



Grasshopper



St. John the Baptist, Hey September 2016
Receiving and Sharing the Love of God Everyday

Dear Friends, Brothers and Sister in Christ

I fear that you will have a bit too much of me in this edition of Grasshopper so I am going to keep this short.

The last few weeks have been busy trying to hand over a huge amount of paperwork, files, processes and reports to Barbara as she settles into being the part time administrator for the parish. A big frustration has been trying to establish a phone in the new parish office in the hall and transferring the vicarage / parish phone number over there. In the middle of doing all this the company who provides our phone package was bought out and everything fell into a black pit. So we really had to start again and the new provider having put in a new line now cannot find it on their "platform"! Once we finally get the transfer made then we will have to wait as Broadband and Wifi are added. So having started weeks ago I only hope it will all be up and running smoothly by the time I go!

A number of us went to support Stephen as he was licensed in Bamford, I gather he is already very busy! We also went to St Michael's Middleton to support Jackie Calow as she too was licensed as priest in charge there. Both were very happy occasions - we wish them well.

Denise Elstub has been tackling the storeroom in the hall and had a good sort through the various cupboards with the help of the Uniformed organizations. The hall floor was stripped and resealed, unfortunately the weather was hot and it dried too quickly so the

result isn't as good as it might have been but will give a good protection against the wear and tear it gets.

As I write this I am very aware that there are a number of our young folk awaiting their GCSE and A level results - it is an anxious time for them so we particularly keep them in our prayers.

The 25th September is rushing towards us. I hope that you will be able to join me at the main 9.30am service for a celebration of Harvest. We are supporting the Oldham Foodbank and Cold Nights with cans etc but if you wish to donate money instead we are going to be supporting WaterAid. Sadly Harvest 2016 will be my final service at Hey.



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Recent Entries in our registers

Day by Day Scheme

Thank you to all those who are helping to ensure the future fabric of our church by supporting the Day by Day Scheme.

1 Sept	For all teachers
7 Sept	Remembering with love Bill Hanson's birthday
11 Sept	In memory of all victims of terrorism
13 Sept	Loving memories of Christine on her birthday
29 Sept	In memory of Barbara's birthday
30 Sept	Anniversary of Doris's birthday

Holy Matrimony

Congratulations to

Michael & Natasha Bearpark
Bradley & Hannah Parry
on their marriages, we wish them every happiness

Please pray for those planning weddings at Hey this year
5 November - Leighton Toms & Carla Loftus

Wedding

Our parish printer Ajay Patel is to be married on 20th August in a 4 day wedding, we also wish Ajay and his future wife every happiness.

The Faithful Departed

The under named who died on the date shown were laid to rest

18 June Elaine Goodwin aged 58

Street Prayers

Prayers for these streets will be offered in Church on the Sundays shown

<i>Week</i>	<i>Street</i>
4 Sept	Slack Hall Close & Old Lane
11Sept	Huddersfield Rd Lower
18 Sept	Huddersfield Rd Middle
24 Sept	Huddersfield Rd Higher
2 Oct	Owen Fold, Phoenix Place & St

Any requests for specific prayers
please ring the parish office 626 3630

Let us witness to the presence of the church to all in Hey Parish

Bible Readings

4 Sep Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Deuteronomy 30.15-20

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14.25-33

11 Sep Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Exodus 32.7-14

1 Timothy 1.12-17

Luke 15.1-10

18 Sep Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Amos 8.4-7

1 Timothy 2.1-7

Luke 16.1-13

Word Service

25 Sep Harvest Sunday (Richard's last service)

Deuteronomy 26.1-11

Philippians 4.4-9

John 6.25-35

2 Oct Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Habakkuk 1.1-4, 2.1-4

2 Timothy 1.1-14

Luke 17.5-10

Church Flowers June 2016

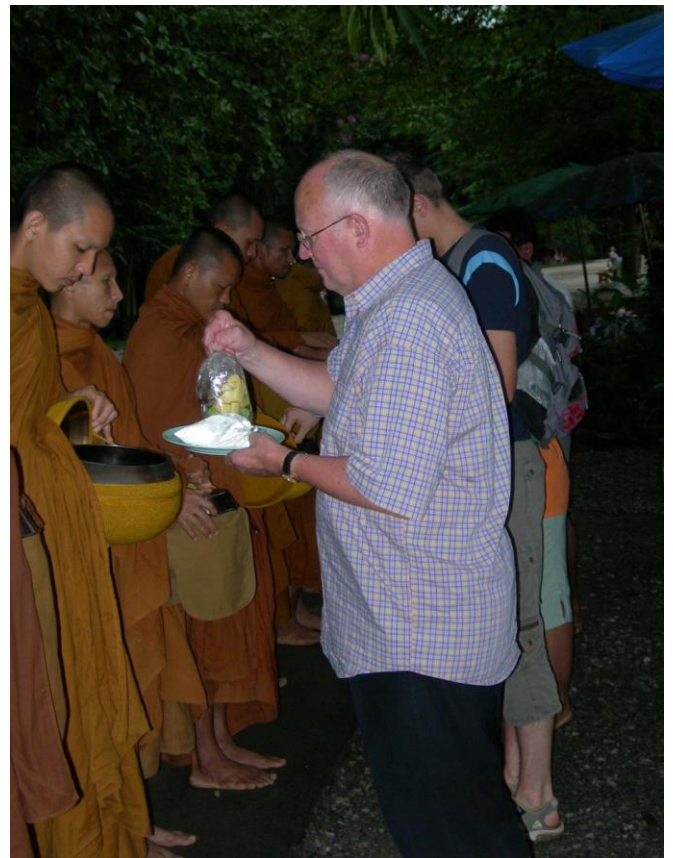
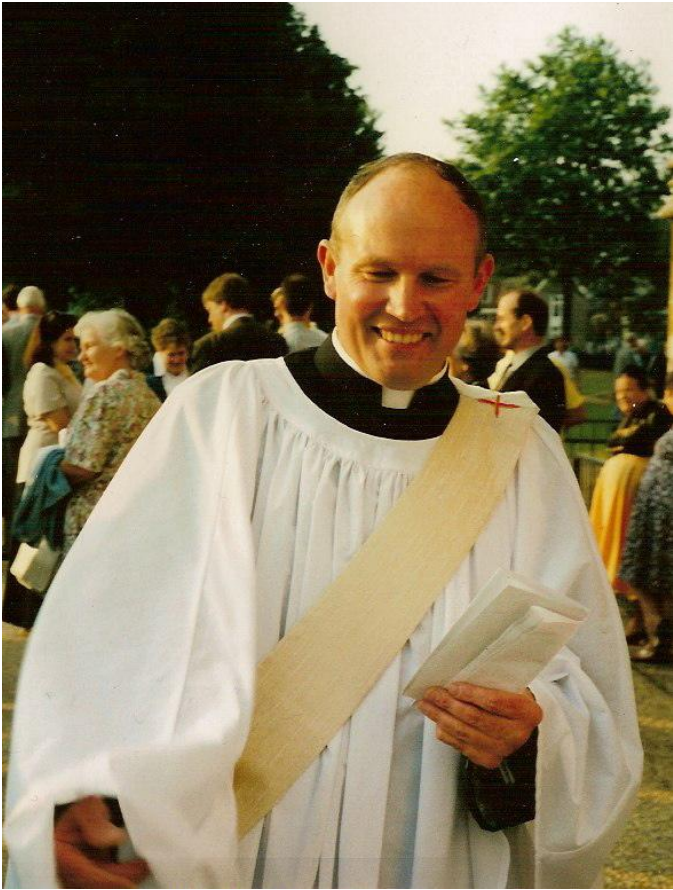
In loving memory of Antie Kitty

In loving memory of Lily's birthday

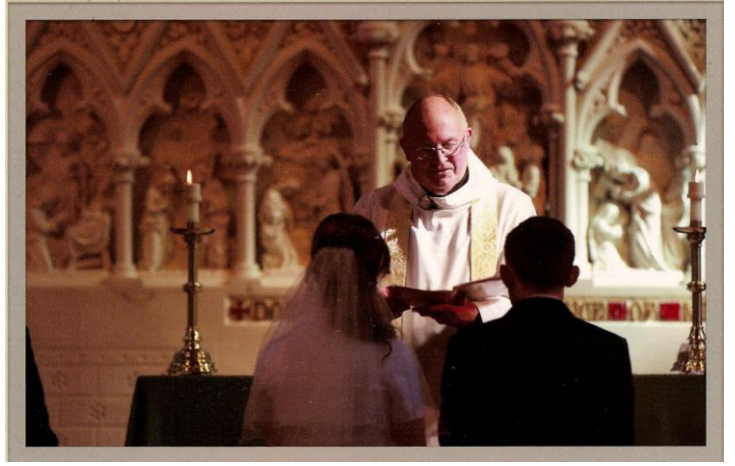
Reverend Canon Richard Whishaw Hawkins
St John the Baptist Hey, Feb 1999 – Sept 2016

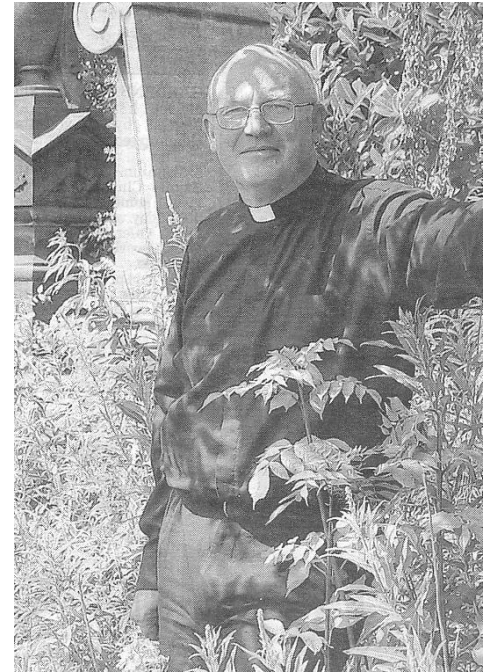
















Diary Dates

Major events during World War 1 will be shown on their centenary date

Thu 1 Sep 7pm Come & Praise!
Fri 2 Sep

WW1 - The first Zeppelin is shot down over Britain. The Royal Flying Corps uses a new combination of explosive and incendiary bullets to great effect.

Sat 3 Sep

WW1 - Death recorded on this day a century ago and named on our memorial:
Private Robert Cocks, Private Harry Mitchell

Sun 4 Sep **The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion – Book of Common Prayer
9.30am Parish Communion with Holy Baptism
Mon 5 Sep Hey with Zion term starts
Wed 7 Sep 10am Holy Communion - BCP
11am Holy Communion at Oakdene
7.30pm Full PCC meeting (with Archdeacon)
Thu 8 Sep 7pm Come & Praise!

WW1 - The Battle of Ginchy. The British capture Ginchy - a post of vital strategic importance, as it commands a view of the whole Somme battlefield.

Sun 11 Sep **The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Communion
11.15 am Holy Baptism
Wed 14 Sep 10am Holy Communion
Thu 15 Sep 7pm Come & Praise! with Holy Communion
7.30pm DMPC Holy Trinity Dobcross

WW1 - The Battle of Flers-Courcelette signifies the start of the third stage of the Somme Offensive. Tanks are used for the first time. Despite initial gains the Allies fail to break through German lines.

Sat 17 Sep 11.30 am Holy Baptism

Sun 18 Sep **The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion
9.30am Come & Praise!
2.30pm ALM Commissioning at Cathedral
Wed 21 Sep 10am Holy Communion
11am Holy Communion at Millfield & Medlock
7.30pm Choir practice
Thu 22 Sep 7pm Come & Praise!
Sun 25 Sep **Harvest** *Richard's last Sunday*
8am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Communion

WW1 - The Battle of Thiepval. Tanks play a crucial role in the capture of this strategic village.

Wed 28 Sep 10am Holy Communion
 Thu 29 Sep 7pm Come & Praise!

Sun 2 Oct **The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity**
 8am Holy Communion - BCP
 9.30am Parish Communion

WW1 - Death recorded on this day a century ago and named on our memorial:
Private William Burgess

Wed 5 Oct 10am Holy Communion - BCP
 11am Holy Communion at Oakdene
 Thu 6 Oct 7pm Come & Praise!

Sun 9 Oct **The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity**
 8am Holy Communion
 9.30am Parish Communion

Principal Festivals	2016	2017	2018	2019
Ash Wednesday	10 Feb	1 Mar	14 Feb	6 Mar
Easter Day	27 Mar	16 Apr	1 Apr	21 Apr
Pentecost	15 May	4 Jun	20 May	9 Jun
Advent	27 Nov	3 Dec	2 Dec	1 Dec

Baptism

26 June Ingrid Rosalyn Brownridge
 Child of Joseph & Georgina Brownridge

3 July Stanley Douglas Lockwood
 Child of Gary & Stacy Lockwood

10 July Lexie Mae Ashworth-Pringle
 Child of David Pringle & Louise Ashworth

31 July Avah Rose Bryden
 Child of Christopher Bryden & Leanne Burgess

7 August Harley Callum MacDonald &
 Esmè Rose MacDonald
 Children of Callum MacDonald & Charlotte Lamb

Unfortunately there is not enough room to include pictures of these Baptisms in this issue of *Grasshopper*, pictures can still be viewed on the Blog at

www.st-john-hey.blogspot.co.uk

HEY WAR DEAD September 1916



Pte Robert Cocks, 14223 A Coy 24 Manchester Regiment (Oldham Comrades) aged 20, of 17, Bridge Street, Springhead. Died 3.9.16 and buried at Heilly Station, Somme. He was the son of Fred & Elizabeth Cocks. His brother, Fred, was killed in April 1917.

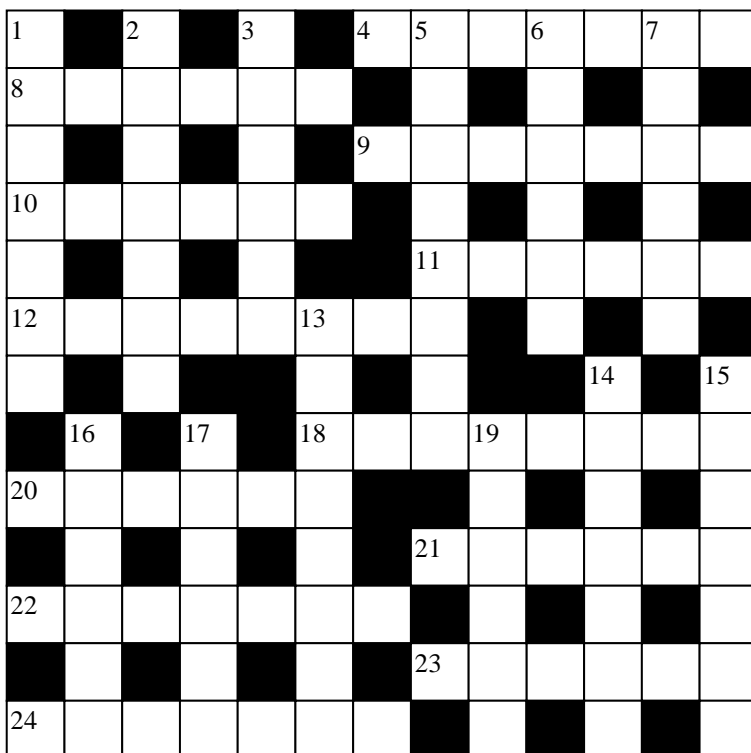
The "Cotton Town Comrades" were raised in Oldham in November 1914 by the Mayor & Town of Oldham. They went into camp at Chadderton Hall farm, in 36 huts, and started their training. On the 8th March 1915 the battalion left its home town and moved to Llanfairfechan, where training was continued.

In May 1915 they moved to Grantham as part of the 91st Brigade, 30th Division. In 10th August 1915 taken over by the War Office. In September 1915 moved to Larkhill Camp on Salisbury Plain. In early November 1915 they landed at La Harve, and moved up to the Albert and Arras sectors on the Somme. In May 1916 the Comrades became the Pioneer Battalion for the 7th Division and they moved to the village of Aumont, near Amiens, later to move to Morlancourt near Albert. Here they suffered their first casualties of the war, carrying out the duties of pioneers in the front lines and to the rear of them.

In the battle of the Somme the 24th were engaged in converting the German trenches captured around Fricourt into strongpoints and consolidating the gains of the 7th Division. Compared with other units the battalion suffered very light casualties of eight men. On the 14th July the battalion followed up the attack on Bazention le Petit, to build a strongpoint in the village, taking 52 casualties. On the 30th August the 7th Division was to make its attack on the disputed village of Guinchy, the 24th were employed building the support trenches needed, although the attack was not successful, the preparation work cost the battalion 38 casualties.

Heilly Station was a stop on the local railway line where the Army had established a casualty clearing station and field hospital. Unfortunately, some soldiers, including Pte Cocks, did not survive their injuries, a cemetery was established here as their final resting place.

SEPTEMBER CROSSWORD



CLUES

ACROSS

4. Throw out (7)
8. Person made illegal (6)
9. Greatly surprise (7)
10. Sugary fluid produced by flowers (6)
11. Dark blue (6)
12. Lift (8)
18. Countersigned (8)
20. Open lands (6)
21. Bartender (6)
22. Military force made up of civilians (7)
23. Noisy disturbance (6)
24. Fails to remember (7)

DOWN

1. Shop work top (7)
2. Notice or poster (7)
3. Fruit (6)
5. Stimulated (8)
6. Masses of people (6)
7. Go back on one's word (6)
13. Short sleeved top (8)
14. Same element, different number of neutrons (7)
15. Formal speech (7)
16. Breed of sheep (6)
17. Yarn (6)
19. Not able to be seen through (6)

Solution to July crossword. Across:3.Beanbag, 7. Eagle, 8.Oak, 10.Aunt, 11.Football, 13.Stymie, 14.Skates, 16.Crease, 18.Iceaxe, 22.Thespian, 24.Acrid, 26.Hat, 27.Cheer, 28.Shuttle. Down:1. Medals, 2.Agency, 3.Bet, 4.Allow, 5.Bait, 6.Go-Kart, 9.Kilts, 12.Miss, 15.Kick, 16.Catch, 17. Events, 19.Archer, 20.Endure, 21.Vault, 23.Peru, 25.Ace.

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