



ST MARGARET'S ILKLEY

SUNDAY 25 MAY
Easter VI

8.00 am – Low Mass (p 5)
Fr Kenneth

9.15 am – Family Service
Catherine Beaumont

10.45 am – Sung Mass
Fr Kenneth

6.30 pm – Choral Evensong (p 6)
Revd Isobel

*(Fr Alex and family are on leave til
Thursday 29 May)*



"Stand up, take your mat and walk."

IN OUR PRAYERS

Ann Bruun, Alan Calder, Teresa Cannell, Anne and Francis Clarke, Roy Clarke, David Coleman, Margaret Cooke, Joyce Cross, Ramone Guha, Leonie Marshall, Pam Monkman, Stephen Pilling, Johnny Ratcliffe, Philip Rowbottom, John Sampson, Robin Shaw, John Sunderland, Molly Sunderland, Bill Syratt, Shirley Thompson

DEPARTED Marie Anson

YEARS' MIND

Monday Margaret Buckle, William Hardy, Richard Benson

Wednesday John Robertson, Nesta Walker, Ali Harrison

Friday Ellen Rooks

Saturday Alfred Blunt (pr), Suzy Mitchell

Please continue to pray for the people of Sudan, whose Church is linked with our Diocese of Leeds

CHURCH DIARY

Morning Prayer, Monday through Friday, at 9.00 am — all welcome

The Parish Office is closed Wednesday 28 – Friday 30 May

Monday 26		(No Morning Prayer today)	
Tuesday 27	6.00 pm	Contemplative Mass	Revd Isobel
Thursday 29	11.00 am	Low Mass with social time	Fr Kenneth
<i>Ascension Day</i>	7.30 pm	Sung Mass	Fr Alex (H: Fr Kenneth)
Friday 30	7.45 pm	Choir rehearsal	
JUNE			
Sunday 1	8.00 am	Low Mass	Fr Alex
<i>Easter VII</i>	9.15 am	Godly Play	Catherine Gibson
	10.45 am	Sung Mass	Fr Alex
	6.30 pm	Choral Evensong	Fr Alex
Tuesday 3	6.00 pm	Contemplative Mass	Fr Alex
Thursday 5	11.00 am	Low Mass <i>with social time</i>	Fr Alex
Friday 6	9.30 am	Playtime	
	12.30 pm	Organ Recital	
	2.00 pm	Funeral of Marie Anson	Fr Alex
	6.30 pm	Junior singers rehearsal	
	7.45 pm	Choir rehearsal	
Saturday 7	7.00 pm	Ille Litui Olicanae concert	
Sunday 8	8.00 am	Low Mass	Fr Alex
<i>Day of Pentecost</i>	9.15 am	Family Mass	Fr Alex
	10.45 am	Sung Mass	Fr Alex (H: Revd Isobel)
	6.30 pm	Choral Evensong at St Michael's, Headingley	

Marie Anson RIP

It is with great sadness that we share news of the death of Marie Anson on Tuesday morning, after a short illness. Marie and her late husband Bryan were a huge part of the life of St Margaret's over many years, and she will be greatly missed. Please pray for Marie and for her family. Marie's funeral will take place in church on Friday 6 June at 2.00 pm, followed by refreshments in the hall.

CHURCH NOTICES

A thank you to St Margaret's

From the late Andrew Wagstaff's brother Michael, his sister Christine and his niece Morgan, and from me too, a heartfelt thank you to everyone at St Margaret's who prepared for and attended the Requiem Mass on 15th May; and for the kind welcome extended to Andrew's friends who had travelled to Ilkley.

The day showed me once again why St Margaret's became so dear to Andrew over the last phase of his life. The liturgy contained all that he would have thought necessary: words to express our sorrow; reason for hope; and above all, praise of God our creator and redeemer. And the whole thing rounded off with jaunty French organ music in questionable taste, and irresistible cake at the buffet.

Andrew's ashes will be interred with those of his parents in the Derbyshire village of Dale Abbey, where they had their home in his early childhood. May he rest in peace. *Stephen Brown.*

(Fr Alex's homily is available to read on the church website.)

Cake Sale – thank you

Thank you to all those involved in the baking and buying of delicious cakes at the recent cake sale, which has a total of £125.40 in support of St Margaret's Development Fund.

Donations of furniture needed, please

Our new curate is soon to move into the parish and is in need of various items of furniture for the house. If anyone has anything they no longer need that they would be willing to donate, please be in touch with Fr Alex or the Wardens, and we will be able to let you know if it is suitable. We are looking particularly for: dining table and chairs, bookcases, armchairs and sofa / sofa bed, bedside tables, coffee table, desk, wardrobe, chest of drawers, ironing board. Thank you.

The Ascension Day

Thursday 29 May

Please join us for this great feast, as the Easter season nears its end. Morning Prayer is at 9.00 am. Masses are at 11.00 am (followed by social time in the hall) and 7.30 pm (followed by wine at the back of the church).

Organ Recital

Friday 6 June, 12.30 pm

This is an unusual recital; a large collection of hymn tune pieces which I wrote in 2007–8. Several are very simple, and the pieces are based on a variety of hymns from all seasons of the church's year. Two hymns are subjected to sets of variations (10 on 'O worship the Lord' for Epiphany, and 6 on 'Bright the vision' – one for each verse.) The programme tells you where to find the hymns and their melodies in the hymn books in the pews, so you can follow them as you listen!

Christopher.

Special Services in June – dates for the diary

Next month brings a host of important celebrations in the life of our church, and it would be wonderful to celebrate them with great joy and in great numbers.

Sunday 8 June, 6.30 pm – Choral Evensong at St Michael's, Headingley

The choirs of our two churches join together for Fr Josh Peckett's final service at Headingley – all are welcome to attend.

Thursday 19 June, 7.30 pm – Sung Mass for Corpus Christi

With guest preacher Fr Paul Wheelhouse, former curate of St Margaret's, and visitors from his parish in Bierley.

Sunday 22 June, 10.45 am – Sung Mass with Confirmations

We welcome Bishop Toby to confirm adults from our church community.

Sunday 29 June – Fr Marc's first Sunday in Ilkley

We welcome our new curate, with a celebration after the 10.45 am Mass.

Works in the garden and in church

Work in the churchyard continues for the next couple of weeks, and in June we will begin the renewal of the lighting system in church. This will necessitate the closing of the church through the week, except for our regular services. We will share more details next week.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

'The Trumpets shall Sound' – Concert by Ille Litui Olicanae

Saturday 7 June, 7.00 pm (at St Margaret's)

The largest gathering of Trumpets possibly ever, in Ilkley! A great selection of music written for groups of up to 8 trumpets will be performed, with music for voice, organ and timpani. Profits will be donated to St Margaret's. Music written for eight trumpets is comparatively rare, and as a result, concerts for eight trumpets are rare, too! A concert like this has not been seen in Ilkley for over 15 years, and possibly a lot longer. Take a chance, and hear music performed that you may never hear again!

Tickets: adults £12, concessions £8.00, from www.eventbrite.co.uk (search for 'trumpets Ilkley') and available on the door. See Geoff Cloke for more details.

Concert by Ars Musica

Saturday 28 June, 7.30 pm (at St Margaret's)

An *a capella* concert by Ars Musica Male Voice Choir from Germany in aid of Ilkley charities working with children. This 40-strong choir will perform sacred and secular music from Europe and around the world. Artistic director Maik Gruchenberg will also play organ works from various eras. Interval refreshments. Tickets £10. For tickets email petermate2@gmail.com or go to <https://www.rotary-ribi.org/clubs/page.php?PgID=973326&ClubID=1826>

8.00 am – LOW MASS

COLLECT

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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.**

READING **Acts 16. 9 – 15**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

PSALM 67

God be gracious to us and bless us

and make his face to shine upon us,

**That your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad,

for you will judge the peoples righteously and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

**Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
and God, our own God, will bless us.**

God will bless us,

and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

GOSPEL READING John 5. 1 – 18

There was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralysed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, ‘Do you want to be made well?’ The sick man answered him, ‘Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Stand up, take your mat and walk.’ At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who had been cured, ‘It is the sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your mat.’ But he answered them, ‘The man who made me well said to me, “Take up your mat and walk.”’ They asked him, ‘Who is the man who said to you, “Take it up and walk”?’ Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared in the crowd that was there. Later Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, ‘See, you have been made well! Do not sin any more, so that nothing worse happens to you.’ The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. Therefore the Jews started persecuting Jesus, because he was doing such things on the sabbath. But Jesus answered them, ‘My Father is still working, and I also am working.’ For this reason the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because he was not only breaking the sabbath, but was also calling God his own Father, thereby making himself equal to God.

POST COMMUNION

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

6.30 pm – CHORAL EVENSONG

HYMN 101 (ii) *The Lamb’s high banquet we await*

PSALMS 126, 127

READING **Zephaniah 3. 14 – end**

A reading from the prophecy of Zephaniah.

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will

change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

Here ends the first reading.

CANTICLES *Charles Villiers Stanford in B flat*

READING **Matthew 28. 1 – 10, 16 – 20**

A reading from the Gospel of St Matthew.

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Here ends the second reading.

COLLECT

O Lord, from whom all good things do come; grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

ANTHEM *Herbert Howells: O pray for the peace of Jerusalem*

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls : and plenteousness within thy palaces. (*Psalm 122. 6, 7*)

HYMN 102 *A brighter dawn is breaking*

HYMN 394 *Let all the world in every corner sing*

ORGAN *William Matthias: Chorale*

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