

Benefice Extended Newsletter OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2019

Receiving Benefice Extended Newsletter

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PASTORAL VISITS

If you know of anyone, either at home or in hospital, who would like to be visited, please contact **Jan Hargreaves (01751 474482)**

CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Each week we pray for those who have asked for prayers by name as well as more general items. To add names to this list contact **Jan Hargreaves** (01751 474482).



If anybody would like a collection box, please phone Val Payne on 01751 476243.

All Saints Church Thornton-le-Dale

We are coming into the season of Harvest and on Saturday 5th October (the evening before our 11am harvest on Sunday 6th) there will be a Harvest Supper and entertainment in the village hall. Tickets will be available so look out for the posters. All are welcome to both events and gifts of produce, tins etc., will be gratefully received in church. The tinned and dried items will be given to Ryedale Food bank. Our flower arrangers will be making the church look at its best.

On Remembrance Sunday 10th November, we will have a service in Church at 9.45am followed by the Service at the War Memorial in the village at 10.45 am.

Services carry on as usual until 24th November which is the last Sunday in the churches calendar year and known as Christ the King and all the hangings in Church will be red. This service is quite joyful with great hymns to sing. The Sunday after that we will be in the penitential season of Advent for four Sundays until Christmas. The Hangings change to purple, or blue in our case, and there are no flowers in church. There is now newly laid tarmac on the path up to All Saints so there are no more holes to fall into!

Sandra Lear, Church Warden 01751470190 e mail: sandralear@learpm.com

CAMEO ---- Come And Meet Each Other

The next lunch will be on the first Wednesday of **October—2nd at 12noon at the New Inn.** If possible please could you let me know 01751 475793 or Rev Sally, because of booking ALL SAINTS CHURCH Vintage Rhythms Band [York] & Harvest Supper SATURDAY 5th OCTOBER Thornton Dale Village Hall7 -7.30pm £10 incl. Ploughmans & Apple Pie [Please bring your own drinks] Tickets now on sale. Why not have a go at the Best Dressed Umbrella competition? Proceeds to be shared between church and the Food Bank.

St George's Church, Wilton

Looking back to July, we thank so many of you, who supported St. George's Annual Fete in any way, enabling over £1100 to be raised for Church Funds. The weather was somewhat doubtful (to say the least!) but Revd. Canon John Manchester declared the fete open and encouraged folk to stay on! We also thank

those of you who took part in the "Great and Small" Wilton Quiz. The winners drawn were: 1st Lesley Hall, Cottingham.

2nd Carol Stent, Thornton le Dale. 3rd Mrs. E. Perrett , Whitby.

The Anglican and Methodist Churches Together Open Air Service, with the Salvation Army Band, on the Green at Thornton le Dale, was led by Revd. Peter Lear and was well supported.

Just an advance notice for your diaries -we hope to hold our

Carol Service on Thursday 19th December at 6.30pm.

Looking back, it is almost a year since the Benefice went into Vacancy and our heartfelt thanks are due to Revd. Sally and the Retired Clergy, who have done so much to enable our Services to go ahead, as planned. We continue to remember those who are ill and others who have been bereaved.

St Hilda's Church, Ellerburn

The summer months have been very interesting at St Hilda's Church. The new information panels are in place in the car park and a lot of interest has been shown with an increased number of visitors in to the church. The internal panels will be in place shortly. The new audio visual information about the valley and the church are now set up in church. The video lasts ten minutes and is very popular with visitors. Thanks to The Friends for the funding for these innovations.

All flowers in church have been provided by Jackie Campbell over the summer months and we have had some wonderful blooms to decorate the altar and under the hymn board. Many thanks Jackie.

We are still awaiting the final restoration on the table top tombs. Nigel Copsey is just waiting for some extra manpower to lift and position the tops then they will be fully restored.

All in all a good season!

Liz Cowley

Friends of St Hilda's Church

The Friends are very happy with the end results of the information boards and audio visual video telling the past and present of the church and Ellerburn Valley.

There are now more gifts on sale in church and the funds are growing. Watch out for notices about an evening with Edward Harrison talking about the Harrison Collection of local antiques and a film club evening. Both will be held in the Old Grammar School so parking and toilets will not be an issue and it will be warm!

St Mary the Virgin Ebberston

Keith Simpson (Churchwarden) - 01723 859424

When preparing this piece, September was to be concluded with four events over the two final weekends (a wedding, a concert, Harvest Festival and a Benefice service); busy, busy.

Congratulations to Canon Alan upon his 45 years since his ordination.

We hope that Bishop Paul enjoyed his visit to St Mary's.

Thank you to all those who supported the church stall at the Bank Holiday Village Fair; $\pounds 88$ raised.

Arrangements are being made for the Autumn Lunch (Village Hall Wednesday 30 October 12 noon).

By this time, Evensong services will have moved back to 3 pm (i.e. Sunday 6 October).

Oh dear; dark nights then Christmas:-

- a) Toy Service Sunday 1 December
- b) Village Carol Service Sunday 15 December at the Methodist Church.

Before then, another of the popular Alum Pie folk music concerts will be held in the Village Hall towards the end of November; please look out for notices regarding tickets etc.

Finally, and most importantly, we continue to pray for all those who continue to do God's work/tasks within the parish and the benefice and include also in our prayers all those who have suffered any form of anxiety.

News from Allerston

Our Pop-up Café in the Old Grammar School in Thornton over the August Bank Holiday weekend was very popular. We raised over £500 to help in maintaining Church and Chapel and thank everyone who helped. We were recently advised by the solicitors dealing with the estate that John Agar had left a small legacy to both Church and Chapel. A lovely gesture from John who, together with Norah, was always very supportive of us.

Harvest Festival this year will be in St. John's at 4.30pm on October 13th. Gifts of tinned or packet food will be welcome in aid of the Food Bank. There will be a box in the vestry for donations if you want to help but can't get to the service.

The village lunch club starts again on Monday, October 14th at 12.30 pm in the Village Hall. The menu has not yet been decided but you can ask about this and book your place by ringing Jane Seed on 01723 859011. Everyone is welcome but booking is essential as our hall is quite small. If you book and then find that you can't come, please let Jane know as we may be able to offer that place to someone else. Lunches continue on the second Monday of each month throughout the winter.

Mary Bell

Anglican & Methodist Churches Together 2019

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 10th November After short services in own churches 10.45 am meet at Thornton Dale Memorial Tea/coffee in chapel schoolroom afterwards

Dates to be arranged for:

Summer/Autumn: *Come Away with Me*...24 hours away for Ladies, walk/pamper/crafts/ meals/dramatic presentation.

Autumn Cinema: Family Cinema in Methodist Schoolroom.

November/December: *Advent Study/Reflections/*Bring & Share Lunch in The Old Grammar School.

December: *Christmas Card* with all events printed and distributed throughout all villages *Carol Singing* on a Saturday morning in TD village centre with Coffee and Mince pies at the Methodist Church afterwards Any comments, ideas and additions very welcome. Chair: Mary Kemp – mary55kemp@gmail.com-01723 859841 Secretary: Pauline Yates. Treasurer: Mary Kemp

MOTHERS' UNION

In August we held our annual Afternoon Tea Party. It was scheduled to be held in the garden of Pine Tree Cottage but, despite a forecast of dry conditions, promptly at 2.30pm the heavens opened! Never mind. It didn't deter about 30 members and friends from enjoying delicious cakes made by the committee accompanied by much chatter. A few brave souls did venture into the garden. The event raised over £200 for M.U. charities. Thank you to everyone for your generosity. In September we welcomed member and curate Sally Gough. She conducted a service of Holy Communion and then spoke to us on the process of ordination. Jennifer Finel (former Archdeaconry President) made a welcome return visit bringing a selection of MU products for sale and we were able to make an early start to Christmas by purchasing MU cards, diaries and small gifts.

October 15th – visit to Ian and Linda Robinson's home in High Dalby for light afternoon tea and a service of Compline. Cost $\pounds 5 + \pounds 1$ donation to the driver if you are having a lift. If you wish to go on this outing and haven't notified anyone please contact Audrey 01751 475519 **before Thursday 10th October.**

19th November OPEN MEETING with a **speaker from The Samaritans.** Everyone will be most welcome.

3rd December Christmas get together (Please note the date!)

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