

Ever wondered what's in that Church? Perhaps you have walked past it hundreds of times and are a little bit curious what's inside? Maybe you are just visiting and want to get a flavour of local culture and heritage? Calderdale Faith Heritage Trails offers you the chance to discover a little bit more about local churches and how they have impacted on local communities for hundreds of years.

There are two Faith Heritage Trails to follow:

● **Heptonstall & Hebden Bridge Faith Heritage Trail** which is about two miles long and takes in: St Thomas a Beckett & St Thomas the Apostle, Heptonstall Methodist Church, Hope Baptist Church, and St James the Great Parish Church.

● **Calderdale Faith Heritage Rail Trail**, which uses the Northern Rail train to visit: Halifax Minster (including an interfaith exhibition), Christ Church Sowerby Bridge, St Michael's Parish Church Mytholmroyd, and St Mary's Parish Church Todmorden.

Both Trails offer a fascinating insight into local churches and how they link into local communities and will run on the first Saturday of every month starting in May 2011 and continuing throughout the Summer

Discover some hidden treasures for yourself by booking your place on the trails. To book, please call Halifax Visitor Centre on 01422 368725.

And don't forget – there are no entry charges at the churches

How it works

Faith Trail Tips:

- **Children:** Well behaved children are welcome, but pets are not permitted.
- **Booking:** You will only be allowed onto the Calderdale Faith Heritage Trails if you have booked a place in advance. To book your place call Halifax Visitor Centre on **01422 368725**.
- **Dress:** Demure dress is expected in all churches
- **Food:** St Michael's Church in Mytholmroyd will be serving a light lunch on the Calderdale Faith Heritage Rail Trail, and St James the Great Church will also be serving a light lunch on the Heptonstall & Hebden Bridge Faith Heritage Trail.
- **Prohibited Items:** Alcohol, tobacco products and chewing gum are strictly not permitted
- **Parking** for the Heptonstall & Hebden Bridge Faith Heritage Trail is available at St James the Great. Visitors will then catch the bus up to Heptonstall (where parking is very limited) and either catch the bus back down into Hebden Bridge or walk down on the trail marked on the map. Visitors from the railway station can also catch the bus up to Heptonstall. Details of bus routes and times are available from the Hebden Bridge Visitor & Canal Centre (01422 843831), email hebdenbridge@ybtbc.co.uk
- **Information:** You will be able to get a free trails brochure at any one of the churches.



TREASURES REVEALED
in West Yorkshire

Treasures Revealed is a West Yorkshire-wide project that aims to inspire and attract residents and visitors to experience and celebrate West Yorkshire's vibrant faith heritage.

In Calderdale we have run a Treasures Revealed Festival week and have now worked with eight fascinating places of worship to produce two intriguing Faith Heritage Trails: Heptonstall and Hebden Bridge, and the Calderdale Faith Heritage Rail Trail

All eight venues will have full exhibition displays, to help you discover their hidden secrets. There will also be trained guides on hand to help you with any questions you may have and who will take you to the next venue.

All of this is free of charge – so why not pay us a visit and learn a little bit more about our local faith heritage and culture?

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Calderdale Faith Heritage Trails
2011



first Saturday of every month

Two fascinating trails
of local cultural treasures
for you to discover



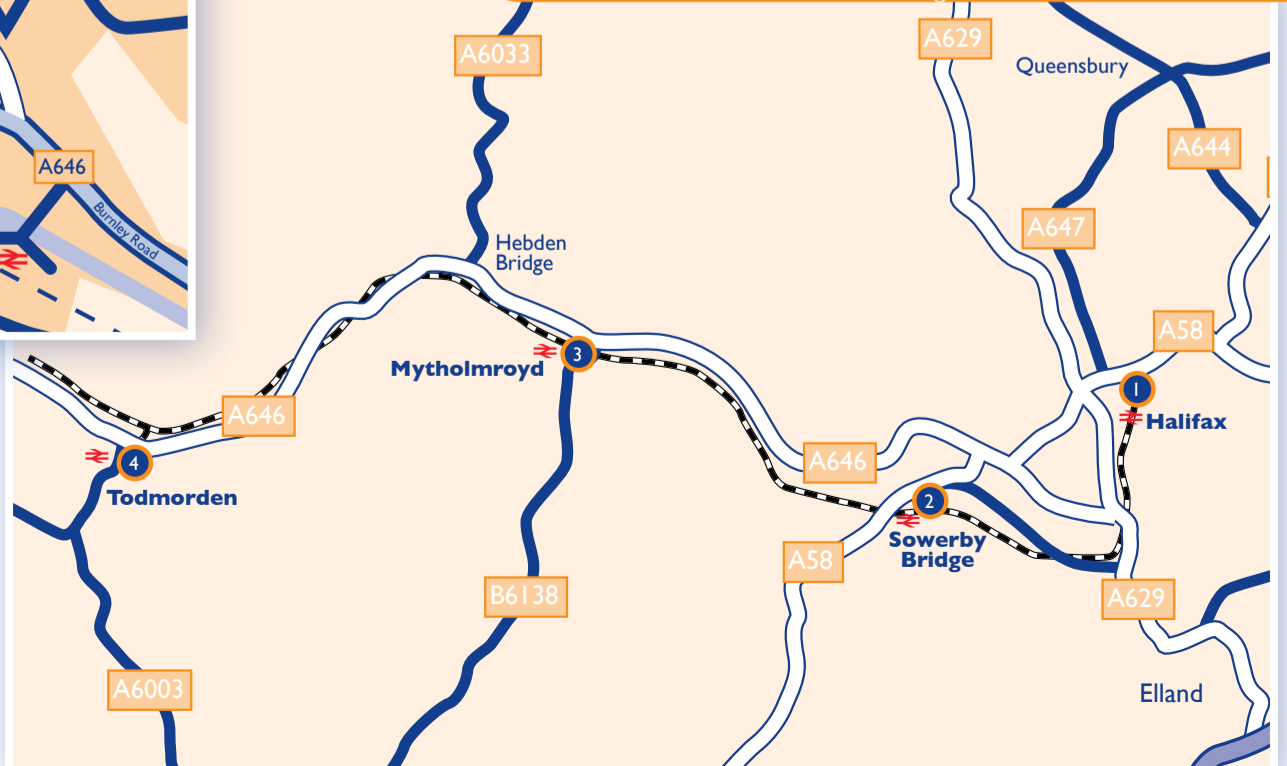
FAITH HERITAGE TRAIL GUIDE



Heptonstall & Hebden Bridge Faith Heritage Trail



Calderdale Faith Heritage Rail Trail



Heptonstall & Hebden Bridge Faith Heritage Trail



1 St Thomas the Apostle & St Thomas à Beckett

Church Street
Heptonstall
Hebden Bridge
HX7 7NT

10:00-10:45

St Thomas à Beckett, scheduled Ancient Monument, 1260, destroyed by storm 1847. St Thomas the Apostle Healey and Mattinson, 1850, reordered 1964. Grave of poet Sylvia Plath.

For more information please call:

Revd Howard Pask
01422 842138
howardpask@btinternet.com
www.stthomasheptonstall.com



2 Heptonstall Methodist Church

Northgate
Heptonstall
Hebden Bridge
HX7 7ND

11:00-11:45

World's oldest Methodist Church in continuous use Built in 1764 to an octagonal design by John Wesley. Extended in 1802, and Sunday School built 1891.

For more information please call:

Rev Tony Buglass
01422 881706
tonybuglass@tiscali.co.uk



3 Hope Baptist Church

New Road
Hebden Bridge
HX7 8EW

12:15-13:00

Opened in 1858. Temple front, with impressive Corinthian pilasters and triangular pediment. Extended in 1880 to include a new organ, pulpit and side galleries. Sunday School built 1871.

For more information please call:

Revd Marcus Bull
01422 844006
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4 Parish Church of James the Great

St James the Great
Church Lane
Hebden Bridge
HX7 6DS

13:30-15:00

Grade II listed, Pickersgill and Oates 1833. Chancel built & stone pulpit installed 1874. Carved reredos (1934) by Afonso Noflaner. Stained glass by Heaton, Butler and Bayne.

For more information please call:

Harvey Levene, Churchwarden
07710 868489
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Calderdale Faith Heritage Rail Trail



1 Halifax Minster

Church Street
Halifax
HX1 1QR

10:00-11:00

One of the Greater Churches in England and a jewel in Halifax for over 900 years. Unique Reformation pews, stunning Commonwealth windows, magnificent Snetzler organ and much more

For more information please call:

Mrs Gillian Farr
Minster Administrator
01422 355436
info@halifaxminster.org.uk



2 Christ Church

Wharf Street
Sowerby Bridge
HX6 2LW

11:30-12:30

Grade II listed, John Oates 1819. Chancel rebuilt 1873-74. Re-roofed 1894 following a great fire. Carved stone pulpit and reredos, wooden chancel screen, brass lectern.

For more information please call:

Canon Angela Dick
01422 831253
vicar@christchurchsb.org.uk
www.christchurchsb.org.uk



3 St Michael's Church

Church Street
Mytholmroyd
Hebden Bridge
HX7 5DS

13:00-14:30

Malinson and Healey, 1847, enlarged Healey & Healey 1887. Small octagonal spire on top of a battlemented tower. Mosaics of Apostles and Saints on chancel wall.

For more information please call:

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4 St Mary's Church

Burnley Rd
Todmorden
OL14 7AA

15:00-15:45

Grade II listed, 1770, chancel added 1896. Tower is possibly 15th century. Stained glass by CE Kempe 1896. Closed in 1832, but reopened in 1987 following renovations.

For more information please call:

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