

Seacroft Church-



The week ahead ~ 8th Oct

Photos St Paul's School, The feast and Little Angels.

9.30am Holy communion at St J's
with Sunday club and refreshments
10am The Gathering at St R's
Followed by brunch
1-5pm Private Party at St R's.



MONDAY	9.30am Team prayers at St Luke's Church - praying and planning together 11am PLACE OF WELCOME CAFÉ - drop by and make new friends 1.30pm & 3pm Hilary's Care Services Recovery Hub and S'croft Grn 7pm Bell ringing practice— why not join the team? 7.30PM BIBLE STUDY group (lifts from Kate) Steve/Enid's - we're looking for new members so why not give it a try?	St L's ST J'S St J's
TUESDAY	FOOD SUPPORT DAY AT ST R'S 9.30 Food Support Prayers 11.30am-2pm Tea & Toast Café 12pm-2pm Foodbank and Parish Larder 4-6pm THE FEAST—for families 7 or 7.30pm Bible Study (lifts available from Tracey)	St R's St R's St R's Vicarage
WEDNESDAY	10am Ladies Group 10.30am MID-WEEK COMMUNION 1pm Little Angels 1pm Ladies Group (Crypt)	St J's St J's St J's St R's
THURSDAY	Clergy study day in Wakefield 10AM CRAFT & LUNCH - kneeler mending The Crypt, St R's 11.30-1.30 THE PLACE OF WELCOME CAFÉ St R's 2pm Hilary's Care Service Woodview 6.15pm Cubs and Scouts are back! New members welcome St R's 6pm Narcotics Anonymous in the Crypt St R's	
FRIDAY	4-6pm Youth Club (younger one) St R's 7pm-8.15pm (older one) St R's	
SATURDAY	10.30am Narcotics Anonymous family welcome group St R's 12-4pm Private party St R's BINGO and BUNS—don't miss the fun and the prizes St J'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 the worsening situation Palestine/ Israel.

We thank God for the life of Irene Downes, who has died at the age of 102. Her funeral will be at Stonefall Crem, Harrogate on Oct 12th at 1.40pm.

A BIG thank you to all those who helped at the harvest supper—great food and music and amazing competition entries!

FUTURE DATES:

BINGO & Buns
Sat 14 2-4pm St J's

IN LOVING MEMORY
SERVICE, SUN 29
OCT 4PM St J's

PUMPKIN PARTY
at The Feast
TUES 31 OCT 4-6PM
St R's

Next week's readings: Matt 22.1-14; Phil 4.1-9; Ps 23

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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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

or

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Psalm 80.9-17

- 9 You brought a vine out of Egypt; •
you drove out the nations and planted it.
10 You made room around it, •
and when it had taken root, it filled the land.
11 The hills were covered with its shadow •
and the cedars of God by its boughs.
12 It stretched out its branches to the Sea •
and its tendrils to the River.
13 Why then have you broken down its wall, •
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
14 The wild boar out of the wood tears it off, •
and all the insects of the field devour it.
15 Turn again, O God of hosts, •
look down from heaven and behold;
16 Cherish this vine which your right hand has planted, •
and the branch that you made so strong for yourself.
17 Let those who burnt it with fire, who cut it down, •
perish at the rebuke of your countenance.

Philippians 3.4b-14

⁴even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.
7 Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. **For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ⁹ and be found in him,** not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming

like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading—Matthew 21.33-end

³³ Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' ⁴¹They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.'

⁴² Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes"?

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.'

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. Amen