

# A Wakefield Parish

## St. Andrew's and the development of the community in East Wakefield

St. Andrew's, in partnership with the WEA, is hosting two sessions to talk about the growth of the Parish since the Church was built in 1846.

Jon Kenny, a WEA tutor on local history, will lead both sessions.

Come to St. Andrew's, Peterson Road, on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019** and **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Jun 2019 (10am to 12pm)**.

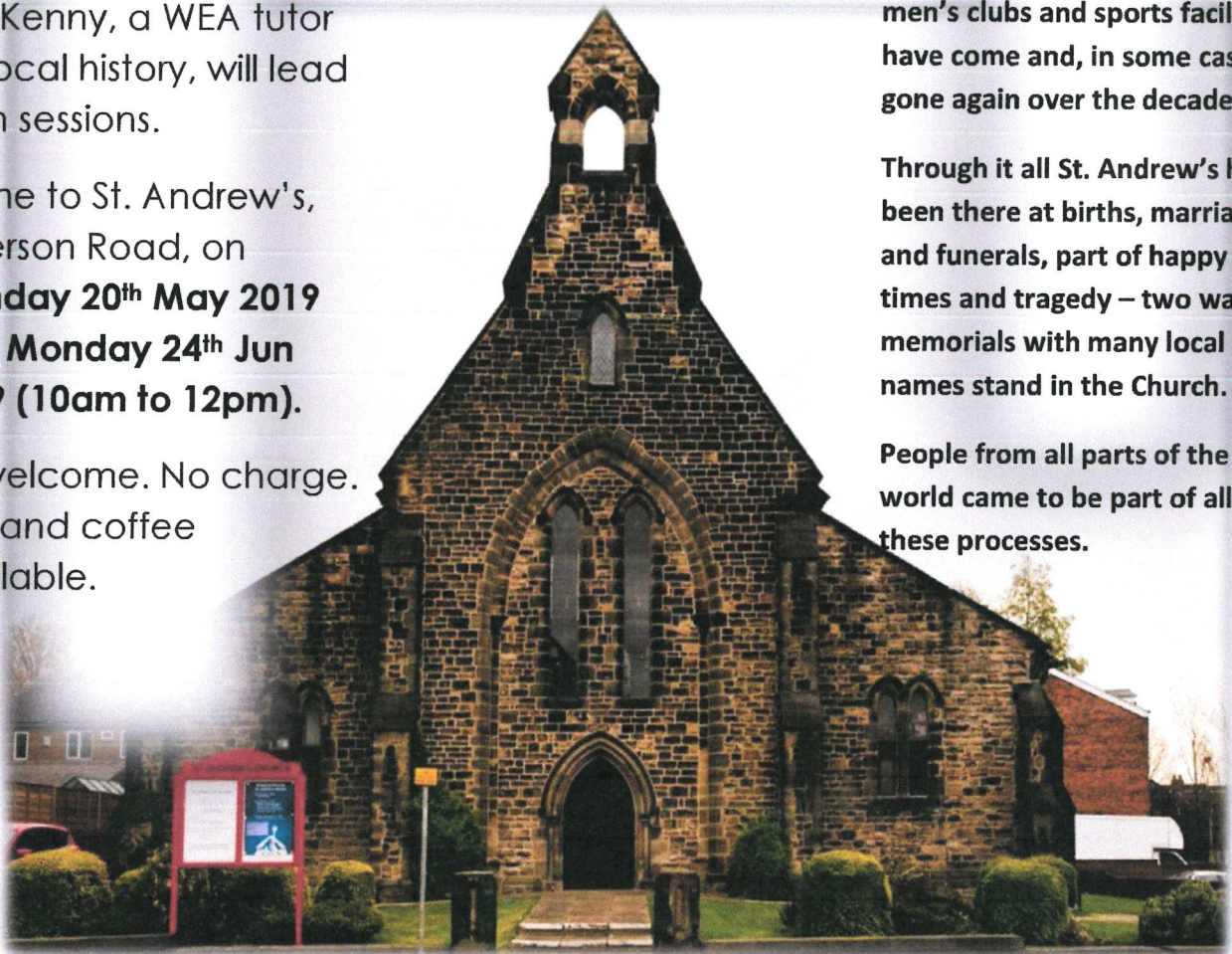
All welcome. No charge. Tea and coffee available.

If, through these sessions, we identify a demand we hope to provide a longer local history group in the Autumn.

Since the mid nineteenth century the area has changed dramatically from being largely farm land to being almost completely built up. Eastmoor estate was built. Coal mines, railways, factories, hospitals, Churches, Mosques, working men's clubs and sports facilities have come and, in some cases, gone again over the decades.

Through it all St. Andrew's has been there at births, marriages and funerals, part of happy times and tragedy – two war memorials with many local names stand in the Church.

People from all parts of the world came to be part of all these processes.



Jon Kenny writes;

“Come and join us to find out about the history of your part of Wakefield. Everywhere has a history and everyone can have fun finding out about it. We will form a friendly group who will listen to what you think and help to add to what you know.”

Jon Kenny is a community archaeologist who has considerable experience in leading community history projects in this part of Yorkshire.

**Do you ever wonder how all this came about?**

**Have you any tales to tell or memories to pass on about the local story?**