

Notices

Beetham & Hale Sports - Thank you to all those who were able to support our presence, yesterday, at the annual Beetham and Hale Sports. It was good to see so many gathered for this important community occasion in the life of our wider village and parish. Church funds have benefited by about £50. Thank you for the donations of books.

They think it's all over - 60 years ago on Thursday, England's Bobby Moore received the Jules Rimet Trophy from her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II following the victory of England's Men's Football Team in the World Cup Final at Wembley. At about the same time, Sue and Brian were saying "I do" at a different venue. Please do join them after this morning's service to enjoy a slice of cake and a glass of something celebratory to mark the anniversary of both of these events.

Walking the Pilgrim Way - Last Sunday afternoon twenty-five pilgrims completed the latest Pilgrim Way walk between St Peter's Heversham to St Thomas' Milnthorpe. The third walk of the summer months will take place on **Sunday 16th August** (from St Thomas' Milnthorpe to St Michael & All Angels Beetham), beginning at 2.00pm.

The Bereavement Journey - Beginning on Thursday 27th August, The Bereavement Journey course will begin once again, meeting at St Thomas' Milnthorpe between 12.15pm and 3.45pm for seven weeks. The course offers and opportunity for 'anyone bereaved anytime' to spend time in reflection, silence and conversation together. As such, please do share the news of the course especially with those who might appreciate knowing about it. More details can be found at www.thebereavementjourney.org. If you wish to find out more or would like to book a place, please do contact Lesley (dianalesley@btinternet.com / 01524 951566).

New Burial Ground - If anyone is feeling motivated to give an hour (or two) to continuing the work begun tidying up the new burial ground, please do so - it will be appreciated. Do look out for further opportunity for further gatherings to keep the burial ground in good order as we look to the months ahead, especially as we head into the autumn.

Aluminium Recycling - Please note that the recycling company will no longer accept blister packs. We still want drinks cans and tin foil/pie cases. These can be placed in the wheelie bin behind church or left in a back pew. For any large items or items you are unsure about contact Deborah, 07899702476, THANK YOU.

Foundation Governor - There remains (currently) one remaining vacancy to serve as a Foundation Governor at Beetham CE School, which we hope to be able to fill as soon as we can. If anyone knows of anyone who might appreciate serving the church and school in this way, please do have a word with Andrew.

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THE CHURCH OF BEETHAM ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

Sunday 26th July 2026

Eighth Sunday after Trinity



This morning - We come together on the Eighth Sunday after Trinity to meet with Christ in word and sacrament at the beginning of a new week. We pray for the Lord's help and grace in the days ahead. There is Evensong, as usual, this evening at 6.00pm.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES & EVENTS

Sun	26th	Eighth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 12)	9.30 am 11.00 am 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Choir Practice Parish Eucharist Songs of Praise for St James' Day at St James', Arnside Evensong
Mon	27th		11.00 am 6.00 pm	Handbell Practice <i>tbc</i> BCHT Annual Meeting in church
Tue	28th			
Wed	29th			
Thu	30th	1966 - "They think it's all over..."	5.30 pm	Tower Bell ringing practice <i>tbc</i>
Fri	31st			
Sat	1st		10.30 am	Community Band <i>tbc</i>
Sun	2nd	Ninth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 13)	9.30 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm 6.00 pm	Choir Practice Parish Eucharist Burial of Ashes - Gladys and Frank James Evensong

Songs of Praise for St James' Day - It being the nearest Sunday to the feast day of Saint James the Apostle, St James' in Arnside celebrate their Patronal Festival today. There is a Songs of Praise in the church grounds at 2.00pm this afternoon, for those who might like to come along.

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is **Andrew Skinner**, whose contact details are: beethamsafeguarding@gmail.com and 07362 593076. Please do be in touch with him if you have any worries or concerns as we all do our utmost to keep one another safe here at St Michael and All Angels.



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Eucharist Readings: 1 Kings 3, v. 5 – 12 (Pg. 315 in the Pew Bible, O.T.); Romans 8, v. 26 - end (Pg. 154 in the Pew Bible, N.T.)

Gospel: Matthew 13, v. 31 - 33, 44 - 52 (Pg. 14 in the Pew Bible, N.T.)

Hymns: **758** (Onward Christian Soldiers); **421** (All for Jesus); **595** (Be thou my vision); **511** (Your voice, O God, outsings the stars of morning); **617** (Come, sing the praise of Jesus)

Anthem: Comfort, O Lord, the soul of thy servant, *William Crotch*

Organ Voluntary: *tbc*

Evensong Readings: 1 Kings 6, v. 11 - 14, 23 - end; Acts 12, v. 1 - 17

Hymns: **739** (Now thank we all our God); **761** (Praise the Lord! Ye heavens adore him); **698** (King of glory, king of peace)

Psalm: **75, 76**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening. You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; Collect that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

Amen

For your Prayers

Helen Montgomery. Susan Andrew. John Smith. Harry Parrott. Rosalie Woods. Theresa Holden. Pat Barton.

R.I.P.

Valerie Pearson. Shirley Grimshaw. Roy Connah. Gladys James. Matthew White. Cynthia Marks.

Burial of Ashes

Next Sunday afternoon, at 1.00pm, Gladys James' ashes (together with those of her husband Fred) will be interred in the Garden of Remembrance in the new burial ground. We pray that the whole family may know the continued reassurance of God's comfort and peace.

<u>Rotas for Today</u>	
First Reading	Charles Ellis
Second Reading	Susan Turner
Intercessions	Jenny Marks
Sidespeople/Offertory	Julie & Colin Clarke
Refreshments	Valerie Cookson and Hilary Harman
Readers at Evensong	Andrew Schofield

Eucharistic Prayer - During the month of July, we will use Eucharistic Prayer G (page 18 of the Ordinary Time booklets).

A Prayer for His Majesty's Government - Following the appointment of a new Prime Minister and the formation of a new Government, we ask for God's guidance and grace for all those now in positions of responsibility and authority in the life of our nation.

Guide, we pray, O Lord, all those to whom is committed the government of this nation; and grant to them at this time special gifts of wisdom and understanding, of counsel and strength; that they may consider all questions calmly in their deliberations, and act wisely and promptly, upholding what is right, abhorring what is wrong, and performing that which is just, so that in all things you will may be done and your kingdom come; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

A Prayer for Peace in the World - Eternal God, in whose perfect realm no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, and no strength known but the strength of love: so guide and inspire the work of those who seek your kingdom that all your people may find their security in that love which casts out fear and in the fellowship revealed to us in Jesus Christ our Saviour.