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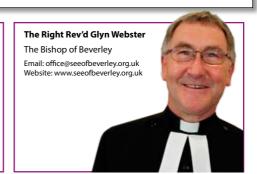
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# Old Story, New Hope

Each year we hear again the ancient Christmas story. Each year we retell the astonishing entrance that God made into our broken world and we are moved by God's capacity to surprise us with love.

The Christmas story we hear each year is the same, but we are different. Our world is different. Our memories have grown, our hopes have been tested and our love has been called on in new ways. But no matter what changes we have undergone, what losses we have mourned, the Christmas story speaks to us again of new birth and the possibility of our own rebirth. It tells us that things can be different; it gives substance to our hope that new life is possible because of the birth of the Son of God.

The birth of every child is a gift of life. God's original blessing is the gift of life: in a baby we can see the blessing of God. A child, who did not request life, receives the gift of beginning, grows to crave life, fight for life and struggles to preserve life. To be born is to be gifted by a God who is Life itself, and that is why reverence for human life is reverence for the God of Life.

The birth of every child is a small protest against the tired view that there is nothing new under the sun and that we are condemned to a future which only repeats the stupidities of the past. And the birth of Jesus is God's protest against letting things be, abandoning people to their own devices, leaving people to fall back on the poverty of their own resources. Jesus is the help of God among us; he is the one Word on God's telegram of hope.

With the birth of Jesus a new adventure in faith begins. A new approach to God is opened up for us and a new way of relating to each other is asked of us because that child becomes for all of us the Way, the Truth and the Life.





#### **Come to Church at Christmass**

#### Monday 24th December at 11.45 pm

**Christmass Eve:** Procession, Blessing of the Crib and First Mass of Christmass Celebrant: Father Tony Mills SSC

(Confessions at 11.15 pm)



**Christmass Day:** Mass of the Day (followed by sherry and mince pies)

Celebrant: Father Liam Beadle Evensong at the Crib: **4 pm** 

#### Wednesday 26th December at 9 am

S. Stephen, Protomartyr: Mass (NO MASS AT 7.30 PM)

Celebrant: Father Liam Beadle

#### Sunday 30th December at 10.45 am

**Christmass 1:** Solemn Sung Mass Celebrant: Father Richard Lindsay Evensong at the Crib: **4 pm** 

# Wednesday 2nd January 2019 at 7.30 pm

Ss Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen Bb Dd: Mass

Celebrant: Father Gordon Newton SSC

#### Sunday 6th January 2019 at 10.45 am

The Epiphany: Procession, Blessing of Chalk and Solemn Sung Mass

Celebrant: Father Tony Mills SSC

Evensong at 6.30 pm

## Saturday 2nd February 2019 at 12 noon

**Candlemass:** Blessing and Procession of Candles and Solemn Sung Mass

Celebrant: Father Liam Beadle A Reception follows the Mass





# S. Andrew's Day 2018

Here are a few of us celebrating on Friday 30th November. Cheers!



# **Epiphany Lunch Reminder**

This will be on Sunday, 6th January at the New Beehive in Westgate by kind invitation of Christina. (Assemble at 1pm to sit down at 1.30 pm.) The cost is £10 and includes a glass of wine or beer. Please sign the list in church if you wish to attend. Full details of the menu appear on the list.

### **Card and Candle Fund**

Thank you to everyone who bought Advent calendars and cards from the stall. The account for the year is now being prepared and we hope to publish it in the February edition of the Journal.

#### **Flowers**

Thank you very much for all donations received towards the Christmas flowers.

# **Journal Subscriptions**

These are now due for the year ahead. The rates remain the same: £6.00 for the year and £12.00 by post. If you do not wish to pay for the postal copy of the Journal, an electronic version comprising the magazine and events sheet only is available free of charge. If you change your preference please let the Editor know at woodpecker6666@ hotmail.com (or at the address inside the front cover) so that we can save costs. To receive the online version of the Journal please contact Steve Gardner at stevegardner780@gmail.com

# **Preparations for Christmas in Yorkshire**



#### **Otley Victorian Fayre on 2nd December**

There was something for all the family to enjoy in Otley on Advent Sunday. We thank reader and friend of S. Chad's, Sue Curtis, for sending us these happy pictures.







#### **Halifax Piece Hall**

The re-opening of the 1779 Halifax Piece Hall was put back several times after renovations were begun in 2014. It finally reopened on 1st August, Yorkshire Day, in 2017. The hall boasts new shops, cafes and offices together with decorative steps and a watercourse. This year it was the site of the Christmas Market from 30th November until 2nd December.







#### **Ecumenical Service for Advent**

S. Chad's was well represented at First Martyrs' RC Church in Heights Lane for the Advent Service on 13th December. This was organized by Girlington, Heaton and Manningham Churches Together.



# **Broughton Hall, Skipton**

Latin Mass is said daily at the Chapel of the Sacred Heart at Broughton Hall. (Readers may remember that the chapel was one of the church buildings featured in September's 'Ride and Stride'.) Parking and entering on the first Saturday in December proved far from simple. Not only was it pouring with rain but an elegant vintage car blocked the entrance to the chapel courtyard where worshippers usually park with ease. Vehicles were directed up a lane to another car park which gave everyone a chance to see other buildings on the estate but it meant a quick scamper through the puddles to arrive at church in time. This was the last day of several weeks' filming for a vintage drama. If you watched 'Victoria' you may have spotted that Broughton Hall was one of the locations used. The hall was also used to film some scenes in 'Wuthering Heights'.





Broughton Hall sits in 3,000 acres and has been inhabited by members of the Tempest family from the 11th century. It continues as their family home today but is also the site of several businesses and enterprises.





The film company's bus

After all that rain, the cosy teashop at Gargrave seemed a sensible option. Here it is in festive guise.

Day Rover

# A Song in my Heart

The fullness of joy is well expressed in the phrase 'Heaven on earth'. That's what Christmass is all about, for, as the Welsh carol has it: 'Love came down at Christmass.' In truth we are absolutely inadequate to do justice musically to this lovely season, so we simply try to echo the song of the angels: 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.' We mentioned the hymn writer Richard Baxter a couple of months ago. He expressed our dilemma perfectly in his hymn beginning: 'Ye holy angels bright'. He wrote: 'Assist our song or else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.'

Carols, although appropriate to various times in the year, most easily spring to mind at Christmass and are not only meant for singing but for dancing! On the first Saturday of December, a little later than 'Strictly Come Dancing', Darcey Bussell headed a programme entitled, 'Dancing to Happiness' which illustrated how dancing can improve the quality of people's lives. 'Say no more', as Eric Morecambe would have said. The coming of Christ into the world in our flesh not only improves but transforms our nature. The illustration in a S. Chad's altar missal for the season has angels and shepherds dancing together above the scene of Our Lord's Nativity. We are invited to share the jubilation. We may not be driven exactly to frolic but the heart gladdens and skips with the rhythm of the music of the season. For examples in The English Hymnal just think of 'Who is this in yonder stall......' (612) and you will get the idea. There are many more in the specific carol books. Again, there are carols and there are Christmass hymns but a hymn equally might be set to a carol tune. At New Year, 'Another year is dawning' (EH 285), is set to the tune of the Cherry Tree Carol.

Christmass is not only a time for rejoicing but for the beauty of quiet contemplation. Just as Mary gazed on the infant Saviour in awe and wonderment, 'pondering all these things in her heart' (S. Luke 2:51) we can rest in our mind with her while listening to those carols which constitute a lullaby such as 'Little Jesus, sweetly sleep....' There are those occasions at S. Chad's which make Christmass special for us, especially Evensong on Christmass Day when a little group gathers at 4 o'clock by the Crib. We sing the fifth century office hymn (EH18) to the quiet, lilting modern tune 'Rouen' in place of the plainsong melody. Verse 6 encapsulates the essence of the occasion:

And while the angels in the sky Sing praise above the silent field, To shepherds poor the Lord most high, The one great Shepherd, was revealed.

The Psalmist bids us 'Sing praises with understanding'. In response we ask, in the words of the General Thanksgiving: 'and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives...' Let us pray that this Christmass does not leave us untouched by familiar words sung again, but enriched by the love of God imprinted more deeply than ever before.

# **Reaching Out**

#### **USPG**

Last month's envelope collection yielded £70 for Churches and Hospitals in Malawi. £45 of this amount was enhanced by Gift Aid. We thank the five people who contributed.

USPG

Donations through the envelope scheme in 2018 were £962 (gift aided: £678) averaging just over £80 per month. These figures are down on last year: £1,146 (gift aided: £849) with a monthly average of £95.50. These amounts do not include any donations sent direct to USPG on behalf of S. Chad's which will be added to our total by USPG. Envelope packs for the first six months of 2019 will be available soon.

# Parish Larder

Thank you to those who continue to contribute towards the Parish Larder. Please keep up your support during the colder weather.

# The Children's Society

Please hand in your collecting boxes to Ann during January so that they can be emptied. Thank you.

Mary and Andrew invite you to their Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall on Saturday 19th January 2019 from 10 am until 12 noon Bring and Buy, Raffle, 'Make Us an Offer' Stall Coffee or Tea and Biscuits
Jacket Potatoes with Salad and Various Fillings available from 11.30 am
Please come along and bring your friends



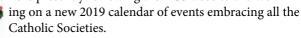
#### **Church Union News**

The Church Union has appointed Father Adam Edwards as Director of Communications. Father Adam worked formerly for the National Trust encour-



aging involvement among the membership. As Director his aim is to open up lines of communication within our constituency and throughout the Church as a whole. Father Adam has been added to the list of diocesan communicators via the Director of Communications for the Church of England to ensure more effective dialogue with the Church as a whole.

To date Father Adam has reviewed the Church Union website for up to date content. CU now has a Twitter account. He is presently reviewing the ACS website and work-



In his editorship of 'Together' Father Adam will make sure that the newspaper is not covering the same items as 'New Directions' or, if there is overlap, to make sure that the coverage is complementary. Father Adam will draw the publications together and take views from the constituency to find out what readers want to see. He will encourage more laity to produce articles.

The Church Union (Bradford Branch) meets in our Parish Hall on Saturday, 12th January 2019 for its Convivial Morning from 10 am (AGM from 12.30 am)



## RIP - Father Rodney Marshall SSC 1946-2018

Father Rodney died on Tuesday, 11th December after a short illness. He served S. Helen's Athersley and S. John's Carlton in the Barnsley area for twenty years. Father Rodney, originally from Manchester, trained as an electrical engineer. He was ordained in 1976 and ministered at churches in the Manchester district before moving to Goldthorpe in 1982. He leaves two sons.

Father Rodney was a great encourager to parishes such as ours. He covered a Sunday Mass at S. Chad's in the summer and was booked to celebrate the Requiem on 17th November but was too ill to travel. We thank God for his faithfulness and extend our sympathy to his family and friends.

# The Story of the Poinsettia

Poinsettias are popular Christmas plants with their red bracts which look like flowers. They are named after Dr Joel Roberts Poinsett, the first USA ambassador to Mexico who took plants back to his home in South Carolina to grow in his garden. The Mexican people call it 'flower of the holy night' because of its star-like shape. There are many legends about the plant. Here is one of them:

A young MEXICAN girl wanted to VISIT the MANGER scene at the VILLAGE church. It was CUSTOMARY to take a gift to the BABY Jesus and, as she was POOR, she had NOTHING to take, so she sat OUTSIDE crying. Suddenly a FIGURE appeared and told her to PICK some nearby WEEDS to take as a gift. The STRANGER said the GIFT itself was not as important as the love with which it was given. As THE GIRL walked towards the church with the weeds people LAUGHED at her, but they stopped when the GREEN LEAVES began to change into BRIGHT RED FLOWERS. The girl ran, SMILING, to the CRIB to present the flowers to the baby JESUS.

Can you find the words in CAPITALS in the wordsearch grid?



The Sunday School wishes all our friends and supporters a Happy and Blessed Christmas. We thank Barbara for this charming story and for another year of faithfulness in producing a page for the Journal each month.



12th December is National Poinsettia Day



#### A New Year's Resolution

There is only one resolution needful for the Christian and that is to love God more. If we do this our other relationships will fall into place.

The article below, supplied by Father Richard Lindsay, suggests how we might proceed in our relationship with God. It has been edited for the purposes of this Journal.

#### **Absence Makes Your Heart Grow Colder**

If you find yourself missing the Eucharist (the Mass) on Sunday or other main Holy Day for no good reason, making excuses to yourself and others for your absence, and becoming annoyed when your absence is mentioned by a priest or another fellow-Christian, then think carefully about your friendship with Jesus.

Your absence, in spite of your excuses, may be a sign that your love for Jesus is growing cold, that you are letting other things take His rightful place in your life and that you have a conscience which needs God's forgiveness and healing. Your unnecessary absence makes your heart cold and hard toward Jesus. He said, 'If ye love me keep my commandments'.

If you love Jesus, then nothing except serious illness, or some other major cause, will ever keep you away from your meeting with Him at His Eucharist on all Sundays and other main Holy Days. If the weather is good or indifferent, if you are tired out, full of life or bored, if it is inconvenient as well as when it is not, if you feel like it or not, you will be there at the Eucharist, without fail, to meet Jesus.

The Eucharist is the service which offers to God what our Saviour commanded us to do. It is therefore far more important than any other church service; it is the centre of our Christian life. He instituted the Eucharist at His Last Supper with His friends on the night before He died on the Cross and commanded them: 'Do this in remembrance of me.'

#### **Table of Moveable Feasts 2019**

In line with tradition we announce, on the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord, the moveable feasts for the year ahead:

The Baptism of Our Lord - 13th January

Septuagesima - 17th February

Ash Wednesday - 6th March

Easter Sunday - 21st April

Ascension Day - 30th May

Whitsunday - 9th June

Corpus Christi - 20th June

Advent Sunday - 1st December

Ash Wednesday is a Holy Day of Obligation

## January • The Month at S. Chad's

#### Kalendar

- 1 Octave Day of Christmass The Circumcision (BCP) Mary Mother of God
- 2 Ss Basil the Great BCD & Gregory Nazianzen BCD World Peace Day
- 3 The Holy Name of Jesus
- 5 Vigil of the Epiphany
- 6 Epiphany of Our Lord
- 7 S. Raymond of Penyafort C
- 12 S. Aelred of Rievaulx Abbot
- 13 **Baptism of Our Lord** (1st Week of the Year)
- 17 S. Antony Ab
- 18 Chair of S. Peter Ap
  Start of Week of Prayer for
  Christian Unity
- 19 S Wulfstan B
- 20 **Epiphany 2** (2nd Sunday of the Year)
- 21 S. Agnes VM
- 22 S. Vincent Deacon M.
- 24 S. Francis de Sales BCD
- Conversion of S. Paul ApWeek of Prayer forChristian Unity ends
- 26 Ss Timothy & Titus Bb
- 27 **Epiphany 3** (3rd Sunday of the Year)
- 28 S. Thomas Aquinas CD
- 30 Bl. Charles KM
- 31 S. John Bosco C





#### **Special Services**

(No Mass at S. Chad's on 1st January)

Wednesday 2nd at 7.30 pm

Mass of Ss Basil the Great BCD & Gregory Nazianzen BCD

Friday 4th at 7 pm

**The Rosary** 

Sunday 6th at 11.45 am

The Epiphany of Our Lord Procession, Blessing of Chalk and Solemn Sung Mass

Wednesday 9th at 7.30 pm

Monthly Requiem

Sunday 13th at 10.45 am
The Baptism of Our Lord
Solemn Sung Mass
(Evensong at 6.30 pm)

Wednesday 16th at 7.30 pm
Feria (of Epiphany 1)
with Guild Prayers for the Sick

Friday 18th at 7 pm

**Holy Hour** 

Wednesday 23rd at 7.30 pm

**Votive Mass for the Ending of Schism** 

Wednesday 30th at 7.30 pm
Mass of Bl. Charles KM

NR.

Saturday 2nd February at 12 noon

Candlemass

Blessing and Procession of Candles and Solemn Sung Mass

**Advance Notice:** 

2nd March at 12 noon

S. Chad's Day

Solemn Sung Mass for our Patronal Feast



# Year's Mind for January

| Yea | r's Mind for January                 |        |
|-----|--------------------------------------|--------|
| 1   | Nora Tait                            | 2001   |
| 2   | Sybil Brook                          | 2001   |
|     | Álous Kopinshek                      | 2001   |
| 3   | John Pickles                         | 1998   |
| 4   | Beatrice Craggs                      | 1947   |
|     | Sarah Throp                          | 1948   |
|     | Hardy Jenkinson                      | 1971   |
|     | Abraham Huggert                      | 1981   |
| 5   | James Oliver Knowles Priest          | 1974   |
| 6   | Harry Longcake                       | 2003   |
| 7   | Dorothy Ward                         | 1960   |
| 8   | William Holgate                      | 1949   |
|     | Gertrude Mitchell                    | 1961   |
|     | Doris Grace Greenley                 | 1975   |
|     | Margaret Jean Lancaster              | 2018   |
| 9   | Leslie Arliss                        | 1981   |
|     | Robert West                          | 2018   |
| 11  | Therasa Edmonds*                     |        |
| 12  | Patricia Green                       | 1997   |
| 14  | Clifford Henry Porter                |        |
|     | Frank Hook*                          | 1977   |
|     | Beatrice Mary Smith*                 |        |
| 15  | Geoffrey Arthur Kirby                | 1977   |
| 16  | Edna Blamires*                       | 2004   |
| 17  | Stanley James Eastmead <i>Priest</i> | 1954   |
| 18  | Rennie Simpson <i>Priest</i>         | 1997   |
| 20  | Maurice Hudson                       | 1918   |
|     | William Ward                         | 1942 * |
| 21  | Alice Fergusson                      | 1981   |
|     | William Samson Doble                 |        |
| 22  | Rhoda Brown                          | 1890   |
|     | Oliver Drummond Mills                | 2018   |
| 24  | Clara Watson                         | 1945   |
|     | Margery Ackroyd*                     | 1991   |
|     | Bessie Penrose                       | 2015   |
| 25  | Harry Godfrey*                       |        |
|     | Lily Doble                           | 1966   |
|     | Herbert Malcolm Pearce Priest        |        |
| 26  | Dorothy Wilcox*                      | 1988   |
|     | Edward Valentine                     | 100=   |
|     | Litton-Evans                         | 1997   |
|     | Jean Aileen Gadsden                  | 2017   |

| 27                                | Frank Briggs               | 1937 |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------|--|
|                                   | Alfred William Le Riche    | 1976 |  |
|                                   | Eunice Binns               | 1994 |  |
| 28                                | John Booth                 | 1953 |  |
|                                   | Alan Kitchen Priest*       | 2002 |  |
| 29                                | Henry Cullingworth*        | 1940 |  |
|                                   | Jane White                 | 1947 |  |
|                                   | Alfred Brown               | 1955 |  |
| 30                                | Leonard James Baker Priest | 1968 |  |
|                                   | Florence Evelyn May Brook  | 1984 |  |
| 31                                | Jack Egarr                 | 1942 |  |
| * S. Mary Magdalene's Year's Mind |                            |      |  |
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# **Weekly Communion Figures**

WB 7th Oct. 37
WB 14th Oct. 22
WB 21st Oct. 29
WB 28th Oct. 55
WB 4th Nov. 43;
WB 11th Nov 54;
WB 18th Nov 38:
WB 25th Nov 43



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