

# ST. MARGARET'S ILKLEY

**THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST**  
**Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 2021**



**Message from the Standing Committee**  
**Suspension of services on Sundays**

As you will be aware, we have now entered the third period of National Lockdown. The government guidance is clear that everyone should stay at home to protect the NHS and to save lives although there is provision for places of worship to remain open. We know how important it is for members of the congregation to attend Church in person, but we also need to weigh up the risks that are faced by those attending, our visiting Clergy and the volunteers who help to run the services. We have thought deeply about this and have decided that we must suspend worship in Church on Sundays. This decision will be reviewed regularly, and we will reopen as soon as we believe it is safe to do so.

In the meantime, the opening of Church for private prayer will be extended to every weekday morning between 9.30am and 11.30am.

Whilst there are currently no live services from St Margaret's Church, links to live-streamed services from St Matthew's Northampton and parishes within our Diocese can be found below.

Helen Buswell and Alison Stretton on behalf of the Standing Committee

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### **Let Us Pray**

Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy  
in this time of uncertainty and distress.  
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may rejoice in your comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Amen.**

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#### **Collect**

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

#### **First Reading Acts 19. 1-7**

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that

is, in Jesus.’ On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

**Gospel Reading Mark 1. 4-11**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, ‘The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.’ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.’

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**In our Prayers**

**Departed:** Peter Dale, Peter Downie

**Years' Mind**

Sunday May Holdsworth, Frederick Singleton, Ashley Crawford,  
Peter Brook  
Monday Campbell Aird  
Tuesday Norman Mitchell Draper  
Wednesday Arthur Clyde Babidge  
Thursday Kathleen Davison  
Saturday Jean Yates

**Please pray for the sick:** Trevor Allen, Ann Bruun, Joan Gelder, Lauren Green,  
May Hughes, Fr Garth Kellett, Peter Kuchartschuk, Aad Tellier

Please contact the churchwardens or Vickie if you would like to add someone to our prayer list.

### **Sunday "Coffee Time"**

Please join us on Sunday, January 10th for our virtual "coffee time". The meeting details are below.

Topic: St Margaret's Coffee Meeting

Time: January 10th, 2021 11:30 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/7586081733?pwd=bFVnZ1dpbzFPN3h5aVpVbmJmank4QT09>

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### **Links to live-streamed worship**

#### **St Matthews, Northampton**

St Matthews is an Anglican Parish Church, in the catholic tradition. You are welcome to join Fr Nicholas Setterfield and the congregation of St Matthews for Parish Mass at 10.15am, and Evensong at 5.30pm every Sunday. These services will be live-streamed. Service booklets can also be downloaded. Go to <http://www.stmatthewsnorthampton.org.uk/> to join a live-streamed service and for details of forthcoming services.

#### **Links to live-streamed services in churches within Leeds Diocese**

Click on <https://www.leeds.anglican.org/covid-19/live-streaming#churches> to reach live worship in churches across the Diocese.

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**Private Prayer at St. Margaret's**

**Monday to Friday**

**9.30am - 11.30am**

**St Margaret's is now open each weekday morning between 9.30am and 11.30am.**

Please use hand sanitizer when you enter and leave church and take responsibility for your own social distancing. Please also pick up one of the "Please clean me" notices on entering church. We kindly ask you to leave this notice on your seat when you leave church.

We wish to keep the church as a place of quiet. Any social conversations should take place away from the Church and its grounds. There will be no hymn books or prayer books or other cards available, so if you would like any prayer resources please bring those with you and take them away similarly.

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**Update from the Parish Administrator**

**Happy new year to you.** It's not quite the start to the year we had expected but here we are again in lockdown with all the restrictions it places on our daily lives. For me, this means my children, Evie and Jamie, are both at home until the end of February half term so I may not always be immediately available during the usual Parish Office "opening hours" each weekday morning.

Email is always the best way to get in touch but I appreciate not everyone has access to it. If I do not respond immediately I will be in touch as soon as I can. Please bear with me - it might be that I am having to grasp fronted adverbials or algebra or some other joy - so I will always be keen to get back to the day job! Wishing you all well and safe during this difficult time, Vickie.

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## **Practical Support and Help**

The latest Government guidance can be found here <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

**Ilkley and District Good Neighbours** provides a range of support and practical help during coronavirus to include shopping, a regular phone call, collecting prescriptions and other help needed. For more information go to <http://info@goodneighboursilkley.org.uk>

**Ilkley Corona Response Group (ICRG)** can be contacted via the Bradford Hub on 01274 431000, or use the online form at <https://bit.ly/ilkeleycorona>

**Ilkley Library.** To reserve books from the online catalogue and for the Home Library Service – [ilkley.library@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:ilkley.library@bradford.gov.uk) 01943 436225

**Ilkley Chat** provides the latest news affecting Ilkley as a result of COVID-19 <https://www.ilkeleychat.co.uk/coronavirus> This link also provides details of **food delivery services** offered by supermarkets. Contact Alison Stretton on 01943 430024 or Vickie Kemp at [stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com](mailto:stmargaretschurchpa@gmail.com) for more information.

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**During this difficult time it is important to keep in touch with friends. Please do feel you can call a member of our church family who will be pleased to hear from you.**

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Fr Bernard	01943 816253
Fr Godfrey	01943 603861
Jane Sheldon	01943 431288
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**Daily Hope, is a 24 hour free phone line for Christian worship and prayer.  
Call 0800 804 8044**