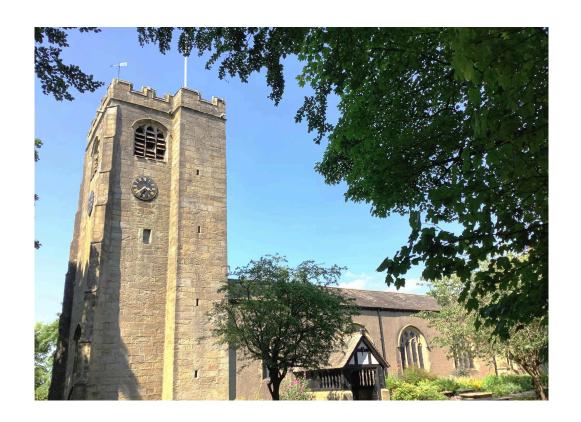




& ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



The Link

Sunday, 5th May, 2024
Sixth Sunday of Easter
2024 Easter Season Sermon Series - What can I give him?

St Mark's 9am - Holy Communion Service (Common Worship)
Holy Trinity 10.30am - Family Communion Service

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HYMNS (Ancient and Modern)

- **765** Praise to the Lord, the almighty
- **157** When I Survey the wondrous cross
- 787 Take my life and let it be
- 595 Be Thou my Vision

COLLECT:

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command to draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. **All: Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Today's reading is from St Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

2 Corinthians 9:6-12

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O lord.

Mark 12:41-44

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their

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abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular for all living on:Whitendale Drive, Windermere Road and Wordsworth Avenue.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: David, John, Margaret, Yvonne, Rhoda, and Charlie M.

We pray for the family and friends of those who have recently died: Maureen Shackleton, Jean Wilson, Pat Jarrett, and Roy Townson.

From our Book of Remembrance, we remember in prayer: Henry (Bill) Prickett, Olga Parker, Brian Needham, Ted Ainsworth, Margaret Lily Bowker and Anne Speight.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

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. **All: Amen.**

Notices and Announcements

Flowers in Church : The Altar flowers are in Loving Memory of Peggy Hunter.

The flowers at the Book of Remembrance are in Loving Memory of Peter Colley.

Message from Mary: A big thank you to everyone for the lovely plants and garden token you kindly gave me last Sunday. It has been a privilege to be your Church Warden for the past 6 years. Thank you. Mary.

<u>First Tuesday Hub:</u> The First Tuesday Hub will be meeting on Tuesday 7th May at 1.30pm in Church. This session will include help and advice with IT and Social Media issues, and as always, everyone is welcome.

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<u>Coffee Morning Thank-You:</u> Coffee Morning in Church on Thursday raised £295.30. Thanks to all who contributed.

"Re-Freshers Week"- Still Chances to Get Involved:

Last week we launched our "Re-Freshers Week". We have had a great response on the forms we gave out in church with over 50 responses. Some of you may not have received a form in church others may have taken a form and not filled it in. The link below will take you to our online form which you can complete and join in with this great opportunity to get involved. Remember every from filled in will enter you into a draw for a TAKEAWAY MEAL FOR 4 (Deadline for draw 15th May)

Do it now before you forget! https://forms.gle/HTBQA1eeMeTFWBrRA

11 Our Upcoming Services and Events

Monday, 6th May: Early May Bank Holiday

Tuesday, 7th May, 11am: Burial in Churchyard of the late Pat Jarrett

Tuesday, 7th May, 1.30pm: First Tuesday Hub, Holy Trinity

Tuesday, 7th May, 7.30pm: Flower Arranging Charity Event

Tuesday, 7th May, 7.45pm: Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, 8th May, 10am: Wednesday Communion Service

Wednesday, 8th May, 2pm: MU Afternoon Tea. Hosted by Rosemary Falcous.

POSTPONED UNTIL 5th JUNE

Thursday, 9th May: Ascension Day

Thursday, 9th May, 11am: Funeral Service for the late Ruth Prest

Friday, 10th May, 9.30am: Shining Stars, Christchurch URC.

Friday, 10th May, 1.15pm: Funeral Service for the late Jean Wilson

Saturday, 11th May, 9am: Men's Breakfast

Sunday, 12th May: Fun Pen Day. Bring a fun pen to church

Sunday, 12th May, 9.15am: Second Sunday Service

Sunday, 12th May, 10.30am: Morning Prayer Service, St Mark's

Sunday, 12th May, 10.30am: Holy Communion Service, Holy Trinity and on Zoom.

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