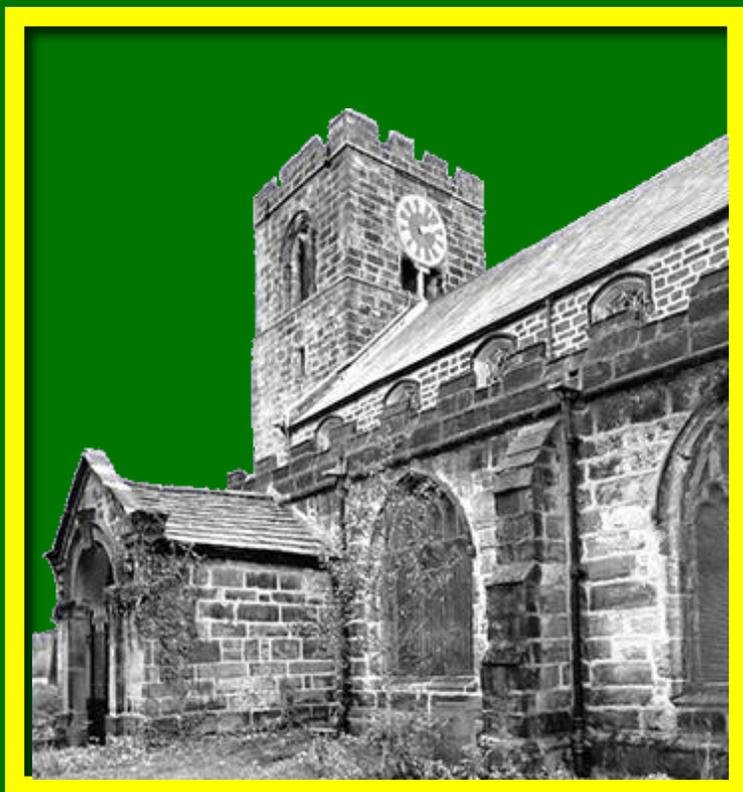


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O**TLEY PARISH CHURCH** is the oldest building in Otley. It's at the heart of our town and, for over 1,000 years, people have been gathering here for worship, with significant family as well as community events.

We are a gathering place for pilgrims on a journey of discovery, kindling hope as we go, and helping one another to be more fully alive to the wonders, the joys and the sorrows of life. We'd love you to share the journey with us.

We want to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to Christ and in service to our local community.

Join us in worshipping our God together on Sundays and in daily life; be with us as we study and discern how to use the Bible in the 21st century; also learn with us what it is to be disciples in the 21st century following Jesus, and help us, with other churches in the town, to bring good news to Otley and far beyond.

**“There is a place for everyone,
with CHRIST
at the centre of it all”**

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Dear Friends

Letter



Recently we were staying on the Northumberland coast in a tiny cottage that looks across towards Cuthbert Island and Lindisfarne. Here you become conscious of the daily rhythm of the tide covering and exposing the extensive mudflats. Autumn was just arriving with wildfowl in the tens of thousands coming back from a summer in the Arctic.

At night all we could see were navigation lights interspersed with the regular flash of the Longstone Lighthouse on the Outer Farne. The nighttime sounds were beautiful with wildfowl calling, seals howling as they gather to have pups and the crashing of waves on Lindisfarne. It's a timeless reminder that this is still the Lindisfarne of St Cuthbert.

The rhythm of the tides made me think about the similar rhythm of attending church in Otley with the sending out at the end of each service. We gather to become the body of Christ and just as the tide comes in at Lindisfarne and refreshes the shores, so we too are refreshed, renewed and restored. As Christ said, "when two or more people are gathered together in my name, I am with you".

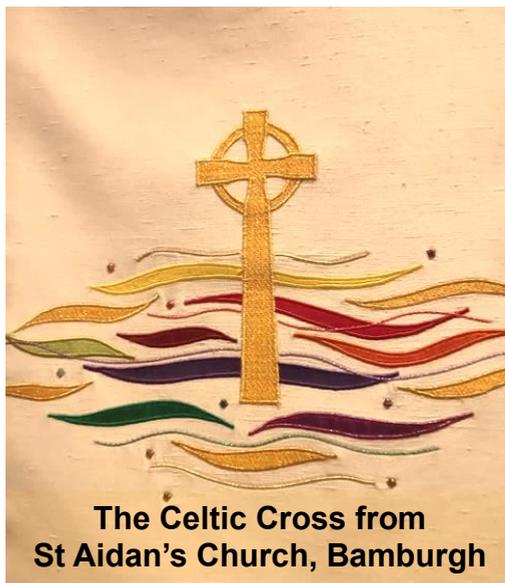
As the tide goes out the wildfowl feed on the mudflats in their thousands. It's quite a spectacle of colour, sound and movement. It's as if the whole of Creation is saying thanks to The Creator. Our sending out from church is in the power of the Holy Spirit. We say, "send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory". I think this is probably the most important part of our church services.

Leaving church, just like the receding tide, we can be filled with awe and wonder and also with thanks to our Creator God. But how can we communicate this to others, and how do we spread the Good News about Jesus? St Cuthbert spent his life walking and preaching throughout Northumberland to the sick and poor, and performing miracles; he lived a humble life. It's difficult for us to do that today although we too can be saints like Cuthbert. One definition of a saint is - ordinary people who can do extraordinary things. In our own modest ways perhaps, that is achievable for us all in the sending out.

You may recall our church weekend away at Swanwick earlier this year, when our speakers talked about Frontlines in our everyday lives where there's an opportunity to tell others about Jesus. I have been challenged while thinking about this and recently stumbled upon a book title, "How to Talk about Jesus Without Looking like an Idiot". I thought, that's for me! The book is described as a no nonsense panic free guide to having natural conversations with your friends and family about your faith. The author, Andy Bannister, described himself in his younger days as being an undercover Christian. Telling others about Jesus was for the professionals and it wasn't for him.

When it comes to sharing our faith many of us do panic. We're nervous and being an evangelist is scary. I haven't got all the answers to this, but I think bringing this out into the open helps others to think 'that's how I feel as well'. In the book, the author describes some simple steps to overcome these fears. An example being through conversation simply stating that reminds me of something Jesus said, something Jesus did, of a story Jesus told. Finally, the Gospel or Good News can only be spread by us talking to others - just like the rhythm of the tides at Lindisfarne as we gather, and are then sent out.

TOM RAPER
Churchwarden
at Otley Parish Church



The Celtic Cross from
St Aidan's Church, Bamburgh

THE BRONZE AWARD

for Otley Parish Church Magazine

from The Association of Church Editors



Each year, The Association of Church Editors (ACE) has a competition to find the top 3 church magazines across all denominations amongst its members.

The aim and mission of ACE is to help improve church magazines and to encourage the effective communication of the Christian message. The association was formed in 1999 to bring together editors, authors, and other church members involved in the production of church magazines both throughout the UK and abroad.

As a member of ACE and as editor of Otley Parish Church magazine, I decided to enter it into the competition this year which is based on the following categories:

- Clarity of the Christian message
- Front cover design
- Overall layout & structure
- Headlines
- Use of graphics
- Intended readership appeal

The results of this year's competition were announced at the ACE annual meeting on 28th September at the Central Hall, Westminster. I received a telephone call from the Chair of ACE that same evening to tell me that Otley Parish Church's **IN TOUCH** had won the Bronze Award – the 3rd best church magazine from about 150 submitted for the competition.

Stephen Hey
Editor

Patron: The Reverend The Lord Griffiths of Burry Port

Church Magazine Awards



Association for Church Editors

for A5 magazines using colour printing in 2024

Certificate of Excellence

presented to the winner of

the Bronze Award

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In Touch
Otley Parish Church,
Otley, West Yorkshire

28th September 2024

IN THE **HOT** SEAT

with
Alice Craven



We know that you are fairly new to Otley Parish Church, Alice, and many of us will know you by sight but not really know much about you. Will you please answer a few questions that will help us all to get to know you a little better? *Thank you!*

When were you born and where did you grow up?

I was born in October 1993 in Attleborough, Norfolk, and lived there until I was 18.

Where did you go to school?

I went to Morley Church of England Primary School in Wymondham, just a 5 minute car ride from home. Then I went to Wymondham College for high school, and Wymondham High School

for sixth form.

Did you go to university?

I went to Northumbria University in Newcastle-upon-Tyne where I did my children's nursing degree.

When did you become a Christian?

I come from a Christian family, so I have always attended church. I was confirmed when I was 12 years old. As a teenager I attended an annual

Christian sailing holiday which played a huge part in my journey as a Christian. It's one of the reasons why I love being involved with the Youth here at church now as I know how important my teenage years were in my Christian journey.

When and where did you meet your husband, Sam?

I met Sam at university when we were both doing our nursing degree. We met in 2014 but became a couple in 2015.

What is your occupation and where do you work?

I am currently working as a Health Visitor in Leeds.

Do you have brothers and sisters?

I am one of four, and I have one sister and two brothers. I'm the youngest!

How many children do you have - and their names?

We have two children. Esther who is 3 and Joseph (JoJo) who is 1.

How long have you lived in Otley or nearby? Where did you live previously and why did you choose to come to live here?

We have lived in Otley for 4 years. We originally moved

to West Yorkshire from Newcastle-Upon-Tyne in 2019 for me to complete my Health Visiting course, and we fell in love with Otley when exploring the area for places to buy our first home.

Did you worship anywhere before coming to Otley Parish Church? How long have you been coming here?

In Newcastle we attended different churches. I attended Jesmond Parish Church. We have been attending Otley Parish Church for just over a year now and it's been very special finding a church which feels right for us all as a family. We love our church family!

Do you have a favourite verse of Scripture? If so, what is it?

'I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well' - Psalm 139:14.

Do you have a favourite Christian hymn or song?

'I, the Lord of sea and sky'. This was sung at my christening and also at our wedding!

Can you play a musical instrument?

I have had many attempts at trying different musical instruments - the flute, piano and clarinet but overall I have learnt that playing a musical instrument is not my talent!

Do you have a favourite part of Yorkshire that you like to visit?

I love visiting the North Yorkshire Moors as it brings back lots of memories of holidays as a child, and love recreating those memories with our children. My parents live in Redcar so we love visiting 'seaside granny and grandad' and enjoy a lemon top!

Is there somewhere you would like to go on holiday where you've not been before, regardless of expense?

We would love to go to Japan. We had planned to go there

for our honeymoon but unfortunately COVID changed those plans!

Do you have a hobby or something you enjoy doing to relax?

I love swimming.

What would be your favourite meal?

The main course would always be sausage & mash, and pudding would be a classic sticky toffee pudding with custard.

If you were to spend a whole year on a desert island on your own what luxury would you take with you?

Shampoo and conditioner. I would settle for a 2-in-1 if only allowed one luxury. I can't function without washing my hair!

Which one word best describes your life right now?

Busy!

Have **YOU** ever been **In the Hot Seat**?

Since we started this series way back in 2017, we have had 72 partakers. It's becoming more difficult to find people who haven't been in it. We would love you to take part because it helps us all to find out more about you – and we will all love reading about you! If you'd be willing to consider being **In the Hot Seat**, please contact our **IN TOUCH** editor, Stephen Hey stephenhey01@gmail.com or have a word with him in church on a Sunday. Thank you!

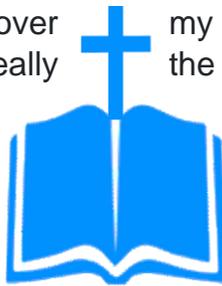


Psalm 23 verse 6

(a blend of The Message and NRSV)

“Surely your goodness and love chase after me every day of my life. And I shall dwell (or be at home) in the house of the Lord all of the days of my life.”

This verse came to life for me in a song I heard last year, and it totally changed how I was seeing God. I realised that I was seeing God as a bit cold and judgmental over my life and my daily choices, but in fact this verse (and really the whole Bible) tells a different story – a story of an endlessly loving Father, chasing after his beloved child: you! me! This is the most famous and popular psalm in our times, but now I think that maybe we’ve lost its real punch in our familiarity with it. It says that with the Lord as our shepherd, we shall not want; that he restores you; that he’s actively coming after us no matter what we do with his incredible love for us. He never leaves off loving you! You, personally.



Grace Kennedy



Cashel Gannon, the son of Emma who is the sister of Aaron Kennedy, and Shaun, celebrated his 8th birthday on 16th September 2024. He was born in Durban, South Africa.

Mhari & Menna



Mhari Hird seen here with her new baby sister Menna, who was born on 30th September 2024, weighing 7lbs 10oz. Mhari will be 3 years old on 11th February next year. Mhari and Menna are the granddaughters of Jackie and Martin Hird, and the daughters of Calum and Meg.

Congratulations!



Many congratulations
ISLA and **JOSH**
on your engagement!





Happy Birthday Connie

Connie Pettinger celebrated her 5th birthday on 11th October. She was born in Otley in 2019, and is the daughter of Tom and Katherine, and the younger sister of Phoebe who is 9 years old.

You are invited to join us for
**CHRISTMAS DAY
LUNCH**

at The Bridge Church, Bridge Street, Otley
anytime between 11am and 2pm

To prepare the meal, we need to
know how many of you will be coming,
and your preference for each of the 3 courses.

Starter

Prawn cocktail or Melon

Main Course

**Traditional turkey meal
or a vegetarian alternative**

Dessert

Christmas pudding or Trifle

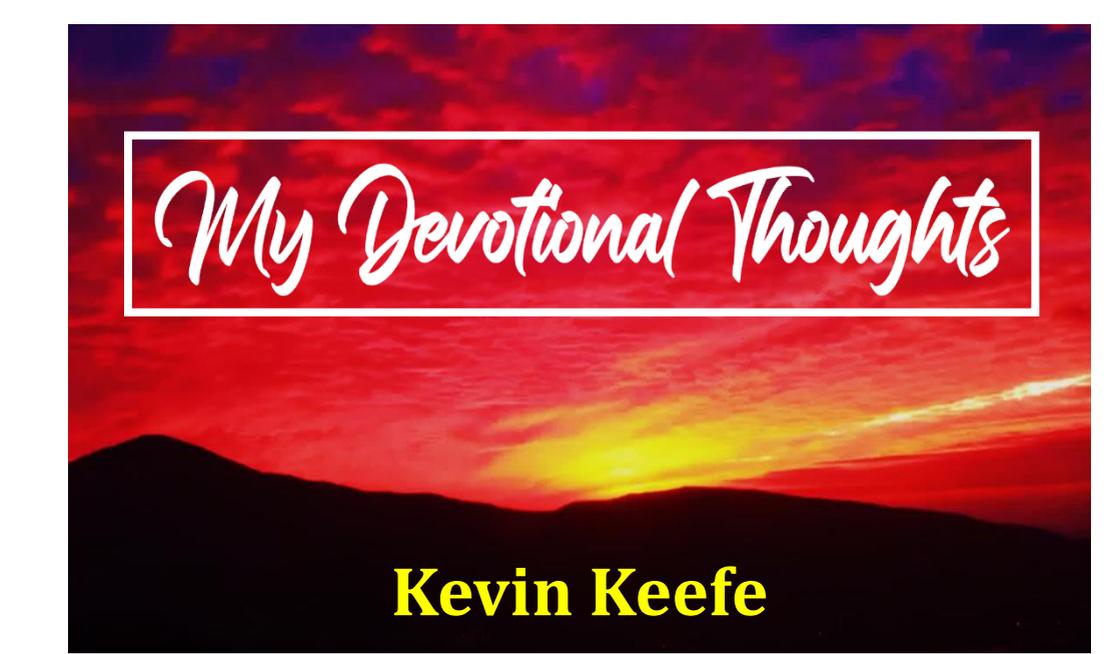
If you would like to join us, please contact Sarah
for a Christmas Day Lunch Card, and enter onto it
your name, phone number, and meal choices.

Please return your card to Sarah by Wednesday 11th December.

Contact: Sarah McCormack, The Chestnuts, Burras Lane, Otley.
Tel: 01943 465927 or Email: info@otleyparishchurch.org

THANK YOU!

*There will be no charge for this Christmas Day meal,
but if you would like to make a donation,
a plate will be available.*



My Devotional Thoughts

Kevin Keefe

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:21-23 (ESV)

LOVE AND LIGHT THROUGH THE DARKNESS

For most people, life is tough some of the time; for some people life is tough most or all of the time. Pain, sorrow, losses - we all experience something of these during our lives. Yet even in despair it's possible to find, as did the writer of laments, a glimmer of hope. If, even in the midst of our difficulties, we can bring to mind occasions when God has helped us find our way through past difficult times, then we can begin to lean back into the promises around God's faithfulness and care and love for us. Psalm 23 is a great place to start.

In Lamentations 3:22 we are reminded that the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases and his mercy, or compassion, never ends. We worship a great God who we can trust to always be alongside us even in our bleakest times. We may go through dark times when we simply aren't experiencing that sense of God's love holding us close. It's during these times that we need to fall back on the truth of the scriptures, reassuring us that his love does not depend on how we're feeling at any time. Psalm 34:18 reassures us that 'The Lord is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.' We place our trust in a God whose compassion never ends and is new every morning. Praise may serve us as the gateway into that safe place. Try 'Goodness of God' by Bethel Music – my wife Wendy's current favourite.



Heavenly Father when we are struggling with life's difficult times, maybe even struggling with life itself, help us to remember those times in the past when we have seen you at work in our lives and through that may we receive some light of comfort and reassurance that you are still there to sustain and hold us. May we experience your love and mercy anew every morning. In Jesus name. Amen.

OTLEY CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL *sparkles* AGAIN

ONCE AGAIN, we will be holding our annual Christmas Tree Festival when the Church will be filled with 40 Christmas trees beautifully decorated by local groups and charities. Last year the festival raised over £4,000 for the organisations that took part.

This year, the festival starts on Wednesday December 4th at 12 noon with a grand opening featuring our very own Otley Bellman, Terry Ford, and Guiseley Brass Band.

The festival will be open from 10am to 5pm for the next three days finishing on Saturday December 7th.

Many charities face tough times, and the festival will be an opportunity for them to raise vital funds. Entry to the festival will be free but visitors are asked to bring plenty of coins (or notes!) to put in the buckets of their favourite charities.

From Thursday to Saturday visitors to the festival will be able to get a drink and a mince pie from the café.

The festival is organised by Allan Boddy, Barbara Nicholls, Margaret Parkin and Rusty Drewett, with Beryl Hey taking charge of refreshments.

If you would like to help at the festival, please have a word with any of the above.





As in previous years, choirs and music groups from the five Otley primary schools will take part in the festival. There will also be musical contributions from other groups including Prince Henry's Grammar School, the Courthouse Choir and the Wharfedale Male Voice Choir. A particular delight every year is the concert of Christmas music given by the choir of Westgate School and the Chippendale singers. This concert will start at 7pm on Friday December 6th. Admission for adults is £5, but free for children.



● On Sunday December 8th there will be a Christmas Tree Carol Service for all ages starting at 4pm.



Stewart Hartley

Does God Really Answer Prayer?

Reality Check

YES, God does! Let me begin at the beginning. After qualifying as an Electrical Engineer, I was taken on by Marconi Communications in Chelmsford Essex. One Sunday early in my stay I was invited to the local parish church. Very soon I became involved there and one Sunday was invited to volunteer with a Christian 'Half Way House' caring for people of all sorts who needed somewhere to stay - people just out of prison or coming off drugs or alcohol, also abused mothers with their children. A real mix of people, but Tom and Doris who were 'House Parents' were an outstanding couple who lived out their faith in an amazing way. They became like second parents to me.

A few months into my volunteering they asked me to look after the house for the weekend. They had been gone less than half an hour when warfare broke out. Totally out of my depth I tried to calm things down but then furniture began to be thrown about. I was lost! As I was trying to calm things down, a young man who was just out of prison lifted a chair over his head and I thought he was going to smash it over me. I was terrified!

He paused and shouted, "I'm in a mess and need to know Jesus!" Tell me how I can? I can't remember how I talked him down but, in that moment, I understood this: I knew all about Jesus, but didn't know him as my personal Saviour and friend.

By the grace of God, I got through the weekend but knew in my heart that I needed Jesus as a reality in my life. But how? I didn't have long to wait...

Cup Final Afternoon

I had a bed-sit at the top of the house of a lovely kind widowed lady and it was Cup Final Saturday. Not really being a football fan and only having a radio (it was the 1970s), I was debating with myself as to whether I should go to the local pub or not.

I guess I was musing when a picture flashed into my mind and disappeared, but stayed in my 'mind's eye'. The picture was that of an old man sitting in a rocking chair looking back on the path of his life. He was filled with regret - a life wasted and with fear too because behind him was cold and dark and full of dread so that he dare not turn round and see what was behind. I knew that the old man was me at the end of my life!

Almost immediately another picture flashed across my mind's eye. The same old man was sitting in the same rocking chair but much of his life was bright and full of the purpose he was given life for. Though he could not see behind, the prospect was exciting and full of warmth and light.

I knew it was time to decide which picture would be the rest of my life. I got down on my knees and gave my life to Jesus for him to use it as he wished. There were no bells or angels but as the days went by, I experienced a new sense of peace and some excitement about what was in store...

The Answer!

I had been volunteering at the 'Half Way House' for about a year when the Trust was offered a large house to expand their work. I was asked to become 'House Father', though still working at Marconi's. I agreed, and packing up my meagre belongings I joined Doreen, a formidable 50 something, as 'House Mother'. All we had in the way of furniture was the contents of a deceased old lady's flat and my bits and pieces!

A couple of days after moving in I had an early morning phone call to say a young man was coming to stay that day. We had no bedding, so what were we going to do? I had an old sleeping bag in the boot of my car so I thought I would give him my bed and sleep in the sleeping bag!

At breakfast I mentioned this idea to Doreen. "Don't be daft," she said, "God will provide", and closed her eyes and prayed. "Lord, we need some bedding, and we need it today! We trust you that you will provide. In Jesus name. Amen."

I set off to work expecting to sleep in my sleeping bag that night and got on with the work of the day.

When I returned at tea-time Doreen met me with a grin. "You had not been gone 10 minutes," she said, "when the doorbell rang and when I got to the door there was no one there! As I was closing the door I looked down and there on the doorstep was a pile of bedding!!"

YES! God REALLY does answer prayer and when we listen to his still small voice, perhaps he can use us to be the answer to believing prayer!



Lesley Noble often walks and prays in the peace and tranquillity of the gardens at Parcevall Hall. This is the retreat house and conference centre of the Diocese of Leeds near Appletreewick in Wharfedale.

Prayer Walking is just what it sounds like – praying to God while walking around. Instead of closing our eyes and bowing our heads, we keep our eyes open to see both the beauty and the needs around us. We lift our hearts to praise God and bow our hearts to ask Him to humbly intervene with the various needs.

More of Lesley's prayer walk prayers will feature in future editions of In Touch.

Lesley's Prayer Walk Prayer – 12

Lord, I see an oasis, an ending of a journey in which you walked with me. You give us wisdom, a deeper awareness of our walk with you and each other; we are your children. May we never doubt that you could ever leave us or forsake us. The sun is now shining, dappled through the trees, reflecting on the plants and leaves. May your love for us be reflected in all your creation. In your blessed name we pray. Amen.

The Story of

MY LIFE

by Allen Bradford

A Look Back at the Life of Allen

Allen very sadly died in August 2024

Part 2 of Allen Bradford's Life Story

Over the years I had many jobs, but they were all within the motor trade. Before we were married and for a short time afterwards, Kathleen worked at A. Teal & Son Ltd, Bakers and Confectioners in Kirkgate which was established in 1938. In our spare time together, we took on lots of work at Otley Methodist Church. Kathleen was the Sunday School leader of the primary department. She was also the Brownie leader. Amongst other things she was secretary of the Young Wives group. I was the junior Sunday School leader as well as being Church Steward.

In the early 1970s the Church asked me if I would be willing to start and run a Church bookstall. I was very happy to do this and obtained the books from the Scripture Union Bookshop in the centre of Leeds. I got to know Ken Pollard who ran the bookstall at Otley Parish Church.

In 1972 a new Minister, Revd. Jeff Sharpe, was appointed to lead the Church. He was a very keen and enthusiastic evangelical. Very quickly the congregation began to grow, and it wasn't long before the Church was full every Sunday.

In 1974 Jeff invited the Welsh Evangelist David Sheppard to lead a 10-day Mission here in Otley. Kathleen and I were asked if we would be willing to accommodate him at our home. We said we would be delighted to have him stay with us. Jeff also asked a member of the youth club who had a driving licence to drive David to appointments within the Otley Methodist circuit. When he arrived to stay with us, he asked me if I knew that the



**Allen with Kathleen in 1995
on a ferry to the island of
Gozo, part of the Maltese
archipelago**

garage opposite where we lived was looking for a mechanic. The next day I went to make enquiries and was offered the job. God certainly works in very mysterious ways!

I started work at the garage and progressed quite quickly from mechanic to Service Advisor. The Bible says the love of money is the root of all evil, and I was soon to find out how true this was to be in my life.

The devil has many ways to tempt God's people, and I fell into his trap. I found it easy to carry out car repairs at my garage at home. It saved the customers money and made me a bit of extra money. I was able to earn as much as £200 each week over and above what I got paid by the garage. The Bible also warns, "be sure your sins will find you out". I carried on doing this for a few years until one day my day of reckoning

came in the form of a police officer. My boss had found out what I had been doing, so my sin really had found me out.

The company accountant estimated my journey down the devil's road had robbed my employer of £6,000. I knew I would have to go to court for judgement so had to tell Kathleen what I had done. Being the loving person she was she told me she had been saving money and would be able to cover the fine out of court. Not only had she saved money, but she forgave me because she was such a wonderful person. We got our lives back together and I prayed for God's forgiveness. Thankfully, I was able to find a job in a hotel as night manager – praise the Lord!

In 2013, Kathleen had a routine blood test, then because of the apparent results she had to have two further tests, a scan and even more tests. The results showed that she had terminal liver cancer. The doctor estimated that she had about 18 months to live and said it would be advisable for her to go into a hospice. We discussed this together but declined his

suggestion in favour of her staying at home with me caring for her. Kathleen tried to put her illness behind her and went on to live for a further 3½ years. In hospital on 22nd November 2017 at 3am, we held hands together as the Lord took her into his everlasting arms after 58 years of a wonderful marriage.

After Kathleen's funeral I became very lonely. I found myself crying so much. I spent time in prayer asking for God's help and playing songs on my tablet. As in answer to prayer the first song I listened to was, "*God will take care of you through every day, all of the way... All you may need He will provide*". What a wonderful answer to my need. Somehow the Lord kept pointing me towards Otley Parish Church.

One day I needed to call at the chemist on Boroughgate. On my way there I walked past the Casa Vitae's café and florist shop (*now closed*) and noticed a Scripture verse in the window from 1 Corinthians 13, verses 4 to 6. I decided I must call in on my way back from the chemist. When I went in and ordered a coffee, the Co-Director, Paul Langton, asked me if I was ok. I told him about my sad loss. He was very concerned and said he would get his colleague, Claire, to have a word with me. Claire made it much more than just a 'word' but with prayer and fellowship too. It was just what I needed, and as the song said, "What a wonderful day that was".

On my way home I felt the need to have a look inside the Parish Church as I had never seen it since the alterations were done. When inside I sat at the back and another song came into my mind, "*Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place*". It truly felt like it was true. My mind was immediately made up to be in that place the very next Sunday. When I went that Sunday morning the music was wonderful. We sang, "*Dear Lord and Father of mankind forgive our foolish ways*". When we reached verse 3 of the hymn with the words *O Sabbath rest by Galilee*, I couldn't stop the tears from running down my face as I remembered the day Kathleen and I stood by the Sea of Galilee and sang those words together while on holiday in the Holy Land.

I have made so many wonderful friends since joining Otley Parish Church. The way God has led me has been a wonderful experience. *Praise His name!*

Right now, I'm missing Kathleen so very much but know that when the Lord calls me home, we shall be together again in heaven. What a glorious day that will be.



Otley Parish Church Services in November

Each 10.30am service is live streamed to YouTube:

www.youtube.com/@otleyparishchurch

Sunday 3rd	10.30am	Service of the Word Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers)
	6.00pm	ACTIVATE Lively, informal and reflective worship
Sunday 10th	10.30am	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers) OPC Youth Group (school years 6-13)
Sunday 17th	8.30am	Holy Communion This monthly service of Holy Communion is based on Common Worship, with a short talk and no hymns
	10.30am	Service of the Word Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers)
Sunday 24th	10.30am	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers) OPC Youth Group (school years 6-13)
	6.00pm	ACTIVATE Lively, informal and reflective worship

Our Midweek Services in November

Every Tuesday	11.00am	Holy Communion A short service with no hymns <i>(followed by light refreshments)</i>
Monday to Thursday <i>except in school holidays</i>	4.30pm	Evening Prayer There will be a variety of approaches to prayer; also, a reflection on a Bible passage, and time for silence and to pray for others

**ARE
YOU
NEW
HERE?**



If you are fairly new to Otley Parish Church, you are indeed very welcome here!

If you'd like to get connected, involved, or find out more about us, please pick up a *Welcome to Otley Parish Church* card which you'll find on the table at the back of the church.

Please fill in the details and return it to us, or put it into the red wall safe on the back wall.

We will use your contact information to help you find a way to connect into the life of our church. We do take care to ensure that your data is kept secure.

Please Keep in Touch

We would love you to keep in touch and tell us what you'd like to see in *your* monthly **IN TOUCH** Church magazine. If you've got something you would like to share with us in the December edition of **IN TOUCH**, please send it to our editor, stephenhey01@gmail.com

NO LATER THAN

Saturday 16th November



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