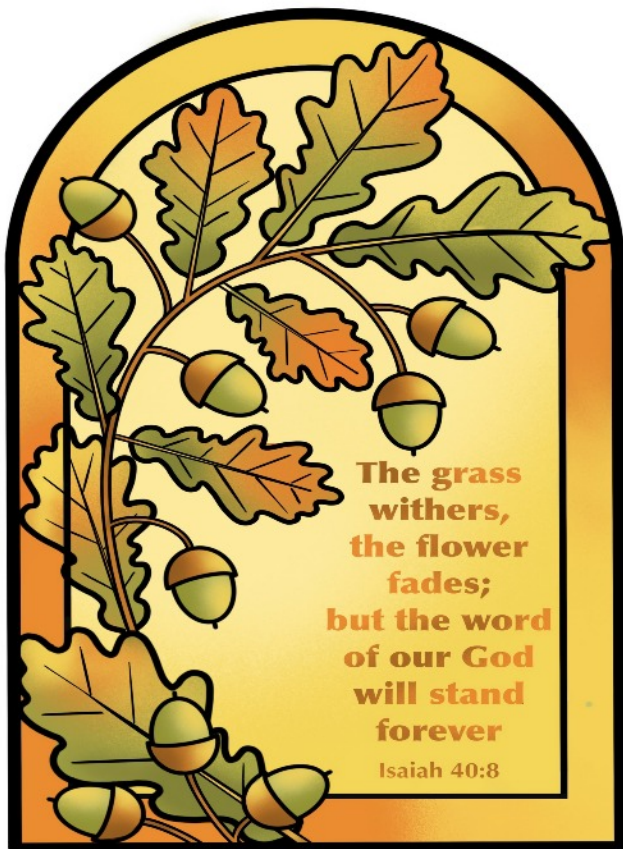




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OCTOBER 2025

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CHURCH IN OCTOBER**

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19th October Rev A. Kathie Heathcoat

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Walking the Way

**[https://www.calderdalemethodistcircuit.org.uk/
about-us/walking-way.html](https://www.calderdalemethodistcircuit.org.uk/about-us/walking-way.html)**

OCTOBER MESSAGE

Before my eyes I once saw a lad grow three inches in a couple of minutes. It happened like this. The church was preparing a home-grown concert when songs, sketches and poems would be shared. One lad came up and asked if he could play the violin. Now I knew that he had just started to learn, and I also knew that a violin is not an easy instrument to master. So, I asked him, ‘Are you sure you are ready?’ He nodded firmly that he was. “Are you really, really sure?” I asked again. He responded with equal emphasis that he was.

On the night of the concert he took to the stage, opened his violin case and then pushed two plastic straws into the S-shaped holes on the violin. His teacher had told him that if he kept the bow in line with the straws, he would get a better note. And so, he began. For three minutes he screeched and scraped, stopped and started.

Everyone held their breath wondering when it would finish. Eventually he held the violin in one hand the bow in the other and bowed. There was silence. Then everyone clapped and cheered, “Well done! Well done!” they called out, and the other children stamped their feet in approval. And then the miracle occurred. This young lad sensed the affirmation and love, and stood tall- a good three inches taller than when he came in.

It would have been easy to criticize that lad’s violin playing, but those listening to him chose instead to plant seeds of hope and affirmation. It is what St Paul wrote about in the Bible, “*therefore encourage one another and build one another up*”.

We need more of that, I think; for the press, politicians, parents, priests and public to sow seeds of affirmation and encouragement. Then it would not just be the crops in the fields that would stand tall.

And what happened to the lad? Such was the encouragement he received, that he responded by playing another violin piece! And guess what, everyone cheered again. I love it when life is like that.

Lord God, today, help me to take time and plant some seeds of encouragement in the lives of others. Amen.

Rev Tony Morling

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WORDSEARCH CLUES

To St **Luke**, whose **feast-day** is 18th October, we owe a beautifully **written gospel** as well as the Book of **Acts**. He was a **Greek physician** and **faithful travelling** companion to St Paul. Under house arrest near the end of his life **Paul** noted, ‘only Luke is with me’. Luke’s gospel focuses on the **compassion** of Christ, and offers us moving **parables**, such as the **Good**

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Samaritan and **Prodigal Son**. **Women** figure more prominently in Luke’s gospel than in any other: look out for the extended story of the Virgin Birth, and stories of Mary, Elizabeth, and the woman who was a sinner. His gospel also features more **poor** people, more **lepers**, more ‘**sinners**’, who are all shown to be ‘inside’ the love of Christ. In Acts, Luke skilfully links sacred and profane history, as subsequent archaeology has shown. He tells of how the **early Christians** moved away from **Jerusalem** into the **pagan** world, and especially on to **Rome**..

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LOCAL HISTORY

An extract from 'A Springtime Saunter'

It is interesting that Whiteley Turner's 'A Springtime Saunter' (which provides an illustrated account of a four day ramble, in May 1905, from Mount Tabor to Haworth and back) was being serialised weekly in the Halifax Couriers during 1905.

The last paragraph of 'A Springtime Saunter' reads as follows:

We have jogged along together most amicably, dear readers, but now we must part. How far your humble servant's ideal of pleasure attains to that set forth by the following authorities I leave you to judge.

John Ruskin says "*The greatest thing a human soul does in this world is to see something, and tell what it saw in a plain way.*"

Richard Kearton, the naturalist, says "*To learn to appreciate the beauties of the world in which we live is a great victory. It establishes within us a never-failing source of pleasure, and enhances the value of existence a thousand fold. I would not exchange the every-day jobs of a healthy observant ploughman for the worrying wealth and cares of a millionaire. The idea that to be rich in gold is to be happy is a dying, vulgar fallacy. Men are coming to know that there are greater possessions than those which can be measured by the surveyor's chain or locked in iron safes. A love of nature is one of them, and it has the unspeakable good quality of endurance.*"

And someone with kindred nature to the "Saunterer's hath said:-

*"You take the crowded city street
With life and shop galore;
I'll take the little woodland path
Down by the river shore,
You take the public garden, where
All is arranged by plan;
I'll take the scenes laid out by God
And undisturbed by man.

You take the fountain on the lawn
And listen to its tale;
I'll listen to the little brook
That murmurs in the vale.
You live the artificial life
And I will live the real;
And joy will come to me in mine
That yours can ne'er reveal."*

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Each month a different speaker comes along to talk for about 45 minutes /1 hour, followed by tea/coffee and a chat. Cost £2.50 per person including refreshments.

7th October MODEL WAR GAMING - Peter Plinston, a member of local '*Pennine Raiders*' Group will bring models from a wide range of potential games including historical and fantasy armies and explain the game and his involvement over many years.

Any suggestions for speakers or topics please contact John Kiddle 07746953527

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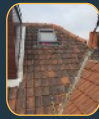
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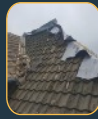
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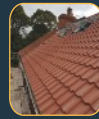
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The Royal British Legion was first set up to help those returning from the First World War. Almost a century on, they're still helping today's Service people, veterans, and their families coping with bereavement, living with disability or finding employment.

However, the Poppy Appeal would not be able to continue without the dedication of the teams of volunteers who stand in the streets, shops and supermarkets. Each town and village has their own Poppy Appeal Organiser - also a volunteer - who runs these teams, arranges for cover, drops off and collects the boxes.

The Poppy Appeal is always grateful for the work of these dedicated people, but the volunteers say they proud to be selling Poppies to show support for those who sacrificed their lives for us.

If you want to volunteer, or if you would like a visit from a local volunteer who can speak to your community/church group, please go to:
<https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/volunteer>.

COMPLAINTS – HOW DO YOU MAKE THEM EFFECTIVE?

I cried unto the LORD with my voice; ... I poured out my complaint before Him; I shewed before Him my trouble. (Psalm 142:1,2 KJV)

Perhaps it is a British thing, but we do not like to complain, do we? But the psalmist was not British, so he did not mind complaining – even to God, we are told.

Nowadays, most large organisations, especially public bodies, *want* us to complain if something is wrong, because good service standards are important. They have well designed complaints systems and independent ombudsmen to oversee it all.

The first thing is to try to resolve an issue informally. If this has not worked, use the proper procedure. You can probably find how to on the company's website.

Be precise about what you are complaining about. Be clear – use account numbers, references and dates. Put in the names of persons involved, if you know them. Do not leave it too long because most procedures have deadlines.

Keep it short, simple and to the point. Ask a friend to look at it first, to make sure they understand what you are complaining about. Be firm but polite and business-like – you are more likely to be listened to. It may be helpful to use numbered points, in date order. Keep a note of dates. Be reasonable. It may be an apology will suffice, but do not be fobbed off.

Think about what outcome you want. Is it an apology? If so, get a genuine apology. If you are told “we are sorry you felt let down” that is not an apology; “We let you down” is. Perhaps you want the organisation to change their ways so something bad does not happen to other people.

And another thing: if you get a good service from someone, tell the company. It might make their day.

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ALL IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

It was:

200 years ago, on 25th Oct 1825 that Johann Strauss II, was born. This Austrian composer is best known for his waltzes, including *The Blue Danube*.

125 years ago, on 20th Oct 1900 that the American aviation pioneers the Wright Brothers made their first untethered glider flight at Kill Devil Hills, in North Carolina.

100 years ago, on 13th Oct 1925 that Margaret Thatcher, Baroness Thatcher, was born. She was the first woman Prime Minister of Britain (1979-90). (Died 2013.)

90 years ago, on 12th Oct 1935 that Luciano Pavarotti, Italian operatic tenor, was born. Considered one of the finest tenors of the 20th century, and one of the most commercially successful of all time. (Died 2007.)

80 years ago, on 12th Oct 1945 that US Army combat medic Desmond Doss became the first conscientious objector in US history to receive a Medal of Honour for heroic actions. He saved the lives of 75 men during the Battle of Okinawa. The film *Hacksaw Ridge* told his story.

70 years ago, on 20th Oct 1955 that *The Return of the King*, the third and final part of J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings*, was published.

65 years ago, on 12th Oct 1960 that, at a meeting of the UN General Assembly in New York, the Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev is reported to have removed his shoe and pounded his table, in protest at a speech by another delegate.

Also 65 years ago, on 30th Oct 1965 that Diego Maradona was born. The Argentine football player, manager and coach is regarded as one of the greatest football players in history. (Died 2020.)

60 years ago, on 8th Oct 1965 that the Post Office Tower (now the BT Tower) in London was officially opened. It was the tallest building in the UK until 1980.

50 years ago, on 9th Oct 1975 that the IRA detonated a bomb near the Ritz Hotel in Piccadilly. One person was killed and at least 20 injured.

40 years ago, on 1st Oct 1985 that riots broke out in Toxteth in Liverpool and Peckham in London. Five days later (6th Oct) Met Police Constable Keith Blacklock was killed in the Broadwater Farm housing estate riot in Tottenham. He was the first British constable to be killed in a riot since 1833.

25 years ago, on 26th Oct 2000 that the BSE Inquiry Report was published in the UK. It concluded that the BSE (Mad Cow Disease) epidemic was caused by the use of infected meat and bone meal in cattle feed.

20 years ago, on 3rd Oct 2005 that Ronnie Barker, TV comedian, actor and writer, died. Known for *The Frost Report*, *The Two Ronnies*, *Porridge*, *Going Straight* and *Open All Hours*.

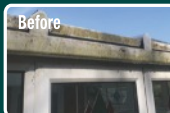
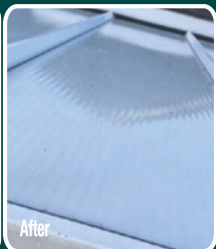
15 years ago, on 13th Oct 2010 that 33 Chilean miners who had been trapped underground for 69 days following the collapse of the San Jose copper-gold mine were rescued. Around one billion TV viewers around the world watched them being pulled to the surface one-by-one, in a specially designed capsule.

10 years ago, on 26th Oct 2015 that the Hindu Kush earthquake hit Afghanistan, India and Pakistan. At least 399 people were killed, and 2,536 more injured.



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Illingworth Cricket Club

Another cricket season has come to an end and we are just left with the task of putting the playing area to bed for the winter. It would be nice if we could have a bit more dry and sunny weather to complete all the essential tasks so that the playing surface is in tip top condition for the start of the 2026 season but as I type this the rain has been pouring down for most of the day and caused a complete washout of the matches planned for the last day of the season so it seems an unlikely hope.

The 1st XI have finished 4th in the Premier League, behind champions Booth, Thornton and Copley but despite some inconsistent performances it has been a successful year with the highlight of winning the Halifax Parish Cup in August for the sixth time in the club's history. Clayton and Warley & Elland were relegated and replaced by Luddenden Foot and Sowerby St Peters. Congratulations are due to Gary Fellows who passed his 1,000 runs for the season and actually finished as the leading run scorer in the Halifax League Premier Division. The 2nd XI finished Champions in their Premier Division and Runners up in the Halifax Crossley Shield competition but the 3rd XI unfortunately were unable to maintain their Division 1 status and were relegated. The Women's team played with lots of enthusiasm and to further develop their skills will play in the Calderdale Indoor League over the winter.

A joint Women's and Junior Presentation night took place in a packed clubhouse in September and there was much to celebrate. The U9s have finished top of their league. The U11s have finished second in the league and also won the cup final at Southowram in August beating a talented Lightcliffe side in an exciting match. A special mention must go to the group of Junior coaches for their time and dedication to this part of our club. They were well supported by other club members, volunteers, parents, Family and friends.

Off the field there is always plenty going on. Social and fund- raising activities will take place over the winter months as we build up to another cricket season in the New Year.

New players, members, spectators and volunteers are always welcome. Do come along and support us.

I hope to keep you up to date with news of the club over the winter months as we make preparations for Season 2026.

For more information have a look at our web site Illingworth.play-cricket.comcc.co.uk
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THE SCARY AMOUNT OF MONEY SPENT ON HALLOWEEN

When did you first spot Halloween-themed items in the shops this year? Some were on sale in August. Seriously. August.

But perhaps no wonder – as in the UK Halloween has become the third-largest retail event after Christmas and Easter. In 2019 we spent £474million. By last year it had grown to £776 million.

Who spends all this money? Millennialists and young children are driving the sales, with about £40 spent on each costume. The supermarkets are the most popular places to buy the costumes, and then there is all the party stuff and trick & treats to add to the shopping trolley...

Some retail analysts predict that America will spend about \$12 billion dollars (£8.8 billion pounds) on Halloween this year. The UK might spend about £800 million. That may be frightening enough, never mind the costumes.



BEECHWOOD ROAD LIBRARY

The Staff at Beechwood Road Library 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



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pages/callback-request](https://yorkshiresmokefree.nhs.uk/pages/callback-request)

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We have an exercise class at Forest Cottage
every Thursday at 9.45 am

We have walk-it health walks of 60 - 150 minutes

Monday, 13th October Beechwood Health Centre at 1 pm

Monday, 20th October Keighley Road Surgery at 1 pm

Wainstalls (all walks start & finish at Wainstalls turning circle)
Wednesday 8th & 29th October

Friday 10 am Illingworth Moor Methodist Church
Approx. 4 miles All of our information is on our website
crewheartsupport.co.uk / crewpartners.hsg@gmail.com

IMMC TINY TOTS

At Illingworth Moor Methodist Church



Every Wednesday
8.45am – 10.30am
Check our Facebook page
for dates.

Cafe open for drinks & snacks.

A safe, caring and welcoming environment for parents, grandparents and carers and their infants and toddlers.

Contact Tracy for more details
Email: immctracy@gmail.com
Phone/WhatsApp/Text: 07842411236



Toys, story and singing every week as well as a chance to chat with others.

SMILE LINES

Choice

Why do Americans choose from just two people to run for president, and 50 for Miss America?

If you understand it...

When you get to the point where you really understand your computer, it's probably obsolete.

Where two or three are gathered...

A lady was describing the small attendance at her local church. "We were so few last Sunday that when the vicar began 'Dearly beloved,' I blushed."

Ten

Asked to name one of the Ten Commandments, one little girl replied: "Do not admit adultery."

Cheap at the price

A little boy was pestering his parents for a baby brother or sister. They kept telling him 'maybe one day, but we can't afford one yet.' Then one Sunday the little boy dragged his parents over to the notice board at the back of church. It was advertising a coming sale at the church and announced: 'Children: free'.

Golf

A golf player is a person who can drive 70 miles an hour in traffic with perfect ease, but who goes to pieces on a two-foot putt if somebody coughs.

Who is God?

During a youth service, the minister asked if anyone could tell her who God is. One youngster waved a hand, and ventured: "Isn't God the man who saves the King?"

Sales

It is getting harder to find a courteous person who isn't trying to sell you something

Listening

While visiting a cathedral recently, I couldn't hear the service over the chatter of the two people sitting in front of me. Finally, I tapped one of them on the shoulder.

"Excuse me," I said, "I can't hear."

The reply was swift and indignant. "I should hope not! This is a private conversation."

Truths about children

A young child is a noise with dirt on it.

An unbreakable toy is useful for breaking other toys.

A child will not spill on a dirty floor.

Having children is like having a bowling alley installed in your brain.

Having children will turn you into your parents.

If you have trouble getting your children's attention, just sit down and look comfortable.

Avenge yourself; live long enough to be a problem to your children.





**CAR BOOT SALE &
TABLE TOP SALE AT
OSCA FOUNDATION**



Forest Cottage, Cousin Lane, HX2 8AD

on Sundays, 12th and 26th October 2025

Sellers arrive from 8 am Buyers start 8.30 am

Book your £10 table with Neil 07530874386.

If you prefer to sell outside you must provide your own table.

Light refreshments will be on sale.

WALKING FOOTBALL

at Forest Cottage, Cousin
Lane, HX2 8AD



**Tuesdays at
12 noon**

All welcome

For further information
contact

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**Meets every Monday from
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**at
Halifax Rugby Union
Football Club,
Keighley Road, Ovenden,
HX2 8AR**

MISCELLANEOUS OBSERVATIONS ON EVERYDAY LIFE

People who sing their own praises usually do so without accompaniment. - *Anon*

Confidence is keeping your chin up; overconfidence is sticking it out. - *Anon*

A man shows his character by what he laughs at. - *Anon*

There is no better proof of friendship than to help our friends with their burdens.
- *Augustine*

Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do.
- *J. Wolfgang*

CHRISTIAN CONCERN AFTER UN FAILS TO REACH AGREEMENT ON THE PROBLEM OF PLASTIC

The recent UN talks in Geneva were intended to finalise a legally binding agreement for countries to tackle plastic pollution. Almost 190 countries were represented.

But despite ten days of negotiations, no consensus was reached. A small number of oil-producing nations, including Russia and Saudi Arabia, blocked key proposals on reducing plastic production and phasing out hazardous chemicals.

Christian campaigning charities have been among those expressing great concern. They warn that the failure will have grave consequences for vulnerable communities and the natural world.

Tearfund says that more than two billion people around the world lack access to safe waste disposal. Mismanaged plastic waste, often dumped or burned, contributes, the charity's research suggests, to up to a million deaths a year — one every 30 seconds.

FAMILIES ARE LIVING IN 'DAILY ANXIETY' ABOUT FINANCES, SAYS CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY

Many parents on low incomes are worried about how they will cope financially this winter.

A recent report from CAP, *Child Poverty: Insights into the real challenges families across the UK are facing*, found that “the weight of responsibility and pressure to provide for children is a heavy burden” for many, and that “parents sometimes go without, so their children have what they need.”

One of CAP's clients, Nicole, admits that “I used to have to skip meals sometimes so they could eat, and I'd just have some of the leftovers. Being in debt takes over your life. A lot of anxiety comes with it. I used to have physical panic attacks.”

CAP's policy and public-affairs manager, Juliette Flach, says: “Families and single parents' financial situations and incomes can change significantly over time. Job loss, a relationship breakdown, or health issues can all mean some parents who could once afford the basics for their children may no longer be able to.”



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

Activities to be held in OCTOBER

MONDAYS From 4.30 pm Victoria Jade Performance Ballet, Tap, Singing Drama, Musical Theatre, Street & Jazz.

Jade's phone no. is 07868022405

6.30 pm to 8 pm Taekwondo

Yorkshire Darts Association – top quality darts tournaments every week enroll from 6.30 pm on the night.

TUESDAYS 12 noon Walking Football (outside)

2 pm to 4 pm Old Tyme / Modern Sequence Dancing

From 4.30 pm Victoria Jade Performance Ballet, Tap, Singing Drama, Musical Theatre, Street & Jazz. Jade's phone no. is 07868022405

6.30 pm to 8 pm Taekwondo

WEDNESDAYS 10.30 am to 11.30 am Chi Chi Fit Musical Dance Class – for people with learning disabilities and their carers. After class join us for a free tea or coffee and a chat £2.50 per session. More info/book your place 03000120416

From 4.30 pm Victoria Jade Performance Ballet, Tap, Singing Drama, Musical Theatre, Street & Jazz. Jade's phone no. is 07868022405

6.30 pm to 8 pm Taekwondo

THURSDAYS 9.45 am to 10.45 am Keep Fit

11.30 am to 12.30 pm Ladies Netball

2 pm to 4 pm Old Tyme / Modern Sequence Dancing

From 4.30 pm Victoria Jade Performance Ballet, Tap, Singing Drama, Musical Theatre, Street & Jazz. Jade's phone no. is 07868022405

6 pm to 9 pm Youth Club 13 years –19 years

6.30 pm - 8.30 pm Enderby Hall Halifax Gateway Club

FRIDAYS From 4.30 pm Victoria Jade Performance Ballet, Tap, Singing Drama, Musical Theatre, Street & Jazz. Jade's phone no. is 07868022405

7 pm onwards Pool and Darts Night

SATURDAYS Three Ovenden West Riding Girls football teams in the West

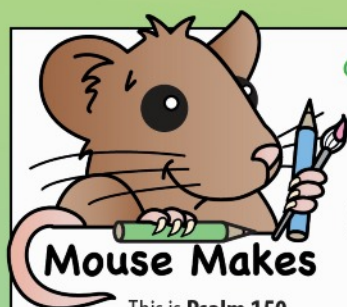
Riding Junior Girls League aged u/10, u/11 & u/13. New girls welcome. Contact Nial Toolin on 07922089240

SUNDAYS Thirteen Ovenden West Riding mixed gender teams in the Huddersfield Junior League from u/7 through to u/15. New players welcome contact Steve 07727860731

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

Function rooms along with various rooms are available for hire at very competitive prices. Receptions, Funerals, Parties, any form of event can be catered for.

For further information on all activities give Steve a call on
07727860731



Mouse Makes

This is **Psalm 150**,
a song of praise to God,
it tells us why and how
to worship God.
*How do you praise and
worship God?*

Praise God in His Temple,
Praise Him in His mighty heavens.
Praise Him for His acts of power,
Praise Him for his surpassing greatness.

Praise Him
with the sounding trumpet,
Praise Him
with the harp and lyre,
Praise Him
with tambourine and dancing,
Praise Him
with the clash of cymbals,
Praise Him
with the resounding cymbals.
Let everything that has breath
PRaise THE LORD!

P	K	G	C	Y	M	B	A	L	S	A
O	L	R	H	E	A	V	E	N	S	B
W	T	E	M	P	L	E	T	U	A	R
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D	A	N	C	I	N	G	M	P	T	T
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S	T	S	T	R	I	N	G	S	Y	R
O	Y	L	E	D	L	Y	R	E	Y	N

PRaise • GOD • TEMPLE • HEAVENS • SANCTUARY • POWER • GREATNESS
TRUMPET • HORN • PIPE • FLUTE • HARP • LYRE • LUTE • STRINGS
TAMBOURINE • DANCING • CYMBALS • DRUMS • BREATH • LORD



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 via one of the following ways:

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 1st April until 30th September

We run day trips to the seaside or places of interest & have other social events throughout the year.

**ALL THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE HELD AT
ILLINGWORTH MOOR METHODIST CHURCH**

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 to 12 noon £3.50

WEDNESDAYS

CRAFTY CLUB from 10.00 am - 12 noon £2.00

Join the friendly group for knitting, card making and other crafts

Refreshments available from the Church Cafe

THURSDAYS

INTERMEDIATE PILATES from 9.45 am - 10.45 am £4.00

BEGINNERS PILATES from 11 am - 12 noon £4.00

To improve core stability and strength

***** NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME *****

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