



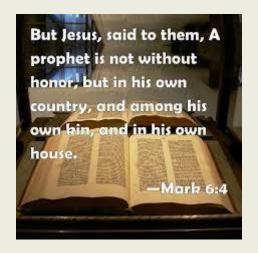
PEWS NEWS

FOR THE CONGREGATIONS OF ST CHADS CHURCH, THE PARISH CENTRE & KILNGREEN CHURCH JULY 2021

Reading: Mark 6:1-6 "Jesus said 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house."

Thought for the Month: Just like Jesus, prophets are people who are uncompromising with the truth, those who are unafraid to challenge us and remind us to turn away from selfishness and back to God. Who are the challengers and truth-speakers in your life? Ask God to give you ears to listen and hearts to receive what God has to say to you through them.

Prayer: Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Away-giving

July's Away Giving is Downs Syndrome North West. Organised by Maggie Dobb at Kiln Green. Donations can also be given to Chris Chard or Alison Coates.

We will update you once we have a total for the June Away Giving – Action Duchenne.



Photo: Suzanne Bradshaw



Good with numbers?

Due to some members of PCC stepping down after many years of dedicated service, we urgently need a couple of volunteers from our church community to help with the finance committee.

You may also know of someone who does not attend one of our centres, but may be able to contribute their time!

If you are willing and able, please contact PCC Secretary.

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June Fundraiser for Saddleworth St Chad





Fundraising Success!

We hope you have enjoyed following Canon Sharon's walks on our facebook page! Someone made a wonderful, framed print out of all the posts for her to treasure the happy memories!

At the time of going to press, the total is £5055!! We are thrilled!

Once the gift aid has been added, this will be well above the £5000 target!

Thank you to everyone for the wonderful support and sponsorship.





Thank you to Sarah Adams for the beautiful flowers that are outside of church & the parish centre. They make a bright and cheerful welcome.

News from Eco Church

Hi Everyone,

As we now hope to be able to enjoy the summer holidays, relaxing on a sandy beach or visiting our families and friends, don't forget about our environment. When you go out for walks take a bag and gloves with you and pick up rubbish you pass. This not only makes our countryside/ seaside look pretty but removes harmful objects that can harm small creatures. They can get trapped inside an empty can or bottle and quickly die.

Plastic rubbish takes hundreds of years to disintegrate and harms animals who may eat it or use it for bedding etc. If possible, weigh what you have collected and send us your total at the end of the holiday There will be a **prize** for the person who **collects the most rubbish!**

Sunday the 29th of August is a fifth Sunday so as well as a service at St Chads, there will be a **Worship in the Wild** especially for Families. Keep this date in your diaries we will give you more information about the venue and time for this new style of worship nearer the time.

Happy Holidays everyone, looking forward to hearing how much rubbish you collect.

Sarah Adams

PCC recently agreed to Canon Sharon's proposal to give the 39 Year 6 children at St Chad's School, a Bible as a leaving present from St Chad's Parish.

I thought it would be a good idea if we tried to build up a fund so that this could be done annually. The cost this year will be around £475 and if anyone would like to contribute to the fund, please let me know or just send a cheque direct to Mr Chris Chard, our Treasurer, with a reference that it is for Y6 Bibles.

Alternatively, if you prefer to do a Bank Transfer, please use the usual bank details for St Chad's Church and reference again Y6 Bibles. Thanks so much, Liz Rooke





Great British Green Week

18th - 26th September

This is a nationwide community festival to celebrate what people are doing to improve their local environment and tackle climate change. As well as a call for our government to do more.

Is this an event we as a Church would like to be part of ? Please let Sharon, Tim or Sarah know of any ideas you may have . Saddleworth Hydro eco events team are co ordinating the event and it would be lovely to be part of the week here in Uppermill.



News from St Chads C E Primary School:

Children from school have been participating in their own #stepsforchange to add to Canon their own fundraising!

Sharon's fundraising!

There have been children doing jobs at home to help mum and others creating wonderful artwork help mum and friends!

to sell to family and friends! Well done everyone!



St. Chad's Graveyards Conservation Team.

Activity Days 2021

Friday 7 th May	6.30 to 8.30pm	10 Volunteers.	Gellfield yard, filling hollows
Saturday 15 th May	1.30 to 4.30pm	10 Volunteers	Clearing, Bagging at Churchyard Bags taken to Gellfield
Friday 11 th June	6.30 to 8.30pm	9 Volunteers	Filling hollows at Gellfield yard
Saturday 19 th June	1.30 to4.30pm	8 Volunteers	Clearing, Bagging at Churchyard Filling Hollows Gellfield

This means that up to the 19th June, volunteers have donated 370 hours of their time. Many people brought their own tools and more bags and thanks to Godfrey using his trailer, moved at least 300 bags of material up to Gellfield.

58 ground memorials have been cleared of vegetation and soil in the Churchyard and 24 hollows have been filled and levelled at Gellfield graveyard.

If you'd like to volunteer, please speak to Tim or Sarah!

Some volunteers, taking a well-earned rest!





A family of fundraisers!

Jenny Chandler has raised £692 for Myeloma, by litter picking locally over the last few months. Mainly the bridleways.

Leanne Beaumont and Suzie Felton took on the Saddleworth 3 Peaks Challenge on the 3rd July for MAHDLO. It's a 15 mile hike up Indian's head, Pots and Pans and Wharmton all in one day!.

Flower Guild "Roundup"

Well what a year we all have had! Even through lockdowns and out again ,our little band of flower arrangers (much limited by circumstances) have arranged 2 Mothers' days, (albeit in first year left on managed 2 Mothers' days, (albeit in first year left on doorsteps, our thanks once again to the Rooke family for donating daffodils) Harvest, Advent, Christmas (with the donating daffodils) Harvest, Advent, Christmas (with the tree outside, in case we were too- thanks to the Holbrook family for the tree) and 2 Easters (with outside Easter gardens in that first year). There was also a representation of the Rushcart, made by Tim, outside church.

We attempted to mark the Church's year, even if church was not open for services. We hope that we showed, on your behalf that we, the Church, were still here!

We have made sure that there were flowers for funerals and hoped that this showed that we, as a congregation, were thinking of the families involved.

Thank you to those who donated money for Easter flowers in memory of loved ones. If anyone would like to dedicate flowers on a particular date, please contact Dorene, or there is a box at the back of church for any small change you might have.

Up until now we have not made a charge for weddings or funerals, but as we have had no fundraising opportunity this year, we would be very grateful for donations.

Thank-you to everyone whose gardens we have raided and please let us know if you have anything we can come and "prune" in yours!









Children's Society House Boxes

It is time for the boxes to be emptied. Please take them to St. Chad's and hand them to Liz Rooks or Alison Coates.

I will collect boxes from Diggle. This is the last time I will be dealing with these boxes and someone else is taking them on in future. Thank you all for your support.

Mavis Green



Have you ever wanted to know more about the Christian faith and discover your own personal ministry within it? Then "Exploring Faith Matters" (also known as Education for Ministry) is for you! The new programme for 2021/22 starts in September and we are now inviting new people to join one of our two conversation groups here in Saddleworth.

EfM is an adult learning programme that seeks to enable people to see and to experience the connection between Christian faith and daily life. It helps us to understand the richness of the Church's faith in our complex world and express it with confidence in our day to day lives and in our communities. In this way we can come to understand our own personal ministry. EfM was developed in 1975 by the Anglican School of Theology at the University of the South in Tennessee, and has expanded across the world, with over 80,000 people have participated. It is open to people of all denominations and faiths.

Efm currently takes place in Saddleworth once a week via Zoom in two small conversation groups led by trained mentors. Through individual reading each week we come together and share what we have discovered, what questions we have and by exploring our faith together we learn to think theologically and come to know of the Christian tradition within our ordinary daily lives. You do not need to have a wide ranging knowledge of the Bible, nor are you expected to produce written work, you read as little or as much as you can within your daily demands, but whatever you manage you are encouraged to take part in the group and share with the other participants.

Want to know more before you decide? You can contact **Christopher Halliday on 07717 492647** (email: frchristopher@icloud.com) or Co-mentor **Janet Iles on 07813 815569**

Contributions:

Many people support their church by setting up a standing order rather than give during a service.

Most banks will allow you to set up a standing order over the phone or Internet.

If you wish to support St Chad's in this way: **Account name** - Parish of St Chad Saddleworth'

Sort code - 090153.

Account number - 19373282

Place a note in your reference that it is a regular donation.

Your standing orders are entirely under your control, you may change or cancel your order at any time.

Many thanks.

Contact:

If you'd like to share anything in our newsletter email: Rebecca Wood

rebeccawood1980@googlemail.com

or contact 07866563300



Hello Everyone.

Just to introduce myself, I'm Sue Powell, the Children's Work Co-ordinator at St Thomas, Delph. I am also the Main Overall Leader of a CPAS Venture holiday which takes place in Knock, Cumbria each year. This year we are providing a Virtual Venture which I would like to invite your children and young people to.

Brief details are as follows;

The cost is £5 per family

The venture runs from 2nd-6th August, with a video link released at 9.00 am each morning. Each person receives an E Journal and a letterbox parcel of resources.

Bookings can be made here: https://cpasventures.brushfire.com/events/507811

I have attached a flyer, just contact me with any queries. My mobile number is 07779044865.

Many thanks and God bless

