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Thursday Ladies Circle	1st & 3rd Thursday 7:30pm, Church Hall	
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Rainbows	Kathryn Winters Tuesday 5.00pm	07701 353425
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Guides	Sarah Glover Tuesday 7.15pm	07974 687541

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I now cast this little Publication into your hands earnestly hoping that it may meet with your approbation, and enable you to spend a happy and profitable hour whilst reading over its pages".

Rev. John Stock 1863, The Messenger first issue

Dear all

Over the past two months we have seen a great deal of change at All Saints' church. We have begun our 11am Sunday morning Eucharist and are even going to be starting a Sunday school during this service over the next couple of weeks, as of writing. It has been a joy to watch our Sunday morning congregation begin to grow, as new people have started to enter into a Eucharistic faith and walk with God, and some others have returned to our church for the first time in many years.

In fact, we have started to see some members of our Friday night youth group, who had been attending our Sunday afternoon Closer service, and have now started to attend our Sunday morning Eucharist too. This has happened because of the wonderful welcome that these children and young people have received by members of both the churches in our parish, as you have all been either volunteering at the many children's and family's events over the past few months, or because of your heartfelt prayers. God is transforming the lives of many of the people in our parish and bringing them to know him.

It has also been a joy to see continued growth in our Closer service as more people have begun to engage in our Sunday afternoon service at 4pm, but also to see a number of them go deeper in their faith. We are soon to be sending three or four people from All Saints' church to start training for Authorised Lay Ministry. This is a path that Carol Pearson has recently journeyed down as she was authorised by Fr Mike in St George's at the beginning of October, and is now exploring the next stage of a wider, Licensed Lay Ministry, which will see her able to explore more widely her vocation within our parish. For all our lay ministers this has been an encouraging sign that the faith is to be lived out by us all, not just by the clergy, and if you, too, have a vocation that you wish to explore, I encourage you to speak to Carol or one of the clergy as we would love to hear about your calling and offer you encouragement in exploring it.

We have also recently started a knit and natter club on a Thursday from 6pm at All Saints' church. This has been a great social occasion with some lovely people, some of whom had been isolated until this club started. As we keep showing the love of Christ in our community, I know that it will continue to change lives and lift up those who are downhearted; this knitting group has certainly done that as it is an easy, fun setting to spend time with others on a Thursday night.

There is a lot happening in our parish over the coming months as we start to turn our eyes towards Christmas. It seems like it has been no time at all since we were last preparing ourselves to look both forwards and back to Christ's coming, and this time we may perhaps do so, knowing that he is at work in our parish through his Holy Spirit. As 2025 is suggested as a year of prayer by the diocese, and as we start to think about the prayer in our parish, can I encourage you to be unceasing in your own personal prayers, they matter. God hears you when you talk to him so be praying for all that he may do both in our parish and throughout Lancashire as we prayer for 2025. Amen.

Fr Jordan



*You are all so welcome to
come and join All Saints' new*

SUNDAY SCHOOL!

*For 0-18's every Sunday during our 11am
Eucharistic Worship, All Saints' Church,
Moor Road*

St George's Church Congregation Numbers

Week Beginning	Children Attending	Adults Attending	Communicants
1st September	23	126	68
8th September	50	160	134
15th September	22	118	108
22nd September	68	156	129
29th September	27	140	122

Note - The attendance numbers include all the services within the week

St George's Church - Holy Baptism September – Nathan Harding
Holy Matrimony – John Higson & Lisa Thornley

Please pray for those struggling with illnesses of any sort, and especially for:

**Marian Crossthwaite, Matthew Mc Murray (Priest)
& Ian Norman**

**And for the families of those who have died recently
Alex Gill, Roy Mort, Barbara Kirby, Leonard Waddington
Margaret Towner & Dennis Onslow**

We remember all those who are currently housebound and unable to be with us in Church.

St George's Bi-Centenary Year 2025

Notes for your Diary

Bi-Centenary Chippy Disco, 11th January St George's Club
Pantomime Alladin Week beginning 17th February, (Half Term)

Bi-Centenary Parish Dinner, 13th June Cunliffe Hall (Masonic hall)

October Dams Bi-Centenary Musical Production
John Bradley



Spotlight on Safeguarding

This month the spotlight is on gambling.

Gambling is defined as ‘to stake or risk money, or anything of value, on the outcomes or something involving chance’.

Under normal circumstances gambling can be a fun and safe leisure activity, however it becomes a problem when a person develops an urge to gamble continuously despite negative consequences.

Estimates from the gambling Commission and Gamble Aware indicate that at any one time there are between 500,000 and 1.4 million problem gamblers in the UK. This is further complicated by the fact that gambling-related harms is rarely found in isolation. Those experiencing gambling-related harms often also present with other problems, such as alcohol or drug addiction. The impact of gambling-related harm is wide reaching and affects not only the person but also their family. Some of the effects include debt, poverty, issues with employment and accommodation, isolation, substance misuse, mental ill health, and risk of suicide.

The overwhelming majority of children (93 percent) in the UK play video games. In a world where children are less and less likely to be allowed out to play with friends, online gaming and their social lives are closely intertwined. Children consider the shared experience of gaming to be just as important to their friendships, as other non-digital experiences. However, the widespread popularity of gaming and the evolution of gaming from offline to online has raised several concerns, such as children being able to talk to strangers or becoming the target of bullying. It has also been shown there is a link between gaming and gambling.

For most gambling activities, the legal age is 18. This means that engaging in these activities under the age of 18 is breaking the law. Despite this the Gambling Commission say that gaming can be a route into betting, with close to a million young people exposed to gambling through “loot boxes” in video games or on smartphone apps. Loot boxes allow players to pay – often with real money – for a chance to win a virtual item. This could be considered gambling

because the player is risking something of value (either real money or in-game coins) in the hope of winning something else. There are currently no restrictions or rules to protect children from these activities.

Support:

Contact the National Gambling Helpline: [0808 8020 133](tel:08088020133) or access GamCare <https://www.gamcare.org.uk/>

Look at the BeGambleAware website for resources and support <https://www.begambleaware.org/>

For further information about safeguarding or raising a concern within Church please contact me on safeguarding@stgeorgechorley.co.uk or 0792 1010 900

Victoria:
Parish Safeguarding Officer
for the Parish of Chorley St George and All Saints



Coffee Morning
at
St Michael's CE High School,
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Astley Road, Chorley, PR7 1RS
Saturday 9th November 2024 10am - 12 noon
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from December 7th and you choose delivery date.**

***See Bill Walker, or leave a message on 07951079359,
including name, address and telephone number.***

"A Poem for the Fallen"

*The soldiers marched on ruined plains
Onward, forth through smoky haze
Their faces wrought with so much pain
When bombs consumed the world in blaze*

*Do the doves yet come to sing?
We pray the poppies blossom soon
For though the wars have cast their sting
The petals are our own cocoon*

*Please pause a while and say a prayer
As we recall the wars before
Remembering those who fell there
And hope what was, shall come no more.*



By Nicola J Bolton

The History Page November 2024 Two Hundred Years Ago

Our readers may be wondering how the architect Thomas Rickman was coping with the delay between completion and consecration of his large chapel of ease, St George's in Chorley. The answer is that, in the summer and autumn of 1824, his mind was probably focused elsewhere. Indeed, he was in the throes of assiduously courting his third wife, Elizabeth Miller of Edinburgh. It is relevant to understand that Rickman had previously lost wives to terminal illness and childbirth. He was subject to bouts of "blackness" (patently depression) and his diary records several bouts in 1824 occasioned by his anxiety that his suit for a third wife would end in failure. He was put through several tests by Elizabeth's cautious father. He had to buy a family home in Birmingham as his office and lodgings would not suffice. He also provided an account of his income and financial prospects to reassure his prospective father-in-law. Happily, all was resolved by November Thomas was to marry Elizabeth. The union brought him joy and a surviving son, who eventually also became an architect.

Bill Walker

Thursday Ladies Circle

At our 1st meeting in October, we once again had the pleasure of David Horsfield who gave us a talk along with pictures of Italy. He talked about and showed us some beautiful places that he and Barbara had visited over the years. Thank you David, and after the talk I have put Pompeii on my bucket list.

Our AGM was held at our next meeting along with making up the shoe boxes to be sent to International Aid for sadly less fortunate people than ourselves. In total we made over 20+ boxes which will be added to the many boxes from church.

Future meetings

7th Nov. Games evening with nibbles.

21st Nov. Stephen Pollard. A talk on the reredos. Everyone is welcome to come along to any of our meetings.

Cath Jolly

International Aid Shoebox Appeal.

As Autumn approaches it is the time of year when we, as a church, begin to think about what we can do to help those in need of God's love around the world . One way of bringing joy to those in need is by filling a shoebox, which International Aid will then deliver to various countries where people are less fortunate than ourselves.

For children and adults living in poverty the gift of a shoebox can be a dream come true or an answer to a prayer. International Aid deliver boxes to people of all ages from babies to elderly people, throughout the year, not just at Christmas. Their dedicated team overseas share Jesus' love and provide pastoral care, as well as practical gifts. For people living in very difficult circumstances, knowing that they're not forgotten and that someone cares enough to wrap up and pack a box of useful and fun things, just for them, means so much and points them to the God who loves and cares for them more than they can imagine.

One of the shoeboxes the team in Ukraine delivered was to a family living in poverty, whose Dad had recently died . The three children all had health problems. In a thank you letter written by the Mum she said "If you knew how much you brought us joy! Thank you very much!"

In Kagbalie, a desperately poor village in Sierra Leone, the community were amazed by the shoeboxes the team delivered. Children opening the boxes asked " Is that all for me?"

There are two ways you can send a shoebox, the traditional way of filling a box, wrapping and labelling it and bringing it to church or send a virtual shoebox. The virtual shoebox scheme enables you to make a donation for a box to be filled full of useful and fun items. You can choose the area of the world and age and gender of the person you would like the gift to go to. Gifts are packed and distributed by local teams, which, in turn, helps to support local economies. Should you

wish to donate by this method visit www.internationalaidtrust.org.uk/shoeboxes/virtual

Details of what to put in the shoeboxes and how to wrap them are on the photo below. Leaflets are also available in church. Please donate what you are able, maybe join forces with other family members to fill a box and return to church by Sunday 3rd November. If you would like to contribute to the cost of transporting the boxes there will be a donation box by the Shoebox display at the back of church where you will also



find some specially printed shoeboxes for International Aid if you haven't got one.

Staff and volunteers in Eastern Europe, Cuba, West Africa and India also share Christ's love with people in need through a wide range of ministries. These include schools, children's homes, prison ministry, rehab centres, Bible college, evangelism, healthcare, Christian holidays and clubs for children as well as training courses.

More information on these projects can be found on www.internationalaidtrust.org.uk and videos of their exploits on @internationalAidOrg International Aid Trust – You Tube

Elizabeth Wilding on behalf of the Mission and Discipleship Committee.

Join in the fun >>

FILL A BOX OR TWO

- 1) Gift wrap the box and lid separately
 - Use an elastic band to keep the box together.
- 2) Fill out the label
 - Choose the age and gender of the person you want to receive your shoebox.
 - Fill out the label and stick it onto the top of your shoebox.
- 3) Fill your shoebox with appropriate gifts
 - Don't wrap individual items.
 - See below for a list of suitable/unsuitable gift ideas.



IDEAS FOR WHAT TO INCLUDE

TOILETRIES ✓ Toothbrush ✓ Toothpaste ✓ Soap ✓ Flannel or sponge
✓ Comb ✓ Hair bobbles ✓ Roll on deodorant No sprays
 No medicines, vitamins or tablets

TOYS ✓ Small toys ✓ Cuddly toys ✓ Balls ✓ Skipping rope ✓ Games
✓ Small jigsaws etc No guns or war toys

CLOTHES ✓ Socks ✓ T-shirts ✓ Hats ✓ Scarves ✓ Gloves ✓ Underwear
✓ Babygro (for little ones)

STATIONERY ✓ Pens ✓ Pencils ✓ Crayons ✓ Eraser ✓ Sharpener ✓ Notebooks
✓ Colouring books ✓ Scissors (*round-ended safety type for children*)

PRACTICAL ✓ Plastic bowl & cup ✓ Cutlery ✓ Safety Pins* ✓ Mini sewing kit*
✓ String* ✓ Wind-up torch* ✓ Plasters* No matches *For teens & adults

Did you know... It costs us £2 to collect, store, transport and distribute each shoebox? In a time of increasing costs, your contributions are very welcome. Please do not put money inside or attached to boxes. Donations can be made through our website or by cheque.



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St George's Christmas Fair 2024



You are invited to join us on **Saturday 7th December** for the annual Christmas Fair, held again this year inside the Church Hall and inside St George's Church. The fair opens at 10.30am by very special guests and closes at 1.30pm.

You will find all the usual fun and games, as well as a great selection of stalls including:

Bottle tombola, Crafts and festive gifts, Cakes and Preserves, Children's toys, Jigsaws, Scouts & Guides games and gifts, Pop-up café, Santa's Grotto, Children's activities, Lucky dip, Chocolate tombola and Mothers Union Gift Bag stall.

There will also be a Christmas Cake raffle, Grand raffle, £50 note raffle and a Xmas tree stall.

Run-up to the big day:

You could help us make the fair a really successful event (and our main fundraiser for the year) by bringing in the following in the weeks running up to the fair:

- Bottles (all types, including toiletries and alcoholic/non-alcoholic)
- Chocolate for the chocolate tombola
- Great condition teddies, children's toys and jigsaws (adult and children's).

Also - can you help us find some raffle prizes? We would be grateful for a raffle prize to add to the Grand raffle. Would your hairdresser donate a haircut, your garage a free MOT, your favourite restaurant a meal for 2? Please let Carol Cox or myself know if you could help with this.

On the day:

Please come and support the fair and bring your friends and family for a lovely festive event!

October	Bottles - all bottles, including shampoo, wine, fizzy pop - for the bottle tombola
	Teddies/soft toys - for the Teddy tombola
	Chocolate - for the Chocolate tombola (Sunday club are also requesting these from the children)
November	Jigsaws
	New/good used condition toys
For on the day	Cakes & bakes for the cake stall

In Summary: Drop off at back of church

Sara Shingler



Hello, I'm Carol and I am our Parishes ALM. In September this year I attended a service of authorisation with Fr Mike at Blackburn Cathedral in which I was re-authorised as an ALM to carry out my ministry within



the Diocese by Bishop Jill- Bishop of Lancaster. Following this service, on Sunday 6th October I was commissioned to our Parish by Fr Mike to serve for a further three years. As the Parishes ALM I am authorised to minister in the following areas: Pastoral Care, Leading Worship, Occasional Preaching, Youth Ministry and Community Ministry. I implement this ministry by liaising with both Fr Mike and Fr Jordan for guidance and support. As this form of Lay Ministry is Parish based both PCC's also support this ministry. I currently lead the Visiting Team, a Eucharist Minister, take Communion to the housebound/ sick, occasionally preach at mid-week services, occasionally read scripture and lead prayers during worship, lead Bible Study when required and bake

cakes (the latter is not an ALM requirement). I am also an ALM Mentor. ALM's cover a wide variety of lay minister areas to include all the areas I currently serve in plus: Childrens Ministry, Later Life Ministry, Environmental Stewardship, Small Group Ministry and Mission Outreach. Do you feel called to Lay Ministry? Is God calling you to an area of lay ministry in which you currently serve? How do I become an ALM? If you feel God is calling you to this ministry you need to talk to Fr Mike or Fr Jordan. You can also speak to me if you require general information. Training to be an ALM Training is carried out over a period of 12 months in which you will undertake two modules. The Core module which will nurture spiritual formation and an Elective module which will be the area of ministry you feel called to serve. Training is facilitated by our Diocese Growing Leaders Team in a variety of venues and on Zoom. You will also be assigned a Mentor who you will meet with throughout your training for support and guidance. I am looking forward and feel privileged to continue to serve our Parish as the ALM for a further couple of years. During this time, I have also commenced training at Emmanuel Theological College, Blackburn to become our Parishes Licensed Lay Minister (Reader). It would be nice over the coming years to establish a Lay Ministry Team within our Parish to support Fr Mike and Fr Jordan in their mission towards serving the people of our Parish.

Carol Pearson

Northern Light conference

This was a great success as we thought about how to reach out to the nation with Jesus Christ. Sarah Clarkson spoke on the power of films, books, and stories of all forms to help people to engage. Bishop Paul Thomas spoke on the importance of the Church reflecting again on the power of the Gospel, and Vaughan Roberts spoke on the need to be willing to be different but lovingly engaged. We saw about 90 people over the day, one as far as Edinburgh, and St George's put on a lovely spread which was appreciated by everyone. Thanks to all who were involved in any way.

Fr Mike





ST GEORGE'S CHURCH,
CHORLEY



Christmas Fair

SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER
10.30AM-1.30PM

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Mothers' Union

At our meeting on 10th October we held a Mothers' Union Wave of Prayer Service in the link Dioceses of BHOPAL, GUINEA, HIGH VELD, NAMBALE, NIGER DELTA and BLACKBURN. The themes were Transformation – NOW! And 'Bind Us Together, Lord'. It was a time of Readings, lighting of candles, music and Hymn. A wonderful, peaceful Service that we know every other MU branch WORLDWIDE will also be making. Thanks to Deanery Chaplain, Revd Peter for putting so much work into the detail of the evening, and indeed 'Binding Us All Together'.



Chorley Family Hub Network

In March we invited a representative from Chorley Family Hub Network to come and speak at our meeting. They kindly came and delivered a talk about their service and the work they do in Chorley. They are based at Duke Street Children's Centre, which is located within our Parish boundry.

They work in partnership with other local organisations to provide help for children, young people and families.

Support is available for all stages of family life, from pregnancy through to 19 years old or 25 for those with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

Families can access a wide range of services at Family Hubs, such as:

- midwife and health visitor appointments
- groups for expectant mums and dads
- counselling for families
- baby feeding advice

SEND support groups and advice

As part of our work for this year, St George's Mothers Union has become part of the Family Hub Network in Chorley providing support to families and individuals who access the Hub at Duke Street Family Centre by:

- Welcoming visitors upon arrival
- Providing a listening Ear
- Serving refreshments
- Representing Mother's Union- talking about our organisation and work

St George's Mother's Union have representation at each monthly open event and continue to work with the Family Hub Network, Chorley seeking out other ways in which we can provide support to the many children and families in our Parish who access this service.

Gloria Dunseath

We must believe in the power of prayer, that prayer changes things; we must make space in our busy lives for time with God. I wonder what goes through your mind when you say the words of the

Lord's Prayer, the only prayer that unites all Christian people everywhere.

OUR FATHER (not just mine, but everyone's) **WHO ART IN HEAVEN** (where all my loved ones are),

HALLOWED BE THEY NAME (Holy, awe-inspiring, wonderful). **THY KINGDOM COME** (please, God, let it be soon), **THY WILL BE DONE** (love God, love your neighbour as yourself, so simple, yet so difficult) **ON EARTH** (our home) **AS IT IS IN HEAVEN** (where Jesus has promised us a place if we believe and trust in Him). **GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD** (everything we need, please) **AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES** (the bad things we have done, both little and big) **AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US** (this is so hard, Lord, the grudges, the words as well as the bad deeds). **AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION** (help and protect us from all the badness in the world) **FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM** (Heaven, where God rules and where Jesus is), **THE POWER** (that's the Holy Spirit, God all-powerful) **AND THE GLORY** (beyond all words) **FOR EVER AND EVER** (repeated twice, for emphasis)

AMEN (so be it).

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Faith & Policy Unit Co-ordinator

CHRISTMAS FAIR

The time is fast approaching when the above event will be upon us and therefore we need to appeal for more gift bags, (pre-loved) would also be fine. Also new or unwanted gifts would be greatly appreciated for when we start making up the bags for the MU stall. It doesn't have to be very expensive and could be for a child or adult (male or female). Please deposit in our bag in the old Baptistry at the back of church. Thank you in advance.

Gloria Dunseath

Branch Leader

All Saints' Church Congregation Numbers

Week Beginning	Children Attending	Adults Attending	Communicants
1st September	34	82	49
8th September	215	83	52
15th September	27	66	30
22nd September	23	72	44
29th September	29	60	26

Note - The attendance numbers include all the services within the week

All Saints' Church - Holy Baptism
September - Seth Jones

Please pray for those struggling with illnesses of any sort, and especially for:

Eniko Bodis, Christine Gothard, Denise Byron,
Maureen Hinchcliffe, John Tickle, Pam McLachlan, Linda Carrara,
Michael Baxendale, & residents of Gillibrand Hall and
Coniston House.

**And for the families of those who have died recently
Leonard Waddington, Dennis Onslow**

NIGEL CLARE

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Rev. Jordan Bentliff

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3rd Nov	Mrs Hobbiss	Miss B Smith
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8th Dec	Advent	
15th Dec	Advent	
22th Dec	Advent	
29th Dec	Christmas Mrs Mason	
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19th Jan		
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