

Holy Trinity, Bickerstaffe November 2016



The World Peace Prayer

Lead me from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead me from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead me from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe. Amen.

Bible verse and prayer for 2016

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

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Letter from Andrew Housley

Dear Friends,



Pinned to the corkboard hanging over my desk are four pantomime tickets to see *Jack in the Beanstalk* in January. On my desk is the usual 'to-do' list, with reminders to prepare for the Christmas Fairs in both Aughton and Bickerstaffe. The preparation for Christmas and beyond has already begun!

Before we get to Christmas, Advent is observed for a period of four weeks. The liturgical colour for Advent is purple, like in Lent, to remind us that it is a season for spiritual preparation. The word 'advent' refers to Jesus' second coming, and so during the season we not only prepare for the coming of the Messiah, but we also prepare for the time He returns. Advent calendars and advent candles can often be seen as a countdown towards Christmas, which is exciting for children of all ages! But the initial reason for advent calendars and candles, as well as the Sunday bible readings, was to help us reflect upon those who were sent with the message that the Messiah was coming: advent 1 the patriarchs; advent 2 the prophets; advent 3 John the Baptist; and advent 4 Mary.

As in recent years advent groups will meet in both parishes to follow the course 'Living the Light'. There is more information about the course on page 10. The benefit of meeting with one of the groups is so that the message of advent is not overlooked for the more exciting season of Christmas. As Christians we need to observe both Advent and Lent so that we are better prepared to celebrate both Christmas and Easter. Personally speaking, I very much look forward to Advent so we can sing the beautiful advent hymns including the one printed below.

Come, Thou long expected Jesus Born to set Thy people free; From our fears and sins release us, Let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's Strength and Consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

Charles Wesley wrote verse two as a prayer and incorporated it into the 1744 hymn we still sing at advent. He was saddened by the divisions in eighteenth century England and wrote the words in the hope that Jesus' second coming would be soon, so that justice could be brought to all people.

A part of our preparation during Advent is to pray and work towards the world being a fairer place for when Jesus returns. Four weeks of reflecting upon Jesus' kingdom values will prepare us for a more Christ centered Christmas.

Andrew

Services in November

| | St Michael | Holy Trinity | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| 6th November 3rd before Advent | 8.15am Martin 10.30am Bill | 10.45am Martin Holy Communion | |
| Green | 20.000 | , | |
| Job 19.23-27a; | Matins | | |
| 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5,13-17; | 10.30am Hall Service | | |
| Luke 20.27-38 | Hall Service | | |
| | 4.00pm Martin | | |
| | Holy Communion | | |
| 13th November | 8.15am Martin | 10.45am Martin | |
| Remembrance Sunday | Holy Communion | Service of | |
| Green | , | Remembrance | |
| Malachi 4.1-2a; | 10.30am Andrew | | |
| 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13; | Service of | | |
| Luke 21.5-19 | Remembrance with Parade | | |
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| | 4pm Andrew | | |
| | Commemoration of | | |
| / | the Departed | | |
| 20th November | 8.15am Andrew | 10.45am | |
| Christ the King | Holy Communion | Andrew/Mark | |
| Red | | Morning Praise | |
| Jeremiah 23.1-6; | 10.30am Martin | | |
| Colossians 1.11-20; Luke 23.33-43 | Holy Communion | | |
| LUNE 23.33-43 | 4.00pm Andrew | | |
| | Holy Communion | | |

| 27th November | 8.15am Andrew | 10.45am Martin |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Advent Sunday | Holy Communion | Holy Communion |
| Purple | | |
| Isaiah 2.1-5; | 10.30am Andrew | |
| Romans 13.11-14; Matthew | Baptisms | |
| 24.36-44 | | |
| | | |

Giving Thanks...

I will thank (God) for the pleasures given me through my senses, for the glory of the thunder, for the mystery of music, the singing of the birds and the laughter of children...

Truly, O Lord, the earth is full of thy riches!

Edward King (1829-1910) Bishop of Lincoln

Worship & Learning

6th November: God of the living

Luke 20.27-38

- Jesus' authority is challenged by leaders in Jerusalem.
- Some Sadducees ask him about belief in the resurrection of the dead.
- Jesus maintains that 'the God of the living' is the foundation of hope.

A personal prayer

Let me not be so taken with thoughts of the life to come that I forget to live this one.

Let me not live my life to gain favour in heaven, at the cost of not living to the full the life I have now.

Let not thoughts of my personal reward and salvation blind me to the needs of brothers and sisters in this earthly existence.

Amen

13th November: Hang on

Luke 21.5-19

- Jesus encourages his followers, who live in distressing times.
- He warns them about people who will exploit their anxieties.
- He reminds his followers that they share the blessings and demands of God's faithfulness.

A personal prayer

Let peace begin with me, O Lord; let not my heart harbour hatred. Help me to endure all things through faith; foster hope in my innermost being, and enable me to work for righteousness. Amen.

20th November: Public not private

Luke 23.33-43

- Even a cruel death does not diminish Jesus' power to reach out to others.
- His execution looks like failure and weakness, but faith sees the true power of God.
- The cross is also the throne of Christ the King, who uses his power to serve and save.

A personal prayer

Forgive me when I think the cross an ornament, something to hang around my neck, or pin to my clothing; for Christ hung on the cross, nailed to it through wrists and feet. Let me not lose sight of his suffering, though I rejoice in his victory. Amen.

27th November: Shaken and stirred

Matthew 24.36-44

- Jesus speaks to his disciples about the coming of the kingdom.
- He warns them that the Son of Man will come at an unexpected time.
- They are encouraged to watch and wait expectantly.

A personal prayer

Lead me, O Lord; be my light in the darkness. Guide my feet to walk in your paths, that I may illuminate the way for others, and pave the ways of this world with peace. Amen.



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Benefice News

Communion in the Community

The Holy Communion Services in Stockley Crescent, St Michael's Hall and Bickerstaffe School are a wonderful opportunity for outreach. Please invite friends!! For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26.

- Stockley Crescent: Tuesday 8th November at 1.00pm.
- St Michael's Hall: Wednesday 9th (with soup lunch) and 23rd and 30th November at 11am.
- Bickerstaffe School: Friday 25th November at 2.40pm.

Men's Breakfast



The next breakfast will be Saturday 12th November at Bickerstaffe School. If you would are able to help with the cooking, please speak to Andrew. New members welcome!

If you have good quality men's clothes, then please bring them to be taken to the Salvation Army in Bootle. Thank you.

Charity Collections

If you plan to sort through your children's wardrobes, we would be grateful to receive good quality **children's clothes** and other school items such as football boots, and goggles, which will be donated to Litherland Moss School.

We continue to collect **men's clothes** for Bootle Salvation Army, and the Skelmersdale Food Bank remains as important as ever during the school break when there are no free school meals available to needy families. Non-perishable **food items** are therefore very much appreciated. Please leave any items at the back of church. Thank you so much in advance.

Curious?

Curious? is a contemporary youth service for young people. It meets on fourth Sunday of each month at Cottage Lane Mission at 6.30pm. It is a wonderful opportunity for the young people from the Ormskirk area to meet in friendship and also to grow in their faith.

Fusion Youth Events for the 11plus



Sunday 13th November Friday 9th December party event.

Ten Pin Bowling Southport Youth Club Night Christmas

Advent Groups



This year's Advent course we will, 'Living in the light'. A sign-up sheet can be found at the back of both churches. If you haven't joined a group before, please do

join these lively groups, which give space for both discussion and reflection. The course booklet is £3.59. Please sign up by Sunday 13th November.

- Tuesdays at 7.30pm: Bickerstaffe Hall, Hall Lane, Bickerstaffe.
 22nd November, 29th November, 6th December, and 13th December.
- Wednesdays at 7.30pm: The Rectory, 10 Church Lane, Aughton. 23rd November, 30th November, 7th December, and 14th December.
- Fridays at 1.30pm: Alms House Bungalows, Off St Michael's Park, Aughton. 25th November, 2nd December, 9th December, and 16th December.

Living in the Light

Witnesses to a single event often give contrasting reports. When the event is God's coming to this world as a child it is not just fascinating, it is highly instructive. It opens our eyes not only to what God is like, but to how life can be lived to the full. This course explores the 'reports' of Luke, John, Mary and Paul. In doing so it engages with the distinctive nature of Christian spirituality and how we can give expression to it in our lives, thus living the light of Christ's coming.

Four Sessions:

Session (1) Luke's reporting of the coming of Christ

Session (2) John's reflections on the coming of Christ

Session (3) Mary's response to the coming of Christ

Session (4) Paul rejoices in the coming of Christ

Commemoration of the departed

On Sunday 13th November at 4pm, the annual Commemoration of the departed will be held at St Michael's Church. The names of those who have had a funeral at St Michael's and Holy Trinity will be read out during the service. If you would like a loved one's name to be remembered then please add their name to a list at the back of both churches.

Andrew

Holy Trinity Dates & News

Dates for your diary

8th November Parochial Church Council 7.30pm

10th November Shared Ministry Team

12th November Men's Breakfast at Bickerstaffe School

13th November Commemoration of the Departed at St Michael's

26th November Christmas Fair with Christmas Tree Festival

Remembrance Sunday



I would like to welcome all from the various organizations in Bickerstaffe, including Service and Ex Service personnel, to meet at 10.30am on the Parish Field Car Park for the 10.45am Service at Holy Trinity.

Bill Gardiner Ex Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers

Church Electoral Roll

The Church Electoral Roll is renewed every six years. If you are not sure about being on it please check the current list in the church porch. A form is available here www.holytrinitybickerstaffe.co.uk/church-electoral-roll please fill in and return to Mrs Norma Rimmer. Paper copies are at the back of church.

Visiting Parishioners

If you know if anyone who would appreciate a home visit please contact the Vicar or Church Wardens, details in the church magazine or online www.holytrinitybickerstaffe.co.uk/contact.

The Harvest Project: Compassion UK



A couple of years ago, both Holy Trinity Church and Bickerstaffe School raised funds to support a child living in Bangladesh through the charity Compassion UK. His name is Dipok.

More information can be found on the website www.compassionuk.org. If you would like to contribute to this important work, please contact either Mrs Hall at Bickerstaffe School or pass your donation to Stan. Thank you.

Christmas Fair with Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 26th November 2pm-4pm

This year the Christmas Fair will run alongside a Christmas Tree Festival in the church. If you would like to run a stall or activity please mention it to a member of the organizing committee. If you are a member of a church or community group and would like to provide a Christmas Tree at the Festival, please also speak to a committee members Hilary, Irene, Ann, Rene, Sue, Lesley, or Andrew. The Christmas Tree Festival will be a fantastic opportunity to advertise all the wonderful activities on offer within the Bickerstaffe Community.

The Christmas Trees must be imitation and no taller than 3ft and the lights must be battery rather than mains operated. The church will be open to set up the trees on both the Thursday and Friday before the Fair and Festival from 6pm. Please let us know when you would like to

decorate your tree. Please advertise far and wide what will be both a wonderful and beautiful community event.

Worship review

Andrew and Martin are going to lead a group to discuss the worship at Holy Trinity. Bickerstaffe church provides both traditional and modern forms of worship with the occasional special service. We intend to maintain this balance. If you would like to join the group to review what we do, please speak to Andrew or Martin.

Children's Fun Sheets

Children's Fun Sheets and crayons are available at the back of church, plus fun bags. If you see any children in the service, please make sure they have a sheet and a bag.

December Magazine Distribution

The December edition of the magazine will be distributed amongst all homes within the parish. Not only will we be able to advertise the Christmas Services and church events, it will be a chance for us all to get a bit more exercise!! Please sign up at the back of church if you would like to join the delivery team.

Funding News

Celebrate Lottery Fund Award

The PCC of Holy Trinity Church have been awarded £640 for The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration Lunches Project. These will take between now and 14th October 2017. A big thank-you to the Big Lottery Fund for this award.

Edward McCarthy

Graveyard Extension Funding

Holy Trinity Church PCC has been awarded £750 towards the cost of the Graveyard Extension from the Duchy of Lancaster Benevolent Fund. The Duchy of Lancaster Benevolent Fund is a Registered Charity set up with the consent of Her Majesty The Queen to benefit causes primarily within the County Palatine. We wish to thank the Lieutenant of Lancashire, Lord Shuttleworth for our funding award.

Edward McCarthy

Parish Registers



Allen Roberts aged 76 of Liverpool Road Skelmersdale, was buried in the Churchyard on October 13th.

Community News

Used Postage Stamps

Thank you to everyone who collects used postage stamps for me throughout the year. These are put to good use by charity organisations and can be left in the box at the back of Church. Please remember to save your Christmas card stamps. *Thank you very much*

Fred Tyrer

Stockley Crescent News

We would like to thank everyone who supported the Coffee morning on October 18th that we had for the Macmillan Nurses. We raised a wonderful £1050. A special thank you to all the helpers who baked cakes and served teas, and to all who gave draw prizes.

Irene McCarthy

Finance News

Income & Expenditure Account For the 9 months ended 30 September 2016

| Total Expenditure | £40,150.58 | Total Expenditure | £40,150.58 |
|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Deficit year to date | £6,382.73 | | |
| Total Income | £33,767.85 | | |
| Churchyard extension | £1,301.46 | Churchyard Extension | £8,470.00 |
| Friends of Bickerstaffe | £1,525.00 | Sundries | £83.10 |
| Church Magazine | -£4.16 | Web fees | £60.19 |
| Churchyard maintenance | -£224.00 | Printing | £223.96 |
| Gift Aid Tax Refund | £4,548.98 | Maintenance | £2,950.00 |
| Dividends & Interest | £281.02 | Insurance & Council Tax | £6,210.09 |
| In lieu of flowers | £1,762.00 | Organ Maintenance | £199.00 |
| Fundraising events | £2,929.65 | Water & Electricity | £913.40 |
| Fees | £3,779.00 | Vicar's expenses | £565.12 |
| Donations & Gift Day | £4,606.00 | Fees assigned | £54.00 |
| Collection | £13,262.90 | DBF Quota | £20,421.72 |

Expenditure of £7,990 on the new graveyard extension takes the YTD position into a loss. Donations for the existing churchyard maintenance and the new extension are most welcome.

Fund raising events

| Total | £2,929.65 |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Bickerstock Tea Stall | £546.30 |
| Photo Exhibition | £35.00 |
| Summer Fayre | £1,088.30 |
| Park Praise | £153.65 |
| Ukulele Band | £538.00 |
| Attic Sale FLE | £58.40 |
| Coffee morning - March | £510.00 |

Stan Barnes, Treasurer

News from Bickerstaffe Church of England School

'Community Award'



Bickerstaffe School has been shortlisted and will attend the prestigious **Educate Awards Ceremony** in November. Our submission was 'A Birthday Celebration to Remember', to mark Queen Elizabeth's 90th birthday in June.

Who helped us to achieve this? **Everyone!** Those who: donated plants, and our Mums who planted them to make our school look beautiful; baked cakes and made food for our Tea Party; worked hard to prepare our children for: their recitals of poems, and timeline facts, the singing of songs and the special dances performed; made and dressed the children in amazing costumes; came to our Tea Party and the Treat Day that followed. Yes, our teachers and support staff, all parents, members of Holy Trinity Church, especially the Church Choir, the local community, and of course our fabulous children! The Educate Awards badge above will now take pride of place amongst other badges at the foot of our letter headed paper.

Harvest Celebration

Our Harvest Festival Service was enjoyed by all children and their families. We continue to support Dipok, a young boy living in Bangladesh, with a monthly sponsorship of £25 through the charity 'Compassion UK'. This monthly donation secures Dipok's Christian education until he is 19 years old. We are aware that this is a very big commitment, but we do pride ourselves on being 'a small school with a BIG HEART' and the children have been very keen to support Dipok. Individual members of the school and church community can also support Dipok with an annual donation of £25 – please talk to me or call the school office 01695 722957 if you would like to know more about this.

This year's Harvest parcels were distributed amongst the school and local community and we would like to thank all those who contributed so generously to the wonderful display in church.

Get Inspired, Be Inspirational

- * Bringing Books to Life -'Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory' came to life in music and drama sessions. Great fun was had by all who participated.
- * **Silver Medals** -Were awarded to our 'Y5/Y6 Girls' when they competed in the Cross Country event in Tarleton. It was a team event and they were all worthy of awards for their performances.
- * Relax Kids Techniques learned should prove very useful in promoting 'peace of mind' and relieving tension, enabling children to maximise their learning potential and enjoy new experiences.
- * MacMillan Coffee Morning A huge: 'THANK YOU!' is needed for our Worship Wonders Team for organising the event in school, and parents who baked cakes and helped sell them. It was great to see Mums, Dads and Grandparents enjoying cake and a drink in the school hall together, and our children loved their morning cake too. We raised £218.58 what an amazing achievement.

'Service of Remembrance' & Opening of our 'Peace Garden'.

Children will, as usual, attend a short service at the War Memorial outside Holy Trinity Church on the 11th November at 10:45am; this will be followed by the opening of our 'Peace Garden' in school. *Please join us if you can.*

Best wishes
Jeanne Hall and Bickerstaffe School



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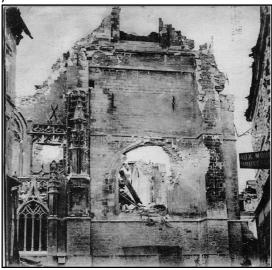


Stories from World War One. By Owen Taylor

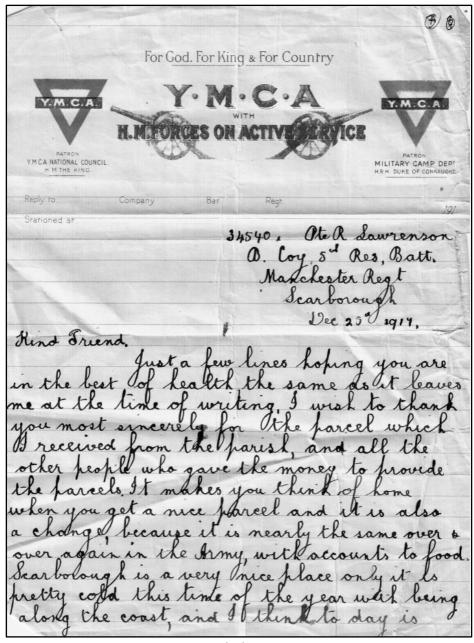
A stash of letters received by Mr Irlam, Headmaster of Bickerstaffe Boy's School, reveal a vivid insight on how former pupils coped with life in H.M Forces during the First World War. Each communication was sent as an appreciation to the School Staff and Parishioners for posting all local serving-men Christmas Parcels and Postal Orders valued at 12 shillings (60p) in December 1917.

Most letters that were posted through official channels were heavily censured, but some managed to circumvent Field Service Control, the following are extracts from a few of them.

Sergeant Tom Houghton, 25178, wrote from Sgts' Mess, Cork, Ireland, "I'll soon be home on my six days leave, but of course I don't know how long off that will be, as then I will do my utmost to hang on as long as possible, as I am in no hurry to get back to France. (He won the Military Medal at the Battle of Arras and served as a Lieutenant in the Home Guard in 1940.)



Arras, France, in ruins after bombardment



YMCA Headed Note Paper

From **Private J Payne**, with the British Expeditionary Force, "The smokes were fine, I did enjoy them, for I had not had one for a long time. Well, the weather out here is very cold, after a heavy fall of snow. I wish this was all over, as I am fed up".

Ordinary Seaman, Ralph Smith, writes from H.M.S Dido on Boxing Day 1917, "We are having wintery weather here, it was snowing yesterday. Recently we have had three Destroyers' sunk and one badly damaged, we brought the survivors back on board our ship. Some were wounded and some covered in oil. (Mr Smith was a Sergeant in the Home Guard in 1940.)



Ordinary Seaman Ralph Smith (Left) with three ship-mates Stokers from H.M.S Dido O.S Ralph Smith (front left with cigarette)

From 214002, **Private E Gibbons**, British Expedition Force, in France, "I have great pleasure in telling you that I am out of hospital and now in a Convalescent Depot. Also, I am feeling a lot better and won't be long before I am back up the line.



Stokers from H.M.S Dido O.S Ralph Smith (front left with cigarette)

Private J Kerfoot, wrote from France, "I am thankful you thought of me, but parcels and fruit are not allowed in hospitals at present and can result in a heavy fine. I am improving wonderfully, but I think I will have to have another operation yet. Otherwise I am having a good time down here, the people are so good to the wounded.

A letter from **Private W Heyes**, France, said, "We are having proper Christmas weather here, an inch of snow fell and it is freezing keen. The roads are in such a bad state, it causes us a lot of extra work putting

studs in the horse's feet. We were rather lucky this time, as our Battalion bought 700lb of pork and it was a treat I can assure you!"

Received from 307844, **Private Brownbill**, 9th Kings Reg, a letter from an Auxiliary Hospital, near Doncaster, thanking all concerned for sending Parcels and P/O, to all soldiers and sailors of the Parish. Then he wrote, "I am glad my wound is going on very nicely and hope to be out of hospital by the beginning of the New Year. (He was sent back to France in the Spring, but unfortunately, became exposed to a gas-attack and died in Brighton Military Hospital on 19th September 1918, aged 32 years. He was interred at Bickerstaffe.)

Stoker 1st Class, Fred Rawsthorne, stationed at Portsmouth Barracks, wrote, "I have had a few weeks sickness with my eyes, the coal-dust made them very bad, but now they are a good deal better and I am expecting to be going to South America soon. I had a few funny experiences on the last ship, but I have to keep my lips closed for the time being, but still it will come out one day, when everything is settled". Another letter, from the Western Front, was received from **Private Charles Band**, former Assistant-Master and associate of Headmaster Irlam.

He wrote, "I have been here for six weeks and three of those were spent in the trenches, under fire. On the first occasion we were only about 80 yards from the German trenches. It seemed rather strange the first time, but it is surprising how one gets used to it".

Of the remaining correspondence, most were "Thank-You" letters, but they had an interesting mix of addresses, such as, Malta, Dublin, Lowestoft, Scarborough, Field Post Office, France and Salonica.

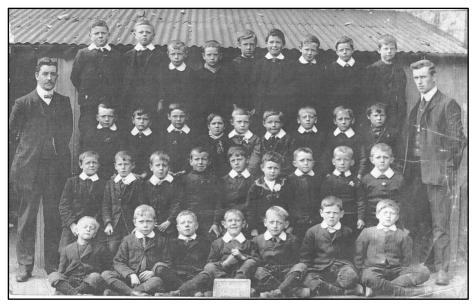


Photo of Bickerstaffe Boys School in 1909. Headmaster Mr Irlam (Left) and Assistant-Master, Charles Band (Right)

Acknowledgements: Ormskirk Advertiser, Ralph Smith, William Heyes, Angela Chaderton

Owen Taylor

Prayer Time

Prayer Request

Please continue to pray for little Olivia Phillips, her parents Lou and Jon, Barbara and all the family. We continue to give thanks for the work of the NHS, and for all generous organ donors and their families.

For carers in this world, young and old,

whose love, time and freedom, sometimes even childhood is given sacrificially for one who is in need.

May they know your blessing, through good days and bad, and receive as they have given love in good measure, flowing as a gentle river into their hearts and lives.

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Ten requests from a dementia journeyer

- 1. Please be patient with me Remember that I have an organic brain disease for which I have no control.
- 2. Talk to me Even though I cannot always answer you, I can hear your voice and sometimes comprehend your words.
- 3. Be kind to me For each day of my life is a long and desperate struggle. Your kindness may be the most special and important event of my day.
- 4. Consider my feelings For they are still very much alive within me.
- 5. Treat me with dignity and respect As I would have gladly treated you.
- 6. Remember my past For I was once a healthy, vibrant person full of live, love and laughter with abilities and intelligence.
- 7. Remember my present I am a fearful person who misses my family and home very much.
- 8. Remember my future Though it may seem bleak to you, I am always filled with hope for tomorrow.
- 9. Pray for me For I am a persona who lingers in the mists that drift between time and eternity. Your presence may do more for me that any other outreach of compassion you can extend to me.
- 10. Love me The gifts of love you give will be a blessing from which will fill both out lives with light forever.

Author unknown. Supplied by Irene McCarthy



In this busy world that we inhabit

grant us space to rest awhile – by the still waters of your peace, to hear the whisper of your voice and feel the warmth of your breeze within our souls.

Grant us space to rest awhile.

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Women's Groups

Bickerstaffe Mothers' Union



Our meeting was a celebration for the Harvest Festival we enjoyed a hot-pot lunch (made by our Leader) followed by Apple Pie, which was enjoyed by all.

We have been invited to join Melling M.U. Ladies on November 9th at 2pm for an afternoon of Friendship and Fellowship. This is in the Tithebarn as in previous years.

Irene McCarthy

The Women's Institute



The next meeting of the W.I. is on Monday 28th November and is the Annual General Meeting. As usual this will take place at Four Lane Ends Mission starting at 7.30pm.

Members are asked if they will kindly donate one or more new toys which will be given to children of underprivileged families in the local area at Christmas.

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Church Flowers Rota



6th November 13th November 20th November 27th November 4th December 11th December Mrs Suzanne Marsh Mr Edward Mercer Mrs Audrey Banks Mrs Joan Girling vacant Mrs Barbara Bell

Harvest Church Decoration

I would like to thank all those who worked so hard decorating the Church for Harvest and all who supplied flowers and fruit, not forgetting Mr David Bradshaw for the vegetables etc. The Church looked stunning and so welcoming. Well done.

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Welcome to Eloly Trinity Church Bickerstoffe

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2nd Sunday 8^{am} Holy Communion

10.45am Family Service

3rd Sunday 10.45^{am} Morning Prayer

4th Sunday 10.45^{am} Holy Communion

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