

# ST JOHN'S NEWS AND VIEWS

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#### Worship



Online services and reflections (morning and evening) continue via our Facebook page and on YouTube.

Our preachers and services in church for the next few weeks will be as follows:

1st October 10.30 am Worship Group
8th October 10.30 am Revd. Tim Broughton
15th October 10.30 am Mavis Speight
22nd October 10.30 am Revd. Roger Fox
Holy Communion
29th October 10.30 am Marjorie Dowling

6.30 pm Revd. Tim Broughton
Holy Communion for All Souls

5<sup>th</sup> November 10.30 am Revd. Tim Broughton

#### Coffee Pot



Please join us at Coffee Pot on Wednesdays from 10.30 am – 12.0 noon – and bring your friends.

Our October Charity Coffee Pot, on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, will be in aid of Guide Dogs for the Blind.

#### Bible Book Club

Our next meeting will be held after Coffee Pot (at 12.0 noon) on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, when we will be looking at Matthew's Gospel. As usual, this will be led by Revd. Tim Broughton; background notes can be found on the hymn book cupboard.



#### LET'S TALK LOCAL

Our eco event was a great success, attracting around one hundred people, mostly from outside church. There was a great buzz around the place

as the stall holders began setting out their presentations in the hall. At 2.00pm we were all ready and the visitors soon began to arrive. They were quickly enticed into the hall by the wonderful displays of local produce. Some decided to partake of the scones, home-made by our wonderful St. John's baking team.

Our first speaker was Simon from Courtyard Dairy, and it was good to see about 40-50 people already seated in church awaiting his talk. It was a hugely informative 45 minutes which included some cheese tasting too.

After a short break, when people were able to absorb the cheese story and perhaps go into the hall and buy some, we were entertained and challenged by our inimitable second speaker, John Dawson. John pulls no punches as he seeks to promote his work as a cattle farmer. He is also not afraid to take the challenging questions that dairy and meat farmers are faced with regularly in this eco-aware age we live in.

The final speaker was Dan Nelson, our local shoemaker, who simply took the title of his talk from our own event – Let's Talk Local. His arguments for using home-grown talent and skills were convincing at all levels, even down to suggesting we shared our skills – he had recently traded some of his skills with someone who knitted him half a dozen wool socks in return. I'm not sure if he would accept half a dozen piano lessons from me in return for some soling and heeling!

All in all, we were treated to three very challenging talks where the very different tradesmen shared their own passions with us. It certainly made me think that good workers need to add passion to whatever they do in order to create something special.

Finally, a huge thank you to all the church members who participated in whatever way, and to all those who stepped in, unasked, to offer their help.

Philip Taylor

#### Bible Study / Fellowship Group

Our next meeting will be held at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October in the lounge at Limestone View. We will be looking at Matthew's gospel, chapter 7. Non-residents are welcome.



# Prayer Meeting

The next monthly gathering for united prayer for all our churches in Settle and District

will be held at 12.00 noon on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, at SS Mary and Michael Catholic Church.

# Justice and Peace Group

#### Let's Talk About Money

Economic Justice - What does it look like? What we do with money, how wealth is shared, and how money is used determines the kind of world we live in

#### Friday 13th October,

Come for soup and pudding at 6pm Followed at 7pm by a workshop about money

#### Everyone is Welcome.

Issues include;
local community energy
how wealth is shared
tax and benefits
investors, banks and companies
housing inequalities
jobs & the Green New Deal
Just Money & New Economics Foundation
resources

# It's not easy to talk about money, but we can't afford not to.

Where; St Mary & St Michael, Tillman Close, Settle BD24 9RA Organised by Justice & Peace Group, Churches Together in Settle & District Contact marianmnichol@gmail.com

#### Walk and Prayers for the Environment

These walks take place on the  $1^{st}$  of each month. The October walk will take place on Sunday 1st 2.00-5.00pm. For more details, please contact Judith Allinson.

## Giggleswick and Settle Brass Band

We will welcome the Giggleswick and Settle Brass Band to give a concert at 7.30 pm on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October. Tickets (£10 including refreshments) available in advance from one of the church stewards.

### Dates for your diary

31st October 12.00 noon 5th Sunday lunch 18th November 7.00 pm Quiz Night 26th November 10.30 am Toy Service 11th December 7.00 pm Soupacarol 24th December 6.30 pm Carol Service

# Topics for Prayer



Please pray for all the events mentioned in this newsletter, that through our work in the church and community we may

draw closer to God and serve him better.

#### Newsletter

Thank you to all those who have contributed to this newsletter. Please send any material for inclusion in our next edition to Philip or Wendy by the 27<sup>th</sup> October.