

Kirkby Lonsdale Methodist Church



Notices for Sunday 10th March 2024

Welcome

Dear friends,

Did anyone see the final episode of *Call the midwife*, the immensely popular BBC series? It was truly an emotional roller coaster, and I'm sure resulted in many a hand reaching for the tissue box! There was a range of highly emotive stories woven through the episode with a thread of mothering, caring, nurturing, and protecting. The nun in charge of St. Nonnatus House, Sister Julianne, finally got recognition for all her work. Her wisdom and experience have helped so many Poplar residents since the show began and, in a truly moving moment, she was named 'Mother of the Year' in the closing minutes of the finale. Arts commentator Fran Winston writes:

"Throughout the episode, they had been talking about 'the competition', but it had seemed merely a distracting subplot since there was so much going on. However, it all made sense at the end, as the sisters and midwives acknowledged that even though she wasn't a physical mother, she was a true mother to many."

One of the lectionary readings this week is the story of Baby Moses and the sacrificial love of his birth mother and sister and the adoptive love of the Pharaoh's daughter.

As we mark the fourth Sunday of Lent this week, it is also Mothering Sunday.

We know that this day can also be an emotional day for many people for a host of reasons. However, we also recognise and give thanks for the mothering love, nurture and care we have received from the people in our lives. Most of all we give thanks for the Divine love, nurture, and grace we receive from the Father, Son, and Spirit!

Be blessed,

Rev. Wendy

Bible readings for this Sunday

Exodus 2: 1-10 *The Birth of Moses*

¹Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, ²and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. ³But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. ⁴His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him.

⁵Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. ⁶She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said.

⁷Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?"

⁸"Yes, go," she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother.

⁹Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him.

¹⁰When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out

of the water.”

2 Corinthians 1: 3-7 *Praise to the God of All Comfort*

³Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. ⁵For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ. ⁶If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation; if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer. ⁷And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort.

A prayer for this Sunday

Lord of patience, grant us the insight to know the right time to be patient and the right time to complain. Help us to be always aware of the things we need to take responsibility for, and those things we need to bring before you for your guidance and direction. Let us never seek to usurp your sovereignty or run away from your oversight. Thank you, Lord, that you take an interest in our actions and in our salvation. Clothe your church in the cloak of justice and the brightness of hospitality. May all who seek you find a home in your church. Keep them safe as their faith is deepened, receptive as their faith is challenged. Amen.

We pray especially for any member of our church family who is sick or lonely or housebound or in any kind of need. Please also pray for all our church families.

Prayer requests

If anyone has a specific prayer request, please do let one of the clergy team know by phone or by emailing prayer@kl.church. This will be

picked up by the team and included in Morning Prayer each day.

Worship

Services: Sunday 10th March

Kirkby Lonsdale churches

St Joseph's Church	9.00am	Mass
St. Mary's Church	11.00am	Morning service
Kirkby Lonsdale Methodist Ch.	10.30am	Holy Communion

Other local churches

St. Patrick's Ch., Preston Patrick	9.30am	Holy Communion + baptism
St. Bartholomew's Ch., Barbon	10.30am	Morning service
St. John's Ch., Hutton Roof	11.00am	Morning service

Weekday services

St. Mary's Church	10.30am	Thursdays HC
St. Joseph's Church	6.30pm	Thursdays Mass

Evening services

Evensong in St. Mary's Church – third Sunday of the month, 6.30pm.

Online worship

Sunday

Available from 8:00am: a recorded service from the clergy team and members of the churches is accessible from the kl.church website or on our [YouTube Channel](#). This service is also available by telephone. Please dial local number 01524 952004.

Weekdays

Each weekday at 8.15am the Clergy meet for Morning Prayer. All welcome. The Zoom link is [here](#). Meeting ID: 236 218 961 Password: 945130. The words are on kl.church.

Family Project

See our display ad. for Messy Church in March. Keep up to date with us: on our [Facebook Page](#); our [Instagram Page](#); or via our newsletter.

Lol Wood, Family Project Leader

Community Cupboard & Hub

For details please visit the kl.church webpages.

Other notices

Men's Breakfast

9th March 10am KLMC church hall. Calling all men – do join us on the 9th March for another delicious and nutritious (!) breakfast, chat, coffee, and then Brian Littley will be sharing some stories with us all. Please let Simon Kaye know by emailing drsakaye@gmail.com if you can come - so that we can cater appropriately.

Meet to Eat

Meet to Eat is in *urgent need* of more volunteers to join the team involved with the Community Café held in the KLMC Hall each Wednesday during school term time. If you would like to be a part of this, please contact Anna Short. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Note: All underlined text in red is a clickable link. If you have any comments, items for inclusion or to be sent by post, please email notices@kl.church, or contact Rachael Pelham 07951 618514, Martin Coombs 015242 71752, or Michael Dugdale 07831 837648. Items need to be received by Wednesday for the following weekend's notice sheet. Martin Coombs will be editing the notices for all of March.

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Sunday Club



*for children, during morning services at
Kirkby Lonsdale Methodist Church.
10.30am onward, until about 12 noon.*

For further details ring 015242 71752,
or email martincoombs11@gmail.com

M2E Community Café

Meet to Eat

Everyone is welcome

Every Wednesday in term-time, from 12 noon to
1.30pm (last orders 1pm.)

In Kirkby Lonsdale Methodist Church hall

Serving:

- Home-made soups with rolls 
- A selection of desserts 
- Tea and coffee 
- Suitable for vegetarians 

If you need any other information please call:
Anna: 07950 475124
Maggie: 07980 009162

HOLY WEEK PASSOVER FEAST

Church in and around Kirkby Lonsdale

**Thursday March 28th from 6.00–9.00pm
in St Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale.**



Please join us to celebrate a Messianic Passover feast this Easter in St Mary's. It explains much of the symbolism of the last supper and will help to focus us on our journey to the joy of resurrection on Easter Sunday.

The event takes the form of a "Haggadah" - telling the story of the Passover, with a feast in the middle. Jewish Passover is a family affair - children and young people are an integral part and are most welcome.

The story of the Jewish people and the story of Jesus and His followers has been told to folk of all ages wherever people met together, to keep the history alive. History spoken out loud and learned by heart-just as children have done through the centuries. Children and families are a very important part of Passover.

To plan the feast we need to know who is coming in advance so please can you let Simon Kaye know on drsakaye@gmail.com, if possible by Friday 22nd March. We will ask people to share in the catering or if this is not possible to contribute £15 per person towards the cost. (children eat free). Any excess will be donated to St Mary's church.

At Passover we do not eat anything with yeast so please no bread, cakes with flour etc and no ham / pork.

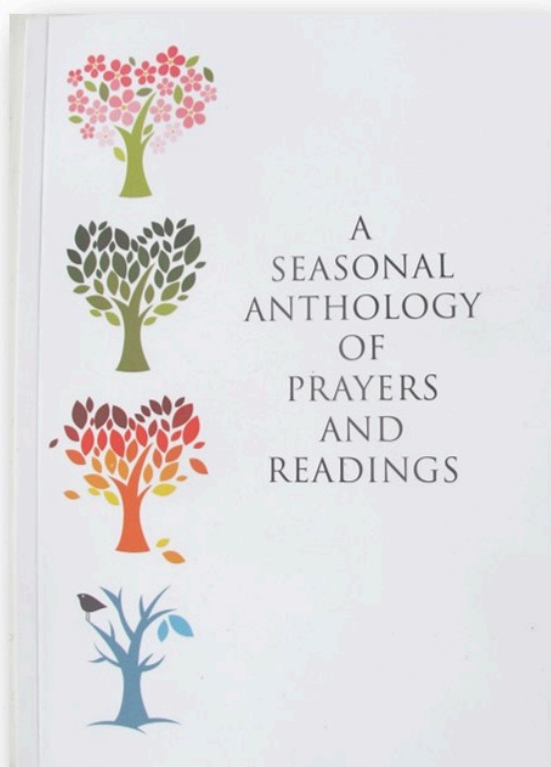
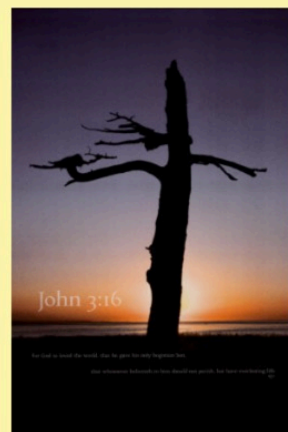
We will coordinate food offered as you let us know who is coming, so that we don't just have one large bowl of hummus and salad! We look forward to sharing this night with you. *Simon and Pauline Kaye*

HOLY WEEK 2024

Church in and around Kirkby Lonsdale

Take time to reflect & replenish!

- Daily Reflections begin Monday 25th March to Wednesday 27th in St Mary's 7.00 - 8.00pm
- Maundy Thursday 28th, All age Passover Feast in St Mary's 6.00pm (see separate notice)
- Good Friday 29th Open Air Service 11.00am Market Square. Walk of witness sets off from Queens Square 10.50am.
- Good Friday Vigil 1.00pm-3.00pm St Mary's
- Easter Eve Vigil 7.30pm all invited to Holy Trinity Parish Church Kendal
- Sunrise Service 6.30am, meet at the top of Radical Steps
- **Easter Sunday Services please see list of churches and service times on the Notice sheet or AKL Magazine.**



A SEASONAL ANTHOLOGY OF PRAYERS AND READINGS

Designed for use in the
Ecumenical Prayer Group
held for many years
in St Mary's Church.

Compiled and generously donated
by Lady Anne Kerr.

Feel free to pick up one of these, but donations would be gratefully received.

2024 LENT COURSE

Discover new friends and explore faith and the generosity of God.

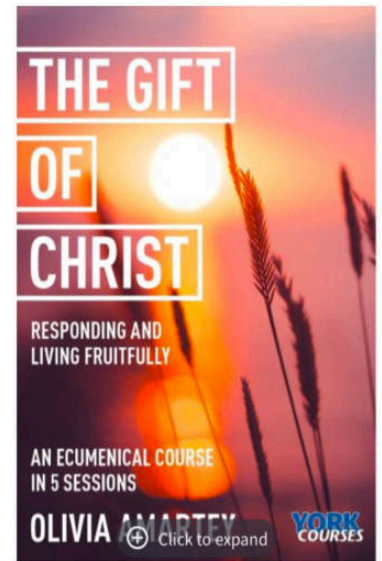
Started Week beginning 19th February.

The Thursday evening group is now full,
but the more the merrier online!

Please see the link to the online group.

Wednesdays 10.30am **on Zoom**, access click [here](#) or
via email to info@kl.church or from the weekly
Notice sheet which can be also found on the website.

*Click anywhere on this ad to
get taken to the Zoom link.*



Messy Church
Kirkby Lonsdale

St. Patrick

Join us 17th March 4.30pm-6pm
at Kirkby Lonsdale Methodist
Church to explore the story of
St. Patrick

Activities • **Hot meal**
Storytelling **Totally free**