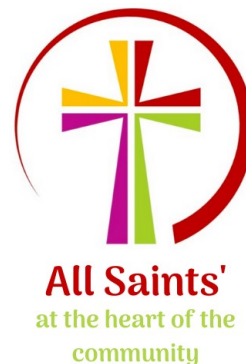


Bob's leaving gift, card and message

There is still time to donate to Bob's leaving gift.
Cash or cheques (made payable to Barwick PCC) can be given
to one of the church wardens
or taken round to Norman, the treasure (details on page 2).

I have made a card for Bob,
all the messages will be placed in a wallet inside the card.
Thank you to everyone who has already written something.
I have plenty of paper left if you not contributed and need another sheet.
Just phone 0113 2812488.



SUNDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2021

Sunday before Lent

Quinquagesima

Transformation Sunday

Racial Justice Sunday

Readings for 14th February

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 and Mark 9:2-9

'Coffee and Chat' telephone conversations

We have 2 'Coffee and Chat' sessions at the moment

- 1) Thursdays at 11am with Revd. Kathryn and
- 2) Thursdays at 2pm with Carole

If there is anyone who would enjoy a chat - you need to provide your own coffee - but can't make a Thursday, please let Carole or Leslye know and we will see if we can arrange another time.

To join a 'Coffee and Chat' dial **0330 336 0036**, you will hear a voice asking you to input your participant PIN after the tone -

dial **716 416** and the voice will repeat the number - a short pause while you are connected then Kathryn/Carole will welcome you, and ask who you are. get ready to chat.

If you pay for your phone calls you will be charged at local rate.

Easter card for Terry Lister

I will be posting an Easter card to Terry in the middle of next month.
If you would like to put a card in with mine, please let me have it by
Sunday 14th March. Leslye

Letter from Norman Whyte PCC Treasurer for All Saints Church

PARISH GIVING SCHEME (PGS)

Many of you will know that your PCC agreed to join the Parish Giving Scheme which is run by The Diocese of Gloucester on behalf of The Church of England and is a registered charity

The scheme is open to anyone who wishes to make a regular donation to our church and many of our regular givers have already signed up to it and the payment from your account comes out by Direct Debit

It also gives the opportunity to have your regular gift inflation linked rather than having to review it yourself which of course you can still do

The main benefit to our church is that it has given everyone joining the chance to review their giving and to Gift Aid your contribution so we get 25% extra from HMRC

It reduces the amount of administration for us and PGS has agreed with HMRC to have the Gift Aid paid each month rather than having to wait until the end of the tax year and claim periods

Those who have signed up should have received an acknowledgment from the office of the PGS thanking them for joining the scheme and reminding them to cancel their standing order if that is how they pay after the last payment has gone out of your bank – most of those who have joined have put a start date of 1st March when the first Direct Debit will be taken out so please cancel your standing order after the February payment has been made

To date 26 regular givers have signed up to PGS and I'm pleased to report that a significant increase in giving is already showing

If you would like to join the scheme let me know and I'll deliver or post a form to you

There is no compulsion on anyone to join and if you wish to continue the way you support our church we remain ever grateful

Contact details : - Tel. 0113 2813320 Post 14 Beck Meadow Barwick in Elmet Leeds LS15 4PA

E mail norman@bowmanellson.co.uk

Rectors letter Dear all

This Tuesday is Shrove Tuesday – Happy Mardi Gras, everyone!

In a normal year Scholes church would be winding up to run their annual Pancake Party extravaganza on Tuesday, and on Wednesday I would be going into school to talk about Ash Wednesday. Each year I offer the 'imposition of ashes' on the heads of any children who want it (although I do wonder how much they understand it, especially when one reception child asked 'Can I have a tattoo too, please?').

The Ash Wednesday services in Barwick and Thorner are always powerful moments, when we come and recognise both our sinfulness and God's great mercy and forgiveness. Placing ash on each communicant's heads with the words:

'Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ. Repent and believe the Good News.'

Such powerful words that speak of the human condition and God's grace.

Obviously, this Wednesday we cannot meet in church and I cannot touch people on their foreheads, as I would love to do.

Instead, there will be a Zoom service using the Ash Wednesday liturgy that is attached with this letter. If anyone would like to have a 'do-it-yourself' ashing kit, I will gladly come to people's doors with a small packet of ash for use during the service. See the next page for the joining instructions.

Finally, next Sunday, 21st February, will be Bob's final service before leaving us to go to Kippax. There will be a Zoom call after the service, at 11am, to which all are invited to come and raise a glass thanking Bob for all he has given the benefice over the past four years.

Bob's leaving Zoom:

February 21, 2021; 11am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82396600288>

Phone in on 0203 051 2874

Meeting ID: 823 9660 0288