

PARISH NEWSLETTER

June 2020

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

The Anglican ministers for the villages in the Parish of Alne are Revd. Debbie Coyne and Revd. Carmel Gittens. They can be contacted by telephone on 01423 360759 or by e-mail at rev.deborah.coyne@gmail.com and 01347 833437 or carmel-gittens@live.co.uk respectively.



As I sit to write this we are on week 10 of lockdown and I continue to think about each of you, to wonder how you are doing and to pray for you, and those you care about wherever they may be.

How are you finding navigating the uncertainty of life at this time of Covid-19? What are your feelings around restrictions slowly lifting?

I perceive that at this time there seems to be a lot of anxiety around. It has been there from before lockdown, intensified with it, and continues to direct the conversation in the media. It is natural to be anxious with all of this, especially as we begin to explore what life beyond lock down, with continued restrictions and, may I be permitted to say in my opinion, little guidance about what we can and can't effectively do going forward. Some of us will be worried about relatives, businesses, work, finances, among other things.

Some of us won't be feeling worried. Rather you will be relieved. Excited by the possibility of life "returning to how it was before", although we know it can't completely look like that for a while to come yet. For those of you in this category, please continue to be kind and aware of those who are anxious at this time, and respect their need to take things at their pace.

Some of us will feel relieved and anxious, a little mixed in our emotions. I suspect this may be the majority of us.

Don't worry be happy, is a famous song with a strong upbeat tempo often accredited to Bob Marley. It talks about how in life there are difficulties but we can still be happy if we choose to. I have to say, I think happiness is fleeting while Joy, as I have mentioned before, is not dependent on circumstance. I don't know about you, but I find it hard to not worry about things in life. I wish I found it as simple as it sounds in the song.

And yet, the Bible tells us to not be anxious in anything, for the Lord will provide (Philippians 4: 6-7), He is a good God who loves to give. That doesn't mean that there are not hard times in life, that things will suddenly be plain sailing, that is not how life works, but it does mean that when we turn to God and ask for help, He will be there for us always. He is a good Father who loves His children (however old we are). I believe that if we continue to look to God as a nation and as individuals during this time, He will lead, guide and provide for us. Time and time again this is shown to be the case for the Israelites in the Old Testament and God promises through Jesus the same can be true for us today.

My prayer for us all at this time and moving forward is: "May the God of all hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope..." (Romans 15:13)

As always, if you want to talk further about what I have said, want to receive prayer, or join in our Zoom services at 10.30a.m. on a Sunday morning you are very welcome to contact me on: rev.deborah.coyne@gmail.com or 01423 360759.

Take care, keep safe, Grace and Peace.

Debbie & Aslan

News from Alne Church

The coronavirus is still with us and we continue to hear occasional reports of a friend or neighbour who is apparently suffering from the virus. We pray that all will make a full recovery from this scourge. Thanks to the care and support of people in the community we have been luckier than those in many other parts of the country – let's hope that our good fortune continues.

Because of the pandemic our churches will remain closed - although churchyards are open to everyone.



Parish Newsletter

The Diocese of York continues to advise against distributing parish newsletters. The Newsletter is of course electronically available on the Tollerton and Alne Websites (with photographs in colour!). In addition hard copies are available for collection outside Alne Church, Tollerton Post Office and at telephone box/libraries in this area.

Services

The Revds. Debbie and Carmel hold a service via *Zoom* every Sunday at 10.30a.m. All are welcome! Access to the service is fairly straightforward and entry details can be obtained from any of the clergy or the wardens. The BBC continues to provide a good range of religious broadcasts and services throughout the week.

Treasurer

Alne Church is still looking for a new Treasurer as our present Treasurer will be moving on fairly soon. During the current pandemic there is relatively little work for the Treasurer to do so this an excellent time for a new person to become acquainted with the work! Please contact the Vicar or one of the wardens if you are interested.

Duke of Edinburgh Awards

Students wishing to take on tasks as part of this scheme have worked at Alne Churchyard over the years. Vacancies exist so if anyone is interested, please contact Peter (838346) or Chris (838287). Small jobs are being done at present, the accompanying photograph shows that social distancing is possible!

The Pearson and Others Trust

The Pearson Trust is a small local charity which was established in 1882 to help people in need who live in the parishes of Aldwark, Alne, Flawith, Tholthorpe, Tollerton and Youlton. The charity makes grants to residents of these villages who are perhaps struggling to meet their everyday living costs or who have a particular need. This might include help to pay for essential household items or repairs, fuel bills, healthcare, or clothing and equipment for a baby or children and young people who are in education or training.

The trustees are particularly keen to help people affected by the Coronavirus pandemic.

The charity also makes grants to local organisations for charitable activities which benefit people living in these villages. Organisations must have a bank account and a constitution.

Applications can be made at any time using the appropriate application form which can be downloaded at the Alne and Tollerton websites go to: <https://www.tollerton.net/the-pearson-trust>

To find out more about the charity and how to apply, please contact the Chair, Colin Stroud on 01347 838780 or by e-mailing strouds2@btinternet.com

Alne Coronavirus Support Group

A coronavirus support group has been set up in Alne, initiated by the enthusiastic Street Fayre Committee and backed by Alne Parish Council. David Edwards has agreed to be the overall co-ordinator and the village (including Alne Station and Forest Lane) has been split into seven zones, each with its own team leader and its own group of volunteers. Every house should have received a leaflet identifying which zone it is in and who is its team leader with the relevant contact details.

If you are over 70, pregnant, vulnerable or with underlying health conditions, these volunteers have put their hands up to be of service to you. They can do shopping, collect prescriptions, post letters or do anything else (within reason!) that you might be prevented from doing by current government regulations.

If you are in need, please contact your designated team leader. If you need to contact the overall co-ordinator, or you have not received the leaflet, contact David Edwards on 833269, 07583 377276 or daviedwards8@gmail.com.

Alne Parish Council

Easingwold Food Bank

Easingwold Food Bank serves the surrounding villages (including Alne) and would welcome any donations of groceries, toiletries or cleaning products. No fresh food thanks. A Food Bank collection / donation point has now been created by Ian McCrae at Spring Cottage, Main Street, Alne (old Mrs Dunnington's house), to save residents having to go into Easingwold to drop donations off.



Call our 24/7 message service
0772 44 44 750

We will always call you back.
Confidentiality assured.

Our service:

- We deliver to Easingwold and surrounding villages.
- If you wish, we can discuss further help and offer confidential support over a cuppa in your home.
- Our food packages contain tinned and dry goods with milk, bread and spread as well as toiletries. We can't supply fresh fruit and vegetables.

Run by volunteers for
local people in need



COMMUNITY AMENITIES

Do you know what is available in Alne?

- * Everything about Alne and up-to-date news. See <https://www.alnevillage.co.uk/>
- * Daily Newspaper delivery and general stores
Tollerton Stores 838436
- * Sunday Newspaper delivery. See https://www.alnevillage.co.uk/sunday_newspapers.html
- * Bakery van outside Village Hall every Saturday 08:00 – 09:00
<http://www.amosandwelsh.com>
- * Farmshop making weekly (Wednesdays) deliveries in the village.
See <https://farmgatefarmshop.com>
- * Milk delivery (and cream, eggs, yoghurts etc)
Contact Liz and Andrew Wade on 838806
- * Heating Oil purchase co-operative. See https://www.alnevillage.co.uk/groups_oil.html
- * Regular buses to Easingwold and York. See <https://reliancebuses.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Timetable-30.pdf>
- * Weekly bus to Morrisons in Boroughbridge. 11:00 Mondays.
See https://www.alnevillage.co.uk/buses_morrisons.html
- * Sports: Thriving tennis and cricket clubs. See https://www.alnevillage.co.uk/sport_tennis.html and <https://www.alnecc.co.uk/>
- * Alne Street Fayre, raising funds for the Alne recreation ground, sports field and play park. Now in its 36th year.
The next Alne Street Fayre is on Sunday 13-June, 2021.
- * Maps. Historical maps are displayed in the Village Hall. There is an indexed map of Alne houses on the Parish Council notice board.
Other maps of Alne and Alne Station can be found at <https://www.alnevillage.co.uk/maps.html>

Tollerton Coronavirus Support

A Tollerton support group, in conjunction with the Parish Council, Doctors' Surgery and the Church, has been set up by local villagers to offer support to anyone who is affected by coronavirus. If you are self-isolating or needing support we can help you with:

Food shopping

Prescription collections & requests

Posting letters

Collecting deliveries

Connecting you to other services

Dog walking

Having a chat

We can assure you that we will respect your privacy and your health security. If you would like our help then please call or text either of the following numbers and we will put you in touch with a neighbour who will help.

07831 306795

07835 532918

If you need any help at all please do get in touch, we are here to help.

Tollerton Annual Children's Trip to Scarborough

It is with regret that we have decided not to organise the Tollerton annual trip to Scarborough this year due to the Covid-19 outbreak. I know many people enjoy the outing but in light of Covid-19 outbreak we felt it best not to organise it for this year. All being well, we will definitely be returning next year, so watch this space.

Julie Brook

**ALDWARD ANNUAL GOLF DAY
WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY 2020**

With the very kind assistance of the Aldwark Manor Hotel we are delighted to announce we are planning to hold our 14th Annual golf Day at Aldwark Manor Golf Club in support of St. Stephen's Church in Aldwark.

Put the date in your diary now!

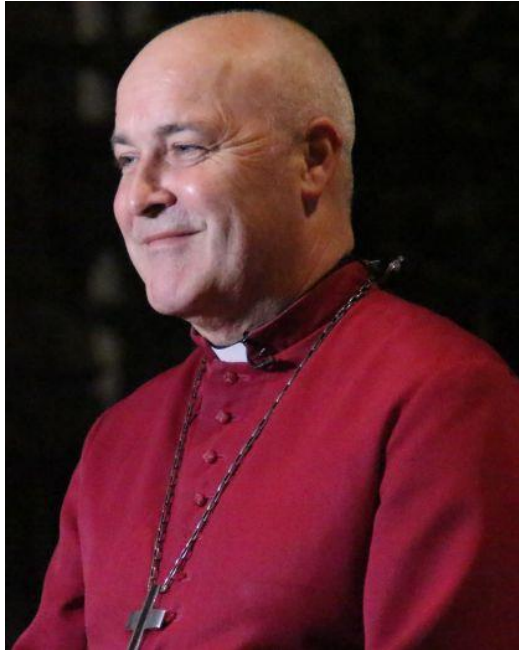
This will be a team event for 4 players and if anyone is keen to enter a team or would like more details please contact one of the people listed below and we will be pleased to help.

On the day we also hold a raffle which has proved to be extremely popular and needless to say we are in urgent need of as many raffle prizes as we can arrange. If you are able to donate a prize – and it most certainly doesn't have to be golf related – please again contact any of the people listed.

We hope you can help!

Bill Ormerod – Paddock Cottage, Aldwark - 01347 838357
Peter Davis - Court Field House, Aldwark - 01347 830088
Ian Southall - Aldwark House, Aldwark - 01347 838040
David Bird - Handel Cottage, Aldwark - 01347 833062
David Robinson - Maiden's Folly, Youlton - 01347 838006

**Confirmation of Election of Bishop Stephen Cottrell as the 98th
Archbishop of York, Thursday 9th July 2020**



Bishop Stephen Cottrell will be confirmed as the 98th Archbishop of York at 11.00am on Thursday 9th July 2020, in a service broadcast entirely via video conference due to the Coronavirus restrictions.

As Presiding Judge, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, has granted permission for the virtual service to take place.

The service, which had been due to take place in York Minster, will be in two parts: a legal ceremony with readings, prayers and music; and a film marking the start of Bishop Stephen's ministry as Archbishop of York.

The service will include music from York Minster Choir and Manor Church of England Academy School (York). Young people from across the North of England, will read a letter written by the medieval religious scholar Alcuin of York. Bishop Stephen will offer his first address as Archbishop of York. Prayers will be offered for the Archbishop, the Diocese of York and the Northern Province of the Church of England as well as for the wider world in these difficult times.

Commenting on the service, Bishop Stephen Cottrell said: "I am looking forward to beginning my ministry as the 98th Archbishop of York. This isn't quite how I imagined it would begin. It is certainly the first time an Archbishop's election will have been confirmed via video conference. But we're all having to re-imagine how we live our lives and how we inhabit the world. These are difficult times. My hope is that through this service the love of God that is given us in Jesus Christ will shine out, perhaps even to those who while never attending a service in York Minster, might have a look online. I can still just about remember what it's like to not be part of the Christian community. What inspired me to follow Jesus is that vision of a new humanity that I see in him. Following in the footsteps of my many predecessors, I look forward to serving our nation and bringing the love and peace of Christ to our world, especially here in the north."

The Confirmation of Election is the formal legal process that completes the appointment of senior bishops. Prior to the confirmation, the College of Canons of York Minster will have elected the Archbishop Designate as the Queen's nominee for the post. At the start of the proceedings, he will give his consent to his appointment. Following the reading of the Queen's Letters Patent, legal documents supporting the appointment will be produced to show that all necessary procedures have been followed. At the conclusion, the election will be confirmed, and Bishop Stephen will become the Archbishop of York. The service would ordinarily take place in York Minster, the seat of the Archbishop of York.

The service will be available on the Church of England website at www.churchofengland.org.

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