

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

OCTOBER

- 1st Harvest Service 10.45am—All Age Family Service
Book Sale & Jigsaws in the Community Hall
- 11th PCC meeting at 5pm in Community Hall
- 12th 'Half Night of Prayer' 8-12mn in The Lady Chapel
- 17th Church Cleaning at 2pm

** A short 'interest' meeting will be held at the Saturday Coffee Morning (30th Sept) at 11am to discuss holding a Christmas Fair in November. Please come along if you can, if not, let someone know if you can help on the day. Thank you

LOOKING AHEAD....

- 7th—11th November 'Show Week'
- 11TH November Remembrance Sunday
- 25th Christmas Fair

Book and Lyrics by L. Arthur Rose and Douglas Furber
Music by Noel Gay
Contributions to revisions by Mike Ockent. Book revised by Stephen Fry.

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ME AND MY GIRL

St. Cuthbert's Operatic And Dramatic Society
presents:
ME AND MY GIRL

7th - 11th November
2023 @ 7:15pm
St. Cuthbert's Community Hall,
Sharp Street, Burnley
BB10 1SL

Tickets now on sale
contact:
01282 451200
Also available on our
facebook page and
via ticketsource.co.uk

This amateur production of ME AND MY GIRL is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd
www.concordtheatricals.co.uk

**TICKETS CAN BE ORDERED FROM
ANNE REID AFTER THE SUNDAY
SERVICE**

NEWSLETTER: OCTOBER 2023



St Cuthbert's Church, Burnley

Our website address: www.stcuthbertsburnley.org.uk

Jesus said, 'I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full' (John 10:10).

Harvest — God's Bounty and our thankfulness

Every year the Church celebrates a great festival which we call the Harvest. It is a time of the year when we come before God to give thanks to him for all his bounty in the creation. Because we believe that *'The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it...He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for man to cultivate – bringing forth food from the earth: wine that gladdens the heart of man, oil to make his face shine, and bread that sustains his heart.'* (Psalm 104, 14-15). The seed of Harvest thanksgiving was sown very early in the Biblical history of the world. (CONTINUED...) →

Welcome

to the first issue of our St Cuthbert's newsletter. We hope you will find all the information you need to come and share in our services and social activities.

'Pray without ceasing' (1 Th 5:17).

Half Night of Prayer

A day of prayer and fasting finishing with a Half Night of Prayer

Thursday 12th October 2023

From 8:00pm to midnight.

St Cuthbert's Church (Lady Chapel).

(You can join for a shorter time)

Our Cleaning and Gardening Teams would be very grateful for any extra volunteers!



The Cleaning Team meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 2pm. (Please meet at the side gate.)

The Gardening gang meet on Tuesdays at 2pm depending on the weather.



ALL AGE FAMILY PARADE SERVICE AT 10.45AM



Any donations of the following will be gratefully received:

- *Tinned and dried food for the Food Bank
- *Toiletries & Sanitary products for the Women's Refuge
- *Financial donations for the Bishop's Harvest Appeal—

this will support CRESS UK, a small English charity helping refugee camps in Uganda which have many refugees from South Sudan. Please put these donations in a special envelope marked 'Harvest Appeal'. Thank you.

Vicar: Revd Munawar Din The Vicarage, 1 Barbon Street, Burnley BB10 1TS Tel: 01282 720611

Churchwardens: Janet Gilbert 01282 703912 or Jennifer Swierc 07946433429

Safeguarding Officer: Janet Gilbert 01282 703912



OUR VISION STATEMENT: St Cuthbert's Church is a vibrant and loving place where everyone is welcomed and encouraged by the Holy Spirit to grow as part of God's family in Jesus Christ.

The deadline for the November newsletter is 15th October.

Please send any information to be included to Lynn Rogers by hand or
by email: lynnrogers6@btinternet.com

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Cain and Abel both brought the fruit of the harvest to God as sacrifice of thanksgiving (Genesis 4:3-4). They acknowledged that it is God who provides everything we need (*although Cain did not do what is right*). Since then all humans through the centuries have been celebrating the festival of harvest. Israelites were also commanded by God to celebrate the festival of Harvest. God said, '*Celebrate the festival of Harvest with the first fruit of the crops you sow in your fields...*' (Exodus 23:16).

We as Christians believe that 'all we are and have' comes from God. Life and all its provisions are God's generosity towards us. Harvest gives us the opportunity to thank God and rejoice in his bounty. It is also a time to bring our generous, joyful, and cheerful gifts to the house of God, which is the Church. God loves a cheerful giver (2 Cor 9:7). Living in this country we are very fortunate that we can enjoy most of God's blessings. However, there are those who may have not much. As God's chosen people in Christ, it is our responsibility to share our blessings with those who are in need. Because Jesus commanded us to, 'love our neighbour' (Mark 12:31). Let us celebrate this Harvest with thankful hearts to worship God who is the source of all life. He sent his beloved Son Jesus Christ to give us life in all its abundance.

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Our Regular Services

Sundays: Service of Holy Communion 10.45am (Except First Sunday)

All Age Family Parade Service 10.45am on the First Sunday

Burnley Prayer Group 7pm on the Third Sunday of each month
in the Thursby Room



SUNDAY SCHOOL is at 10.30am each Sunday (except first Sunday) in the Community Hall. Parents should accompany young children.

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Weekdays: Service of Holy Communion 11am first and third Tuesday of each month

Healing Service 7pm on the last Tuesday of each month



To arrange Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals

Please contact the Vicar or Wardens (Details on front page)

YOUR PCC

The PCC are members elected by you to carry out the running of the church. This includes supporting the Vicar in his ministry, taking care of finance and looking after the fabric of the building.

At present the main items under discussion are:

The new audio equipment and screens for church. We are progressing with this, funding is ready and we have a contractor lined up. A revision of our agreement with St Luke's over Parish Share has now been agreed which will see a fairer distribution of ministry costs. Our electrics in church are in a very poor state and we need certain improvements done urgently or we will fail our next inspection. This is in hand but more expense we didn't need! Our fuel bills are causing great concern. We are trying our best to see how we can reduce them while still keeping you all warm!



Thank You!

Thank you to Pauline and Ian for organising the SOUP & SANDWICH LUNCH for Breast Cancer Awareness

and also to everyone who helped and supported it. A magnificent **£458** was raised for a very worthy cause. Pauline and Ian would like to thank everyone for their support.

WHAT'S ON IN THE COMMUNITY HALL

MONDAY	1.45-4.15PM SEQUENCE DANCING	~	2-4PM TABLE TENNIS
	6.30-7.30PM BROWNIES	~	6.30-8PM GUIDES & RANGERS
TUESDAY	2-4PM KNITTING CLUB (2ND TUESDAY)	~	6.15-7.15PM RAINBOWS
WEDNESDAY	2-3.30PM MOTHERS' UNION (1ST WEDNESDAY)		
	6.45-9PM WOODTURNERS (3RD WEDNESDAY)		
THURSDAY	10.30-11.30AM GENTLE EXERCISE	~	10-12MD STITCH & SKETCH
	2-4PM TABLE TENNIS	~	5-6.15PM SLIMMING WORLD
	SQUIRRELS & BEAVERS 6.30-7.30pm	~	CUBS & SCOUTS 6.30-8pm
FRIDAY	9-11.30AM PAINTING GROUP		

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT ANY ACTIVITIES PLEASE CONTACT SYLVIA 01282 435555

Monthly Coffee Morning Book Fair & Jigsaw Sale

These are held on the first Sunday of the month and the previous day.

Saturdays 10-11.30am, Sundays 11.30-12.15pm

