

19.6.2026

Hello Everyone

This week has the first of our local 150th anniversary celebrations, when we have the **Open Day at Barnby Dun on Saturday**. We are rather short of "man power" however, Lucille Liz and I will be there to run the raffle and would certainly appreciate further help if anyone is available, especially in the afternoon.

Our next local event is the **Strawberry Fayre, here at St Mary's** when as usual Mothers' Union will be running the Cake Stall. Contributions for this can be delivered directly to church on Saturday 27th or left with one of us. Cakes need to be wrapped (cling film perfectly acceptable) the wrapping doesn't need to be fancy! They also need labelling with the name of the cake (ie Lemon Drizzle Cake) and a list of the ingredients used in descending order..no quantities eg flour, sugar, butter, eggs, lemon zest and juice. We always have a lovely stall thanks to everyones wonderful baking and I am sure this year will be no exception.

The production of Strawberry Tea Cosies is almost complete. We have had some orders already and those cosies will be put aside. We have also had requests for different cosies and I am please to say that a lovely Cherry Cosy has also been made. Its not to late to request one!



I have made marmalade this week, using the Seville Oranges bought, shredded and cooked in January! There are jars for the Barnby Dun Open day and St Marys Strawberry Fayre. We will have it on sale on the cake stall.

This news sheet is sent to lots of people who are not members of Tickhill MU and we are so very grateful for their support of all we do. I have recently started to send it to my cousin Joan, who is branch leader at St Micheal and all Angels Houghton le Spring, which is where I am from! Joan and her members support their Women's Refuge in many ways and she was interested in what we do. She spoke to the refuge and told them about the Fresh Start Baskets and they were very interested and delighted with the idea. I told her about Elaines Pennies and all we are able to buy using the cash raised. I was so pleased that this initiative is spreading to Durham Diocese and so spoke to Tanis to tell her about this as she

initiated the baskets here. Tanis told me that the idea came from Australia. She was visiting her son, who lives south of Perth in Mandurah and she was invited to the local MU branch, where she learned all about the things they do , which included collecting for and packing Fresh Start Baskets.

We know that Mothers' Union is an international organisation and it is wonderful to know that some of the things we do began on the other side of the world!!

We have 2 members in hospital, neither of the "want a fuss" so I won't name them but we wish them both well and hope they will be home soon.

Saturday is World Refugee Day and there are so many refugees in the news at the moment. Let us hope that the peace agreement which appears to have been signed this week will bring some calm to troubled areas and the folk who have had to flee from the conflicts will be able to return home.

We bring our prayers this week together as we remember individuals and families forced from their homes by war and climate change, children born in refugee camps, people settling into new countries. May we strive to help them, Lord, who was once a refugee. Amen.

Sunday is Fathers Day and this prayer is for fathers everywhere.

We give thanks for fathers everywhere for the selfless commitment to their children. We pray that they learn to trust in You, Father God so that they may understand that You are their ultimate, eternal role model. Show us, as MU members, how we can offer practical help and encouragement. Amen.

Love to everyone from Helen on behalf of the committee

Margaret 07990621607

Helen 01302 744126

Liz 07821672622

Lucille 01302 752608

Kathie 01302 743451

Chris 01302 743784

Eluned 01302 742963

Joan 01302 744695

also there for a chat Elaine 01302 743842 and Liz Rennison 07708872559