



**St Mary the Virgin,
Embsay with Eastby
Sunday 4th February 2018
Candlemas**

9.30am: All Age Worship

President: Revd Louise Taylor-Kenyon
Preacher: Revd Tim Calow
Reading: Luke 2: 22-33

11.15am

Communion using the Book of Common Prayer

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

We pray for Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley, who will be installed as Bishop of Ripon this afternoon.

We pray for the success of the #doyouknowHim? initiative in Skipton and the surrounding villages. We pray that we will be willing witnesses to the light that Christ brings to our lives.

We pray for those caught up in violence around the world, especially in Syria and the Middle East.

We pray for those who are not well or going through tough times including Lynne, Floreen, Claire, Joyce, Annie, Sheila Stevens, Hannah, James, Vera, Peter, Ian, Sylvia and Betty.

We pray for those who have died recently, especially Yiangos Makris, Jan Gordon, Mary Murray, John Rollason and Stanley Boothman. In our Years' Mind, we remember Sheila Hlland, Peter Worthington and Margaret Hainsworth, Florrie Read, Jean Oldfield, Margaret Mc Pherson, Harold Batchelor, Paul Hatherley and Thomas Laycock.

The Collect for Today:

**Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations
and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy to your
heavenly Father, your God, and our God.
Amen**

WEEKLY SERVICES and EVENTS;

Monday - Friday 8.30am: Morning Prayer

Tuesday - 10.30am: Quiet Communion
2-4pm: Tuesday Teas

Friday - 1.45 - 3.15pm in term time:

Smiley Faces Baby & Toddler Praise.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS 2 Kings 2: 1-12

2 Corinthians 4: 3-6, Mark 9: 2-9

If you have any questions about St Mary's please contact Revd Louise on 01756 798057
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Welcome to St Mary's this morning. The service will be followed by Fairtrade tea and coffee served at the hatch in the North Aisle: everyone is invited to stay.

Marriage Week 7th to 14th February: The Mother's Union are preparing an exhibition which will be set up in the church for the next three weeks – come and have a look at it any time when St Mary's is open.

Skipton Churches Mothers' Union: Members invite you to join them at St. Mary's Tuesday 6th February 7.30 pm for the MU AGM followed by a talk – Semana Santa Torrevieja & Tea (Easter in Spain) by Mrs Shirley Moorhouse. Come and find out what Mothers' Union has done this last year and enjoy the talk by Shirley ending with tea/coffee and chat.

#doyouknowHim? This is a very exciting ecumenical initiative taking place in Skipton and the surrounding villages between Sunday 28th January and Easter. Watch out for the weekly activities in Skipton every Saturday morning.

Shrove Tuesday, 13th February. Pancakes will be served at the Cavendish Arms from 5.45pm: come and join the party!!

During his sermon Tim has talked about the Bach Cantata 'Ich habe genug' (BWV82) which is a wonderful piece to use for reflection at home. A recent BBC radio 4 programme 'Soul Music' explored this piece which can be found at

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b091071y> . The piece can be found in many recordings including at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XopQG0Gjgmo> on You Tube. Tim's Kierkegaard quotation comes from 'The Sickness unto Death'. This is a fascinating exploration of what it means to be human – in relation with God. It is not, however, an easy read!

The Yew trees by the path are getting a trim! They will look bare and brown for a while but they will grow back. This is taking place at the same time as other necessary work on trees in the churchyard.

Fundraising is crucial to our income. The next event is the Town Hall Café on March 10th but we really need two or three people to take charge as Sue Davies, who usually masterminds it, is away. Talk to Sue or Louise if you can help.

Stanley Boothman's funeral will take place at Embsay Methodist Chapel on Monday 12th at 11.45.
May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ❖ Tuesday 13th February: Shrove Tuesday: pancakes will be served at the Cavendish Arms from 5.45pm.
- ❖ Wednesday 14th February: Ash Wednesday service at Christ Church, Skipton at 7.30pm
- ❖ Friday March 2nd: 2pm Women's World Day of Prayer Service at Embsay Methodist Chapel
- ❖ Saturday 10th : Town Hall Café
- ❖ Sunday Mar 11th: 10am Mothering Sunday Service
- ❖ Sunday 18th: 2pm Baptism of Brody Tebb
- ❖ Sunday 8th April : 11am St Mary's Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

IF ANYONE WHO LIVES NEAR YOU IS NOT HERE TODAY, PLEASE TAKE A NEWS-SHEET TO PUT