

PCC Accounts month ending 31st October, 2023

	£		£
Balance B/F	479.32	Gas	94.10
October Income	<u>2,533.00</u>	Church Insurance	352.23
Total	3,012.32	Flood Appeal	50.00
Expenditure	<u>2,507.05</u>	Parish Share	600.00
Balance C/F	<u>505.27</u>	Electric	40.82
		Visiting Clergy	251.20
		Acorn Pest	58.70
		Water Aid	200.00
		Diocese Fee	<u>860.00</u>
		Total	<u>2,507.05</u>

Parish Share paid to 30th October, £7,500

Parish Share Outstanding £7,500

SAMARITAN'S PURSE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Shoebox Appeal this year.

An amazing 25 boxes have been donated this year which is wonderful. 25 children will be receiving a lovely Christmas present that they probably wouldn't have had.

Thank you to Pat and Bob for once again organizing the appeal and for dropping off the boxes to the local collection office in Houghton.

Sunday 19th November, 2023
The Second Sunday before Advent

9.45am: Parish Eucharist.

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Celebrant & preacher: **Rev. Stephen Osman**

Hymn – 498; “O God our help in ages past” **omit v4**

O.T. reading: Zeph. 1: 7, 12-18 – **Vera Marshall**

N.T. reading: 1 Thess. 5: 1-11

Hymn – 882; “Lord of all hopefulness”

Gospel: Matt. 25: 14-30 – **Rev. Stephen Osman**

Sermon – **Rev. Stephen Osman**

Prayers – **Tom Dick**

Collection hymn – 428; “Lord for the years” **omit v5**

Holy Communion Music – “A living prayer”

Holy Communion Hymn – 288; “I need thee every hour”

Final Hymn – 200; “Great is Thy faithfulness”

Mid-week Service

22nd November, 10.00am – Wednesday.

Holy Communion: **Rev. Paul Grundy**

Readings: Rev. 4. Luke 19: 11-28

Prayers for: Christopher Brown; Mary Brewis; Joan Swanson; Pauline Gaunt; Garry Wolfe; Florence and Derek Coffey; Watson Barrass; Dianne Watcotte; Michelle McDonald; Marjorie Galley; Tracy Allison, Dorothy Orrell.

Departed: Dorothy Mallaburn, Gloria Turton Bellamy, Lydia Appleby, Anne Ritchie

P.C.C. meeting: Monday 20th Nov, 7.30pm in Jubilee Room.

S.M.D.T. meeting: Monday TBA 7pm in Vestry.

Church Hall meeting: Friday TBA, 9:30am in Vestry

Steering Group Meeting: Monday 20th Nov, at St Michael's, Houghton with Archdeacon Bob Cooper.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 1st December, 5.00pm. Village Christmas tree, grand switch on, followed by refreshments in the church hall.

Saturday 2nd December, 2.00pm Christmas Fayre in the church hall

Sunday 17th December, 6.00pm Carols by Candlelight.

Tuesday 19th December, 7.00pm Carols, sherry and mince pies around the Christmas tree.

Sunday 24th December, 9.45am Christingle with Holy Communion.

Sunday 26th November, 2023 **The Sunday Next before Advent** **CHRIST THE KING**

9.45am: Parish Eucharist

Celebrant & preacher: **Archdeacon Bob Cooper**

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O.T. reading: Ezek. 34: 11-16, 20-24 – **Jacqui Harriman**

N.T. reading: Eph. 1: 15-23

Gospel: Matt. 25: 31-46 – **Archdeacon Bob Cooper**

Sermon: **Archdeacon Bob Cooper**

Prayers: **Stephen Holmes**

Welcome: **Jim Burnett**

Food Bank

The P.C.C. is accepting donations of tinned food and other non-perishables to support those going through a hard time. As well as occasionally giving out emergency hampers, we feed into Space4's foodbank at St Michael's at Houghton.

Suggested items: UHT Milk Instant Mash Cereal Jar of coffee
Tinned – Soup, Baked Beans, Spaghetti, Tomatoes, Rice, Sponge
Pudding, Meat, Fish, Vegetables (peas, carrots etc.)
Long Life Fruit Juice (boxed or tinned), Pasta, Rice, Pasta Sauces
Tea Bags, Sugar, Biscuits and Snacks.

Please make sure items have a fairly long use by date/shelf life.
