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Diocese of Chester

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*From The Rime of the Ancient Mariner
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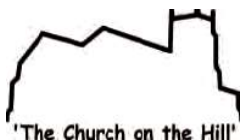
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SEA SUNDAY

Over many years the 2nd Sunday of July has been kept as Sea Sunday, with a special focus on prayer for all seafarers. The Mission to Seafarers supports the work of sailors facing difficult waters, piracy, and separation from loved ones for long periods at sea. However, we can also experience storms in our own lives.

In Acts 27 we read how Paul was being taken as a prisoner to Rome, when he was caught in a storm off Crete. After 14 days they were shipwrecked on the island of Malta. Paul had warned the crew that it wasn't a safe time of year to sail: *"I can see that our voyage is going to be disastrous and bring great loss to ship and cargo, and to our own lives."* But his words were ignored, and the ship sailed into a violent storm.

By the third day they *'finally gave up all hope of being saved'*. How do we face up to storms in our lives? Do we worry and panic? God doesn't necessarily prevent storms from taking place, but we can trust His purpose through them.

Paul urged the sailors to *"keep courage, because not one of you will be lost, only the ship will be destroyed"*. His confidence rested on an angelic promise: *"Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you."* Only the sovereign God, who created the wind and waves, can promise to save people from a storm. What does this mean for us in our circumstances today?

'Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come. Grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.' (Amazing Grace: John Newton).

by Canon Paul Hardingham

FRIENDS GARDEN PARTY



The Friends of Mottram Parish Church



Garden Party
at church



Saturday 13th July 2024

12 –4pm

Stalls ...BBQ... Cream Teas...



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 July.

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

Mottram and Hattersley Trefoil Guild

A **BIG** thank you to everybody who supported our tea and cakes afternoon. We had a lovely time and raised £170 for Hearing Dogs for the Deaf.



This means that we have paid for 1 month's training for one of their puppies with a little bit over.

Brilliant !

Thank you again.

Trefoil members

NEXT CHURCH WALK

Saturday, 20 July · 10:00am – 4:00pm

Dunford Bridge

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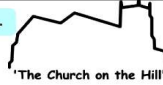
Everyone welcome (not just church goers!)

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.

NOTICES CONTINUED

MOTTRAM PARISH CHURCH INVITES YOU TO AN ALL
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till 10.pm

Everyone
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Spotlight Meals

Provides hot meals for the homeless in Greater Manchester and
for local families in crisis due to loss of income.

**Next collection of frozen meals will be
Sunday 21 July 10am at the church gates.**

If you are going to bring any please ring Christine on
01457 238268.



NOTICE - COMMUNITY CENTRE

Need a space to meet?

Come and have a look round -
Mottram Community Centre
Church Brow SK14 6JJ

Competitive Rates

Contact
sarahdavies.006@gmail.com

We urgently need more users!



THREE 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

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.



More than 200 guests enjoyed Willow Wood's 25th Anniversary Ball, helping to raise over £26,000 for the Hospice.

At the Village Hotel in Ashton-under-Lyne guests enjoyed welcome drinks, a sumptuous three-course meal and a live band before dancing the night away with a disco at the glittering event.



**First Steps Baby & Toddler Group
meets on Mondays 10:00am
Mottram Community Centre
Church Brow, Mottram, SK14 6JJ**

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 - OPEN DOORS MAGAZINE



The last time Khada* saw her husband was an ordinary day – or as ordinary as any day can be in Afghanistan since the Taliban takeover in 2021. Afghan citizens face daily restrictions, oppression and danger, and nobody more so than people like Khada and her husband, Ehsan*: Afghanistan’s underground Christians. On that ‘ordinary’ day, their worst fears came true. Ehsan disappeared.

Christians in Afghanistan have to make sure their faith isn’t discovered by the wrong people – but the church in the country is growing. They are part of a silent, worldwide group who don’t know each other’s names and may never see each other’s faces: the secret church.

Khada was born into a deeply religious Muslim family. She expected to follow the same

path as her mother: marry the Muslim man chosen by her parents and raise a devout Muslim family herself.

Sure enough, Khada married Ehsan, as arranged by their families. She moved in with her in-laws, and the union was very happy. “Our relations at home were very good,” she remembers “and my husband loved me immensely.”

It was relatively common, then, for Afghan women to have jobs – Khada worked in an office and was close with her boss. “We became friends” Khada says. “I shared the stories of my life, and she shared her stories .”

One day, Khada’s boss made an extraordinarily brave decision. She gave Khada a Bible.

In Afghanistan, even before the Taliban takeover, it was extremely risky to give a Muslim a Bible. It is illegal to convert from Islam and very dangerous to share your faith – Khada’s Christian boss took a huge risk in giving her the Word of God.

When Khada got home, she showed the Bible to Ehsan. They both knew the Quran thoroughly but didn’t know what was in the Bible, and were curious to find out. Over the next six months, they read through it all – and were amazed at what they found...

You can read Khada’s story in Open Doors magazine for July/August, which is at the back of church, near the tea corner.

THE FLOWER ROTA

Altar Flowers 2024



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|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| June 2nd | June 7th | June 14th | June 21st | June 28th |
| Trinity 1 | Trinity 2 | Trinity 3 | Trinity 4 | Trinity 5 |
| July 5th | July 6th | Sunday Church | John W. | July 28th |
| Trinity 6 | Trinity 7 | Trinity 8 | Trinity 9 | Trinity 10 |
| Ascension - Annunciations | Ascension - Annunciations | Ascension - Annunciations | Ascension - Annunciations | Ascension - Annunciations |
| Trinity 10 | Trinity 11 | Trinity 12 | Trinity 13 | Trinity 14 |
| September | September 2nd | September 9th | September 16th | September 23rd |
| Trinity 14 | Trinity 15 | Trinity 16 | Trinity 17 | Trinity 18 |
| C. Brinkley - M. Powell | October 1st | October 8th | October 15th | October 22nd |
| Trinity 19 | Trinity 20 | Trinity 21 | October 29th | October 30th |
| November 5th | November 12th | November 19th | November 26th | December 3rd |
| November 19th | November 26th | December 3rd | December 10th | December 17th |
| December 24th | December 31st | January 7th | January 14th | January 21st |
| December 28th | December 29th | December 30th | December 31st | January 1st |

If you wish to dedicate altar flowers in memory of a loved one please speak to Sue Joy or email flowers@mottram.org.uk or sign the list in the porch. There is also a collection basket at the back of church if you wish to donate.

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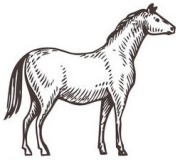


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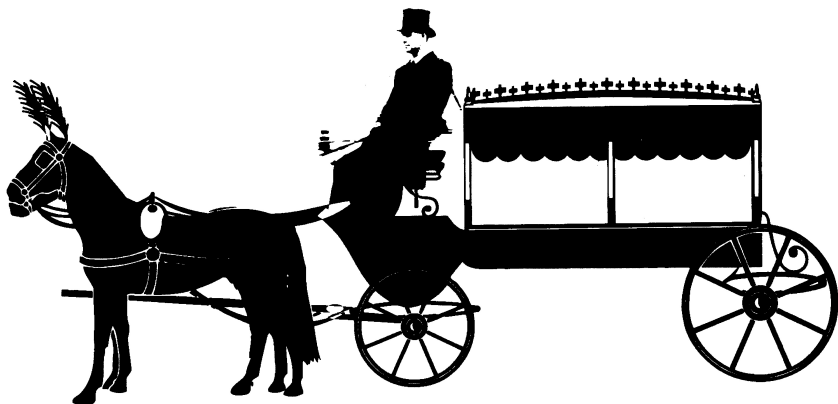
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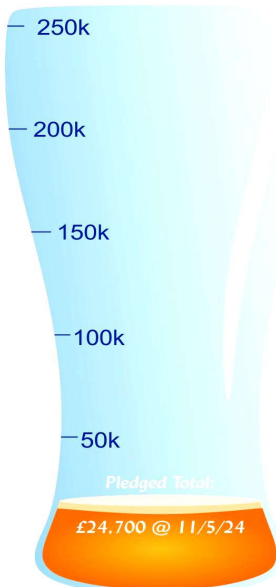
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The success of our funding application hinges on our ability to show a genuine willingness and financial commitment in Broadbottom and surrounding villages to raise sufficient funds for a successful purchase.

This is an invitation to pledge your intention to buy shares and become a proud co-owner of our pub as a community asset. We're looking for pledges of between £100 and £25,000. A full share prospectus will be issued as soon as plans are in place.

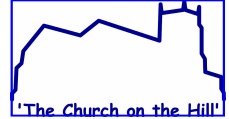
Please send us a pic of your completed pledge form, or pop it in the post box on the bar in the pub, or email details of your pledge to: communityharewood@gmail.com

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CHURCH NEWS (1)

WE HAVE A NEW VICAR!



We are delighted to announce that the Revd Hazel Adele Bridle has accepted the role of incumbent at St Michael and All Angels, Mottram, subject to all legal formalities being fulfilled.

At present Revd Adele is the curate at St. Leonard's, Middleton.

She was the unanimous choice of Bishop Sam and of Pat Hall and Mick Boyle (Our own two vicar-pickers).

Her licensing date is scheduled for Thursday 10th October 2024 at 7pm.

We are eagerly looking forward to working with the Revd. Adele to further God's work in our Community.

Churches Count on Nature

is an annual scheme where people visit churchyards and record the plant and animal species they encounter. The biodiversity survey 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. Churches have shared how learning about the wildlife found in their churchyards changed how they think about their space and would manage it going forward. (Lissy Steen of A Rocha UK - caring for God's Earth)

The churchyard mowing team are hoping to contribute to the count next year and so far have recorded 44 wild flowers (inc. grasses and trees), 3 ferns, 3 birds and 2 mammals, but there must be more. There will be some lists at the back of church (soon) and any additions that people can make will be very welcome.

CHURCH NEWS (2)

Safeguarding and Mottram Church

What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding is about:

Preventing abuse

Protecting those who are being abused and

Promoting flourishing and emotional wellbeing.



Why is the church concerned with safeguarding?

The church has realised that there have been and are individuals within the Church of England who have used their position of trust to abuse children, young people and adults. Mottram Parish is committed to ensuring that this does not happen here, through good processes when we are employing volunteers and workers; awareness-raising, vigilance and training; and systematic review of what is happening within our church.

How does the church keep people safe?

Every Parochial Church Council (PCC) is responsible for developing and maintaining a Safeguarding Policy, which provides guidance to all who work with others within the church. Mottram's policy was last updated in 2023 – you can find a copy of the policy here: mottramparish.org.uk/joinin/safeguarding/

Mottram PCC has also appointed a Safeguarding Lead, Claire Bibby. Claire's contact details are on the parish website: mottramparish.org.uk

What does a Safeguarding Lead do?

The Safeguarding Lead assists the PCC in making sure that safeguarding systems, practices and records are up-to-date. This includes ensuring that the policy is updated regularly, making sure that volunteers and other workers who work with children and adults who might be vulnerable are recruited safely with police checks from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS checks) where that is appropriate, making sure that volunteers and other workers are regularly trained in safeguarding, and promoting the understanding that safeguarding is everyone's business. It is also an important part of the job to make sure that everyone knows where to turn to if they have concerns about an individual.

(Continued overleaf)

CHURCH NEWS (3)

Safeguarding and Mottram Church *(continued)*

Are you interested in this work?

Mottram Church PCC has decided, in principle, that it would be a good idea to have an Assistant Safeguarding Lead. This work is supported by Chester Diocese through regular training and networks, led by the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. It is not an onerous job, but it needs regular input. The ideal person will have a heart for safeguarding and will be someone to whom other people can talk in confidence. You also need to be systematic and a good record-keeper. If you think you might like to help with this work, please contact Claire for an informal chat.

Find out more

To find out more about the Church of England's approach to safeguarding, look here: <https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2017-11/promoting-a-safer-church-policy-notes.pdf>

You can contact Claire on 01457 763758
secure email: safemottram@gmail.com

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 Chris Kershaw 01457 765350

Quote of the Month

Perhaps the straight and narrow path would be wider if more people used it.

Kay Ingram

HIGH DAYS and HOLY DAYS

16th July - St Helier of Jersey

Take the book of Samuel in the Bible, add a bit of Luke Skywalker father/son conflict from Star Wars, stir in a dash of Pirates of the Caribbean, and you sort of have the story of St Helier – the first saint and martyr of Jersey.

According to legend, it all began in 6th century Tongeren (now in Belgium). A pagan couple badly wanted a child, but the wife was barren. In desperation they sought the help of a local Christian, Cunibert. He advised them to pray to the Christian God, and to promise that any child born would be 'given back' to God. So they did, and then the wife fell pregnant and gave birth to a son, Helier.

The parents were delighted – at first. But as the baby grew into a boy, it became clear that Helier was different from other children – he was precociously intelligent and could perform miracles. Helier's father found this unsettling and grew jealous of Cunibert's influence over his son. Finally he plotted to have Cunibert murdered.

In horror at such treachery, Helier fled and wandered far away. He eventually reached a monastic community in Normandy, run by Saint Marculf. Here he settled, seeking a life of contemplation, but it was not to be. Marculf had received pleas for help from the tiny community of an island called Gersut, or Agna (now called Jersey). They, too, had had bitter experience of violent murderous men: Vikings, Saxons and Vandals had each raided the island in turn. Now they sought some comfort from the Christians: would someone bring them the Gospel?

Marculf could not ignore such a plea, and so he sent Helier and a companion, Romard, to Jersey. The two monks found a small community of fishermen on the sand dunes where the town of St Helier would later grow. Helier chose to settle on a tidal islet, nowadays known as the Hermitage Rock. Romard, would act as the 'go between' between Helier in his hermitage and the fishing village.

Helier had chosen a remote spot for peace and quiet as he approached God. But one day he discovered that his tidal islet had another great advantage. While looking out to sea and praying, he suddenly saw the sails of attacking pirates, stealthily approaching the island.

Frantically, Helier signalled the shore of danger coming, and the fishermen and their families scattered into the surrounding marshes, beyond the reach of the bloodthirsty pirates. This happened time and again, and became so well known in island history that even today, small dark clouds on the horizon are still known as *les vailles dé St. Hélyi* (the sails of St Helier).

One day the pirates finally caught up with Helier on his tidal islet. They beheaded him. Helier was deeply mourned, and has always been revered in Jersey for having brought Christianity to the island. The traditional year of his martyrdom is 555AD. His feast day is marked in Jersey by an annual municipal and ecumenical pilgrimage to the Hermitage, on 16th July.



St Helier's 6th century cell, behind the 16th century Elizabeth Castle.



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 7 July

6th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion

10.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 14 July

7th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 21 July

8th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion

10.30am Family Communion

Sunday 28 July

9th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 4 August

10th after Trinity

9.15am Early Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

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

St Barnabas, Hattersley

Every Wednesday 10.30am

Holy Communion

A joint service with our friends and neighbours at St Barnabas Church, Hattersley Road East, Hattersley, SK14 3EQ.



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



Parish Prayer Rota July 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.

Bank Gate
Bank Street
Cross Street
The Hague
Hague Road
Pingot Lane
Gorsey Intakes
Spring Street
Lower Market Street
Etherow Brow

*Love your
neighbour
as yourself'*



In countries all over the world, Christians face a stark choice: keep their faith hidden, or risk attack, abuse or death. Ask God to watch over these secret believers and connect them safely to other Christians who can help them grow in faith.

The desire for prayer is a prayer in itself.

Georges Bernanos

Prayer Requests

Our regular prayer group's next 'virtual' meetings in our cyber prayer room are Mondays 8th and 29th July 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.

tonykershaw@mottramparish.org.uk
tel. 01457 765350

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.

As we remember Sea Sunday this month:

Seafarers

Your first disciples, Lord, were men of the sea:

Hardy fishermen from the shores of Galilee.

They knew from experience the perils of the deep...

They also knew Your presence with them in their darkest hours.

We pray for those who face like hazards today...

Lord of the sea, be near to guard them in every danger...

And let them hear Your voice above the tempest,

'It is I, be not afraid'

So bring them to their haven in peace.

From a prayer by Frank Colquhoun

Registers and Records

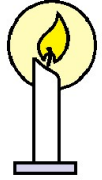
Flying The Flag



Thursday 6 - Sunday 9
July 2024

**The Union Flag in
commemoration of the
D-Day landings.**

Baptisms



Sunday 16 June

Bonnie McIlvenny

St Michael's flag is flown for church festivals, community events, and special occasions.

The flag can also be flown for your own special occasion such as an anniversary, birthday, graduation, or in memory of a loved one.

The dedication is recorded here in the magazine and on the flag page of the website at www.mottramparish.org.uk

We ask for a £15 donation, towards church funds.

Contact Tony on 01457 765350 or email

flag@mottramparish.org.uk

Funerals and Interments of ashes



Friday 5 July 2024
Leon Brindley

***Goodbye to our friends.
June they rest in peace
and rise in glory.***

Family History

St. Michael's churchyard has been in use for centuries, the oldest grave being dated 1649. We have a list of all surviving inscriptions, and can help you with your family history enquiries if you have an ancestor buried here.

To make an enquiry, use the general contact form at www.mottramparish.org.uk

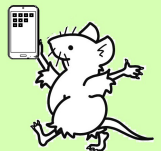
Contacts

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

Not To Be Taken Seriously



Yes, it is very secure, Mr and Mrs Dotcom,
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this child *bAbY%mC!BabyFac3* ?



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Tameside Police

0161 872 5050

Longdendale Councillors

Gary Ferguson 07842 297520

Jaqueline North 07517 680211

Jaqueline Owen 07891 138943

Member of Parliament

Jonathan Reynolds MP 0161 367 8077

jonathan.reynolds.mp@parliament.uk

Tameside Local Studies & Archives

0161 342 4242

Hattersley Library, in the Hub

0161 342 2552

Tameside South & Longdendale Foodbank

Here in the hard times

St Barnabas Church

Hattersley Road East

Hattersley SK14 3EQ

9.00 - 11.00am

We operate on a referral system

Please speak to/email/phone Louise:

cfm@mottramparish.org.uk

or ring 07721419866



★ **The Magdalene Centre** ★
★ Available for hire ★
★ see page 12 ★
★ Mottram Road, Broadbottom ★
★ SK14 6BB ★
★ Phone 07828 931 445 ★
★ or email ★
★ julietedwards@mottramparish.org.uk ★

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Ring 01457 763504

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contacts: Ted Bussell

edward.bussell@btinternet.com

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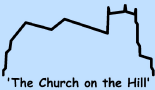
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For more information about ways to help with the finances of the church, for instance:

- 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

The contactless cardreader

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**

