

# NEWSLINE



**'Queen' Lucy celebrating our Patron's Platinum Jubilee  
at Sheffield Cathedral**

# A letter from Gill, our President

I am writing this (at the last minute) after a wonderful weekend of celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

I have heard, and seen photos, of the Picnic at Doncaster Minster, the Cathedral Coffee morning and lots of other events arranged and attended by Mothers' Union members. It all looked most enjoyable. The weekend coincided with the 4th birthday of Joe, our grandson in Bristol so we spent Friday and Saturday entertaining, and being entertained by him, his friends and his 6 month old brother. We had a brilliant time though came home exhausted.

day in June beginning with **'Decide to look for what's good every day this month'**. The ideas are very simple but I often need reminding to 'Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it.' I tend to plan my day- going from one thing to another with not much time in between. This often leaves me without any time to enjoy the moment. I am trying to include more time for visiting people or places and stopping to enjoy the occasion.

Listening to the birds in the garden and looking at the colours of the flowers and shrubs around us is a wonderful way of lifting our spirits.

We did manage to watch the Royal celebrations on the television and I felt quite emotional, at times, watching the Queen with members of her family, especially the youngest members and their interaction and enjoyment. It really was a joyful time.

This month's theme from #actionhappiness# (found on [www.actionforhappiness.org](http://www.actionforhappiness.org)) is Joyful June. There are 30 thoughts: 1 for each



I read some of the words that the Queen has said about our world:

*We share the earth as human beings.*

*All of us.*

*And together as nations of the world*

*We leave it to our children and our children's children*

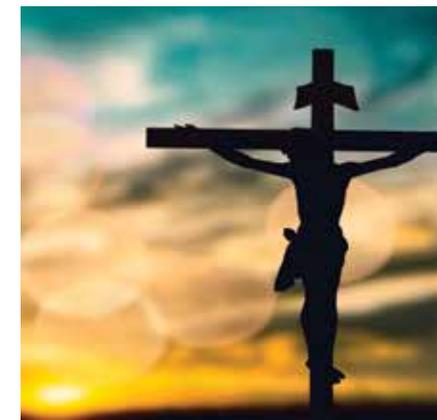
*We must be kind to it. For their sake.*

As members of the Mothers' Union we should always remember that our wonderful organisation works with, talks with, prays with and supports people whoever and wherever they are throughout the world. We must do all we can to be kind to the world and also be kind to each other. I have heard this saying recently:

All I can do is all I can do and that is enough.

So, keep smiling and wear your badge with pride.

**Love, Gill.**



*Prayer written by Margaret Vivian and published in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Book produced by the Mothers' Union*

*Heavenly Father,  
Give us the faith to look to Jesus crucified and risen from the dead.*

*Faith to see the invisible,  
Faith to do the impossible,  
Faith invincible in the face of evil and death,*

*Faith to pass on the good news of Jesus to the next generation,  
Faith to live in sustainable ways to bless the earth which you created.*

*Faith to take up our cross and follow Jesus all our days until we come to our eternal home.*

*In Jesus' name  
Amen*

# The Passion Play Oberammergau and Derbyshire Well Dressings

Thoughts from Revd Hilda, our Chaplain.

Finding ways of connecting with God through the gift of health and nature has always been important to me.



The Derbyshire Well Dressings are about thanking God for fresh pure water and good health.

Tissington in Derbyshire is known as the 'Mother place of Well Dressing' with visitors coming for all over the world to see them. The blessing of the Wells in Tissington takes place on Ascension Day. Like many of our 'traditions' there is a range of explanations for their history. Giving thanks for water, and abundant supply of fresh water, is an obvious explanation!

*The Ascension of Jesus is often shown at Ascension. This year the Queen's accession is also celebrated. The Corgi's fur is made from sheep's wool!*

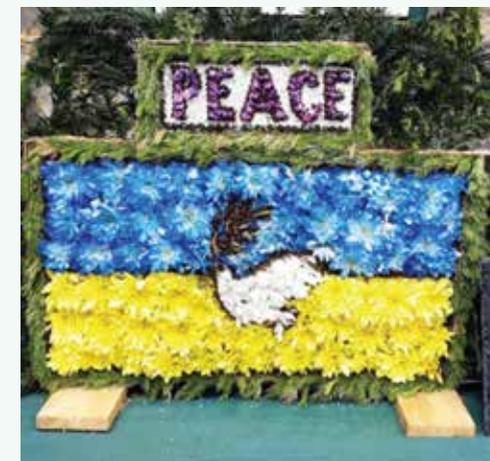
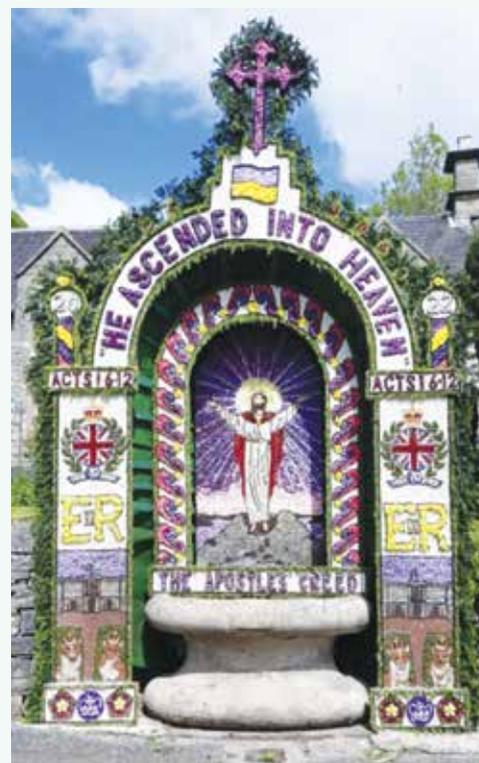
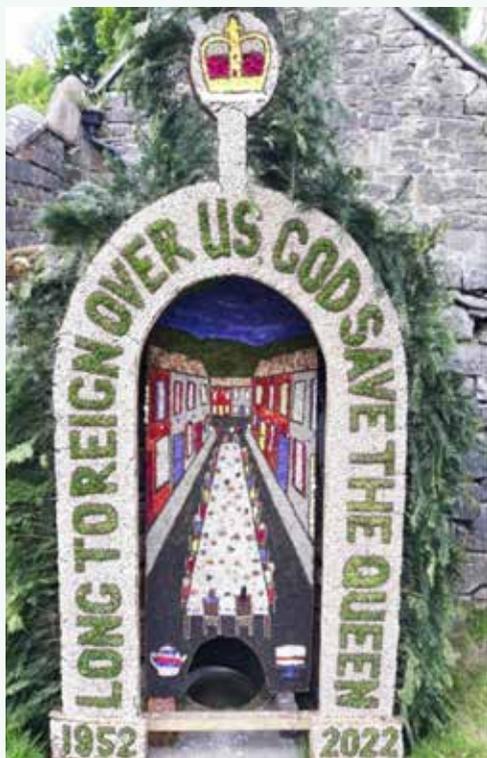
The explanation I heard in Tissington is that the villagers also celebrate the purity of their water supply after surviving the Black Death in 1348, or the constant supply of water after a long period of drought in 1615.

The custom of Well Dressings seems to be only found in and near Derbyshire. A definition for them is – an ancient custom in rural areas in England of adorning local wells with floral decorations usually as part of a religious service in thanksgiving for an abundant supply of pure water. The art of dressing the wells now involves soaking wooden boards, covering them in wet clay, creating an outline for the picture and then filling the picture with things found in nature, flowers, petals, seeds and foliage, all part of nature. The Wells are blessed and their displays can last for up to a week.

Two years ago I was meant to be going to Oberammergau to see the Passion Play. Covid hit but it is taking place this year – and I'm able to go.

The play began in 1634 in the village of Oberammergau. The story of how and why the play began links to the bubonic plague of 1618-1648. Oberammergau was plague free until 1633. The people there made a vow. If God spared their village from further deaths, they would perform a play sharing the story of the life and death and resurrection of Jesus every 10 years to give thanks to God.

*The children's Well in Tissington this year reminds us of HRH and the National Anthem, and the plans for street parties to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with tea and cake!*



We continue to give thanks for our health and the fresh water that is so often taken for granted. We continue to pray for those people and places where we know life is not so easy. We thank God for his goodness to us and we continue to pray for peace, a clean water supply, and health and healing for all.

# Diocesan Commissioning Service

2 April 2022

The trustees and other office holders were commissioned at Rotherham Minster on 2 April by Bishop Pete, Bishop of Sheffield



## Trustees Lunch

Elizabeth Dean writes

Ken and I travelled down from Alnwick in March to join the Trustees for lunch at the Holiday Inn in Rotherham. It was great to meet all together and catch up with friends and we were well catered for with a delicious lunch. President Gill presented plants to retiring Trustees -

Moira Leach (retiring VP) Anne Balme (retiring Tankersley DL) and Margaret Tupling (retiring Rotherham & Laughton DL) with thanks for their service to MU. VP Liz Paver gave a touching and at times humorous vote of thanks to President Gill that was unanimously applauded.



# Memories and thoughts which have stayed with me

In February 2016 Bishop Steven in his sermon said, 'Don't worry about your membership numbers and recruitment to the Mothers' Union.'

The Mothers' Union generally, in my experience, can be more concerned about numbers and recruitment than about fulfilling its objectives. This is understandable. But I believe it is mistaken.

A smaller, active Mothers' Union working towards the five objectives is worth more in a parish or in a deanery or in a diocese than a large Mothers' Union which has a lot of people at meetings but does very little. A Mothers' Union which is outwardly focussed and working on the five objectives together will attract far more of the right kind of members than a Mothers' Union which exists simply to hold monthly meetings. A Mothers' Union

which is outwardly focussed and working on the five objectives together may not need to hold many meetings at all. The meetings they did hold would be focussed very tightly on these aims. But they may do a power of good in all kinds of ways".

So, what are your objectives? What is your reason for existing? In different language what is your mission? '

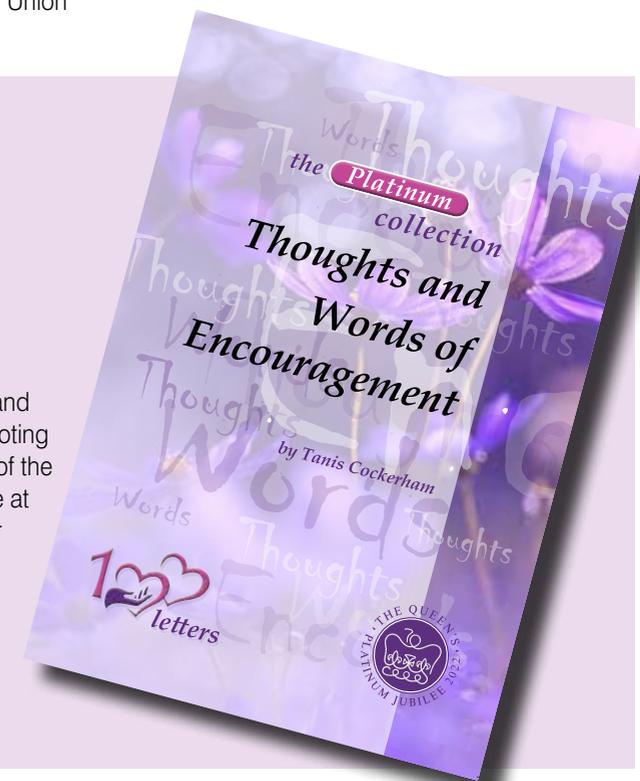
I really do think that we should think on these words. Worth discussing in your branch maybe?

**Love, Pauline Reynolds.**

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A Platinum edition of 'Thoughts and Words of Encouragement', promoting Mothers' Union and a memento of the Queen's Jubilee, is now available at a discounted price of £2.50 (over 200 already ordered).

**For copies contact Tanis C. Deaney leader for DASH**



# City status for Doncaster! Yippee!

**Our Minster ringers rang A Quarter- Peal to celebrate this achievement: Doncaster is now a CITY.**

As we in the DASH Deaneries are planning to have monthly coffee mornings in the Minster next year, perhaps you would like to know some history behind Doncaster and its minster church.

Doncaster, or Danum as it was called by the Romans, was an important military camp and it was situated on the site now occupied by Doncaster Minster; St George's church as it was. History tells us that there was a Christian church on this site from the 7th century.

The church was designated as a Minster by the Lord Bishop of Sheffield, the Rt. Rev Jack Nichols at a special service in June 2004. The name Minster goes back to Celtic times. In those days a 'Mynster' meant both a large church, and one which was regarded as a resource for the churches and people of a particular region. The current vicar of the Doncaster Minster is the Rev Canon David Stevens; he is a huge supporter of the Mothers' Union, encouraging us to use the Minster for our events; it is a wonderful facility.

Doncaster, a town situated on a river, now a city, remains in the diocese of Sheffield and the DASH deaneries are part of that important See.

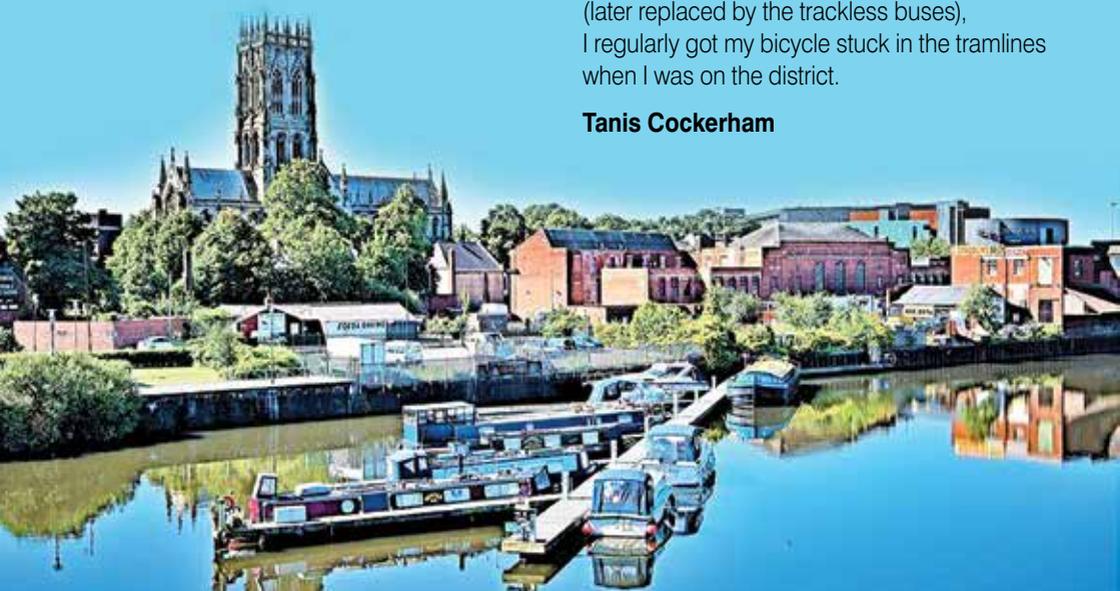
## So what is Doncaster famous for?

Horse racing – Doncaster is one of the oldest racecourses in the world. It holds 2 famous horse races; the Doncaster Cup and the St Leger, the oldest classic horse race in the world.

Doncaster has hundreds of indoor and outdoor market stalls, including the 'Corn Exchange', a grand Victorian shopping centre. The city is also home to Britain's favourite corner shop in Balby, transformed into 'Arkwright's' 'Open all hours', a comedy TV show starring Ronnie Barker that began in 1970, and can still be watched today. And the city has the UK's No 1 walk-through wildlife experience

I trained to be a nurse at Doncaster Royal Infirmary (DRI), and I remember the tram lines, (later replaced by the trackless buses), I regularly got my bicycle stuck in the tramlines when I was on the district.

**Tanis Cockerham**



# Beautiful MU banners

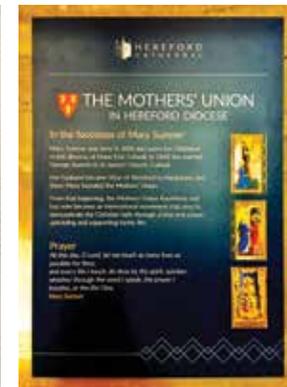
## Just a thought!

**As we are now out of lockdown and free to wander around our lovely countryside in England, we have taken our caravan to some super areas of the country that we haven't visited before.**

We always visit the Cathedrals in every city we pass and love the history, the architecture and the displays. So far this year we have visited Hereford, Ely and Bury St Edmund's Cathedrals. All stunning in their own way and all displaying beautiful banners of the brilliant Mothers' Union! Hereford also had a panel explaining about Mary Sumner and her wonderful prayer.

Last week we visited Doncaster Minster for a MU Jubilee picnic and Flower Festival. There, in all its splendor, was the Sheffield Diocesan banner. My thoughts turned to our Cathedral in Sheffield and wondered why our Diocesan banner was not there. It does look great in Doncaster Minster and members there must be so pleased to see it, but shouldn't it be in our Diocesan Cathedral in Sheffield? Do you have any thoughts on this? If so, let your Branch Coordinator know.

**Pat Simpson**



# Bishop's Garden Party

It was so good to be at Bishopscroft's beautiful garden once again on 18 June for the Bishop's Garden Party which had been on hold for the last two years because of Covid restrictions.



This year the theme was Creation Care, Eco Church and Upcycling. Sheffield Diocese Mothers' Union had two tables packed full of colourful Upcycled items which had been made by MU members including cup and saucer bird feeders, bug hotels, bird houses, welly boot

planters, a variety of vases, cards, aprons, tea light holders, flowery picture frames, bottle lights and much more.

One of the virtual babies had an outing causing some interest and she did not make a sound all afternoon!



Our tables were placed next to the brass band and choir areas so we heard plenty of lovely joyful music as well as enjoying refreshments and visiting other stalls, including Christian Aid and Refurnish selling Upcycled furniture and household goods.

Thank you to Moira who liaised with the Bishop's Office over our involvement with the event as well



Children enjoyed free activities of planting begonias in recycled pots and making money boxes out of Bisto containers covering them with a collage of pictures.

as making items, all MU branches who made the products for sale, those who setup, staffed the stalls, and cleared up afterwards, Tim, who took photographs and last, but not least, all members who came from far

and wide to support the event. It was a wonderful social and outreach opportunity in lovely surroundings as well as raising £229 (less a donation for the hire of the stalls) for MU projects.



## Celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Platinum Jubilee coffee morning at Sheffield Cathedral on June 3

Tankersley Deanery provided cakes and scones and there was bunting and flags and plenty of red white and blue outfits. There were also colouring sheets for children with other activities inside and outside the cathedral.

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# Celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

## DASH Deanery's Platinum Jubilee picnic

On 1st July Doncaster Minster hosted our Mothers' Union Jubilee Picnic, outside to begin with, then inside when it rained. Every branch from the DASH Deanery was represented, with members wearing their crowns, and having fun and fellowship. Our new, and very young, Deputy Civic Mayor, Councillor Duncan Anderson, and Canon David helped to make the afternoon a very special occasion, along with the wonderful Flower Festival in the Forman Chapel.



## All Saint's Ecclesall

On 28 May, the Branch held a Coffee Morning celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and raising money for Away From It All holidays. Many people worked hard to make it a very successful and happy occasion.



## St Nicholas, High Bradfield

On June 2, our Diocesan Chaplain Hilda Isaacson conducted a service of Holy Communion. We then enjoyed Stanington handbells. This was followed by a celebration lunch for the Queen's Jubilee. The cake was cut by our longest serving member, Ethel Marshall, as we toasted our Patron Queen Elizabeth with a glass of Prosecco. Lovely to all be together.



## Sprotbrough MU's Platinum Jubilee cream tea is a hit!



Many from the community came to Sprotbrough Mothers' Union Cream Tea to celebrate the Jubilee on 26th April 2022. The Queen is our patron, so it was thought appropriate to replace the annual Spring Fayre with this celebration! Such was the turnout, that extra chairs and tables were needed. Everyone enjoyed homemade scones, jam and cream and a cuppa. Stalls included: homemade cakes, books, crafts, plants, two raffles, mystery gifts (this proved really popular) and Royal Teddy (you had to guess the place he was to visit!) £820 was raised with all funds going to AFIA (Away From It All). A most enjoyable and worthwhile afternoon, thanks to everyone who helped and supported the event.

## St Mary's, Wombwell

We held a Jubilee party on Saturday 28th May. It was a great success and raised over £300 for the MU. The tombola was our biggest money raiser. We had lots of activities for children. Making parachutes to launch teddies from the church tower was very popular, as was throwing wet sponges at our rector, John Armstrong. It was well attended and our members worked very hard to make it a great success.



## DASH Deanery

### St Francis Bessacarr

Here is a photo of our winning team at the very successful MU Quiz Night on Saturday 26 March when £300 was raised for AFIA

The Wayne Page Memorial Trophy was presented to the winners by Pam, Wayne's widow, who donated the trophy in his memory.



Left to right: Simon, John, Pam, Tony, Tim.



## St Wilfrid's Cantley

On April 9th, St Wilfrid's MU members helped with running a coffee morning, the proceeds of which are to be sent to the Ukraine Appeal. Following a well supported morning, it was announced that the takings exceeded £700! A wonderful amount.

**Jane Nadin**



## Doncaster Minster Branch

**Margaret Lawrenson, sadly passed away on April 22nd 2022, age 98.**

She was a lovely lady, a loyal and hard working member of the MU for over 45 years, a great friend to many and had a wonderful sense of humour. Margaret was a member of All Saints, Doncaster until it closed and then she moved to The Minster MU before becoming an IMPC member. She was always generous to MU projects and, only two weeks before she died, she gave a very generous sum of money to AFIA for holidays. Margaret will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Rest in Peace, Margaret.



## Ecclesall and Attercliffe

### All Saints Ecclesall

The Branch has now welcomed several members from Branches that have closed.

**Karin Ould** from Dore, **Margaret Blakey** from St Paul's Norton Lees and **Frieda Wingfield** and **Mary Williams** from the Cathedral and **Joan Tolley** as an **IMPC member**.

**Barbara Threlfall** celebrated her 90th birthday on March 31.

On March 31, **Joan** and **Brian Ridgway** celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

## St Oswalds

Here are more decorated bottles to be turned into lamps for the Bishop's Garden Party by members of our branch at St. Oswald's.



## St James Woodhouse

We bid goodbye to our dear friend **Jean Dowd** in March, one year after losing her husband John. A MU member for many years, latterly our treasurer. A steadfast supporter of the church, a church warden and organiser of many social events. A champion of family values and supporter of various charities. A loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend, an inspiration to all whose lives were made richer by her presence.

**Pat Roper**

## St Catherine of Siena

May was a very sad month for us when we heard of the deaths of two members and one former member.

**Kathleen Booth** died on 19 May after a short illness aged 99 years. She had been a very loyal and supportive member for 65 years, much of that time serving on the branch committee and working hard both for the MU and contributing to Church life. In the last few years Kath was an Indoor member. She had a very modern outlook and was interested in all that went on around her.

**Susan Wenham** has also passed away aged 71 years. Sue had been a member for 17 years together with her husband, Tony. Although housebound for many years and no longer able to join meetings, she took a keen interest in MU activities. Sue too was an Indoor member.

**Jean Emerson** passed away aged 98 years and had been a loyal and supportive member from 2003 until 2019 when she left the area to live in a care home. Jean too held many roles in the Church and contributed much to MU meetings with lively conversations.

Kath, Sue and Jean were much loved and will be missed by all who knew them

**Susan Sayles**

## Ecclesfield Deanery



We had a lovely service on Lady Day hosted and led by the members of **St. John's Chapeltown MU**.

**St. Mary's Ecclesfield** held a coffee morning for AFIA and raised over £400.

We shall be busy preparing hampers for those who are taking a AFIA holiday.

**St Nicholas, High Bradfield** sadly announces the passing of Julia Hadfield in Paphos where she lived with her daughter Ruth. A most loved lady, missed by all who knew her.



## Tankersley Deanery

On Tuesday 7th June members from Holy Trinity Thurgoland, along with other members from Tankersley Deanery and the Diocese, met for their Festival Service. During the service Gill, as President, had the pleasure of Commissioning Joanna Kershaw (Thurgoland Branch Leader), Julia Cook (Tankersley Branch Leader), Barbara Gittner (St Mary's Worsborough Branch Leader) and Susan Rivett (Tankersley Deanery Leader).

Jo Kershaw talked about the Queen and her dedication and commitment to her role in service to the country. Jo went on to read extracts from Thurgoland Mothers' Union meeting minutes from 1958 to 2014. Familiar names kept cropping up- Doreen Killey, Margaret Ducker, Pat Levitt and Lavina Harris. These members, and countless others, both locally and nationally, are examples of humble service within branches which are the building blocks from which the world-wide organisation of the Mothers Union takes its shape.

## Rotherham and Laughton Deanery

### St Nicholas, Ryecroft

The Pie and Pea lunch held at St. Nicolas Ryecroft (6th April), was well received by all who attended. It was quite different from the usual soup and roll event held in previous years. The Bingo entertainment after the meal went very well in the very amusing and capable hands of Rob, our Bingo caller. If ever he needs a job we can recommend him.

Thanks go to our Branch members who worked extremely hard getting everything ready. The final setting up looked amazing. Our catering ladies, as usual, pulled out all the stops and the meal was delicious. Thanks also to our Diocesan President for being with us and leading mid-day prayers.



Grateful thanks to our loyal supporters who had sent donations but were unable to be with us on the date.

The final total raised was £440 of which £200 went to AFIA and £100 to Indoor Members. The rest went to baking and food items.

Thanks to everyone for coming to help us with our fundraising. We felt it had been a good socialising and satisfactory occasion.

**Jean Goodall**

**Marjory Jones** sadly died in April. She was an active member at the Rotherham branch holding many positions. She also represented that Deanery on the Faith and Policy Committee. It was here that I knew her and could always depend on her support

**Anne Balme**



**Margery Jones with Margaret Tupling being served at a Rotherham Soup and Sandwich Lunch in 2017**

## Tankersley Deanery

### St. Mary's Worsbrough

#### Joy Wootton, 1945-2022

Joy was a long-serving member of our Mothers' Union branch. She had spent her life in Birdwell, attending St. Mary's Church, and knowing the community and all its inter-relationships extremely well.

She was a warm, loving, sincere person. She loved children and was always a reassuring presence in the nursery at Tankersley School where she worked. As a colleague she was funny, supportive and encouraging; a calm presence, always kind.

She still remained interested in the community throughout her retirement. She was one of the

few people you could just call in on, without prearrangement. I often found her counting collections for the Children's Society, or baking with her grand-daughter - always busy, always useful and yet always pleased to see a friend.

Joy loved her family and he had a strong faith

#### Julia Cook



### St Saviour's Thurlstone

We met on Wednesday 6th April and the meeting was open to friends from St Johns, Penistond and further afield. There were 22 of us to welcome the team from Medical Detection Dogs who shared about their amazing work and their clever and life saving dogs. We were all fascinated and questions were asked and answers given. We shared tea and cakes, the raffle was drawn and things were tidied away and we left happy to have shared in each others' company and learned a lot about this amazing work.



## Wath Deanery

### St Peter's Barnburgh

At our April meeting we made Easter decorations.



One of Barnburgh 's longest serving members **Mrs Muriel Fawcett** and her husband **Phillip** celebrated their Blue Sapphire Wedding Anniversary (65 years) on 22nd April. On 3rd May Muriel will have been a M.U. member for 60 years. An amazing achievement .

#### Janet Payne

### St Mary's Wombwell

At the start of our Mothering Sunday service two new members were enrolled. They are Jill Denton and Lynne Harness.

#### Diane McAleavy (Branch Treasurer)



### All Saints, Wath

We have enrolled 6 new members - Andrea Burton, Janet Hallows, Yvonne Niblett, Rachel Parker, Glenys Walker and Mae Young.

We have awarded Long Service Certificates to Jean Dilkes - 25 years, Lesley Harpham - 20 years and Joanne Van Levesley - 20 years

Congratulations for special birthdays to Wath Branch members, Ann Barker, Jacqui Evans and Susan Payne.

When the word went out that Rotherham Hospice wanted pairs of felt hearts, members of Mothers' Union got involved. The idea is to give one heart to a patient and another to a family member. Karen, from Wath branch, has already taken a bag full of hearts and I'm sure more will follow.

#### Gill Fellows



# Discovering our faith

Sarah Rogerson writes

My mother, Jean White was born in 1922. After her marriage in 1948, she went with her husband first to Edinburgh and then with their children to West Africa, following his work. In Africa, she witnessed the amazing work of the Mothers' Union and on returning to England in 1963, she immediately joined the Mothers' Union Branch at her local church.

She remained committed to the MU Aims and objectives for the rest of her life and was President of Ely Diocese in the 1990s. One of Jean's strong beliefs was the importance of helping parents introduce their children to the Christian faith, Here is her account of when she realised how her early grounding influenced her entire life and her faith journey...

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## Return to Canterbury October 28, 1994

This week, I returned to Canterbury! I was born and lived in the city until I was 19, when our house was bombed. The house I was born in (the first in the city to be bombed) had a small garden backing onto the Cathedral precincts. I attended the Cathedral Sunday School and was baptized, (prepared for by the Cathedral Precentor) and confirmed in the Cathedral. After our second house was bombed, we left Canterbury and I have only been back for day visits.

This week, I was staying with my three children and their families in Knowlton Park near Canterbury and was able to attend Sung Eucharist at the Cathedral on Sunday morning and also a midweek evensong. I realised, sitting in that beautiful building, how much I owed the people who worked there for the beginnings of my faith.

As a small child, I used the Precincts as an 'extended' garden and played and pushed my dolls' pram etc there. Often I went into the almost deserted Cathedral and 'helped' dust or collect up pamphlets. The Vergers, I now realise, were very indulgent and answered my many questions about the tombs, the plaques and the services. I never realised how privileged I was - especially in attending Sunday School, held in crypt, and being able to go to the Archbishop's

Palace for our Sunday School party each year. The Dean, the Reverend Hewlett Johnson, became a great friend.

From a very early age I have worshipped better in a formal, well structured atmosphere; I have enjoyed peaceful moments in beautiful places; church music is always very important to me. I realise now this is all due to my early life in Canterbury.

I always felt I 'missed out' (until I was in my 40s) in Parish life, but now acknowledge that my faith was grounded and my journey began in the glorious confines of Canterbury Cathedral.

*If you feel you could write something on your reflection on how you discovered your faith, please send it for inclusion in Newline.*



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# Indoor members

## Welcome to new members

### DASH Deanery

Joan Lloyd	Pauline Cowling
Rachel McGarry	Marlene Duffy
Helen Sheldon	Janet Nicholson
Olive Hinchcliffe	Rose Barker
Ivy Harkin	Joan Turner
Margaret Jones	

### Ecclesfield Deanery

Joyce Booth	Iris Glaves
Ruby Stenton	Ann Hackett

### Ecclesall and Attercliffe Deanery

Mary Wragg	Claudine Murrell
Sheila Wenninger	Beryl Wright
Ann Cave	Jennifer Marsden
Winifred Flower	Jennifer Bailey
Ann Jackson	Anne Barraclough
Patricia Garmonsway	

### Rotherham and Laughton Deanery

Mary Beck

### Wath Deanery

Rita Beedon	Jean Horner
Eileen McLoughlin	

## Regrets on the death of:

**Mrs Susan Wenham**  
from Ecclesall Deanery

**Mrs Gwen Kitching**  
from Wath Deanery



## 90+ Birthdays

### DASH Deanery

Joan Turner, 92  
Joyce Durdy, 97  
Rose Barker, 95

### Ecclesall and Attercliffe Deanery

Joan McKelvey, 95	Joan Tolley, 100
Kathleen Booth, 99	Rita Turton, 97

### Ecclesfield Deanery

Irene Smith, 99	Iris Glaves, 93
Kathleen Bell, 91	Joyce Booth, 96

### Rotherham and Laughton Deanery

Ethel Smith, 98

### Tankersley Deanery:

Iris Jubb, 103



## Dates for your diary

### August

Fri 5	Cathedral Coffee Morning from 10.15am to 12.15pm. Host Deanery: Ecclesall and Attercliffe
Tues 9	Mary Sumner Day Service in Sheffield Cathedral at 2pm

### September

Fri 2	Cathedral Coffee Morning from 10.15am to 12.15 pm. Host Deanery: DASH
Wed 14	<b>Holy Cross Day</b> A Day of Reflection amidst the beauty and tranquility of Winthrop Gardens from 12.45.
Fri 23 - Sat 24	MU Annual Service and Gathering in Belfast.

### October

Fri 7	Cathedral Coffee Morning from 10.15am to 12.15 pm. Host Deaneries: Rotherham and Laughton and Wath
Thur 13	Autumn Council 6.30 for 7 at Bramley Church

### November

Fri 4	Cathedral Coffee Morning from 10.15am to 12.15 pm. Host Deanery: Ecclesfield
Fri 25	Vigil for victims of gender- based violence outside Doncaster Minster, Rotherham Minster and the Cathedral at 12 noon

### December

Fri 2	Cathedral Coffee Morning from 10.15am to 12.15 pm. Host: Trustees
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