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# ST JAMES PARISH CHURCH, SILSDEN

## WEEKLY NEWSHEET

SATURDAY 23 MARCH 2024

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**Sunday 24 March 2024 – Palm Sunday**

Readings for Palm Sunday	
Liturgy of the Palms	Liturgy of the Passion
Gospel of Mark Chap 11 verses 1-11; or Gospel of John Chap 12 verses 12-16	Isaiah Chap 50 verses 4-9
Psalm 118 verses 1 and 2 and verses 19-24	Psalm 31 verses 9-18
Letter to the Philippians Chap 2 verses 1-11	
Gospel of Mark Chap 14 verse 1 to Chap 15 verse 47; or Gospel of Mark Chap 15 verses 1-47	

**9.30am Parish Communion – led by Rev Dick Watson**

**10.15am – Blessing of the Palms with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church  
– at the memorial Garden**

**(10.20am - 10.55am Tea and Coffee in the St James Church Community Hall)**

**11am Together @ 11 – led by Wednesday Home Group**

**4pm – Pizza Praise – in the Hall**

### **Services for Holy Week**

Monday 25 March 7pm	Churches Together in Silsden Stations of the Cross - 7pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Roman Catholic Church, Silsden
Maundy Thursday – 28 March 7pm	We are invited by our Methodist friends to a holy communion service for Maundy Thursday at the Methodist Church at 7pm.
Good Friday – 29 March 10.30am	Churches Together in Silsden Walk of Witness, starting at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church

### **Sunday Services Coming Up**

Sunday 31 March Easter Sunday	9.30am Parish Communion (also on YouTube) – led by Rev Bob Evans  11am Together @ 11 Communion service led by Rev Bob Evans and Brian Goddard  4pm – Pizza Praise
Sunday 7 April	Gathering Breakfast in the Hall from 9.15am  10am Sunday Gathering in the Hall  11am Service of Holy Communion (said)  11.30am Annual Parochial Church meeting  4pm Pizza Praise

### **Welcome Rev Dick Watson**

We welcome back Reverend Dick Watson, to lead our 9.30am service this Sunday.

### **Palm Sunday 24 March 2024**

Father Michael from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church will bless and distribute Palm Crosses at 10.15 am in the Memorial Gardens. We are welcome to attend.

Our 9.30am service will proceed but will be a shorter-than-usual service to enable Rev Dick Watson to go on to his next service and to allow us all to attend the blessing of the palms, if we wish.

Coffee and tea will be served at the usual time and Together @ 11 will proceed at 11am as usual.

## **Funeral of Terry Shackleton**

Terry's funeral will be at St James on Wednesday 27 March at 11.30am

Please pray for Rene and all the family.

## **Churches Together in Silsden – Walk of Witness: Good Friday (29 March)**

The Walk of Witness visits all three church buildings in Silsden - Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church, St James, and Silsden Methodist Church. Christians from all three churches process through Silsden from church to church as we witness together, visible to Silsden, the events of the first Good Friday, and that we are followers of Jesus Christ. As each church is visited the Good Friday story is told and we pray together.

The Walk of Witness starts at the Roman Catholic Church on Wesley Place at 10.30am.

## **Praying for Silsden**

This week we are praying, as a church, for the residents and businesses on four more Silsden streets:

Harwal Gate  
Airedale Mews  
Queen Street  
King Street

As well as being in our intercessions the home groups will be praying for the named streets/areas when they meet and please could you also include these places in your personal prayers this week? Thank you.

Thank you to Andrew Clayton-Stead for doing the planning for this cycle of prayer.

## **Can you read three of the Stations at Stations of the Cross on Monday 25 March?**

Please can you consider taking on three readings at the Churches Together in Silsden Stations of the Cross service at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic church in Silsden on 25 March? Please speak with Neil or Jayne if you can – or if you want to know more about what it involves. Thank you

## **Sunday Home Group**

Sunday Home Group next meets on Sunday 7 April at 7pm (in the Hall).

## Thursday Zoom prayers

There will be no Zoom prayers on Thursday 28 March, Maundy Thursday

## Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2024

Our APCM and Vestry Meeting (the St James' AGM) will be held on Sunday 7 April at 11.30am in the Hall. It is the first Sunday of the month and is Sunday Gathering morning so we are timing the Annual Parochial Church Meeting to take place immediately after the 11am service of Holy Communion which follows the Gathering.

We choose - elect – our Churchwardens and PCC at this time so this is an important meeting and we ask you to attend if at all possible please.

However we will first need to consider, and if thought fit, agree the following special resolution:

‘Section 3 of the Churchwardens Measure 2001 shall not apply to the Parish of St James, Silsden’

This is to enable Neil to continue as Churchwarden during the vacancy and for when our new priest is appointed. Once that has happened we will need to pass another resolution to reapply the Section 3

We will try and deal with everything quickly at the meeting

## Revision of the Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll for St James is open for revision on 9<sup>th</sup> March. **If you wish to be added to the roll, please complete a form (available in the link corridor at church) and give it to Deborah.**

## Opening the Church – Monday 1 April and Tuesday 2 April

We would like to open the church in the two days following Easter Sunday – 10am to 3pm – but need volunteers to staff the church during that period. Thank you to those who have signed up so far. One hour shifts of two people for each hour only needs ten of us each day. If you can help with this please sign up on the sheet at the back of church, or let Neil, Jayne, Brian or Val know please (as soon as possible please as we need to advertise this which we can only do if we know we have the volunteers). Thank you.

## Worship in the Residential Homes

Thank you to everyone who supports the worship in the homes. The dates are as set out below. The worship at Summerfield is at their request, and we are giving it a go to see if we have sufficient volunteers

in order to sustain it each month. At this stage it is for one month only. Please support any or all if you are able.

*THEME: Easter*

Wednesday 3rd April at 2:00 at Summerfield – led by Bob

Wednesday 17th April at 2:00 at The Gables led by Andrew

On each occasion please arrive about 10 minutes prior. Thank you.

### **CAMEO**

The next Cameo meeting is on Tuesday 2 April at 1.30pm – at the Old Post Office. CAMEO always meet on the first Tuesday of the month.

### **Thursday Group**

The next meeting of the Thursday group will be on 28 March 2024 (Maundy Thursday) starting at 2pm, at Sheila's house.

### **Clocks go Forward - soon**

The clocks go forward one hour overnight on Holy Saturday – 30 March. This means one hour less in bed the night before Easter Sunday.

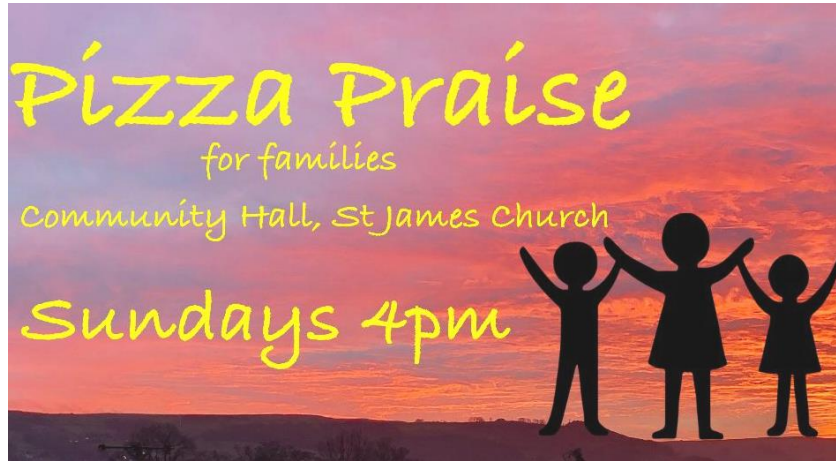
### **Milton Jones (Christian Comedian)**

Milton Jones (Christian Comedian) is coming to Ilkley, December 8th 2024 7.30pm. Michael Wilkinson has a few spare tickets if you want a good laugh. They cost £35.25 each and payment terms can be agreed (eg so much a month/week etc).

### **Next Work Day**

Thanks to those who came to help at the work day last weekend. We need more people to come to enable us to do all that needs doing around the church buildings! The next Work Day is Saturday 20 April.

## Pizza Praise



Pizza Praise is happening again this week. Thank to everyone who is helping.

Pizza Praise is every Sunday tea-time - 4pm - in the Hall.

Please continue to pray for this exciting initiative.

The best way to encourage families to attend is to talk to them about it, invite them and even (if you can) bring them down to the Hall on a Sunday tea-time.

Thank you to everyone involved in making this service happen – including Fiona and our friends from All Saints Ilkley who design and lead the service, and including the kitchen staff from St James

### **Special Service for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Leeds, at Bradford Cathedral on Saturday 20 April 2024 at 3pm**

At Bradford Cathedral on Saturday 20 April there will be a special service to celebrate the first 10 years of the Diocese of Leeds. The service will be led by the Archbishop of York, ++Stephen Cottrell. Our Deanery Area has been allocated 12 tickets for this special service and they would like all the Deanery Parishes to be represented, if possible. If you would like to attend please can you inform Jayne, Neil or Brian? Thank you

### **Friday night pub group – ‘Friday at the King’**

Friday at the King social is next on Friday 5 April - from 7pm onwards (till 9.30/10 ish) at The Kings' Arms. All very welcome – please bring a friend!

## Diary for the week ahead

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### **PALM SUNDAY**

Sun	24 March	9.30am	Parish Communion
		10.15am	Blessing of the Palms at the Memorial Garden – with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church
		10.20am –	Tea and Coffee – in the Hall
		10.55am	
		11am	Together @ 11
		4pm	Pizza Praise – in the Hall

### **HOLY WEEK**

Mon	25 March	7pm	Stations of the Cross – at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church, Silsden
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Tuesday 26 March

Weds	27 March	11.30am	Funeral of Terry Shackleton
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### **Maundy Thursday**

Thurs	28 March	2pm	Thursday Group
		7pm	Service for Maundy Thursday at Silsden Methodist Church (no Zoom prayers this week)

### **Good Friday**

Fri	29 March	10.30am	Walk of Witness - starts at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church at 10.30 am followed by procession to St. James and after St James on to Silsden Methodist Church
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### **Holy Saturday**

Clocks go forward one hour overnight Sat 20 March-Sun 31 March

Sat	30 March	Morning	Preparing the church for Easter Day
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### **EASTER SUNDAY**

Sun	31 March	9.30am	Parish Communion
		10.20am –	Tea and Coffee – in the Hall
		10.55am	
		11am	Together @ 11 (with Communion)
		4pm	Pizza Praise – in the Hall

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### **Readings for Maundy Thursday**

Exodus Chap 12 verses 1-14

Psalm 116 verse 1 and verses 10-17

First Letter to the Corinthians Chap 11 verses 23-26

Gospel of John Chap 13 verses 1-17, and 31-35

### **Readings for Good Friday**

Isaiah Chap 52 verse 13 to Chap 53 verse 12

Psalm 22 verses 1-21

The letter to the Hebrews – either Chap 10 verses 16-25 or Chap 4 verses 14-16 and Chap 5 verses 7-9

Gospel of John Chap 18 verse 1 to Chap 19 verse 42

*Not Just Hockney*



**SILSDEN LOCAL  
HISTORY GROUP**

# **SILSDEN IN ART EASTER 2024 SILSDEN TOWN HALL**

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March: 9.30am – 4.00pm**

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March: 2.00pm – 4.00pm**



**Paintings and Photographs of Silsden Scenes by  
Past and Present Artists and Photographers**

**Café**

**Book Sale**

**'Art in Action'**