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## Special notices



Do you want to say a special thank you to someone, have an event you wish to advertise? Please email the editor.

### April 50-50 Winners

1<sup>st</sup> – Jim Richardson  
2<sup>nd</sup> – David Shay (having Four really does pay!!!)

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**P**LEASE ask your friends or relations to let us know if you wish for someone to pray with you and/or bring Holy Communion whilst you are ill or in hospital and unable to get to Sunday Worship. Please contact the Vicar Revd Tom Lusty 4141809.

Bryan Bunday 267 8534

Jonathan Slater 2843136

## Prayer Schedule for Bramhope

We pray weekly, in conjunction with the Methodist Church, for all people living in our area. If you know of anyone who especially needs prayer please pass the details on to Mary Mumby or Bryan Bunday who will arrange for them to be included on the Prayer List.

Staircase Lane & Hall Drive	05/05/19
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Hall Rise, Hall Close, Hall Rise Close & Hall Rise Croft	19/05/19
Wellhead Close, Creskeld Drive, Crescent, Garth & Gardens	26/05/19

Welcome to the May edition of SGR.

Well this is my final attempt to edit the magazine before I pass on the reins to....



Thank you to all the contributors across the years who have helped make create the magazine.

Happy reading...

*Louise*

*Email:stgilesreview2017@gmail.com*

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# From the Vicarage

## ***The humble bicycle***

One of the most imaginative passion plays I have participated in was *The Headingley Hero* by local Leeds playwright and author, Dan Ingram-Brown. This collaboration about ten years ago by Headingley Churches Together began with a 'triumphal procession' down the drive of my former parish, St Chad's, Far Headingley, with Jesus on a bicycle riding between a row of cars with bonnets raised and beeping their horns.

We catch up with Jesus railing against politicians and people of power at the St Chad's War memorial. This has swift repercussions when he is arrested outside Kentucky Fried Chicken and taken to be tried outside St Michael's Church. Jesus is then crucified in the rose garden outside the Arc, then his body carried unceremoniously off wrapped in a sheet... Given that the passion play was a Good Friday, we were only given a hint of the resurrection at the end.

If Jesus came back today what mode of transport would he favour? Probably nothing beats walking for itinerant ministry and the opportunities for genuine face-to-face encounters with people. I wonder, however, if the humble bicycle in a procession (maybe not one with thirty gears that costs as much as a brand new car) might be the modern day equivalent of a donkey.

On the third day he rode again?

*Tom*





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MARGARET AMATO

## Getting to know...

Margaret was born in Rodley and was educated at Intake school. She has had a wide life experience working as a secretary/ PA. She also worked in retail management, in many parts the UK, including Warwickshire and Staffordshire. For two years she lived in South Africa. Despite having spent some time away from Yorkshire she is a true Yorkshirephile and in particular loves the East Coast, especially Whitby. Having spent 23 years in Cookridge she moved to Bramhope where she has lived for 13 years. During this latter period she has worshipped regularly at St Giles and one of her first connections to St Giles was when her company printed the church magazine. Although she has worshipped regularly at other churches she is definitely keen to maintain strong links with St Giles, especially the 8:15 am and 9:30 am services.. Beware those who may sit by the radiator on the right-hand side of the church, three rows from the front near



the lectern - this is Margaret's seat!

Margaret has three sons and one daughter who live in the North of England, five grandchildren, the eldest of which is 24 and 3 great grandchildren .

She is a keen fan of rugby union and in particular Otley. For many years she was a regular attendee at Leeds United, both home and away matches, and was gutted when Leeds lost to Sunderland in the FA Cup some years ago.

*Bill and Janet Cunliffe*





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# Money Matters

At our Annual Parish Church Meeting held on 14 April 2019 I reported on last year's accounts. Our income during 2018 amounted to £99,572. That we achieved such a significant sum is almost completely due to the generosity of church members who faithfully support the church through their planned or occasional giving. We don't receive any outside help from the Diocese or Church Commissioners - it is entirely up to us.

There was, of course, an interregnum during 2018. Our church wardens did a tremendous job in holding things together during this time and organising a rota of locums who were able to lead our services. However, the lack of a permanent vicar does appear to have been reflected in reduced attendance at church. In 2017 attendance was 5,347 adults but in 2018 this had fallen to 4,520.

This fall in attendance fed through into reduced income from collections. When this is combined with a fall in planned giving, which has been ongoing for some years now, our overall income was reduced by in excess of £6,000.

Unfortunately, our expenditure didn't show a similar decrease! Most expenditure (almost 80%) is spent on Parish Share. This is the money we contribute to the Diocese to pay for the costs of ministry. In 2018 it amounted to £85,610 and was paid in full. Our total expenditure for 2018 was £110,917 which meant that we incurred a deficit of £11,345 and this was met from reserves.

Turning to 2019 we do, of course, now have our new vicar, Tom. I am sure that his presence and actions will successfully begin to tackle the decline in attendance we experienced last year. We do, however, still need to address the fall in planned giving.

Will you help us to tackle this problem? Some church members regularly contribute to the collection when they attend church and this is very much appreciated. Would you be prepared to go one step further? Our expenses do of course continue when you are not there. I do realise that everyone's circumstances differ, but would you be prepared to join the planned giving scheme?

For those who are already members of the scheme, thank you for your faithful giving this forms the core of financial support for the church. Would you be prepared once a year to review the level of your donation to see whether it could possibly be increased? If so, this would be extremely helpful in enabling us to keep pace with our costs which rise every year.

If this article has prompted any further questions, or you are not sure how to go about joining the planned giving scheme please do not hesitate to contact me, Tom or any member of the PCC who will be very happy to help. There is also a series of useful brochures on display in the lobby of the church.

*Bernard Williams*

*PCC Treasurer*

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At CATS Toddler Praise we talked about Jesus calming the Storm. The parachute came in very helpful in demonstrating the storm and I think Jesus must have got a little sea sick bouncing up and down! Our next meeting of CTP is May 1.

*Gill Pinches*

## CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Sue and Ken Ball hosted a Cheese and Wine lunch on Sunday 24 March in the Church committee room to celebrate 40 years of the Children's Society committee in Bramhope. Several past members of the committee attended and there was much laughter and reminiscing about past fund raising events and looking at old photographs. Sue was given a certificate and letter of thanks from the headquarters of the Society thanking her for her hard work over the last 9 years. It was most enjoyable and many thanks to Sue and Ken for organising this.

The current committee is now much depleted so if anyone feels they would like to join us they would be most welcome. We hope to continue with the Box Opening and the sale of Christmas cards and quizzes and helping with the Christingle Services. The amount raised this year is £5,400. Jo Simpson

will continue as treasurer and the fundraising events and accounts are displayed on our notice board in the Church Hall following our AGM in February.

*Ann Marshall*

## CIRCLE DANCING

At Easter 2007 (Goodness, that's 12 years ago), our Dancing Group took part in a service called "CROSSING DIVIDES" at Guiseley Methodist Church. It was a national initiative, aiming at bringing communities and countries together in peace and understanding, either by talking in friendship or through different activities. This is where we came in. Here is our introduction given by the Minister:

"In all of the earlier societies, dancing in a ring was at the heart of

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life. People danced not to show off or compete, but to connect. All disputes were put to one side while people took hands, found a common rhythm and moved together, becoming as one body.

To connect with one another in a non-verbal way, moving as equals in a circle is a powerful commitment to our shared humanity. We choose to make everything that unites us more important than any issue which divides us. In a world full of conflict, it is essential to find a time to release stored up tensions, and share in a feeling of joy. It is not a coincidence that relaxed movement to rhythmical music plays a central part in every human culture."

This is what our dancing is all about!!

We then taught a simple dance to 'Let There Be Peace on Earth', which many of the congregation came and joined in: a memorable service and a beautiful way of celebrating Easter Sunday.

*Joan Peart*

## MEN'S SUPPER CLUB

Hi all, the March meeting was a great evening with a gourmet meal from our caterer of a chicken and broccoli crumble with veg and roasties, followed by cherry pie and custard. 26 members enjoyed an interesting after dinner talk about Thuscross and Angram Reservoirs - just a great evening.

NO meeting for April but May 16 is Ladies Evening with a wartime concert by Serendipity and a hot buffet meal promises to be a fantastic evening. see Jim or Martin for more details. Hope to see you all there and make the team's hard work worthwhile.

*Martin Lee*

## MOTHERS' UNION

We had a very successful Soup & Sandwich Lunch on Saturday 16th March with nearly fifty people enjoying sharing lunch together. Even the rain didn't put them off! Thank you to all

our supporters and helpers and to all who contributed food, cakes and raffle prizes. The magnificent sum of £536.92 was raised for MU funds which will cover our donation to the church for using the hall each month.

In April we are looking forward to hearing about 'A Day in a Life of a Magistrate' when Sue Baker and Pamela Smith are visiting to talk. I realise that this subject might appeal to lots of people (both Ladies and Gents) so please do feel free to come along. Entrance is £1 which includes refreshments.

*Gill Pinches*

## WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Hazel Lee described David Kirby's wonderful memorial service which was held at Pocklington the previous week.

We then had an interesting talk by Lesley Newnham on John Trescott who was an English naturalist, gardener, collector and traveller. With royal





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*Janet Cunliffe*



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There will also be a static bike challenge with both the Methodist minister and Vicar keen to take on all challengers on the turbo trainers. Also a cyclathon will be running throughout the day – so if people can offer a five minute stint to keep the pedals of the exercise bike spinning in all weather conditions that will add a certain something to the outdoor celebrations. All proceeds to this year's village charity, Martin House.

We are running no less than *three* competitions: we are encouraging budding young artists from the local schools to create the most imaginative use of recycling for aesthetic purposes. For this competition the art may be either in 'statue' or 'less three dimensional' form. Also a "Bling your bike" competition to establish once and for all how much bling it is possible to fit onto a single bike. And a Tour de Yorkshire themed cycling quiz, available in local shops and businesses at around the time the parish magazine goes to press.

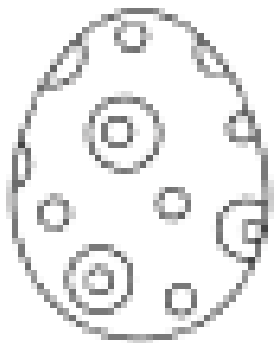
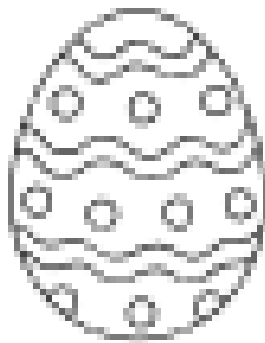
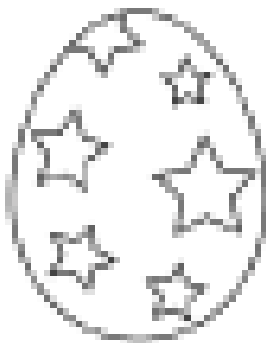
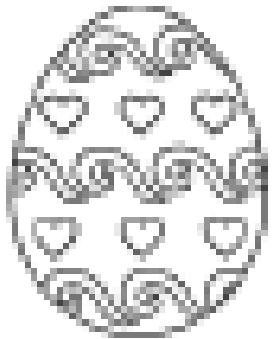
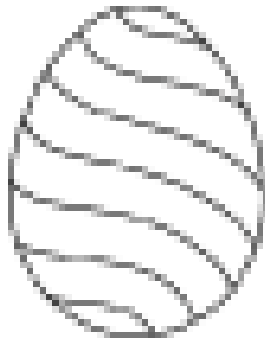
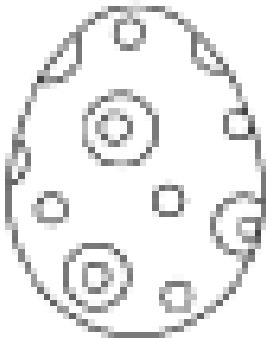
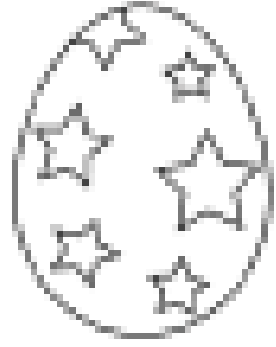
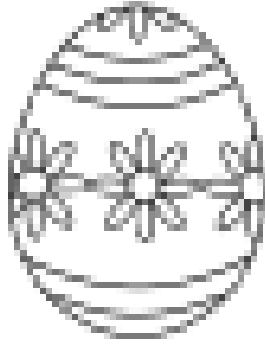
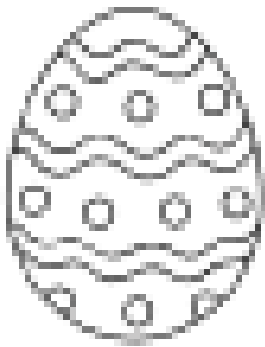


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The competition winners for the quiz will be announced immediately after the men's race has gone past. There are some great prizes - a big thank you to local businesses for your generous support.

After yet more Tour de Yorkshire themed events have passed through our village we will celebrate things having gone well with an ecumenical act of worship in a bunting festooned St Giles's Church on the evening of Sunday 5 May. The service is at 6.30pm. All most welcome.

*Revd Tom Lusty, Vicar at St Giles*



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## A wisdom story

During the Middle Ages, a traveller came upon a place in France where a great deal of building work was going on. He began talking with the stone cutters and asking them about their work. He approached the first worker and asked, "What are you doing?"

The man, very disgruntled, and obviously unhappy in his hard toil, replied, "I'm cutting these huge boulders with the simplest of tools and putting them together in the way I have been told to do. I am sweating in this heat and my back is hurting. What's more, I'm totally bored, and I wish I didn't have to do this hard and meaningless job."

The traveller moved on quickly to interview a second worker. He asked the same question: "What are you doing?"

The worker replied, "Well, I have a wife and children at home, so I come here every morning and work these boulders into regular shapes as I'm told to do. It gets repetitive sometimes, but it helps feed my family, and that's all I want."

Somewhat encouraged, the traveller went to a third worker. "And what are you doing?" he asked

The third worker responded with shining eyes, as he pointed up to the heavens, "I'm building a cathedral!"

*Source Unknown*

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20.04.19	EASTER
27.04.19	Martin Lee & Neil Simpson
04.05.19	Bank Holiday
11.05.19	Ron McTaggart & Mark Shay
18.05.19	Ian Skirrow and Gareth Osborne
25.05.19	Bank Holiday
01.06.19	Mikey Riley & Andrew Rollett
08.06.19	Tony Lendell & Steve Giles
15.06.19	Gareth Osborne & Jim Richardson
22.06.19	Martin Dixon & Alan Tomkins
29.06.19	Neil Simpson & Alan Tomkins
06.07.19	TBA & TBA
03.07.19	OFF
20.07.19	Mark Shay & Paul Fletcher
27.07.19	OFF
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Diary for May 2019	
Wed 1	Toddler Praise Mothers' Union 2.00 pm Janet Hobson "Bramhope in Bloom"
Fri 3	Tour de Yorkshire through Bramhope. Refreshments at St Giles
Tues 7	Circle Dancing 7.15 pm
Wed 8	CATS 9.15 – 11.15 am
Sat 11	Men's Supper Club Book sale
Tues 14	Women's Fellowship 8.00 pm National Trust – "Fountains Abbey"
Wed 15	CATS 9.15 – 11.15 am Open House 2.00 – 4.00 pm
Thur 16	Men's Supper Club 6.00 for 6.30 pm Ladies' invitation Dinner – Church Hall
Tues 21	Circle Dancing 7.15 pm
Wed 22	CATS 9.15 - 11.15 am
Sun 26	Activities for children 9.30 am


## Parish Register

Baptisms  
March 24  
Bethan Rose Ford  
Noah Isaac Ford  
Albie Percy Robinson

Funerals  
March 19  
Joseph Dodgson

March 22  
Stephen Graham

Enquiries regarding baptisms,  
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Mrs June Pickles	Churchwarden
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Dr Sue Ball	
Mrs Lesley Reeves	
Mrs Eddie Whitehead	
Mrs Jude Jones	
Mr Jonathan Slater	Ex Officio Reader

	WELCOME		COFFEE
May 5	Fiona & Ewan Rightson	May 5	Diane Thompson & Jill Perkin
May 12	Sue Ball	May 12	Bernard & Sheila Williams
May 19	Suzu Bidgood	May 19	Judy Brown & Sue Henry
May 26	Jean Bradshaw	May 26	Sue Ball & Miranda Reynard

SIDESPERSONS & SOUND DESK*				
SUNDAY	8.15am	9.30am		6.30pm
<b>1st</b>	Bill Cunliffe Steve McGraw	Philip Kendall-Smith	Margaret North Warden*	Margaret North
<b>2nd</b>	NO SERVICE	John Graham Neil Simpson	Mikey Riley Nici Shay *	Margaret North
<b>3rd</b>	Janet Howard	Fred Archenhold Joan Archenhold	Bob Lewis Warden*	Michael Coles
<b>4th</b>	NO SERVICE	Janet Cunliffe Jill Perkin	Karen Giles*	Alan Woodthorpe
<b>5th</b>	John Grisdale Sue Gamble	Sara Leefe Audrey Harrison	Sue Ball Warden*	

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<b>Church Services for May 2019</b>		
Wednesday 1st	10.00am	Toddler Praise
Thursday 2nd	10.30am	First Thursday Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>Sunday 5th</b>	<b>THIRD OF EASTER</b>	
	8.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong
Thursday 9th	10.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>Sunday 12th</b>	<b>FOURTH OF EASTER</b>	
	9.30am	All.together Service with Healing Ministry
	6.30pm	Parish Communion (CW) with Healing Ministry
Thursday 16th	10.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>Sunday 19th</b>	<b>FIFTH OF EASTER</b>	
	8.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong
Thursday 23rd	10.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>Sunday 26th</b>	<b>SIXTH OF EASTER</b>	
	9.30am	Together Communion (CW)
	6.30pm	Parish Communion (CW)
<b>Thursday 30th</b>	<b>ASCENSION DAY</b>	
	10.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>JUNE 2019</b>		
<b>Sunday 2nd</b>	<b>SEVENTH OF EASTER</b>	
	8.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong
Wednesday 5th	10.00am	Toddler Praise
Thursday 6th	10.30am	First Thursday Holy Communion (BCP)