continuing – our love support and commitment to him and his people. Thank you to all in this diocese who have given money in order to keep besieged clergy paid, fed and resourced to feed and serve others."

Bishop Toby told how they hoped to make people feel that they are not abandoned:

"The main reason Bishop Nick and I went was basically to say, 'you are not forgotten, we pray for you every day, we love you, we stand with you'," he said.

"It's awful. You hear these numbers - more than 10 million people displaced, more than three million children in danger of dying from malnutrition - but it really came home to me when we visited a camp for internally displaced people."

However, he said he had also met "an extraordinary woman called Victoria, in a broken down tent".

Bishop Toby said in the days after fighting broke out, Victoria had encountered "all these people sleeping on beaches with nothing".

"So, she found a place on ground which used to be an old social club, cleared it and moved the people there."

Bishop Toby said that over the period of a year, Victoria had "campaigned, advocated, found tents and a toilet block and done incredible work through love".

He said Victoria told him: "What does love do in a situation like that? Love has to reach out." BEETLE DRIVE SATURDAT SEPT 7TH AT 6:00PM

THE VILLAGE HALL BRADLEY

£8 INCLUDING



TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM EACH CHURCH LAST AVAILABLE DATE TO PURCHASE TICKETS IS

1ST SEPTEMBER

August to October Services in Kildwick, Cononley & Bradley

	St Mary's Bradley	St John's Cononley	St Andrew's Kildwick
Sun 4th August Trinity 10	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Methodist Worship	
Sun 11th August Trinity 11	10:00am Parish Holy Communion		
Fri 16th August		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 18th August Trinity 12	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Holy Communion	
Fri 23rd August		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 25th August Trinity 13	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Café Church	
Fri 30th August		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 1st Sep Trinity 14	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Methodist Worship	
Fri 6th Sep		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 8th Sep Trinity 15		10:00am Parish Holy Communion	
Fri 13th Sep		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 15th Sep Trinity 16	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Holy Communion	
Fri 20th Sep		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 22nd Sep Trinity 17	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Café Church	
Fri 27th Sep		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 29th Sep Michaelmas	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Holy Communion	
Fri 4th Oct		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 6th Oct Dedication			10:00am Parish Holy Communion
Wed 9th Oct			9:30am Holy Communion
Fri 11th Oct		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 13th Oct Harvest	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Methodist Worship	11:00am All Age Holy Communion
Wed 16th Oct			9:30am Holy Communion

	St Mary's Bradley	St John's Cononley	St Andrew's Kildwick
Fri 18th Oct		9:30am Morning Prayer	
Sun 20th Oct Trinity 21	9:30am Morning Prayer	11:00am Holy Communion	9:00am BCP Holy Communion 11:00am Morning Prayer
Wed 23rd Oct			9:30am Holy Communion
Sun 27th Oct Bible Sunday	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Café Church	11:00am Holy Communion
Sat 2nd Nov All Souls			7:00pm All Souls Service
Sun 3rd Nov All Saints	9:30am Holy Communion	11:00am Methodist Worship	11:00am All Age Holy Communion

St Andrew's Kildwick Nave Roof Repairs

The work has now begun and St Andrew's is closed. Unfortunately, now the work has started we can see that it is going to take a little longer than originally anticipated. This means St Andrew's will now not open until the weekend of 5th-6th October. Bishop Toby has agreed to come and lead us in worship on the 6th October. This will now be a United Service at St Andrew's. The Methodists have happily agreed to change the date of their October service in St John's Cononley to 13th October to help facilitate this. While this work is taking place, we are also replacing the lights in the nave, so we should have a lovely light nave once again.



A couple more photo's from Bishop Nick & Toby's visit to Sudan earlier this year







2024 Photograph Competition

Come join a photography contest with the theme of 'nature and the environment through the year'.

Location

All photos must have been taken in the area of Kildwick, Farnhill, Cross Hills, Cononley and Bradley.

Contact Us

Email - Photo@kcb.church for an application form or visit:



Photos must be submitted before 30 September, 2024.

The best photos for each month will be in our calendar for 2025.

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