

31st July 2022  
7th Sunday after Trinity

**Every day is a worship day!**

Please see the Dates for your Diary to see what's going on

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## Contacting the Church Office

The Church Office is open now on Wednesday and Thursday 8.30am - 3.30pm (with a lunch break which varies).

If you require some assistance, or would like the notice sheet emailing to you, please contact Diane Williams- Tel: 01422 353103 or email: [admin@allsaintshalifax.org.uk](mailto:admin@allsaintshalifax.org.uk).

Please note- phone messages are transferred out of the office..but only if you leave one (even if it is just your name and number for a call back).

Our website is: [www.allsaintshalifax.org.uk](http://www.allsaintshalifax.org.uk)



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## Summer Notice Sheet

This is the **last notice sheet for a few weeks**, since there isn't much news or change to the diary during August. See the website for any changes to events.

## Dates for your Diaries

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	+
Sunday 31st July			
9am	Holy Communion		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Creche area available	Refreshments available after
1pm	Summer Walk	From church 1pm To Copley Then Norland Moor	Postponed walk
Saturday 6th August 10am - 3pm	Quilting and Craft Group	Lounge	
Sunday 7th August			
9am	Morning Worship		
10.30 am	Morning Worship	Crèche area available	Refreshments available after
Sunday 14th August			
9am	Holy Communion		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Creche area available	Refreshments available after
Sunday 21st August			
9am	Holy Communion		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Creche area available	Refreshments available after
Sunday 28th August			
9am	Holy Communion		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Creche area available	Refreshments available after

## Are you here on the 31st?

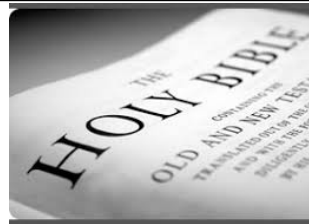
If you have a favourite PSALM, would you be willing to share a sentence about it in the service?

## Collect Prayer

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard seed,  
make it grow to your glory  
and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## Today's Reading

### Colossians Ch.3 v.12-17



Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.  
Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone.  
Forgive as the Lord forgave you.  
And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace.  
And be thankful.  
Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.  
And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## PrayerNet

If you have a prayer request, you can contact: Doreen Whitaker on 01422 367047 for the telephone prayer chain or at [www.allsaintshalifax.org.uk](http://www.allsaintshalifax.org.uk). (click the "Prayer Requests" tab).

Your requests are looked at by our dedicated prayer team only - people within our church family who are committed to prayer. Your request will be treated with complete confidentiality.

## Prayer Points for this week

The events and services on the 'Dates for your Diaries' section

For All Saints' School (pupils, staff and parents) as they start their summer holiday.

Rebecca (who quilts with us), and her family, as she has an operation and chemotherapy.

The conflict in the Ukraine

The ongoing Israel/Palestinian situation and the war in Yemen.

The political upheavals in Sri Lanka.

Our government.

The droughts in Ethiopia and Somalia and heatwave in Europe.

## Postponed Summer Walk- now July 31st, 1pm

We are hoping that the weather will be suitable this time; not too hot, not too wet! Setting off from church 1pm. Can bring, or buy lunch, to eat after service.

## Coffee Morning Summer Break

There will be no coffee mornings during August.  
We look forward to seeing everyone again on September 1st.





We offer grants for Christian books to any library whether it's in a school, prison, hospice, church - anywhere really that a book can be borrowed and read by lots of people. All we need to know is the name of the library, what has prompted you to apply and what difference the books will make.

We applied for a grant from Speaking Volumes earlier this year, to enhance our foyer library with some brand new books (not that we aren't grateful for all the donations we have received, we are, very grateful...but there's something about a NEW book!)

We were granted £100.

It was decided that since we would buy some more titles for the children as their section wasn't as well stocked. We had a book list to choose from, and a supplier list (so we chose the Christian Book store in Huddersfield) and managed to purchase the following 12 titles. They will be available to borrow shortly.



## Foyer Library Update

The foyer library continues to evolve. Thank you so much for those who have donated books to this.

Most of the books are ready to borrow now and I am hoping to finish cataloguing the last shelf during August.

There will be a list of books available shortly.

There are quite a few Small Group study guides available, which I have placed together under the number 220.2 on the top shelf of the main bookcase. The list for these is in the pale blue binder on top of the shelf, where the whole list will be available when the cataloguing is completed.

## Crèche Lighting Changes

Some of you may have noticed that the crèche area was a lot brighter last Sunday.

One of the lights had broken and when we considered replacing it was found we can no longer get the same type of fitting. In consultation with crèche users, it was also pointed out that the uplighter style was not very useful for small children crawling on the floor.

Given that this area is also a fire exit, the maintenance team, therefore, took the idea to the PCC of replacing the lights in the whole of the area with new, downward, LED lights. This was approved and the work carried out recently.

The lights are smaller, but more powerful and should also be more economical to run.



# Sponsored Inca Trail

David Bythell is doing the Inca Trail from Peru to Macchu Pichu from 28th July to 7th August in aid of Andy's Man Club. As many of you will be aware, this is a local charity which assists those suffering from mental health problems, offering support and encouraging men to talk through problems in a supportive, non-judgemental space. Please see Sue Bythell if you would like to sponsor him.



## End of Academic Year Update

Highlights from their update email

To all our supporters,

Thank you for staying with us through the last year and supporting CICS in prayer, time, finance and encouragement.

You collected 'It's Your Move' books from Halifax, Elim and took them into schools – it was so good to be able to do so 'properly' this year and we know that you have been encouraged by the response.

We are blessed with our workers and supporters who have worked so hard at both their time with CICS and other responsibilities. At least they can have a rest from CICS during the summer (mostly).

Todmorden

Both Nancy and Joan are finding it difficult to get into schools again but will be determinedly pushing the doors next term.

Nancy is planning a Messy Holiday Day for families who are not going away this summer and has £140 so far to pay for breakfast and hot lunch and activities which will be based round the story of Joseph. This is using Tod Churches Together and CICS volunteers who are also involved in the monthly Messy Church. 19 have booked so far and there are 16 spaces left.

Joan writes: Coming to the end of our first 9 months with CICS we are starting to see how things work. I say "we" as Steve has been very much a part of all that I have done and has engaged with the teenagers in sharing his faith at Question Point so openly. We have some regulars who come each week to chat with us now and share so much about themselves as we chat.

We are now also joining Jake Womack in the gardening club so that we have a longer time to chat with a smaller group of youngster and are praying about a Bible study or Christianity Explored. We are also praying about starting the gospel choir in Tod High and this will be moving on as the wording being sung are gospel. So the vision is not to get stuck in just building friendship bridges but also longing to move on to building a bridge to Jesus and all He has to offer them.

Brighouse High School

*Thoughts from Chris* - This year I would describe the work as rewarding but hard. As I have expressed before we are more integrated in school life, and school use us more, we work with pastoral, teaching staff and senior leaders at times. This means the access that we have in school is incredible, the trust that has been built over the lifetime of CICS work in Brighouse High School and the longevity of the mentoring work is there to be seen. I think sometimes I underestimate how valuable this is, because it's just an everyday thing for us now, but we truly have a God given appointment to that school in my eyes.

Sophie is also part of the BHS team but also working in Longroyde school (partly as staff member, partly as CICS worker and partly as from Church) She writes:- I was reflecting yesterday after I'd spent a couple of hours there in the morning, that I had spent nearly as much time supporting staff as I had students on that particular day. I do think it is a really good thing to have those sorts of relationships with staff as well as students, and to be able to be a loving and caring presence in the school.

Longroyde

The work in Longroyde continues to be a privilege too. It is wonderful to be able to lead Christian based assemblies, and to hear how enthusiastically these are received by the children. We continue to run Quest Club most weeks for children from Yr3 and hope that from September we can grow this naturally to include those children and the next cohort moving up from Yr2 to Yr3. We also have great chats with them over a school dinner beforehand.

It really is a huge privilege to be able to share the good news of the gospel in such an open way in school, and we pray and would value your prayers, for the door to stay open for us when the current Headteacher leaves at Christmas.

Keep praying for

- Spiritual and physical refreshment for all
- Renewed enthusiasm in September
- obedience to the Vision