Welcome

We welcome Revd Gloria Hardisty as our preacher and celebrant this morning.

Lent Group

The Lent Groups will run on Monday afternoons from 19th February to 25th March at 3.30 p.m. The venue will change each week, so please ask Philippa for directions. All welcome to join for all or some of the sessions.

Children's Society Boxes

Please can those of you with Children's Society boxes bring them in for counting? The new date for the counting is February. Many thanks.

Church Visitors

On Thursday 18th April 2024 at 11:00am ACE Cultural Tours are visiting St Saviours as part of their '20th Century Yorkshire: Art & Architecture' tour. If you have knowledge of the history of St Saviour's, please could you come along at 10:45am to help us answer any questions? Please email admin@james4u.org or message Becky on 07522 175200 so we know we have volunteers.? Many thanks.

Training for Ministry with Young People & Children

At St. John's on Saturday 6th April, a team from the Diocese will do a session on ministry with children and young people, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. The link to book is

https://learning.leeds.anglican.org/event/ministry-with-children-and-youn g-people-clayton/.

Focus Group Update

There is a summary of what was discussed at the last Focus Group on the board at the back of church. , There will be one more Focus Group at a date to be decided.

Activities for the week

Today	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
Monday 4th	11.00 a.m.	Holy Communion at Crossley House
-	3.30 p.m.	Lent Group at Kaaren's
Tuesday 5th	12 noon	Knit 'n' Natter
•	6.00 p.m.	Beaver Scouts
Wednesday 6th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. James's
•	3.00 p.m.	Prime Time Junior
	6.30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	7.30 p.m.	Scouts and Explorers
Sunday 10th	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion

Sunday 3rd March 2024 Third Sunday of Lent

Service: Holy Communion

Hymns:

566; 553; 501; 541

Welcome to St. Saviour's Church

(www.stsavioursfwg.org.uk)

Interim Priest-in-Charge:

Vacant

Interim Associate Minister

Revd Philippa Slingsby-Lunn (tel. 01274 49137

Interim Assistant Curate

Revd. Daniel Furlong (tel: 07749 941348)

Churchwardens:

Mrs. Grace Studholme; Mr. John Ratnik

Children in Church

Children are most welcome to our services.

Refreshments.

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after the service.

Please take this service sheet home with you

Collect of the Day (Third Sunday of Lent)

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Matthew 24:1-31

¹As Jesus came out of the temple and was going away, his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. ²Then he asked them, 'You see all these, do you not? Truly I tell you, not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?' ⁴Jesus answered them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁵For many will come in my name, saying, "I am the Messiah!" and they will lead many astray. ⁶And you will hear of wars and rumours of wars; see that you are not alarmed; for this must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁷For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places: 8 all this is but the beginning of the birth pangs. ⁹ Then they will hand you over to be tortured and will put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of my name. ¹⁰Then many will fall away, and they will betray one another and hate one another. 11 And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. ¹²And because of the increase of lawlessness, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³But anyone who endures to the end will be saved. ¹⁴And this good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the world, as a testimony to all the nations; and then the end will come.

¹⁵ 'So when you see the desolating sacrilege standing in the holy place, as was spoken of by the prophet Daniel (let the reader

understand), ¹⁶then those in Judea must flee to the mountains; ¹⁷someone on the housetop must not go down to take what is in the house; ¹⁸someone in the field must not turn back to get a coat. ¹⁹Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing infants in those days! ²⁰Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a sabbath. ²¹For at that time there will be great suffering, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. ²²And if those days had not been cut short, no one would be saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. ²³Then if anyone says to you, "Look! Here is the Messiah!" or "There he is!"-do not believe it. ²⁴For false messiahs and false prophets will appear and produce great signs and omens, to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. ²⁵Take note, I have told you beforehand. ²⁶So, if they say to you, "Look! He is in the wilderness", do not go out. If they say, "Look! He is in the inner rooms", do not believe it. ²⁷For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ²⁸Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

²⁹ 'Immediately after the suffering of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of heaven will be shaken. ³⁰Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see "the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven" with power and great glory. ³¹And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Post Communion (Third Sunday of Lent)

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please pray for all on our prayer list: Dermot, Eric and Wendy, Doreen, Pauline, Dennis, Tracy, Keretha and Simon, and anyone known to you.