

PARISH NEWSLETTER

September 2018

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

There is now a vacancy for the Priest in Charge of the Alne Parish, although Carmel Gittens is still with us. Carmel can be contacted by telephone on 01347 833437 or by e-mail at carmel-gittens@live.co.uk. However please try contacting the church wardens as the first point of contact – a full list of wardens is provided on page 14 of this Parish Newsletter.

The season of harvest festivals is upon us



It's good to know that it's still an important fixture in the calendar of our rural parishes. Harvest is about taking nothing for granted. Farmers certainly don't, in my experience, and I know that this hot dry summer, following such a wet spring, has caused many difficulties for our farming communities, but I think that there is a temptation for many people in our society to take their food for granted in a way that never happened in the past.

There is an increasing disconnectedness between most people and the food they eat. Our generation is more removed from the land than any previous one, with a much greater proportion of the general population living in an urban setting rather than rural; and many people never seeing anything of farms and farming. Urban myths about children thinking that milk comes from bottles and potatoes from Morrisons abound. There is also a continuing globalisation of food production, as with much else. When we eat, we're involved in a vast, complex, interweaving set of life and death dramas as never before. In these dramas we are only one character among many, but no matter how solitary our eating experience may be, every sniff, chomp and swallow connects us to vast global trade networks and thus to biophysical and social worlds far beyond ourselves.

We owe thanks to God and to very many other people for the food on our plates. We should never take them or it for granted. The contrast with many other overseas countries is stark. Crop failure in many areas, has led to malnutrition and even starvation. The picture remains bleak – and that is true of vast swathes of Africa. Maybe the plight of millions elsewhere will give us more incentive to give thanks and to share what we have more generously. However, the increasing use of food banks locally reveals the often hidden plight of our friends and families nearer to home too, who for one reason or another, are unable to feed themselves and their families without assistance.

Harvest Festivals are one way of encouraging our generosity and awareness of other's needs, and once again we will be grateful to accept any food donations for distribution amongst our community and by the Salvation Army.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Revd Carmel Gittens

News from Alne Church

Restoration Project

Repairs to the roof and masonry will start this autumn, hopefully in October. Once again Carmel and the PCC thank everyone for their generous support. During the work it is expected that we will be able to continue using the church both for services and communal activities.

New vicar

We regret that the post for our new vicar is to be re-advertised.

14th September – ‘York through the Centuries’

A talk at Alne Church to be given by Trevor Julian of the York Civic Trust from **7.00 p.m.** (see poster on page 4)

Visitors – David Hopps from Ontario, Canada

David's grandfather lived at Youlton Lodge and emigrated to Canada to farm in the early 20th Century. David and his wife came to Alne to see his great-grandfather's grave (see photo). He spread some of his father's ashes over the grave and also near Youlton Lodge). RIP.

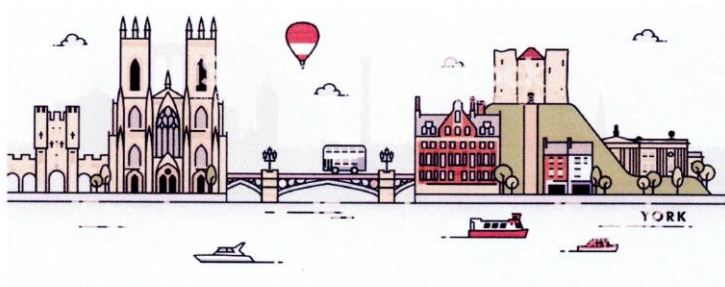


Youth Page

We have been thinking about having a page or section in the Newsletter for some time. We hope that it will be a forum for school and college students from all our villages to enter any topic that interests them such as holiday trips, social and sporting activities (at school and village). It could be an opportunity to write about their experiences and challenges as students move from one school to the next.

Fizzy Medley and Thomas Nixon have kindly agreed to coordinate any submissions which will be subject to our usual editorial guidelines!

YORK THROUGH THE CENTURIES



Please join us for an evening talk to be held in **St. Mary's Church, Aine** by

TREVOR JULIAN
of
York Civic Trust

Friday 14th September 2018
Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start

Tickets £5.00 (All proceeds to Church funds)
Light refreshments available
For tickets & information 07464815629

Village Hall News and Dates for your Diary



Pub Night Dates

Friday, 26th October

Friday, 16th November

Christmas Eve

New Fitness classes begin Tuesday 4th September 9.00a.m. to 10.00a.m.

Jenny Mace (*personal trainer*) will be running two new weekly fitness classes:

Tuesdays (starting 4th September) 9.00a.m. to 10.00a.m.

Legs, bums & tums

Thursdays (starting 6th September) 9.00a.m. to 10.00a.m.

Whole body circuit

For more info contact Jenny at jennymace.pt@yahoo.com

Radio Fun, Saturday 8th September Doors open 7.00p.m. for 7.30p.m.

Come and join Dominic Goodwin and friends and relive some wonderful memories from the golden age of radio. Vintage comedy for anyone aged 9 to 90. We are very lucky to have this event at Alne Village Hall, it should be a very entertaining evening. Tickets are £6 and are available from Cassandra on 07464 815629. There will of course be a bar. You can buy tickets on the night at the door, but subject to availability.

Quiz Night Saturday 22nd September Doors open 7.00p.m. for 7.30p.m.

The ever popular quiz nights are back after the summer break. Come and flex your brain cells and enjoy a catch up with friends and neighbours. A bar is available. Tickets are £3 and can be bought on the door. Maximum 6 per team please.

Alf Market Saturday 29th September 10.00a.m. to 12.00noon.

Come along for a little relaxing retail therapy and a bacon butty. There will be a mixture of local and Fairtrade stalls.

Saturday 10th November 7.30p.m. – The Feens

The Feens are a fantastic band from Scarborough. We are really lucky to have them booked for **Saturday, 10th November**. They sound brilliant. You can listen to them on YouTube and Spotify. Don't miss this event. Tickets are £10. Reserve your places early as numbers will be limited and we expect to sell out fast. You can contact Rosie on 01347 838384 or Mal on 077712 726644.

New Year's Eve 2018

Following the success of Christmas Eve and the Pub Nights in general, we have received a number of requests to do "something special" on New Year's Eve. This would be a ticket only event. If you have any ideas or feedback please let us know. In the meantime, put the date in your diary and watch this space.

Please check our webpage on www.alnevillage.co.uk for contact details and upcoming events. Follow us on Facebook. If you would like to be included on the email distribution list (which is confidential) please let us know.

Alne Tennis Club – Special Offer

Congratulations to Alne A tennis team who have won the Division 1 championship of the Hovingham Mixed Tennis league.

If you want to join Alne Tennis Club and play year-round tennis, take advantage of our autumn special offer. Join now for 2019 and get the rest of 2018 absolutely free of charge. For all information, go to https://www.alnevillage.co.uk/sport_tennis.html

Sunday Newspapers (get ready for winter reading)

A reminder that you can get Sunday newspapers in Alne by joining the newspaper group. Pick up your own newspaper(s) every week at Alne church from 8:00a.m. and do the combined run to Easingwold approximately once a quarter. To join the group, send a message through the contact page at the Alne Village website <https://www.alnevillage.co.uk> or call Robert on 838265.

Restoration of the Alne Verges and Crocuses

You will be aware that there is still work outstanding to complete the restoration of the verges in Alne. Details of who is going to do what when can be found by going to the Alne Village website <https://www.alnevillage.co.uk> and clicking on the link contained in the item for 30th July. No payment has yet been made by Alne Parish Council for this work.

New resident David Lepper is keen to mastermind a project that will put crocuses into the edges of the new verges once they have been top-soiled and seeded this autumn. Alne Parish Council will pay for the bulbs and David has volunteered to organise people to do the work. Please contact David at d.lepper27@btinternet.com or on 838114 if you would like to assist in this worthwhile project. The more volunteers, the less work for each!

Change of Alne Parish Councillor

John Teasdale has stood down as an Alne Parish Councillor after 31 years. He is the 3rd longest-serving Parish Councillor in Alne history and we thank him for his sterling service. We congratulate Councillor John Newton on being co-opted to fill the casual vacancy thus created.

Easingwold District Community Care Minibus

Easingwold District Community Care, have organised the following trips out with their minibus.

Trips must be booked 01347 822598. Cost is from £5.00 return. Trips are open to all ages.

Pickup @ 10.30a.m. in the Market Square, Easingwold, in some cases we may be able to pick up/drop/off at your own home.

Thursday 6th September- Malton
Thursday 13th September-Filey
Wednesday 19th September-
Northallerton Market
Thursday 27th September- Wetherby
Thursday 4th October-Harrogate
Thursday 11th October-Otley
Thursday 18th October- Hawes
Thursday 25th October- Pickering

Thursday 1st November-Durham
Thursday 8th November-Northallerton
Thursday 15th November- Harrogate
Christmas Market
Thursday 22nd November-
Knaresborough
Thursday 29th November-York
Designer Outlet

A Floral Welcome to Tollerton

With true grit and determination some of the Wednesday Coffee Ladies set out to brighten up and do some planting around the millstones at the Alne and Newton Road approaches to the village. We were surprised and delighted to uncover the original cobbles at each. It was not an easy task clearing and cleaning them. We managed! We are now playing "Hunt the Cobbles" at the Sykes Road approach. Watch this space.

We have also planted some troughs and tubs outside the Village Hall. Having received lots of positive feedback we are encouraged to carry on planting around the village and make Tollerton "Blooming Lovely". If you have any suggestions /ideas or are able to help in any way then we would love to hear from you.

Janette Ferris [e-mail to: janetteferris@clara.co.uk]





EASINGWOLD COMMUNITY MINIBUS

Our trips are open to anyone

Enjoy a trip out to various locations every Thursday (*see page 7 for more detail of trips*). We visit places such as the seaside, Northallerton, Helmsley, cinemas, garden centres & historic houses to name but a few!! The pick-up time will be at **10:30a.m.** from the Market Square in Easingwold (and return around **1:30p.m.**). Cost £5- please ring us for a timetable.

If you would like more details or to book a place on the minibus contact:

Lou Wileman on 01347 822598 or e-mail carscheme@edcca.org.uk





Alne Oil Co-operative

Founder member of the Lower Swale Syndicate of Oil Co-operatives

Latest (11th June) delivered price for kerosene was 46.46ppl + VAT.

Evidence from new members shows that Co-operative prices are typically 20% to 25% less than the local market prices.

There was, I understand, an oil theft locally in early June, so it may be time to review your security arrangements. Whilst it's hard to stop the determined thief, there are things you can do to make life difficult for them. If it's difficult, they're more likely to move on to an easier target.

North Yorkshire Police offer some useful advice on their website of steps that can be taken, though do remember that the tanker driver will need to access the tank to make a delivery.

Thieves look for the opportunity to work without being seen or heard, so putting obstacles in their way that make them visible or audible is a good start. North Yorkshire Police also recommend "defensive planting", using thorny plants that will snag clothing or skin, leaving clues that can be recovered later.

To remove any worthwhile quantity of oil will require a vehicle, pump, etc., and time, so restricting access is another way to try to foil attempts to steal fuel.

Of course, if you spot anything suspicious, call the police and, if you can do so safely, make a note of any vehicle registration numbers or take a few photos as evidence. But only if you can do so without putting yourself at risk!

For further advice from North Yorkshire Police, please go to: <https://northyorkshire.police.uk/staying-safe/safer-countryside/heating-oil-theft/> or type the keywords "North Yorkshire Police oil theft" into your browser and let your search engine do the work.

If you're not already in the Co-operative, why not join? You will undoubtedly save money by comparison with your existing supplier and our supplier's service has been outstanding! Membership is open to all — if you live in or around Alne and want to know more about the Alne Heating Oil Co-operative, please visit the Alne Village website at: www.alnevillage.co.uk/groups_oil.html or send an e-mail to: alne@swaleoil.org.uk

You can also find us on Facebook.



Aldwark Area Parish Council – Hambleton District

Vacancy for Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Aldwark Area Parish Council, comprising the parishes of Aldwark, Flawith and Youlton, seeks a highly motivated, enthusiastic person to take on the post of Clerk to the Council and Responsible Financial Officer.

The post is part time, 12 hours per month. Working mainly from home, the hours of work are flexible except for attendance at meetings which are held in Aldwark at least 6 times a year. Salary is currently £10.74 per hour dependent upon qualifications and experience, plus a £100 per annum working from home allowance. A laptop and printer/scanner are supplied.

The role encompasses all Parish Council administration, including the preparation of agendas and minutes, implementing decisions taken by the Parish Council as well as the preparation of budgets, financial record keeping and arrangements for audit.

Good oral, written and computer skills are essential. Experience in local government administration would be an advantage.

Applications must be sent to the Clerk by **11th September 2018**. An application form, person specification and job description are available on the Council's website: www.tollerton.net/parish-council-aldwark

For more information please contact the Parish Council Chair & Clerk, Cllr Colin Stroud, Appletrees, Youlton, York, YO61 1QL - Tel 01347 838780 or e-mail: aldwarkpc@gmail.com

St Stephen's Church, Aldwark, Golf Day

The 11th Annual Church Golf Day took place on Wednesday 18th July at Aldwark Manor Golf Club. This is the major fund-raising event for St Stephen's Church in Aldwark and was supported by 60 golfers, in 15 teams of 4, playing in a stableford competition. The best 2 scores counted on 17 holes and all 4 scores on the 18th hole. It was a glorious sunny day and the conditions suggested a high score would be required to win. A complementary half-way house was provided in the church grounds where a large array of home-made cakes was provided by the ladies of the village. This is always a popular part of the day, particularly by teams who are not doing too well!

The competition winners, with the remarkable score of 96, were Ray Albatts, Chris Llewellyn, Tom McCleod, and David Robinson. Runners up, with another excellent score of 94, were Mike Broderick, Paul Geeney, Gordon Skeet and Ian Southall; and in third place, with a score of 91, were Laurie Burden, John McClaughlan, Mark Moisley and Paul Moisley. Longest drive was won by Ray Reynolds and nearest the pin by Paul Moisley.

Following the presentations, the draw, expertly run by Sue Southall, for the many raffle prizes, took place. The first prize was a beautifully iced cake in the form of a model of St Stephen's Church, made by Becky Weston.

Overall, the event raised £1,600 for St Stephen's Church and the church would like to thank the following organisations and people:

Aldwark Manor Hotel for donating the Tees, Pannal Golf Club, Easingwold Golf Club and Aldwark Manor Golf Club for donating 4 ball rounds of Golf for the competition winners.

The ladies of Aldwark Village for all the lovely cakes. Ron Taylor and Jayne Berger for running the registration desk. Peter Davis, Ian Southall and Bill Ormerod for organising the event, with the help of the Events Team at Aldwark Manor.

Raffle prizes were kindly donated by Aldwark Manor Spa, Aldwark Arms, Bluebell Inn, Curious Table, Olive Branch, Sugarmouse, Tea Hees and many private individuals.

Easingwold Area Foodbank

If you have no income, please don't go hungry - we are here to help!

Call our 24/7 Message Line (all calls strictly confidential) 0772 44 44 750

We always call you back and deliver food support to your door. (Supported by Tollerton Church)

Imaginative / Contemplative Prayer

Are you looking for a different approach to your prayers?

Ignatius of Loyola was convinced that God can speak to us as surely through our imagination as through our thoughts and memories. In the Ignatian tradition, praying with the imagination is called contemplation. It is a very active way of praying that engages the mind and heart and stirs up thoughts and emotions.

Contemplative prayer is suited especially to the Gospels. We can accompany Jesus through his life by imagining scenes from the Gospel stories. We let the events of Jesus' life be present to us now and visualise them as if we were present. By paying attention to the details: sights, sounds, tastes, smells, and feelings of the event we can be immersed in the narrative.

Contemplating a Gospel scene is not simply remembering it or going back in time. Through the act of contemplation, the Holy Spirit makes present a mystery of Jesus' life in a way that is meaningful for us now. Using our imagination to dig deeper into the story, God may communicate with us in a personal and evocative way.

On **Wednesday, 17th October** and **Wednesday, 28th November** there will be a couple of meetings to explore aspects of imaginative prayer. Each meeting will involve a guided meditation on a Gospel passage and an opportunity in the quiet to explore what God may be saying to us.

If you are interested in joining the meeting could you let me know in advance?

David Beverley, Tall Trees, Tollerton 01347 838469

St Michael's Church Tollerton - Find us on Facebook

St Michael's Church Tollerton now has its own Facebook page – follow us at 'St Michael's Church, Tollerton' for up-to-date information on GodZone, what type of service we are having, and other interesting bits of information about who we are and what we are up to.



GodZone

Fun sessions for children age 3 - 13 years

Sunday mornings twice a month

For more info see our facebook page



@St Michael's Church Tollerton

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METHODIST SERVICES – SEPTEMBER 2018

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 below.

Date	Time	Venue	Service Details
2nd September	10.30a.m.	Brafferton	United Service
	3.00p.m.	Tholthorpe	A Lindley HC
9th September	10.30a.m.	Brafferton	United Service
	3.00p.m.	Alne	I Hill
16th September	10.30a.m.	Brafferton	A Skitt
	3.00p.m.	Tholthorpe	K Marshall Harvest
23rd September	10.30a.m.	Brafferton	United Service
	10.30a.m.	Alne	United Service
30th September	10.30 a.m.	Brafferton	United Service
	3.00 p.m.	Alne	R Jackson
	3.00 p.m.	Tholthorpe	@Easingwold

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September	2nd September	9th September	16th September	23rd September	30th September
Aldwark	9.00 a.m. Holy Communion Rev Carmel Gittens		10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Chris Mitchell		

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Ale	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Canon Chris Hawthorn	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Rev C Mitchell	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Rev Carmel Gittens	10.30 a.m. United Service	
Tollerton	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Rev Carmel Gittens	10.30 a.m. Morning Worship Alison Dowson	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion J Hetherington	10.30 a.m. All Age Tim Adams	
Brafferton	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion Rev R Law	6.30 p.m. Compline TBA	10.30 a.m. Methodist Service	10:30 a.m. Holy Communion Rev Carmel Gittens	10:30 Joint Service Holy Communion & shared meal Rev Liz Hassall
Myton		10.30a.m. Holy Communion TBA		10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer Warden	
Thormanby	10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer Catherine Toase/ Charlotte Cranfield				

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