**CHURCH SERVICES**

**Sundays**

8.15am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

10.15am Family Communion (Common Worship) - with Sunday Club and Crèche (followed by tea or coffee fellowship)

6.00pm Evensong

**Healing**

A Healing Service will be held on the 1st Sunday of each month during the 8.15am communion service and also at 10.15am.

**Baptisms**

Baptisms will take place (by prior arrangement) at 12 noon, second and forth Sunday of every month. The November service is held on the third Sunday only To arrange a Baptism see Mr. Keith Houghton MBE after the 10:15 am service (approx 11:30am) ( 01942 797838).

There will be no Baptisms in Lent.

**Arrangements for Weddings**

For weddings, parishioners should see Rev. Martin Cox at the Vicarage. Please telephone and make an appointment in advance (01942 883313) .

**Pastoral Needs and Visits**

Parishioners with pastoral needs (requests for counselling, personal problems or advising of illness) or any request of an urgent nature should contact the vicarage direct on telephone 01942 883313.

Housebound sick communions can also be undertaken and any parishioner not presently on the sick communion list, who wishes to be considered to receive such a visit, should advise clergy accordingly.

***Martin, our Team Rector, has a rest day towards the end of each week. Please make contact with him as you need to on 01942 883313 and he will respond to you as speedily as he can.***

**St. George’s Church**

We now have a website for you to use, with lots of up to date and interesting information. We welcome your feedback.

http://www.tyldesleystgeorge.co.uk

**The Parish Church of**

**St. George, Tyldesley.**

**August 2017**



Parish News

**OFFICIALS**

**Team Rector: Rev. Martin B Cox**

7 Holbeck Astley M29 7NL

***01942 883313***

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St. John’s Vicarage, Mosley Common

 ***0161 790 2957***

**Ordained Local Rev. Angela J Dand**

**Minister: *01942 879608***

**Ordained Pioneer Rev. Jan Harney**

**Minister: *01942 671481***

**Reader : Mr. David Kerfoot**

 ***01942 870736***

**Churchwarden: Mrs. Kathleen Topping**

 ***01942 884746***

**Treasurer Mr. Jonathan Jones**

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**“Together in worship, love and service”**

**August Edition 2017**

Dear friends

As I write this reflection for our August diary, I do so on a warm balmy evening. Already I feel a sense of “slowing down.” For years I have regarded August as a holiday month when not much happens. Schools close their doors on another school year and in many churches, organisations such as Scouts, Brownies, Mothers’ Union and even Sunday School or Junior Church have a break and many go on holiday.

However, the summer months are not a relaxing time for many Christian volunteers, many of whom are students giving up their own holidays to help run beach missions in holiday resorts around our coast.

This summer the good news of Jesus will be shared with children and young people all over England and Wales at Scripture Union holidays and beach missions. For many of the children and young people these volunteers work with, it will be their first encounter with the gospel message because few of them will have ever been to church and so the role of the volunteers is such an important ministry.

Many other Christian groups are similarly at work over the holiday period.

For families, Scargill House, situated as we know amidst beautiful countryside, each year holds a number of “Summerfests” during August. They offer a packed programme with a rich mix of teaching and worship and fun. These “summerfests” feature a variety of visiting artists, concerts, youth and children’s work, creative workshops, bible teaching, chat shows, late night extras, chapel services and outdoor activities in their lovely grounds.

To meet the needs and budgets of all, they offer accommodation in the house on a half board basis or camping in the grounds (you can even take your own tent!) with a choice of half board or self-catering, and for those of us who have experienced the hospitality and fun of Scargill know well that those families will return home refreshed in body, mind and spirit.

May we uphold in our prayers, the staff and young volunteers from around the world who give up a year or two of their lives to serve God in this way at Scargill as well as the volunteers helping on the Scripture Union beach missions this month that many families and young people will respond and experience the love of God in a new way.

Best wishes Jean.

**From the Registers June 2017**

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| **Date Service Communicants Children Adults**

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| 4th  | Holy Communion | 5  |   | 5  |
|   | Sung Eucharist | 33  |  1 | 35  |
|   | Evening Prayer |   |   | 3  |
| 5th  | Funeral |   |   |   |
| 6th  | Daily Prayer  |   |   |   |
| 9th  | Team Prayers |   |   | 3 |
|  10th  | Wedding |   | 10  | 150  |
| 11th  | Holy Communion | 6 |   | 8 |
|   | Sung Eucharist | 37 | 2 | 36 |
|   | Evening Prayer |   |   | 1 |
| 16th  | Team Prayers  |   |   | 5 |
| 17th  | Wedding |   | 15  | 56 |
| 18th  | Holy Communion | 7 |   | 7 |
|   | Worship Together | 40 | 3  | 39 |
|   | Evening Prayer  |   |   | 3  |
| 25th  | Holy Communion | 7  |  | 7  |
|   | Sung Eucharist | 29 |   | 30 |
|  | Holy Baptism |   | 12  | 69 |
|   | Evening Prayer |   |  | 3 |
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**Collection Totals June2017**

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| **Cash Cash GA Planned Giving GA Planned giving**£229.64 £0.00 £650.00 £388.41**Regular anonymous gift to the Restoration Fund** £10-00 / per week**Donations** £00.00 **Organ** £00.00 **Com. Fund** £16.00 |



**August Flower List**

"We thank the following members of the congregation for Altar flowers in August"

 6th August. Daughters of the late Charles G Baker

 13th August. Mr & Mrs J Fearick

 20th August. Mrs Margaret Hook

 27th August. The Family of Mrs Broad

 On 3rd July we would like to thank Alf, David and Marion for Altar flowers in Loving Memory of a dear wife , mother and sister, Annie Osborne.

Thank you to Mrs Margaret West for flowers with " Loving Birthday Memories" of her dear son Ian on 16th July.

 Our thanks to the family of Mrs Florence Holtom for additional flowers in her Loving Memory on 23rd July. A wonderful mum and a devoted Nana..

Our thanks as always to Mrs Jean Howarth and Mr Keith Houghton for their kind donation to the church flower fund.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Flower fund during July. L.F

**Consolation**

To the family of

Peter Kinsella

*May he rest in peace and rise in glory*

**Welcome to the Family**

Isla Rae Pinnington

Mason Adrian Ferris

Ella Kate Davies

Jack Thomas Doncaster

Darcie-Rose Costa

Zara Bibey

Maisie Bibey

Ronny-Barry Bibey

*Newly Baptised*

**MAKING ST.GEORGE’S A PLACE OF WELCOME.**

At the last meeting of our PCC, we considered your responses to my presentation in February. And we have now agreed on our first new initiative, based on your proposals, and it is to make St.George’s a ‘Place of Welcome’.

This will involve opening our church building for a few hours on the same day each week every week to offer an unconditional welcome to any local people who might wish to drop in. The resources we will need are some volunteers willing to chat with people, to provide them with a free cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit, and some leaflets on where people can get advice and help on some basic community problems. And where we go from there is up to us. People could light a candle for someone, for example, if they wished to, or we might be able, with the support of ‘Fur Clempt’ to have a modest food boutique. In short, it is something that we can set up with limited resources and develop over time. Provided, of course we have sufficient volunteers to get it up and running.

It has been said to me on numerous occasions over the years it would be good if our church building were open not simply for services but at other times too. And making St.George’s a place of welcome, gives us that opportunity. If you would like to help with this in some way, or simply would wish to find out more, please have a word with me as soon as possible, as we would hope to make a start in early September. Please do support this important new initiative if you can; your help, as always, would be much appreciated.

David

**Being an Anglican**

The Scriptures and the Gospels, the Apostolic Church and the early Church Fathers, are the foundation of Anglican faith and worship in the 44 self-governing churches that make up the [Anglican Communion](http://www.anglicancommunion.org/).

The Church of England is part of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. It worships the one true God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

It professes the faith that is uniquely revealed in the Bible and set forth in the Catholic Creeds (the statements of faith developed in the Early Church that are still used in the Church's worship today). The Church is called to proclaim that faith afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, the Church of England bore witness to Christian truth in historic texts that were developed in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries: the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer and the Ordinal (services for ordaining bishops, priests and deacons).

The bishops, priests and deacons of the Church of England and also some laypeople (Readers and certain lay officers) are required to declare their loyalty to this inheritance of faith as their 'inspiration and guidance under God in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making Him known to those in [their] care'. They do so by making a Declaration of Assent. The version for bishops, priests and deacons reads:

"I, [name], do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith
which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic
creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of
England bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the
sacraments, I will use only the forms of service which are authorized
or allowed by Canon."

The Declaration and its Preface (on which the text on this page is based) are set out in [Canon C 15](https://www.churchofengland.org/media/35588/complete.pdf) of the Canons of the Church of England. They are also printed in Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England ([page xi](http://www.chpublishing.co.uk/product.asp?id=6754)).