

YOUTH BIBLES

Once again we will be sending our year 6 children on to high school with a Youth Bible. These bibles have a sub-heading of “Interactive Youth Edition”, and as the name suggests they contain far more than the regular bibles we are all familiar with, and will be a



useful guide as the children grow to adulthood. Donations towards the cost of buying the bibles will be very much appreciated. Please give donations to Carole or Leslye. So far, we have collected £198 towards the bill of £558.90 Thank you. Please make cheques payable to Barwick PCC

Thanksgiving and Blessing



Please keep in your prayers Rebecca and Andrew as they bring their son Sebastian for his thanksgiving service before his baptism in July.



Banns

Please pray for
Katie and Steve
and



Emma and Dylan

as both couples come to church
to hear their banns read for the first time.



SUNDAY 2nd JUNE 2024

TRINITY 1

Environment Sunday

8am Holy Communion

10.30 All Age Worship with

Thanksgiving for Sebastian

and

Banns to be read for

Katie and Steve

and Emma and Dylan



Well would you believe it

- it's countdown to election day! It's just over a month until we'll all be asked to have our say on who we want as our local MP, and consequently on who we want governing our country.

It's easy to have strong feelings on the matters that affect us all, and it's right and proper to have the integrity and honesty to be able to have discussions with each other, whilst accepting the views of those with whom we might disagree. But before we enter into the polling booth, I think that it's also right and proper to consider just two points from the teaching of Jesus on the importance of honesty and of kindness.

Thinking of honesty, our mind might go to the Sermon on the mount, in Matthew 5, when Jesus says this:

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.”

Jesus values honesty and integrity. He teaches us to be people of our word, who will do what we say, and be truthful when we make mistakes. As we vote, we do so looking for leaders of honesty and truthfulness.

And thinking of kindness, our mind might go to another parts of Jesus’ teaching in Matthew 25 as he says the following:

Then the righteous will answer Him, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You something to drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? When did we see You sick or in prison and visit You? And the King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of Mine, you did for Me.’

Jesus’ heart is clear here. He stands for the littlest, loneliest, and least. There is a real sense here that the way we welcome the stranger instead of driving them away, the way we treat the hungry rather than pointing the finger, and the way we serve the poor rather than ignoring them, shows the depth of our worship to Jesus.

So, this election season, we pray for those who lead our country, and we pray for them to have a real depth of honest and kindness. And we acknowledge that, wherever we place our cross, there is one cross which is eternal. One cross which doesn’t change every few years. One cross that has nothing to do with our preference and is all about Jesus, the God of kindness, whose word is yes and Amen.

Revd Jonathan Brennan

BARWICK METHODIST CHURCH

Come along to our Coffee Morning

SATURDAY 15th June 2024

Come and join us in the Chapel Schoolroom

Between 10 am – 12.00 noon



Admission £2.00 includes Refreshments (Tea/Coffee)

Cake Stall/Raffle

Everyone Welcome

Proceeds to Meeting Point Cafe/Chapel Funds

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