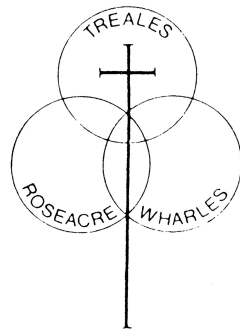


Parish Press

February 2025



Sunday Services for February			
2	9	16	24
11 am Holy Communion	11 am Holy Communion	11 am Holy Communion	11 am Holy Communion
Candlemas	Treales Praise	170 th Anniversary Celebration	2 nd Sunday before Lent
Readings Mal. 3:1-5 Heb.2:14-end Luke 2:22-40	Readings Luke 5:1-11	Readings Jer.17:5-10 1 Cor.15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26	Readings Gen.2:4-9 & 15-end Rev. Ch.4 Luke 8:22-25
	Refreshments after the service	Celebration Lunch	Refreshments after the service
READERS for Sunday Morning Service			
Sue Witts Susan Morley	Cheryl Gilbertson	Brian Crossley Gill Wareing	Marshall Towers Harry Barton
Sides Persons for Sunday Morning Service			
Harry Barton Brian Crossley	Mhairi & Nick Mitchison	Kathie and Marshall Towers	Denise Wilkins Sue Witts
OTHER SERVICES at Treales Church			
Mondays	3-3.30	School Service (check with school)	

Donations for church funds

Whilst we have a collection plate at the back of church, we also now have a new facility to accept contactless card donations and QR code notices to accept donations directly from your mobile phone.



Thank you for your support.

Letter for February

Dear Friends,

February already and Easter eggs have been spotted in the shops; my how the time flies. This month sees the annual celebration of St Valentine on 14th. He was a Christian priest who pushed his luck a little too far with the Roman emperor Caligula (never a wise thing to do) and ended up being beaten to death with clubs and beheaded. Legend has it that on the day before his execution he wrote to Julia, the daughter of a Roman prefect whom he had cured of blindness, and signed the letter 'From your Valentine'. As well as being the patron saint of lovers, he is also the patron saint of beekeepers. So, whether you are in a honey trap or the keeper of honey bees, St Valentine has got your back.

February is also the month in which our church was consecrated 170 years ago and we shall be marking that fact with a celebratory Eucharist on Sunday 16th followed by a buffet lunch. Canon Godfey will be preaching to us and Canon Anne will preside. It promises to be a lovely occasion and I hope many of you will be able to be there.

We are of course indebted to Lord Stanley the 14th Earl of Derby, who gave the land and much of the finance for the church to be built in 1855 as a chapel of ease to the mother church St Michael's in Kirkham. His full monica was Edward George Geoffrey Smith Stanley which means his initials were Eggs Stanley. I wonder if his parents considered that before giving him those names.

So, although February is often a grey and dismal month, life at Christ Church is, as always full of colour and interest.

Blessings,

Jerry

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who attended the Christingle service or contributed to it in any way.

A total of £96.04 was sent to the Children's Society.

LAYING THE FOUNDATION STONE OF A NEW CHURCH AT TREALES

(taken from a newspaper cutting rescued by Rev Terry
from damp, mould and neglect)

On Saturday last, the interesting ceremony of laying the foundation stone of a new church in the hamlet of Treales in the township of Treales, Roseacre and Wharles, and in the parish of Kirkham. The parish of Kirkham, one of the most extensive and one of the most ancient in Lancashire, comprises of not less than seventeen townships and an area of 130 square miles or 38000 statute acres. It has been very deficient in church accommodation for the inhabitants of the outlying areas, although its endowments are very large; but steps have been taken within the last few years to remedy the inconveniences to which a large portion of the parishioners have been subjected; three additional churches have now been erected at Freckleton, Weeton and Treales; and in the year 1857 on the expiration of the lease of the great tithes of Kirkham from the Dean and chapter of Christ Church College Oxford to the Clifton family, some further beneficial changes it is expected will be made.

Upwards of 200 years ago the evils of the present arrangements were felt, and a division of the parish was recommended by the gentlemen who were entrusted with the Oliverian survey at the time of the Commonwealth, but nothing was done until a few years ago to meet the inconveniences of the present system. The Earl of Derby, the owner of the whole of Treales and some other property in the district, has liberally undertaken the erection of a church for the accommodation of his tenants, and Sidney Smirke Esq., the eminent architect of London, furnished the design.

The church, which is to consist of a nave and chancel, is to be in the early pointed style of architecture. The nave is 60 feet in length by 33 feet in width; the chancel 25 feet by 21 feet. From the ground to the eaves will be 20 feet; the height to the ridge of the roof will be 40 feet. At the West end is a turret containing a stair up to the organ loft, and terminating in a belfry, comprised of eight arches surmounted by a small stone spire. The walls are to be of stone, lined with brickwork formed with a hollow space near the inside face so as to secure perfect dryness. The church is calculated to hold about 250 persons easily seated. There will be three aisles, so as to give access to both ends of each range of benches. The roof is open, and of timber. The contract for the wood work of the church is Mr H. Hornby, of St Michael's, for the stone work, Messrs. Cooper and Tullis of Preston.

The site of the church is near to Treales school on land belonging to the Earl of Derby, and at a point convenient to the neighbourhood. It was, as a matter of course, intended that the laying of the foundation stone should be attended with some marks of rejoicing at so acceptable a boon being placed within the reach of the inhabitants, but the heavenly rain, which fell with almost unprecedented volume during the whole day, completely marred the effect of the outdoor preparations.

The scholars of the Sunday and day school, in their holiday clothes, and carrying flags and banners, met at the school and proceeded shortly after three o'clock from the school to the field in which the church is to be built preceded by the Rev. W. L. Hussey, the vicar of Kirkham and Mrs Hussey; the Revs. J. M. Collyns and W. Woolrich, curates of Kirkham; the Rev. W. Sutcliffe of Weeton; T. L. and E. Birley Esqrs. of Kirkham and their families; the Misses Green of Ribby Cottage; Mrs Milner, Manchester; Mr H Hornby of St Michaels', contractor for the erection of the woodwork; Mr A Tullis of the firm Messrs. Cooper and Tullis, contractor for the masonry; together with a sprinkling of the inhabitants of Treales and the neighbourhood. The architect was unable to be present through indisposition.

The Rev. W. L. Hussey, vicar of Kirkham, after remarking that they had that day met, by the permission of God, to lay the foundation of a church dedicated to His and to Christ's service, in the parish of Treales, gave out a hymn which, having been sung, the Rev. gentleman read a prayer suitable to the occasion, asking for the blessing of God to descend upon the church which they were about to erect to His service; for the health and preservation of the Earl of Derby, the kind donor through whose liberality the church was to be erected; and for the success of Christianity in that parish and the world at large. Various documents were then deposited beneath the stone and, after the mortar had been spread by the vicar of Kirkham, it was lowered to its place, the Rev. gentleman pronouncing over it the following words, "In the name of Jesus Christ, who is the true corner stone of the church, and beside whom there is no other true foundation that man can lay, we lay this stone in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, in the hope that Christ's church may here abound". The Rev. gentleman then remarked that it was customary on such occasions to make an address, but on account of the exceedingly bad weather, he did not think it would be wise to do so. He expressed the hope that they who now "sowed in tears should reap in joy" and that, when the church was erected, they would show their interest in it by attending and supporting it.

After reading another prayer, a hymn was sung and the procession re-formed and proceeded back to the school room. The scholars were here plentifully regaled with coffee, buns, nuts etc. provided through the liberality of the Earl of Derby, together with some excellent cakes that had been presented to them by the vicar of Kirkham, to both of which benevolent individuals, and to other benefactors, they testified their regard by loud cheers.

An excellent dinner was also provided through the liberality of the Earl of Derby and Mr Milner and Miss Milner, the respected master and mistress of the school, also added their hospitality for the workmen and contractors who are engaged in the erection of the church. Several loyal and other toasts, including the health of the Earl of Derby and the vicar of Kirkham, were here drunk with musical honours; and, considering the unfavourable state of the weather throughout the day, the entire proceedings seemed to be greatly enjoyed by all parties who participated in them.


Confirmation

As some of you will already know, Bishop Jill has agreed to come to Christ Church on Sunday September 14th to Confirm our candidates. The confirmation service will replace our normal 11.00 Communion.

We currently have three candidates (all children), but anyone else who wishes to be confirmed, whether adult or child, can be added to the list at any time, so please contact the vicar (07989931909) if you want to add a name.

The process is painless and not at all embarrassing. On the big day, the bishop will place her hands on the head of each candidate and say these or similar words, 'Defend O Lord this Your child with Your heavenly Grace, that she/he may continue Yours for ever and daily increase in Your Holy Spirit more and more until she/he comes into your kingdom.'

Who's Who in the Parish

Vicar	Rev'd Terry Scholz	07989931909
LLM (Licenced Lay Minister)	Janet Roberts	690023
Churchwardens	Janet Roberts Pat Walsh	690023 690545
Deanery Synod Representatives	Peter Roberts	690023
PCC Secretary	Chris Noad	690556
PCC Treasurer, Vice Chair, Stewardship & Data Protection (GDPR)	Peter Roberts	690023
PCC Members (additional to those already listed)	Harry Barton, Maureen Parker; Mhiari Mitchison; Denise Wilkins; Beverley Hargreaves; Cheryl Gilbertson, David Pickervance	
PCC Electoral Roll	Brian Crossley	683275
PCC Safeguarding officer; Parish Press	Susan Morley	07973307190
Organist	Janet Roberts	690023
Mother's Union Enrolling Member		
W.I. President	Heather Jagger	684596
Treales Football	David Pickervance	683122
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School: Headteacher Chair of Governors Vice Chair of Governors	Lisa Hill Katherine Greenhalgh Elizabeth Pickervance	684678
Friends: Chairman Vice Chairman Treasurer Secretary	Suzanne Sugden Bekki Bowman Juliet Southwood Lauren Sutcliffe	684678
Parish Defibrillators: Treales School and Treales Telephone Box to access dial 999		

POLICE: Call 101 or 999 in an emergency

Police contacts for the Parish:

PCSO 7360 Becca Didsbury becca.didsbury@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

Wesham & Treales MOTHERS' UNION



Friday 14 February at 2pm

Christ Church, Wesham

W. I. NEWS



**Thursday
13 February**

**7.30 Boys Brigade
103rd Birthday Party**

LIFELONG LEARNING GROUP

Meetings held at Kirkham Community Centre
Coffee/Tea served from 09.50 am Meeting from 10.30

Thursdays

Feb 6th

**Adventures of a Tanzanian Scouser
Arun Vithlani**

Feb 20th

**A visit to Normandy
Steve Williams**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Feb

- 9 Treales Praise Church 11am
- 14 School closed for half term
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 15 Fylde Ice Festival, St Annes town centre
- 20 170th Anniversary of the church Celebration Eucharist 11am followed by lunch
- 24 School re-opens

March

- 4 Shrove Tuesday
- 5 Ash Wednesday
- 7 World Day of Prayer, 2pm Holy Family RC Church Warton PR4 1AD
- 30 Mothering Sunday

Please hand your items for the **March** Parish Press to
Susan Morley or email: morleysusan@hotmail.com

By **Monday 17 February 2025**