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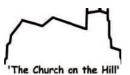
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Mottram Parish Charities

The ancient gifts that keep on giving!

If you have visited the Parish Church you may have noticed the two bread shelves hanging on the wall either side of the door, near the coffee corner. These are inscribed with the names of Margaret and Elizabeth Booth, who were related, but lived almost 100 years apart. The shelves were once located in the porch, supplied regularly with loaves, to be taken home unseen by poor parishioners. Another prominent feature in



the coffee corner is the Benefactors board, which records the names of people who long ago gave money to the church to support its buildings and worship, or its charitable work.

Over time, the money which had been given by those wealthy donors long ago was invested by purchasing land, to produce a regular income. A receipt book kept in the charity's records shows these rentals from local parcels of land being collected as recently as 1969:

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Thorncliffe Hall, Hollingworth	£2
Calico Printers Association, Manchester (re Chadkirk Printworks)	£2
Hollingworth Cricket Club	4s
Thorncliffe Wood, Hollingworth	3s
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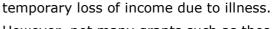
There were a number of other small charities with similar aims (for instance Edward Chapman's 'Mottram Sick and Poor Fund') and over the years those charities have been amalgamated and are now subject to Charity Commission regulation under the heading of Mottram Parish Charities. Those original gifts which seem so small to us, have been wisely invested and a sum of over £30,000 is now kept in a Charities Ethical Investment fund which produces an annual income of almost £1,000 per year. This is available to be spent by the trustees, leaving the capital sum untouched to carry on the work in the future.

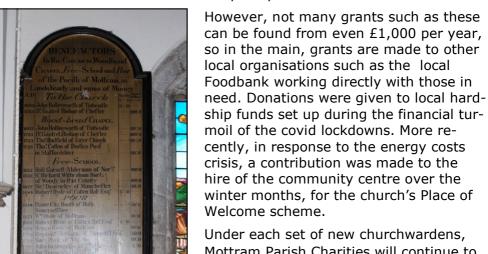
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The custodians of this money have been for many years, the two Churchwardens, and this is still the case today. The charity is governed completely by them, independently from the church, answerable directly to the Charity Commission. More recently the wardens co-opted a third trustee (an ex-warden), making administration and decision-making much easier.

The parish of Mottram in Longdendale was once a much larger area, including Mossley to the north, Newton and Tintwistle to the west and east. The Charity still operates over the same area today. The offer of bread on Sunday mornings has changed over the years, at one time taking the form of an annual Christmas hamper to elderly people in the parish, or cash being sent to Tameside Council to be added to their own charitable schemes in some of those towns.

These days, the trustees still offer small grants to individuals recommended to them by local clergy, congregation members or via the local grapevine. Grants have been given for such items as: a CD player for an elderly blind lady; a cooker for a single mother with several children; a contribution to funeral fees for a bereaved spouse; gifts to cover a





Mottram Parish Charities will continue to adapt to the needs of the parish - a gift from the past that continues giving!

Tony Kershaw

NOTICE BOARD

Community Groups and Charities
You can make use of our notice boards - it's free!
Send your notice to the editor at mandpbrown@protonmail.com

Deadline for the August issue is Tuesday 30 August.

The magazine should be in church and online by Sunday 4 August.

A request from the pastoral team.

We visit the sick, the bereaved and the housebound, but unfortunately sometimes we do not know that someone is ill or in hospital. If you know of a congregation member who is ill or has been taken into hospital please could you inform one of us, either at church on Sunday morning or by telephone.

Christine Brandreth 01457 238268

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NEXT CHURCH WALK

We car share so can offer a lift to non-drivers. Everyone welcome (not just church goers!)

Saturday, 10 August 10:30am - 4:00pm

Lyme Park

Led by Mark 07849 172288

Please come prepared for all weathers with appropriate clothing, suitable footwear and a packed lunch.

We collect a voluntary donation of £1 per walk in aid of a chosen charity.

Planning meeting - see Church News p. 9

NOTICES CONTINUED



The next meeting of the **Trefoil Guild** will be on Tuesday 17 September at 1.30pm in the Community Centre.

There is a change of programme to an Escape Room experience!

first

play with.

First Steps Baby & Toddler Group

STOPS We had a lovely last session of the year up at the Old Mill Farm, with baby goats and bunnies, alpacas and sheep to see and lots of lovely toys to

It was time to say goodbye to Ewan and Evelyn as they are off to school in September. We have loved having them with us and send them off with lots of love.

We are having a pop-up session on Monday 12 August 10 - 11.30am at Mottram Community Centre, Church Brow SK14 6JJ.

The new term begins on **Monday 2 September 10-11.30am** at Mottram Community Centre, Church Brow.

For more information contact Pat Hall on 01457 861827

or Pat Hall and Charmian Wilby at www.mottramparish.org.uk/intouch/ contact/pat

Or just turn up on the day!



NOTICE

Friends of Mottram Church Annual Garden Party



Thank you to all who worked so hard on our annual Garden Party in and around the church, and to all those who supported us.

The weather treated us kindly, and we raised almost £700 to help preserve our beautiful medieval building.

There was tea and coffee, and cold drinks and cakes - lots of extremely tempting cakes. In fact the supply of cakes was so generous that the congregation had a lovely time finishing the remainders on the Sunday morning.

There were raffles, tombola, some exquisite jewellery and crafts and a pile-'em-high-and sell-'em-cheap book stall.

In an interesting bit of role-reversal one of the customers (Mr K. Hall) actually managed to flog one of the books to the assistant stall-holder (thanks Kevin, it's very good).

A few copies are still available of the WWII recipe book; a facsimile of an original which Catherine discovered among her late mother's effects. 'Kitchen Parade' costs just £2. It's in the Tea Corner.

Five people went up to the ringing room, and had a go at chiming a bell that was safely 'down'. They then climbed bravely up to the belfry to hear number 6 rung, courtesy of Ben. Next time perhaps we should supply ear-plugs.

All-in-all it was a most enjoyable, interesting and very successful day. **So thanks again everyone!**

TWO MORE NOTICES

The Food Bank needs:

Tinned meat Tinned fish
Tinned fruit Tinned veg.
Milk (UHT or powdered Cereal



Cooking sauces Noodles Jam Long-life puddings
Fruit juice (long life) Toiletries and loo roll

Pring your gifts to shareh and loose them in the box

Bring your gifts to church and leave them in the box near the church door, or you can leave them in a box at Tesco's, Hattersley.

Pick up a leaflet in church for more information, or if you are able to contribute financially.

Used stamps for Willow Wood

Stamp-collecting is a hugely popular hobby worldwide. There is a ready market for used postage stamps and even our everyday 1st and 2nd class stamps are exotic collectables to young philatelists in other parts of the world.

Recycle your stamps to help raise vital funds for our local hospice.

They need:

Any stamps from your post by cutting or tearing off envelopes.

All British and foreign stamps including ordinary 1st and 2nd class.

No more than 1cm of envelope left around each stamp.

Not trimmed too close, in case the perforations get damaged.

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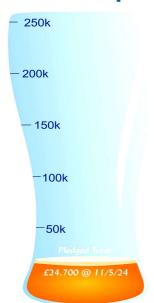
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Please send us a pic of your completed pledge form, or pop it in the post box on the bar in the pub, or email details of your pledge to: communityharewood@gmail.com

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CHURCH NEWS (1)

The next PCC meeting will be on Tuesday 10 September at 7.30pm in the vestry.





Wanted – an Assistant Verger for weddings.

Shirley is retiring and we need someone to take over.

You would have to turn up two hours before the service just to get things

ready and check that everything is in place.

If you are willing to carry out this necessary and very enjoyable job please speak to Jackie Kneen (Wedding Administrator) on 07949 874165.

Walk with the Walkers

Saturday, 24 August 1:00 – 3:00pm A bring and share lunch and planning meeting at the home of Joan Walker.



Bell Ringing



Mottram bells will

be rung to a Quarter Peal on Thursday 15 August at 1.00pm.

Andrew Darling is bringing a band of ringers from East Branch and Mid Branch of the Chester Guild of Church Bellringers.

A Quarter Peal is 1260 changes and lasts about 45 minutes.

This will be the first Quarter Peal on the bells since 2017 and we wish the visitors success.

CHURCH NEWS (2)

Churches Count on Nature

Is an annual scheme where people record plant and animal species they encounter in churchyards. It is supported by environmental charities A Rocha UK and Caring for God's Acre, and by The Church of England and The Church in Wales.





The most interesting thing we have found so far in the churchyard is this Broad-leaved helleborine near the entrance to the Memorial Garden. It's a glum-looking little thing, but it is a wild orchid, it's one of the few things that will thrive and flower in deep shade, and nationally it's very local in its distribution.

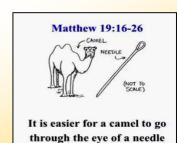
(Recording slips available at the back of church)

Quote of the Month

Commenting on the fact that the world's richest person, Elon Musk, has just announced that he's a "big believer in the principles of Christianity" and "a cultural Christian",

Simon McCarthy-Jones, Associate Professor in Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology, Trinity College Dublin, remarked;

'Those playing with holy fire also risk being biblically burned.'



HIGH DAYS and HOLY DAYS

13th August - Octavia Hill, social reformer and co-founder of The National Trust

The urgent need for decent, affordable housing is a hot topic just now.

It was an even more urgent need in Victorian London, where the homes of the poor were tiny, cold, damp, and infested with lice and vermin. Water was from an outside pump, and filthy outdoor toilets were shared with dozens of neighbours. Labourers lived 22 years on average; more than half of all babies died before their first birthday.

Into this festering mess of disease and misery came Octavia Hill in 1852. She was determined to make a difference, and she did.

Her family in Wisbech, Cambs. were comfortably off but passionately interested in welfare. Her grandfather was a national authority on sanitation and housing. Her father, a corn merchant and banker, worked hard for prison reform. Her mother managed a Christian Socialist co-operative in London, where the young Octavia met John Ruskin, and other notable figures interested in social reform.

Once in London, Octavia began her first job, that of teaching poor children to make toys. It gave her grim first-hand experience of the horrors of life of the very poor.

By 1856 Octavia was helping run classes for women at the Working Men's College in Great Ormond Street, and she and her sisters also started a school for poor children.

But what most moved Octavia's heart was the housing crisis. By 1864, with the help and advice of John Ruskin, she had launched a business scheme for improving Victorian housing in London. Gradually her scheme and experience expanded, until a breakthrough came in 1884, when the Ecclesiastical Commissioners handed her a large part of their portfolio of properties to manage in Southwark.

It has been said of Octavia that her Christian faith made her seek "to make life on earth as positive an experience as possible, particularly for the poor and disadvantaged."

Today Octavia is remembered most for something surprisingly different; her initiative with Canon H D Rawnsley and Sir Robert Hunter to found the National Trust in1895. It has become Britain's leading charity for preserving historic buildings and places of natural beauty.

Octavia's national fame never affected her – she lived quietly with her sisters in Marylebone Road until her death on $13^{\rm th}$ August 1912.

A Homing Eagle



A brass eagle lectern that was stolen from a Birmingham church in June was mysteriously returned just a week later.

The Reverend Matthew Tomlinson,

vicar at St Augustine's, said their church warden received a call from a member of the public who had spotted the heavyweight bird looking remarkably out-of-place in a scrap yard in the Black Country.

"There had been so much publicity about it, people would have been aware of what it was and it would have been very difficult to dispose of," said Mr Tomlinson.

Mr Tomlinson said he was overjoyed at the eagle's surprisingly speedy return, adding that the theft would not prevent him from opening the church.

"My feeling is, if the doors are open, more people come in and that's a good thing," he explained. "The vast majority of people are honest and do not steal from churches."

Stephen Hartland, churchwarden emeritus, said "The church has been open every day for the last 160 years and thankfully theft is a rare occurrence.

CCTV footage shows a man staggering slightly under the weight of the eagle as he carries it, wrapped in a blanket, out of the church.

A 61-year-old man is now being held in custody on suspicion of the theft of a brass eagle from a church lectern.

The church has installed a motion sensor and other measures to stop the bird taking flight in the future.



Church Services



St Michael and All Angels, Warhill, Mottram

Early Communion, using the Book of Common Prayer, takes place every Sunday at 9.15am.

Our main Sunday worship is at 10.30am.

Sunday 4 August 10th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 11 August 11th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion10.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 18 August 12th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion10.30am Family Communion

Sunday 25 August 13th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 1 September 14th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion10.30am Holy Communion

Visitors who regularly take communion in their home church are welcome to join us at the table.

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Holy Communion

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St Michael and All Angels website is at www.mottramparish.org.uk

Let's Pray



Parish Prayer Rota August 2024

Month by month, we invite you to pray with us for all the residents of the parish, asking for God's blessing or healing touch wherever it is needed.

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Lymefield Terrace
Temperance Street
Old Street
Olive Terrace
St Ann's Street
Well Row
Mill Brow
Market Street
King Street

Love your neighbour as yourself'



Dear Jesus

When we pray for Your help and blessing, we remember the words, "be still in the presence of the Lord'. Fill us with the peace of mind and serenity which only You can give, and restore us once again. May we remain safe and content, knowing Your peace will continue to dwell in us.

By Terence Trimmer

A prayer for modern slaves: We pray for those who are being trafficked and forcibly put to work. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Prayer Requests

Our regular prayer group's next 'virtual' meeting in our cyber prayer room is Monday 19th August 7.30 - 8.30pm

Let us know what's on your mind, for yourself, those you love, or for the world. Reply to our regular Facebook post and we'll include it in our prayers.

If you would like to ask for a prayer - in complete confidence - email your request to prayer@mottramparish.org.uk

or contact Tony Kershaw by phone, text, email, Whatsapp or Messenger.

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We don't always get the answer we expect or want, but it's always good to share with God. He shared with us on the cross.



The Secret of Living

The secret of living
Is learning to pray –
It's asking our Father
For strength for the day.

It's trusting completely
That His boundless grace
Will overcome care
And each problem we face.

It's walking by Faith Every mile that we plod And knowing our prayers Bring us closer to God.

Anon

Registers and Records

Weddings



Saturday 6 July Christopher R. Johnstone Abigail Donna Lee

Saturday 20 July Matthew James Wych Natasha Annie Wilson

Baptisms





Flying The Flag



Sunday 4 August 2024 In Loving Memory of Stephen Franks

Monday 19 August 2024 93rd Birthday Memories of Dorothy Seaborn.

Funerals and Interments of ashes



Wednesday 10 July 2024 Clive Bernard Moran

Friday 26 July 2024 Bernard Owen

Thursday 8 August 2024 1.45pm

Christine Gee

Sunday 18 August 2024 (After the 10.30am service) Ian Roebuck

Tuesday 27 August 2024 10.45am

Sheila Dixon

(Followed by burial in Mottram Cemetery 11.30am)

Goodbye to our friends, may they rest in peace and rise in glory.

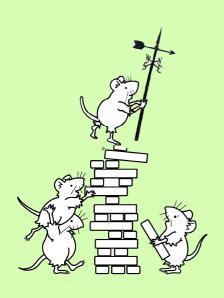
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for arranging thanksgivings, baptisms, weddings, blessings and funerals can be found inside the front cover.

Not To Be Taken Seriously



...I have reason to believe sir may be carrying illegally acquired lead from a church roof...



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For more information about ways to help with the finances of the church, for instance:

- Giving by standing order.
- Remembering the church in your will.
- Joining our finance team.

Please speak to one of our churchwardens.



We now have a collection during the service again. There is also a card-reader and a collection basket at the back of church or you can donate by BACS.



The Collection Basket

Our Parish Safeguarding Coordinator is: Claire Bibby 01457 763758

If you are worried about a particular person or situation in connection with any church activity,

ring Claire, or you can use a safe email address to report it; this email is checked daily, and can be accessed only by Claire.

Contact: safemottram@gmail.com

