

# Seacroft Churches

*Putting heart and soul into LS14*

## The Week Ahead ~ 21st Oct

9.30am	<b>ALL TOGETHER SERVICE</b> - with Holy communion for all ages St J's <i>with refreshments</i>	
10am	<b>Holy Communion St R's</b> <i>Followed by refreshments</i> (Please note there's a party booking from 12.30-8pm, preparing downstairs from 10am.)	
<b>MONDAY</b>	9.30am Team prayers at St Luke's Church - <i>praying and planning together</i>	St L's
	11am <b>PLACE OF WELCOME CAFÉ</b> - <i>drop by and make new friends</i>	ST J'S
	2.20pm St Paul's school assembly	St P's
	7pm Bell ringing practice— why not join the team?	St J's
	7.30pm BIBLE STUDY group (lifts from Kate)	Steve/Enid's
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>FOOD SUPPORT DAY</b>	St R's
	9.30 Food Support Prayers	
	11.30am-2pm Tea & Toast Café	
	12pm-2pm Foodbank and Parish Larder	
	4-6pm <b>THE FEAST—for families</b>	St R's
	7.30pm Bible Study (lifts available from Tracey)	St R's Vicarage
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10am Ladies Group	St J's
	10.30am <b>MID-WEEK COMMUNION</b>	St J's
	1pm Little Angels	St J's
	1pm Ladies Group (Crypt)	St R's
	6pm Wedding rehearsal	St J's
<b>THURSDAY</b>	11.30– 1.30 <b>THE PLACE OF WELCOME CAFÉ</b>	St R's
	2pm Hilary's Care Service	Woodview
	2.30pm Archdeacon's Visits St R's	St R's
	6.15pm Cubs and Scouts	St R's
	6pm Narcotics Anonymous in the Crypt	St R's
<b>FRIDAY</b>	8am Prayer meeting	Bishop Young Academy
	12.30pm Funeral of baby Evelyn Grace	st J's
	4-6pm Youth Club (younger one)	St R's
	7pm-8.15pm (older one)	St R's
<b>SATURDAY</b>	10am Planting and gardening—all welcome	St R's
	10.30am Narcotics Anonymous family welcome group	St R's
	All day—Narcotics Anonymous Celebration Day	St R's
	2pm Wedding	St J's

**SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER—CLOCKS FALL BACK AN HOUR.**  
4PM IN LOVING MEMORY—Please invite friends and family.



## Everyone's Welcome!

**If you're a newcomer today we are very glad you've joined us for worship. Please stay for refreshments after our services say hello!**

**Please pray**  
*...for all grieving the recent loss of loved ones, thinking of those we know. We pray for those coming to the*  
**IN LOVING MEMORY Service.**

## Future dates

**IN LOVING MEMORY SERVICE, SUN 29 OCT 4PM St J's.**  
*Everyone is welcome, whether you are recently bereaved or lost a loved one many years ago. If you would like a name to be read out please let us know before the service. Please write their names of the sheet at the back of church at St J's or let one of the ministry know.*

## PUMPKIN PARTY at The Feast TUES 31 OCT

**4-6PM @ St R's**  
- competition for carved or decorated pumpkins (children and grown-ups welcome to enter).

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Instagram: seacroftvicar**

# Readings & Prayers

## SPECIAL PRAYERS (COLLECTS) FOR TODAY:

### A Collect for Black History Month

**Compassionate God, who sent Jesus Christ to deliver us from all manner of injustices and inequalities, create in us new hearts and enlarged visions, to see the image of God in every person irrespective of background, race and ethnicity. May we be generous in our love of others as we work towards ending misunderstanding, racism and injustice; creating communities of human flourishing, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.**

OR

**God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. AMEN.**

## READINGS

### Psalm 96.1-9 [10-13]

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song; •  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- 2 Sing to the Lord and bless his name; •  
tell out his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations •  
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; •  
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the nations are but idols; •  
it is the Lord who made the heavens.
- 6 Honour and majesty are before him; •  
power and splendour are in his sanctuary.
- 7 Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; •  
ascribe to the Lord honour and strength.
- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; •  
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; •  
let the whole earth tremble before him.
- [10 Tell it out among the nations that the Lord is king. •  
He has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity.
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad; •  
let the sea thunder and all that is in it;
- 12 Let the fields be joyful and all that is in them; •  
let all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the Lord.
- 13 For he comes, he comes to judge the earth; •  
with righteousness he will judge the world  
and the peoples with his truth.

### 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,  
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and  
the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly<sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

### Gospel Reading *Matthew 22.15-22*

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. <sup>16</sup>So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?'<sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' <sup>21</sup>They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.'<sup>22</sup>When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

### Post Communion

God our Father, whose Son, the light unending, has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance: let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling; through Jesus Christ our Lord.. AMEN

