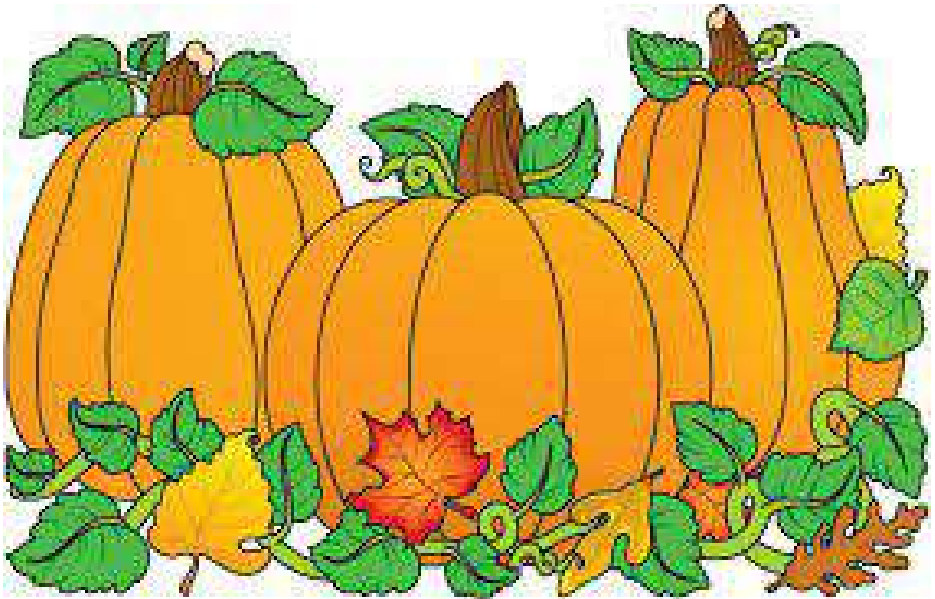




# ILLINGWORTH MESSENGER

Where Church and Community meet together:  
Illingworth Moor, the former St Mary's & St Malachy's



**OCTOBER 2022**

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**JOIN US ON OUR JOURNEY OF FAITH AT ANY OF  
THE SERVICES**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

**ST. MALACHY'S CHURCH**

**Times of Mass at St. Malachy's:**

Saturday (Vigil Mass) at 5 pm and  
Sunday Mass at 9 am

**Holy Nativity Church, the Church of England Parish of  
Mixenden and Illingworth**

**Sundays at 10.00 am**

All Age Eucharist, everyone welcome

**PREACHERS AT ILLINGWORTH MOOR IN OCTOBER**

***All services commence at 10.30 am unless otherwise stated***

2nd October	Mrs Tracy Brennan	
9th October	Mrs Linda Guy	
16th October	Rev Paul Welch	Communion
23rd October	Mrs Julie Taylor	
30th October	Mrs Debbie Story	



**Calderdale Branch of Guide Dogs**

**have arranged for a concert by**

**Elland Male Voice Choir**

**on Saturday, 29th October 2022**

**2 pm at Illingworth Moor Methodist Church**

**Tickets cost £6 and can be booked via  
Val Robinson 07766653479**

## MESSAGE FOR OCTOBER

In this time of great uncertainty about the cost of living, it is a time that also has knock on effects in lots of ways and can impact the well being of people and communities.

We have seen the rise in food banks and their use, free school uniform availability and other things that help individuals and families in many ways. The cost of energy is of major concern about having to make a choice between eating and heating, which is a hard choice that none of us really want to have to make. There are activities taking place in our church building here at Illingworth as well as the opportunity in just providing a warm, safe space for people to come along and have a cuppa. As I write this we are having discussions as to when the building can be open for members of our community to come, so that they don't have to sit at home with the heating on. A space will be provided and the possibility of a scheme where food and drink are available too. Our building is a building where you are very welcome to come when it is available to do so. We want to be able to help those in our community as we have done in the past and continue to be a 'good neighbour'. Jesus once asked the question to a group, 'Who is my neighbour?' He went on to tell them the story of the good Samaritan and the response to the question was, 'The one who showed compassion, love, acceptance and practical help' and Jesus said, go and do likewise'. As followers of Jesus this is something we try and do. We don't always get it right, but we try. A 'Warm' welcome is offered to all. As a church we have this resource of our building and we want it to be a place where hospitality and welcome are a reality as in the past. During the coming months please don't suffer in silence or feel isolated, we are here and will do what we can to help all in our local community. While we can't physically do everything, we do what we can to the best of our ability and pray regularly for the community which we serve.

Every blessing,

*Rev Paul Welch*

## **TRUSTEE VACANCY FOR THE ELIZABETH WADSWORTH TRUST [EWT]. 4-7 POPPLES ALMSHOUSES, BRADSHAW, HX2 9QP.**

An exciting opportunity has arisen to join the Board of Trustees for Popples Almshouses in Bradshaw, Halifax.

This is a small Charity consisting of 4 Almshouses.

The criteria for residency (as documented in the Constitution) is for single ladies over 50 years of age, in need of social housing.

The Benefactor was Miss Elizabeth Wadsworth, a local lady and friend of Anne Lister (Gentleman Jack).

The stunning historic building is Grade 2 listed and was erected in the early 1800's. The EWT has recently received an award from the Almshouse Association for Excellence and Innovation following a successful project which involved a full refurbishment of the original wrought iron railings which form part of the curtilage of the building and the reopening of a right of way to provide a safe walking route for the residents.

This is a voluntary position and the appointment term is 5 years.

Board meetings are held every 3 months. Training and Mentoring will be provided.

A legal background and good IT skills would be helpful but not essential.

For further information or to arrange an informal chat, please contact Elizabeth Moore (Clerk to the Trustees) via email: [fransemooore6@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:fransemooore6@hotmail.co.uk)

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### **WHY WALKING A SMALL DOG MAY WIN A WOMAN'S HEART**

Men who walk small dogs are seen as less threatening to women than men who walk large or even medium sized dogs.

Using cute little dogs to appeal to women is a well-known tactic on dating apps, but now scientists at the University of Jaen in Spain have found that even just walking a small dog can attract women to a man.

It seems when women see a man walking a small dog, they remain relaxed because they feel safe, and calm because they do not fear losing control of the situation. And if the dog is *really* cute, then a conversation may even begin!

### **Illingworth Moor Methodist Church**

To help with the monthly **Litter Pick** on **Saturday, 15th October** please meet at the Church at 10 am. Please bring your own gloves - pickers provided.



**AT THE SAME TIME THE 'GOOD AS NEW SHOP' WILL BE OPEN 10 AM TO 12 NOON**

## WHAT'S ON AT ILLINGWORTH MOOR

### 'GOOD AS NEW SHOP'

**Open FRIDAYS ONLY 10 am till 2 pm**

Why not drop into our **"Cosy Corner"**?

No need to buy! Just sit and watch the world go by in warm and pleasant surroundings. Enjoy a cuppa, from the Cafe, or read a magazine, or just relax.



### **CAFE AT THE MOOR**

Our Chef, Sarah, makes a range of meals on four days a week, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday from 9 am to 1 pm.

Why not pop in for a coffee, a piece of home made cake, a bowl of home made soup, a sandwich (*either to eat in or take away*).

Or have a full meal from Sarah's tempting menu?

### **BOYS' BRIGADE - MONDAYS**



**Anchor Boys:** 5 - 7 years (arrive 6.15 pm to start at 6.30 pm until 7.30 pm)

**Junior Section:** 8 - 10 years (arrive 6.15 pm to start at 6.30 pm until 8.15 pm)

**Company Section:** 11 - 18 years (arrive no earlier than 7 pm for a 7.15 pm start - ending at 8.45 pm)

***If anyone can help out, even if only occasionally, please get in touch with Captain Andy on 07833910698.***

### **GIRLS' BRIGADE - WEDNESDAYS**

Explorers: 4 - 7 years (5.30 pm - 7.15 pm) waiting list at the moment

Juniors, Seniors & Brigaders: 8-18 years (6.45 pm - 8.30 pm)



***For more information contact Janice Crowther on 07745529385***

### **SUNDAYS**

Sunday Worship & Sunday School at 10.30 am

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US AT ANY OR ALL OF THE ADVERTISED EVENTS**

## LOCAL HISTORY

*From Local Historian David Craven*

### **Bradford Observer – Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> November 1856**

On Thursday evening, Mr. N. Burrows, Printer, was attacked and robbed on the highway near Bradshaw, a short distance from Halifax, by three men, having their faces blackened. Mr. Burrows, a shareholder in a new mill, recently built at Bradshaw Lane, and it has been his practice to go to the mill, every Thursday, sometimes taking with him considerable sums of money, with which to pay contractors. He was proceeding to the mill, on Thursday night on horseback and had arrived as far as the junction formed by the road leading to Illingworth Moor and Bradshaw Lane, when he encountered the three men. One of them knocked him backward over his horse and he alighted upon his head in the road. The two other men then held him by the arms and attempted to strangle him with his scarf, whilst the man who knocked him down, held his hand over his eyes and rifled his pockets of their contents, which fortunately consisted only of a few shillings, some keys and a knife. Disappointed at finding their booty so small, the ruffians brutally kicked him in the side. The blood flowed from his mouth, nose and ears and he called out for assistance. His assailants were about to give him another kick, when they heard the sound of approaching footsteps and ran off. Mr. Burrows then endeavoured to remount his horse, which was quietly grazing at a little distance, but the saddle girths had been cut, and on putting his foot into the stirrup he fell to the ground. He is very badly injured.

### **Textiles and Tools by Eric Webster**

James Akroyd's father was a yeoman manufacturer at Brookhouse, Ogden, in the township of Ovenden. The father and his two sons, James and Jonathan, were in partnership. In 1811 James left the partnership and started up independently in Old Lane, Halifax, what was to become possibly the largest worsted manufacturing complex in the world. The Akroyd story shows, as we shall see, both the rise and decline of the industry during the course of the century.

Jonathan moved to Bowling Dyke, near North Bridge in 1818 to mill premises already in existence and a year later, introduced the manufacture of Bombazines and "Norwich Crepes" and Camlets, also from Norwich. Indeed, at that time there was a good deal of "Industrial Espionage" by Akroyds at



Norwich, one of their emissaries being Michael Greenwood, a hand loom weaver of Shibden Dale, whom we first hear of as the inventor of a false slay to improve hand loom weaving of wool as early as 1800.

According to the history books the years 1815 to 1820 immediately following the wars in France, were not the best time to extend businesses. For local evidence of the depression we turn to the diaries of Dorothy Wordsworth, sister of the poet William Wordsworth, who paid several visits to the neighbourhood. In 1817 she visits the Rawsons, bankers and manufacturers with houses in Halifax, in the Ryburn Valley and at Stoney Royd. In one of her letters home she has this to say:

"The country here is varied and beautiful, if it were not for tedious cotton and woollen mills, which are really now no better than encumbrances, trade being so bad. The wealthy keep their mills going chiefly for the value of employing workmen. Few get more than half work, great numbers none at all. A great part of the population is reduced to pauperism, a dreadful evil. Things cannot go on like this. It can never be expected or even wished, I think, that the state of our manufacture should again be what it has been".

## **HOW TO STOP LORRIES GETTING STUCK**

Have you ever come across a huge lorry jammed tight somewhere, and wondered WHY ON EARTH the driver chose that route?

The answer is probably that they used a satnav system designed to help cars. Now the Local Government Association (LGA), which represents councils in England and Wales, is calling for a change in the law. It argues that HGVs should use only specialist navigation tools designed to keep them on wider roads.

The call comes following a series of incidents involving HGVs in impossible places. One lorry was determined to get under a tiny bridge in Leicestershire, but instead shut the road for 12 hours. Another lorry nosed itself deep into a narrow street in Bristol, and was stuck for 15 hours. A third lorry tackled a very narrow railway bridge in Swindon, and crashed, causing hours of delay to numerous trains and dozens of cars.

Councillor David Renard, LGA transport spokesman, said: "The spate of accidents we continue to see, on an all too regular basis, is causing major disruption to local communities."

*BE THE REASON SOMEONE SMILES TODAY*

## ST. MALACHY'S NEWS

Our Parish Priest is Mgr Michael McQuinn

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### **ST. MALACHY'S WALKS**



If you would like to join us you will be made most welcome. Walking boots and suitable clothing are essential. For more information please contact Philip or Pat at 01422 259761 or e-mail us at p29.moran@gmail.com

### **FUND RAISING GROUP**

We are collecting old gold. Have you any broken chains? Odd earrings? Rings without stones? Please donate your old jewellery for Church funds. Items can be left in the box on the Paper Stall.

**'WALKING THE WAY'** which is a monthly reflective walk around Calderdale which takes place on the second Sunday of the month starting at 2pm.

For more information, here is the website link



<https://www.calderdalemethodistcircuit.org.uk/about-us/walking-way.html> or

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**Communion Meal** every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at **6 pm.**

The communion meal is an opportunity to worship whilst gathered around the dinner table. Food is provided.

**Rock Mass** every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at **6 pm.**

The Rock Mass is a service for people who like to worship **LOUD!**

**Vicar:** Revd Robb Sutherland, 01422 353929 email [robb@priest.com](mailto:robb@priest.com)

**Church Wardens:** Mrs Margaret Henderson 01422 243596

**Church Pantry:** Mondays 2 - 3.30 pm. Providing food and essentials to people from the Parish in need.

**Church Youth Group:** Tuesdays 7 pm -8.30 pm

**For baptisms, weddings & funerals** contact the Vicar or Church Warden



**Illingworth Moor Methodist Church  
every Friday, 12 o'clock start**

*Where can you get (for instance) home made Shepherd's Pie, Yorkshire Pudding, vegetables, a pudding and a cup of tea, together with good company for £4.50 ?*

The **Access Bus** picks up some of our regulars so if you need transport just ring 0113 3481902 to register with Metro.

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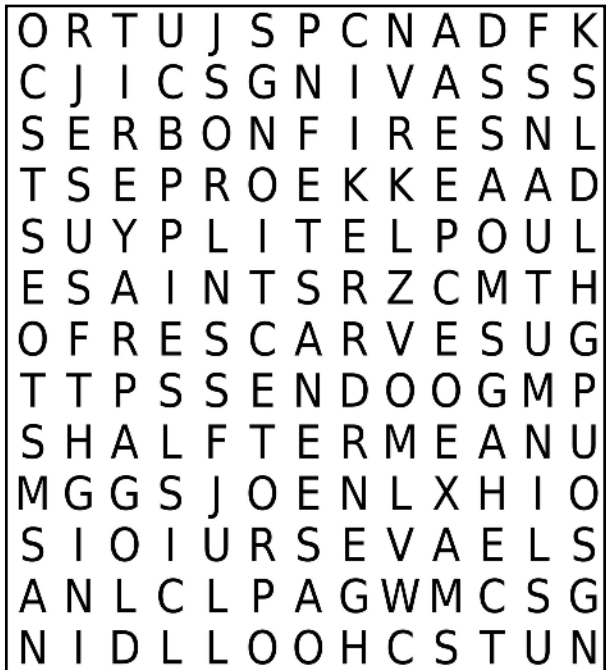
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## WORDSEARCH CLUES

With October, **autumn** is underway – the leaves are turning **gold**, the chilly **nights** are closing in and the shops are full of Halloween things. Our ancestors were frightened of the **dark** and cold of winter, and feared that evil things might attack them. So they lit fires and wore frightening masks, to ward off evil spirits. But Christianity taught a much better way: it taught that **Jesus** Christ is the **Son** of God, and that when He died for us on the cross, He overcame all the powers of evil that there are. So we don't need charms to ward off evil, we just need to turn to Jesus in **prayer**. He will protect us from any power of darkness that menaces our lives. The Psalms say that He is our shield and protector!



+ **Pumpkin Sweets Saints Goodness**  
**Saving Protection Light Fearless School**  
**Exams Half term Coal Leaves Bonfires**  
**Sneeze Scarves Soup**

*Researched by Sue Taylor following her work in tidying up the graveyard at Illingworth Moor Methodist Church.*

## **INNKEEPERS / PUBLICANS** (all buried in the Graveyard)



Mark Chapman was the Innkeeper of the White Lion, Illingworth, until his death on 1st April 1870 aged 43. His wife Emma is noted as Inn Keeper on the 1871 census. She died 4th March 1878 aged 47.

The White Lion public also known as the Illingworth Cross, building still stands at the junction of Keighley Road and Cousin Lane. It was converted into houses in the 1920's and beneath the top house is the beer cellar which was used as an air-raid shelter during World War I. If you look towards the roof you will see the Cross of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem is carved on the building, it also appeared on the inn-sign.



Capt. Orlando Buckley MC. of the Friendly Inn, Burnley Road, Luddenden Foot., died April 5th 1932 aged 59 years (*He was the son in law of Alfred Williamson*)

Alfred Williamson of the Grand View Hotel, Lee Mount, died March 4th 1925 aged 61 years. His wife Alice Jane took over after his death. Alice died 25th June 1937.

Hetty, the wife of Harry Oldfield of the Plummet Line Hotel died 1st October 1927, aged 42 years. They were also licensees of the Woolpack, Woolshops 1916-20. He is possibly the same Harry Oldfield who was the licensee of the White Swan at Holdsworth, 1914-16

Arthur William Oldfield of the Wheatley Wells Inn died 7th June 1940 aged 75. He was noted as licensee between 1901 and 1917. His son George, who lost his life in WW1 is also remembered, his name is inscribed in gold letters.

## **ANTHONY ASHLEY-COOPER, THE POOR MAN'S EARL**

Think of Piccadilly Circus, and that small statue of the angel poised with bow and arrow. Most people think it stands for Eros. It does not. It stands for Anteros, his brother, the god of selfless love. It is a memorial to the greatest Christian Victorian philanthropist, politician and social reformer of his generation – Lord Shaftesbury.

Anthony Ashley Cooper, the 7<sup>th</sup> Earl of Shaftesbury (1801 – 1885) was a devout Christian who spent his life fighting to help ease the plight of lunatics, chimney sweeps, children in factories, women and children in the mines, opium addicts, and children without any education.

His own early life was loveless and bleak – his parents formal and frightening, his early schooldays a “horror” of “cruelty and starvation”. The only love came from the family’s housekeeper, Maria Millis. A biographer wrote: ‘She provided for Ashley a model of Christian love that would form the basis for much of his later social activism and philanthropic work.’ The reality and homely practicality of her Christian love were a beacon for the young Ashley. She told him Bible stories, she taught him a prayer.

After Christ Church Oxford, where he proved an outstanding scholar, Ashley turned to politics. In 1826, aged 25, he was elected as Tory MP for Woodstock. He was eager to serve on parliamentary committees that got things done; his great life’s work had begun.

Lunatics: In 1827 lunatics were kept chained naked in straw, forced to sleep in their excrement. They were washed in freezing cold water, with one towel for 160 people and no soap. There was gross over-crowding and inedible food: asylums were places to die in.

Shaftesbury’s maiden speech in Parliament was in support of a Bill to improve their conditions. He wrote: ‘By God’s blessing, my first effort has been for the advance of human happiness.’

It took years: from 1827 to 1884 he fought for a succession of Lunacy Acts, writing later of ‘the years of toil and care that, under God, I have bestowed on this melancholy and awful question.’

Child Labour and Factory Reform. Again, reform took years, with Shaftesbury fighting for the Ten Hours Act from 1833, 1842, 1844, 1846 and 1847 – when it finally got through Parliament. No child under the age of nine should work in the cotton or woollen industries, and no one under 18 must work more than ten hours a day.

Miners. In 1842 he fought to outlaw the employment of women and children in coal mines.

Climbing boys. Thousands of young boys were dying in terrible pain – scorched, blinded and suffocated by soot, or with cancer of the scrotum. Ashley fought for Bills in 1840, 1851, 1853, 1855, and 1864 until finally the Chimney Sweepers Act 1875 closed the practise down.

Education reform: 1844 Ashley became president of the Ragged School Union that promoted education for poor children. He wrote that if it were to fail, ‘I should die of a broken heart’.

Religion. Lord Shaftesbury was a devout Christian who became a leading figure in 19<sup>th</sup> century evangelical Anglicanism. He was President of British and Foreign Bible Society

for nearly 30 years. He was very sympathetic to the Jews, and advocated their return to the Holy Land.

Lord Shaftesbury's funeral service at Westminster Abbey on the morning of 8<sup>th</sup> October 1885 drew thousands of people. The streets along the route were thronged with the poor: costermongers, flower-girls, boot-blacks, crossing sweepers, factory hands and many more. They waited for hours just to see his coffin go by. He was dearly loved by them as the 'Poor Man's Earl'.

One biographer wrote: 'No man has in fact ever done more to lessen the extent of human misery, or to add to the sum total of human happiness.'

The great preacher Charles Spurgeon called him 'the best man of the age'. He 'lived for the oppressed', he was a 'moral anchor in a drifting generation', 'friend of every living thing', 'he had a 'fervent love to God, and hearty love to man.'

## **SMILE LINES**

### **Did you mean what you just said?**

*The following are genuine notes left for milkmen.*



Dear Milkman: I've just had a baby, please leave another one.

Cancel one pint after the day after today.

Please don't leave any more milk. All they do is drink it.

Please close the gate behind you because the birds keep pecking the tops of the milk.

Please cancel the milk. I have nothing coming into the house except two sons on the dole.

Please bring me a form about cheap milk, as my boyfriend has made me stagnant.

Please do not leave milk at no.14 as he is dead until further notice.

### ***Miscellaneous observations on life:***

A lot of people want to serve God, but only in an advisory capacity.

It is easy to do any amount of work - provided it isn't the work you are supposed to be doing.

Anyone who thinks talk is cheap never argued with a traffic warden.

Anything that is good and useful is usually made of chocolate.

One reason why a dog is such a lovable creature is that his tail wags instead of his tongue.

### **What?!**

I get most of my exercise these days from shaking my head in disbelief.

### **Love letter**

An advert appeared in the student newspaper of the university:

Sweet little old lady wishes to correspond with university student – seeks six-footer with brown eyes answering to initials J.A.D.

Signed,

His mother

## EDITH CAVELL, NURSE

Edith Cavell is a good saint for NHS workers: she cared for the sick despite the danger to her own safety.

Edith was a vicar's daughter from Swardeston in Norfolk, where she was born in 1865. She became a governess, but her heart was for nursing, so she went on to train at the London Hospital, before nursing in various hospitals such as St Pancras and Manchester.

When Edith was 42, she decided to go abroad, and was appointed matron of a large training centre for nurses in Brussels. She was still there seven years later, when the First World War broke out and German troops invaded Belgium on their way to Paris and the Channel Ports.

Edith's nursing school became a Red Cross hospital, and she turned down the opportunity to return to the safety of England. Instead, her nurses tended wounded soldiers from both German and Allied armies.

Sadly, in 1915, when the Germans began their occupation of Brussels, they took a dim view of Edith's work. But they would have been even more unhappy had they known she was helping to smuggle 200 British soldiers across the border into the Netherlands!

Finally, the Germans arrested Edith in August 1915, and put her into solitary confinement. They tricked her into confessing to a charge which carried the death penalty. But Edith refused to show either regret at what she had done, or any fear or bitterness towards her captors.

On 11<sup>th</sup> October 1915, the night before her execution, Edith was visited by the Anglican chaplain to Brussels, the Revd Stirling Gahan. Together they said the words of *Abide with Me*, and Edith received her last Holy Communion.

She told Gahan: "I am thankful to have had these ten weeks of quiet to get ready. Now I have had them and have been kindly treated here. I expected my sentence and I believe it was just. Standing, as I do, in view of God and eternity, I realise that patriotism is not enough. I must have no hatred or bitterness to anyone."

Edith was shot by a firing squad next day, on 12<sup>th</sup> October 1915.

After the war her body was exhumed and buried in Norwich Cathedral. Her memorial service in Westminster Abbey attracted thousands. A commemorative statue of her stands near Trafalgar Square.



## ANSWERS

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## WORDSEARCH

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## ALL IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

### ***It was:***

*200 years ago, on 20<sup>th</sup> October 1822 that the Sunday Times newspaper was first published in the UK.*

*175 years ago, on 6<sup>th</sup> October 1847 that Charlotte Bronte's novel Jane Eyre was first published, under the penname of Currer Bell.*

*150 years ago, on 11<sup>th</sup> October 1872 that Emily Davison, British suffragette, was born. A militant fighter for her cause, she died after being hit by the King's horse at the 1913 Derby.*

*100 years ago, on 24<sup>th</sup> October 1922 that George Cadbury died. He had transformed his father's chocolate and cocoa business into one of the world's most successful companies. He also provided low-cost housing and improved working conditions for his employees.*

*70 years ago, on 6<sup>th</sup> October 1952 that the world premiere of Agatha Christie's play, The Mousetrap opened in Nottingham. It then opened in London on 25<sup>th</sup> November, and is still running, making it the world's longest-running play. It has been performed more than 28,000 times.*

*65 years ago, on 9<sup>th</sup> October 1957 that the Lovell Telescope began operating at the Jodrell Bank Observatory in Cheshire. At the time it was the world's largest steerable dish radio telescope. Now it is the third largest. It played an important role in the early days of space launches, as it was the only radio telescope that could detect the weak signals from rockets, satellites and space probes.*

*60 years ago, on 15<sup>th</sup> October 1962 that British weather forecasts switched from the Fahrenheit scale to Celsius.*

*40 years ago, on 11<sup>th</sup> October 1982 that Henry VIII's flagship the Mary Rose was raised from the bottom of the Solent, off the coast of southern England, 437 years after it sank.*

*30 years ago, on 13<sup>th</sup> October 1992 that the British Government announced that 31 of the country's 50 remaining deep coal mines would close by March 1993, putting 31,000 miners out of work. Six mines were closed immediately.*

*25 years ago, from 29<sup>th</sup> October to 24<sup>th</sup> November, that the Iraq disarmament crisis took place. Iraq had ordered all US members of UNSCOM, the United Nations Security Council's weapons inspection team, to leave. After tense negotiations with President Saddam Hussein, who briefly let them return, they left again in 1998, and did not return until November 2002. The crisis ended in March 2003 when the US invaded Iraq.*

## CHURCHES FACE SOARING BILLS FOR ENERGY

As churches do not qualify to the cap on energy bills, they have seen prices soar to hitherto unimaginable heights in recent months.

Some examples:

- a church in Andover whose bill went from £70 a month to £1,000 a month – and could rise to £4,000 a month during the coming winter months.
- a church in Wendover whose bills have gone from £8,248 a year to £22,500 a year.

But they are only two among thousands of churches across the UK who this autumn are desperately looking at how to make savings. Ideas range from the installation of LED lights, to turning the heating down so low that all midweek and community use of the building is suspended, to putting insulation into the church hall.



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### BEECHWOOD ROAD LIBRARY

Following the recent refurbishment at Beechwood Road Library the staff are looking forward to welcoming old and new members to visit them during any of the following opening hours:

**Monday 10 am - 5 pm**  
**Thursday 10 am - 5 pm**  
**Friday 10 am - 5 pm**  
**Saturday 10 am - 1 pm**



Another cricket season is drawing to a close and we live in hope that we will still have some good weather to come. As usual we have had a whole mixture of weather this season from every extreme and it would be nice to think there are a few more warm and dry weekends both to finish the season and enable us to do all the end of season work in reasonable comfort.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI have had a good season and are second in the Premier Division. As I write this we are just three points behind Copley with one match to go. Anything can happen in sport but obviously we need to win and Copley slip up if we are to be champions. We have had good support throughout the season and come what may it has been a very successful one. The 2<sup>nd</sup> XI too are lying in second place in Division 1, eleven points behind Greetland but 38 points in front of Thornton who are in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. With the top two going up, promotion is assured to the Premier Division of the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI Competition but barring a very unlikely event we are unlikely to overtake Greetland with one match to go, and promotion itself is a great achievement for the club. The 3<sup>rd</sup> XI have faltered in recent weeks and finished in seventh place in Division 1 of the Halifax Sunday League.

On the junior front, due to the great hard work of our volunteers, we have had two new teams in action at U9 and U11 level and they have made huge progress and are the future of the club. There is plenty to celebrate at our forthcoming Junior Presentation night.

We have again run the All Stars and Dynamos Cricket sessions and Junior training on Friday nights throughout the summer which have been very well received and we are looking to repeat something similar for 2023. We are always looking to encourage more cricket being played both at the club and in the local schools and would love to have a full set of junior teams next year. We will again be holding junior cricket training sessions over the winter starting in February. Any boy or girl who would like to have a try at cricket would be most welcome – just get in touch. We have also supported the Cricket Asylum Charitable Trust to run Cricket Summer Holiday Camps at the club over the school summer holidays and hopefully some of those taking part will become future members of the club.

Bearing in mind it is late in the year the ground is still looking well. We have had a number of travelling cricket enthusiasts visiting in recent weeks and we have been delighted to receive many complimentary remarks which is very satisfying both for the club and the surrounding community and area.

The club is also available during winter for private functions. So do get in touch if you would like to use the club's facilities. Our web site address is [www.illingworthcc.co.uk](http://www.illingworthcc.co.uk)

*Andrew Smith*  
Club President



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**Monday 1 pm Keighley Road Medical Centre, Illingworth  
10<sup>th</sup> Octoer**

**Every Friday 10 am Illingworth Moor Methodist Church  
Approx. 4 miles**

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NO MATTER HOW SMALL,  
IS EVER WASTED.*



**THE DAISY CHAIN CAFE  
ON WEDNESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER**

**AT BLACKBURN HOUSE, NURSERY LANE**

**FROM 1 PM TO 3 PM**

**Working towards a Dementia Friendly North  
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**For more information contact Karen Scanlon on  
03005550266 or 01422 252209**

## **AGATHA CHRISTIE'S MOUSETRAP**

It was 70 years ago, on 6<sup>th</sup> October 1952, that the world premiere of Agatha Christie's play, *The Mousetrap*, opened in Nottingham. It then opened in London on 25<sup>th</sup> November, and is still going, making it the world's longest-running play. Originally a short radio play written as a birthday present for Queen Mary, it was broadcast in May 1947. The stage play, a murder mystery, has been performed more than 28,000 times – the only break being, because of the Covid pandemic, between 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

The play also made theatrical history by having an original "cast member" survive all the changes since its opening night. The late Deryck Guyler can still be heard, on a recording, reading the radio news bulletin in the play. There have been many physical alterations, with the set being changed in 1965 and 1999, but one original prop survives – the clock above the fireplace in the main hall.

Christie regarded detective fiction as a distinctively moral genre because it deals with questions of guilt and justice that are at times almost theological. The society and milieu of her stories are distinctively Christian. She was baptised into the Church of England and kept her mother's copy of *The Imitation of Christ* – a spiritual handbook – by her bedside. Its flyleaf carried a quotation from Romans, beginning "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?"

At her memorial service in 1976, her publisher William Collins described her as having a "gentle Christian spirit".

## **ELIZABETH FRY, PRISON REFORMER**

Elizabeth Fry had endless compassion and endless energy – and together with a steadfast determination to do God’s work, this outstanding philanthropist became one of the foremost promoters of prison reform – not just in Britain, but in all of Europe.

Elizabeth was born in 1780, far from any prison. The family lived in Norwich, where her father was a wealthy Quaker banker and merchant. In 1800 she married a London merchant, Joseph Fry.

Elizabeth could have spent her life safely at home, raising her many children. But instead, she felt compelled to help the desperate social needs of the time.

There was a good reason for this. Back in 1798, when she had been attending a Quaker meeting in Norwich, someone had spoken what Elizabeth felt was a prophetic word for her life. As she noted in her diary at the time:

‘Deborah Darby then spoke... she addressed part of it to me; I only fear she says too much of what I am to be. A light to the blind; speech to the dumb; and feet to the lame; can it be? She seems as if she thought I was to be a minister of Christ. Can I ever be one? If I am obedient I believe I shall.’ And she was.

Elizabeth was accepted as a Quaker ‘minister’, and her good works in London began. But it was not until one day in 1813, when she visited Newgate Prison in London, that Elizabeth’s life changed forever. That day she witnessed such horrors of the circumstances in which women and children were kept, that she knew she had found the focus for her life’s work.

Soon her daily visits to the prison, where she read the Bible and taught the women to sew, grew into a campaign to achieve basic rights for the women prisoners. She fought for the classification of criminals, the segregation of the sexes, female supervision of women, and some provision for education.

In 1817 she created the Association for the Improvement of Female Prisoners, and then lobbied Parliament. By 1818 Elizabeth had raised such a storm that she was called to give evidence to a Parliamentary Select Committee who was examining conditions in prison. They accepted many of her proposed reforms.

In 1820 Elizabeth tackled the huge problem of destitution in London. She opened a ‘Nightly Shelter for the Homeless in London’, which became the first of many. She founded a society to help released prisoners with rehabilitation. And she was certainly a ‘hands-on’ sort of lady; it was said that for the next 20 years she personally inspected every single ship containing women convicts before it sailed to Australia. Between 1838 and 1842 Elizabeth visited all the prisons in France, reporting to the Interior Minister. She then inspected prisons in Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Germany, Denmark, Scotland and Ireland.

Elizabeth also founded schools for poor girls, soup kitchens for the hungry, better housing for the poor, and also investigated mental asylums. She even established a nursing school, which influenced her distant relative, Florence Nightingale.

By the time Elizabeth died in 1845, she had helped tens of thousands of helpless people to find some relief from their suffering. She had indeed lived her life as a ‘minister of Christ’.



**OSCA FOUNDATION (based at Forest Cottage, Cousin Lane, Halifax, HX2 8DA)**

In association with OSCA Foundation

**Activities to be held in OCTOBER**

Monday: 6.30 pm to 8 pm Taekwondo

Monday: 6.30 pm to 9 pm (except Bank Holidays) **ANDY'S MAN CLUB**

Tuesday: 12 noon Walking Football (outside)

Tuesday: 2 pm to 4 pm Old Tyme / Modern Sequence Dancing

Tuesday: 6.30 pm to 8 pm. Taekwondo

Wednesday: 6.30 pm to 8 pm Taekwondo

Thursday: 9.45 am to 10.45 am Keep Fit

Thursday: 10.45 am to 11.45 am Keep Fit

Thursday: 2 pm to 4 pm Old Tyme/ Modern Sequence Dancing

Thursday: 6 pm to 9 pm Youth Club 13 years -19 years

Thursday: Halifax Gateway Club 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm Enderby Hall

Saturday: 9.15 am to 10.30 am Rugger ratz(learn to play rugby league aged 3 to 10 years of age)

**Whitehill/Ovenden WR U/14 Girls Football Team** are recruiting players for this season, girls must be under 14 by August 31st. Matches are on Sunday mornings on the OSCA Foundation site, more info phone David Clifford 07359205276.

**Floodlit All Weather 5 a-side football 3G pitch** available for hire seven days a week at competitive prices.

**Halifax Panthers Rugby League Open Age Ladies Team** are now based at OSCA Foundation @ Forest Cottage. Fixtures will be held on Sunday afternoons at Four Fields on the OSCA Site.

**PUBLIC BAR OPENING HOURS**

Friday 7 pm - 10 pm / Saturday 2 pm - 8 pm / Sunday 1 pm - 9 pm

**LIVE MUSIC @ OSCA FOUNDATION**

OSCA Foundation are continuing with their Live Music theme on

**SATURDAY, 8TH OCTOBER on stage at 8 pm are the "ACOUSTIC DOGZ" - THREE PIECE BAND. Admission is FREE.**

Doors open from 7 pm. NO TICKETS REQUIRED. BAR.

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## THE LOCAL ACTIVITIES GROUP

The Art Class which has met at Illingworth Moor Methodist Church on Thursdays is *not* taking place at the moment because they have been unable to find a suitable Tutor. Several of the class have chosen instead to attend an Art group which meets, with a Tutor, at Lee Mount Baptist Church on Wednesday mornings from 10 am until 12 noon.



The LA Art group will meet on **Thursday, 3rd November** from 10 am until 12 noon at Illingworth Moor Methodist Church to discuss the next steps and whether there is interest and support for restarting the Art Class. Please attend if you are interested.

## WHY SO MANY PUPPIES ARE DYING

Here is a horrific statistic: one in five puppies are either falling ill or dying before they reach one year old.

The reason, says the Kennel Club, is due to a “perfect and terrible storm” of the Covid crisis, followed by the cost-of-living crisis.

During Covid, many homebound people decided to get a dog. But they could not travel to meet the breeder, the mother, or the puppies. So instead, they bought puppies off social media, with 31 per cent of them buying one sight unseen.

That meant that rogue breeders could exploit animals by lowering their welfare standards for the mother and puppies, and also that they could sell puppies who were already damaged or ill.

Add to that the soaring cost of dog care, which discourages new owners from seeking veterinary help, and it is little wonder that now 22 per cent of puppies are falling ill before their first birthday, and, in cases where the owner bought a puppy sight unseen, 36 per cent of them are dying.





**The Local Activities (LA) Group** in Illingworth and Bradshaw was formed specifically to improve the health and wellbeing of **people over 50 in this area of Halifax**. If you are interested in meeting new friends and doing new activities please get in touch:

**Join us on Facebook: Illingworth & Bradshaw Local Activities Group /**  
Ring the Secretary on 01422 249070 / attend one of the activities

**The Bowling Section of the LA Group meet every Monday at 10 am at Holmfield Bowling Club, Holmfield 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

**THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES RUN EACH WEEK AND TAKE PLACE AT ILLINGWORTH MOOR METHODIST CHURCH, HX2 9LL**

**TUESDAYS**

**KEEP FIT** from 10 am to 11 am £4.00

*Not too hard, but not too easy!*

*This is a fun aerobic exercise class to get you fit and keep you healthy*

**NEW AGE KURLING** from 11.15 am – 12.15 pm £2.00

*Both the above activities are suitable for a range of abilities*

**SITTING DOWN PILATES** from 11.15 am – 12 noon £3.50

**WEDNESDAYS**

**CRAFTY CLUB** from 10 am - 12. noon £2.00

Join the friendly group for knitting, sewing & card making .

Refreshments available from the Church Cafe

**THURSDAYS**

**INTERMEDIATE PILATES CLASS** from 9.45 am – 10.45 am £4.00

**BEGINNERS PILATES CLASS** from 11 am – 12 noon £4.00

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**THE FIRST SESSION AT EVERY CLASS IS FREE**

**\*\*\*NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME AT ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES\*\*\***

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