

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

June 2016

for the villages of Aldwark, Alne, Flawith,  
Tholthorpe, Tollerton and Youlton

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## The Servant Queen and the King she serves



I am sure we are all aware that Queen Elizabeth II has her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday this year. 21<sup>st</sup> April is her real birthday and this year 11<sup>th</sup> June is her official birthday, though there will be a number of significant events around this date to add to the celebrations. These include a party at Bishopthorpe Palace on 11<sup>th</sup> June and more locally, on June 12<sup>th</sup> the Alne Street Fayre is themed around the celebrations and there will be a Village Tea Party at Brafferton. Brafferton also have a dance on 25<sup>th</sup> June and a Flower Festival in St Peter's on the weekend of 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> July. I am sure there will be others.

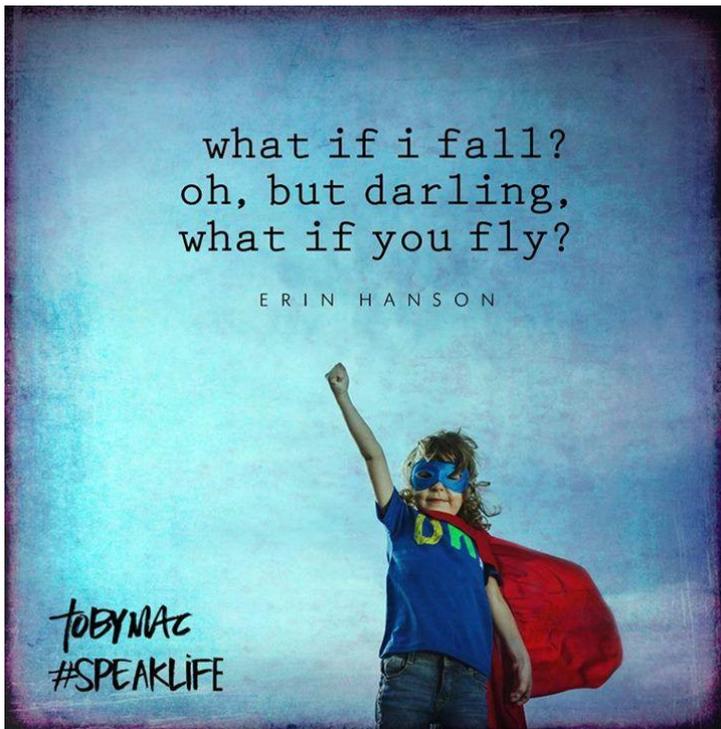
Queen Elizabeth is now our longest reigning monarch and has witnessed 12 prime ministers, beginning with Winston Churchill through to David Cameron. She is patron of over 600 charities and much to the delight of many, 'helped' in the James Bond scene for the opening of the 2012 Olympic Games in London.

She also has a very authentic Christian faith. The church will be making available booklets entitled 'The Servant Queen and the King she serves' to share something of the importance of her faith in Jesus. A larger booklet will be available in the churches for adults, and we hope to distribute a smaller child friendly version via primary schools.

When war broke out in 1939 she suggested to her father King George VI that he use the Minnie Louise Haskins verse for his Christmas Day broadcast – *'I said the man who stood at the Gate of the Year – "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown." And he replied, "Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way..."*

While she is our Servant Queen she knows the King she serves.

Chris Park  
Vicar



## Helping hands

A mother, wishing to encourage her son's progress at the piano, bought tickets to a performance by the great Polish pianist Ignace Paderewski. When the evening arrived, they found their seats near the front of the concert hall and eyed the majestic Steinway waiting on the stage. Soon the mother found a friend to talk to, and the boy slipped away.

At eight o'clock, the lights in the auditorium began to dim, the spotlights came on, and only then did they notice the boy - up on the piano bench, innocently picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." His mother gasped in shock and embarrassment but, before she could retrieve her son, the master himself appeared on the stage and quickly moved to the keyboard.

He whispered gently to the boy, "Don't quit. Keep playing." Leaning over, Paderewski reached down with his left hand and began filling in the bass part. Soon his right arm reached around the other side and improvised a delightful obligato. Together, the old master and the young novice held the crowd mesmerized with their blended and beautiful music.

In all our lives, we receive helping hands - some we notice, some we don't. Equally we ourselves have countless opportunities to provide helping hands - sometimes we would like our assistance to be noticed, sometimes we don't. Little of what we all achieve is without learning from others and without support from others and what we receive we should hand out.

In our recent celebration service, Bishop John commented on how his jaw hit the floor when he saw the amazing transformation of our church from the last time he had seen it. He also gave thanks to all our community for their helping hands and generosity. I know that the feedback we have had from our congregations and parishioners has really made it worthwhile, but I was so surprised when our new Facebook page "St Peter's Church Brafferton" started to get hits and likes from far and wide. People who used to worship here in the past have been moved to comment on how the church has truly become a place of worship. People have commented on the photographs of the decorating, the flowers, the new carpets, and the restoration of the beautiful floor tiles.

But we must remember that all this has been done to the glory of God and not just for aesthetics. Can you find the salvation and love of Christ here, and a peace that is like no other? The answer is a resounding yes! On Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May we have a joint all age service here at 10.30am, and it would be great if you put that date in your diary not just to see our beautiful church, but to come and discover a new life with the Lord. He is offering his helping hands for free!

Blessings Carmel Gittens

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **Village Hall News and Dates for your Diary:**

The Spring Plant Sale was a great success once again. People came from all around to buy a few plants or just to have a cup of tea and a chat. For those who purchased raffle tickets, the winners are as follows;



Hanging basket - Marion Roberts  
Navy's breakfast - Meg Sedgwick (Alders caravan park)  
Hamper - Nan Shepherd  
Soap and marzipan fruits - Jean Teasdale  
Tea cosy and Ringtons tea - Jane Hirst  
Wine - Joanne Pottage

Other dates to add to your diaries:

### **Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July “Pop up Pub” at 7.30p.m.**

Celebrate the end of term and the start of the school holidays. Come and join us for a beer or a glass of wine and a natter. Hopefully, weather permitting, we will be “al fresco”

## **Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.30p.m. – The All New Quiz Night**

Following the great success of the last event we will be giving you all another chance to flex the grey matter. Put the date in your diaries now.

## **Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> September**

The ever popular ceilidh.

## **Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> November**

Alnestock is back.

## **Amos & Welsh Bakery van**

Amos & Welsh thank you very much indeed for your feedback – the response to the questionnaire was excellent. We are delighted to announce that Alne is on the weekly freshly baked goods delivery round of the Amos & Welsh Bakery van! Starting on **Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> June**, stopping outside the **Village Hall**, from **8 to 9 a.m.** and then **every Saturday morning at same time.**

## **Pop-up Café**

We will open up a **pop-up Café** when the Amos & Welsh Bakery van is here – watch out for the pop-up sign outside the hall to show the café is open. The pop-up Café is run by volunteers, so if you want to help, please contact Gudrun 838864. It would be great to make this pop-up café a regular event – to celebrate the Bakery van coming to the village. We will open the café on the **First Saturday of every month.**



You can contact us at [alnevillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:alnevillagehall@gmail.com) You can check our webpage on [www.alnevillage.co.uk](http://www.alnevillage.co.uk) for more information on the hall and upcoming events or follow us on Facebook. If you would like to be included on the email distribution list (which is confidential) please let us know.

**Alne Rocks for Teenage Cancer Trust!**

Huge, huge thanks to everyone who supported the TCT event in Alne Village Hall on **30<sup>th</sup> April 2016**. We received lots of support from local businesses, donations from people who couldn't make it and of course party goers on the night who generously frequented the raffle and the bar! I don't think there was a single person who didn't dance at some point throughout the evening. Which brings me to the wonderful bands "The Hammer Party", and "A Bit of a Gamble" who worked tirelessly throughout the whole day, gave a wonderful performance getting everyone up, and then very kindly donated their fee back to the TCT. Thank you also to people who donated drink for the bar and our local brewery who supplied at cost ensuring our expenses were kept to a minimum.

When I first registered the event I ticked the box "up to £1,000", and really hoped we could get it to a thousand, but the final figure came in at £1,748.50. Thanks to everyone's support this has been more than I could have hoped for and the TCT are thrilled with the end results. Once again, thanks to everyone involved from pot washers to performers, we made a great team, and a good time was had by all!

## **News about Alne Street Fayre Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

### **Alne Street Fayre – Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> June**

A reminder that Alne Street Fayre takes place on **Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> June**. Jack Hole, Church Wind, Mitchell Lane, Back Lane and Main Street (from the Village Hall to the X-roads) will all be closed to traffic from 08:00 to 18:00. Free off-road parking for affected residents is available on the Alders caravan site. To ease congestion, a one-way system will be in operation for Sunday morning set-up – Main Street towards the Village Hall, Church Wind away from the Village Hall.

The Street Fayre runs from **12:00 to 4:30p.m.** and will include all the usual attractions. The local MP, Kevin Hollinrake, will propose a toast to the Queen at **3:00p.m.** on the occasion of her official birthday.

Funds raised at Alne Street Fayre go towards the upkeep and maintenance of the Alne recreation and sports facilities run by Alne Parish Leisure Association (*Registered Charity No 516566*). Any queries to the Street Fayre Chairman, Di Watkins, on [dianewatkins@btinternet.com](mailto:dianewatkins@btinternet.com) or 848366 or visit [www.alnestreetfayre.co.uk](http://www.alnestreetfayre.co.uk)

## **'TEAS'**

Volunteers and lots of cakes are required for 'TEAS' which takes place in the Village Hall during Alne Street Fayre on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

Volunteers are needed on both Saturday and Sunday so please contact me if you feel you can support 'TEAS' – every hour of help is wonderful and as well as ensuring the smooth running of 'TEAS' your help means that all volunteers can enjoy the occasion, catch up with each other and avoid being rushed off their feet! We need 6-8 volunteers per hour.

Please e-mail me on [mennimaxe@btinternet.com](mailto:mennimaxe@btinternet.com) or ring on 838980.

Cakes, muffins, scones, biscuits, quiche and all things Mary Berry-ish (or not quite so) are much appreciated and can be delivered to the Village Hall during Saturday or Sunday morning or whenever you arrive at the Fayre.

Donations of coffee/teabags/margarine/cheese/tins of tuna/other sandwich fillers/salads/chutney/jam/mayonnaise/squash etc. can be left at Croft Barn, Back Lane, Alne – and all very gratefully received.

Many Thanks, Anne Mennim

## **Aldwark Church Golf Day - Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> July**

This popular Golf Day, which is St Stephen's main fund-raising event, will again be held at **Aldwark Manor**, by kind permission of the Hotel Manager.

Teams of 4 play in a Stableford competition for a range of good prizes, generously donated by local people and organisations. Tee times are available between **11.30 and 14.00**.

Your support would be welcomed.

Further details and entry forms from:

Ian Southall ([ian.curlew@Incomms.co.uk](mailto:ian.curlew@Incomms.co.uk), Tel: 01347 838040)

**"A RUM DO IN THE BARN"**

**Friday 17th June 2016**  
**7.30 - 12.00**

**At Headlands, Flawith**  
 by kind permission of Mr and Mrs S Waudby

**Tickets £15.00**

**Live steel band & disco**      **Ox Roast**

Available from Gill Jackson 01347 821226  
 The Flowershop Easingwold, or committee members

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## Country Life-featured Garden Open to the Public

This summer will probably provide your last chance to visit one of the most beautiful gardens in the Parish. The grounds of Maiden's Folly in Youlton have made headlines locally for years and have even been featured in Country Life magazine but the property is now up for sale. It has taken more than 40 years for Henry Dean and his late wife Mary Lee to achieve this gem and those who make the journey will be rewarded with four different 'rooms' all with a pretty, classic English cottage feel.

Visitors can treat themselves to a Yorkshire brew, homemade cakes and a plant or two from Summerfield Nursery. Children are admitted free and adults will be asked to pay £3.50 entrance with takings on the day going to National Trust Garden Scheme.

The Gardens will be open on the 26<sup>th</sup> June between 1 and 5 o'clock with free parking on the site.

## **Tollerton Village Hall**

Thank you to everyone that attended the pop up tea shop on **30<sup>th</sup> April**. The event was another success bringing many people together and raised £400 towards the Village Hall. We shall certainly be doing more and enjoy bringing the village together.

Look out for our first Brunch club on **12<sup>th</sup> June at 10.00-13.00**. We shall be serving bacon or sausage with egg butties with a cup of tea or coffee for £3.50. This will be a good way to fuel up prior to Alne Street Fayre. I hope to see you down there.

Tim Brook

## **Tollerton Sports and Recreation Club**

Tollerton sports and recreation club are very grateful to Councillor Peter Sowray, for his grant of £656 to us. This has allowed us to change the sand in the sand pit, add some new chipped bark to the climbing equipment, and replace the seats and chains of all four swings.

We are constantly looking at ways to improve facilities, and these items help lift the feel of the park, and I hope improve the experience for both children and parents of Tollerton; please pass any feedback to me.

Around **30<sup>th</sup> May**, we should see the start of the bike track construction. This will last for two weeks, after which, we will hold a grand opening. Please look out for this advertised around the village nearer the day. We hope to use this as an opportunity to share ideas, future plans and raise some much needed money.

The grass around the rear of the pavilion, the play equipment and cricket nets is starting to dry out thankfully. Drainage is our last big hurdle, which we are working towards. The first quote has come in, to the tune of £7,700. We do not have this money, and it is going to be very difficult process gaining this. If anyone has ideas, suggestions or wants to donate, please contact Tim Brook, details on [Tollerton.net](http://Tollerton.net).

Thank you, Tim Brook

## **Tollerton Children's Outing Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

The date for the annual coach trip to Scarborough is:-

### **Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

Departing Tollerton Village Hall at **09.00** prompt

Departing Scarborough at **18.00**

Fares are:

- Tollerton Children Free
- Adults £8
- Senior Citizens £7
- Other Children £4

We have one 53 seat-belted coach available to us. Book early to avoid disappointment

To reserve a seat please contact Pauline Metcalfe, Green View, Tollerton, Tel. 838794 or Dot Dowson, Station House, Tollerton, Tel. 838272.

## **Opportunities for Prayer**

Monday Bible Group at Alne Hall on **Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> June**.

Midweek Communion at Alne Hall, **Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> June**.

Prayer meeting, Tholthorpe Methodist Church **every Wednesday 8.45a.m.**

## **METHODIST SERVICES - JUNE 2016**

The Rev Elizabeth Cushion is the Methodist Minister for the villages around Easingwold. Elizabeth can be contacted on 01347 821460. You are welcome at all of the village services listed overleaf.

<b>Time</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Service Details</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	10.30a.m.	Huby Methodist Church	Revd Hazel Hanson
	10.30a.m.	Hustwaite Methodist Church	Mrs Lydia Harrison
	10.30a.m.	Stillington Methodist Church	Locally arranged service
	3p.m.	Tholthorpe Methodist Church	Revd Elizabeth Cushion; Holy Communion
<b>12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	10.30a.m.	Huby Methodist Church	Mr Paul Carter, Villages Together Service
	10.30a.m.	Hustwaite Methodist Church	Revd Leslie Newton, Chapel Anniversary; Holy Communion
	10.30a.m.	Raskelf Methodist Church	Revd Elizabeth Cushion, All Age Worship
<b>19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	10.30a.m.	Brafferton-Helperby	Mr Stephen Leah, United Service
	10.30a.m.	Huby Methodist Church	Mrs Lydia Harrison
	10.30a.m.	Hustwaite Methodist Church	Mrs Joan Oliver
	3p.m.	Tholthorpe Methodist Church	Mrs Kim Gabbatiss, Café Service
	6.30p.m.	Stillington Methodist Church	Revd Elizabeth Cushion, Holy Communion
<b>Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	2.30p.m.	Alne Hall	Revd Elizabeth Cushion Service of Worship in place of the usual Bible fellowship group
<b>26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	10.30a.m.	St Mary's Parish Church Alne	United Service
	6.30p.m.	Stillington Methodist Church	Revd Richard Andrew
	4p.m.	Huby Methodist Church	Revd Elizabeth Cushion, Café Service

**ANGLICAN SERVICES  
JUNE 2016**

<b>June</b>	<b>June 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>June 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>June 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>June 26<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Aldwark</b>	9.00 a.m. Holy Communion Rev Chris Park		9.00 a.m. Holy Communion Rev Roy Wadsworth	
<b>Ale</b>	10.30 a.m. Baptism Roberts Rev Chris Park	12.00 noon Mid-Day Prayers (Street Fayre)	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Rev Chris Hawthorn	10.30 a.m. Joint Meth HC Service Rev Chris Park
<b>Tollerton</b>	10.30 a.m. Morning worship  John Rhodes	10.30 a.m. All Age Service  Tim Adams	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion  Rev Chris Park	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion  Rev Roy Wadsworth
<b>Brafferton</b>	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Carmel Gittens	10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Carmel Gittens 6.30 p.m. Compline Carmel Gittens	10.30 a.m. Methodist Stephen Leah	10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Carmel Gittens
<b>Myton</b>	10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer Dorothy Bailey	10.30a.m. Baptism Rev Chris Park		9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer Carmel Gittens
<b>Thormanby</b>	6.00p.m. Compline Carmel Gittens		9.00 a.m. Holy Communion Rev Chris Park	

**Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June Brafferton 9.30a.m.** Holy Communion Chris Park

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