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# St Giles Review

June 2013

10am-11am  
Wednesday 5th June

## Confirmation Service

led by Rt. Revd. John Packer,  
Bishop of Ripon and Leeds

Sunday 16th June

3pm



## Together Communion

Sunday 23rd June 9.30am

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A Communion Service  
for Father's Day with  
Messy Church followed  
by Breakfast Brunch.  
9.30am

Sunday 16th June 2013

Also this month:

The Coronation  
St Columba  
Father's Day  
News and events  
Samaritans  
Pause for Thought  
Service details  
.....and much more

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What were you doing 60 years ago on the 2nd June? (p17).

Some I'm sure, won't be able to remember, if indeed you were born, but others will. Apparently one member of our congregation took her first steps on that day. What did you do? Please let us know.

Father's Day is not part of the church calendar and it was invented, possibly, as a marketing ploy to sell more cards. However this year, St

Giles is going to say a big 'thank you' to Fathers and celebrate all they do for us on 16th June (p13). There will be a Communion Service with Messy Church in the hall and all followed by Breakfast Brunch. The Bishop is then coming in the afternoon to confirm a goodly number of candidates. What a lively and vibrant church we have!

*Gill Pinches*

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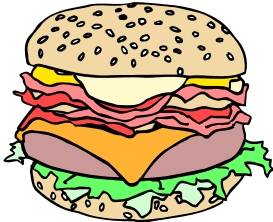
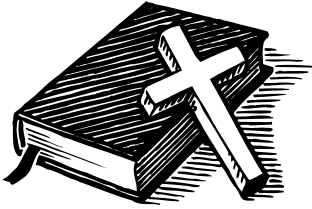
Dear Friends

This month we welcome Bishop John Packer for a confirmation service at St Giles. Confirmation is that point on our spiritual journey where we make the decision to follow Jesus Christ; to affirm the promises we made at baptism either for ourselves or those that were made for us by our parents. We have heard Jesus calling to us, looked at the Christian faith and decided that it is for us and we have decided to follow Him with fellow travellers in the Church of England.

**The service is on Sunday 16 June at 3pm.**

That Sunday is also Father's Day and we will be celebrating dads and our heavenly Father whom Jesus called Abba Father at our 9.30 service. We are inviting our Messy Church families to this special service with Messy Church activities in the hall and participation of children and adults in the service. It's going to be a great time of worship together. The service will be followed by breakfast brunch. It's always a popular event so come along and join in on that morning whether you are on your own or part of a family group. ALL the church family is welcome.

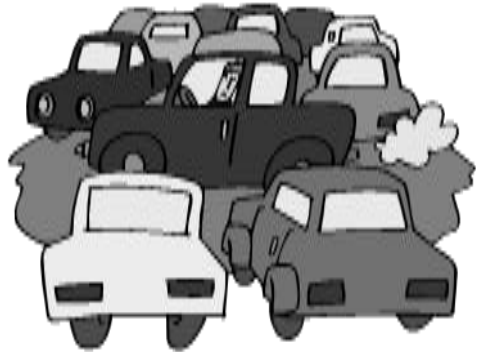
Can I make a plea to all who come to St Giles to remember our neighbours? Please avoid parking in the places marked with cones on Church Hill. This would help make Church



Hill less hazardous for *all* road users.

Remember that the village has a council car park next to the tennis courts. Car sharing would also ease the pressure on the car park and leave room for perhaps the more needy. It's also a chance to get to know each other much better! Are you able to walk to church? I do try not to use my car and walk

when I don't have heavy bags or equipment to carry. I'm sure, with some thought, we can communally improve the situation.



I look forward to seeing you at any or all of our services in June.

May God Bless you and all those being confirmed and brought into our church family here at St Giles.



*Janice*

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# Announcements

*(including Parish Register)*

## Parish Registers

### Baptism

12th May  
Mia Olivia McColl

*'Congratulations'*

### Funeral

25th April  
Hilma Arron

*'Condolences'*

### Baptism Anniversaries

Felicity Jane Gold  
Neve Amelia Homer  
Joshua John Treliving  
Kate Alyce Graesslin  
Hollie Jayne Hearson  
Serena Eve Cook  
Lucy India Osborne

*'Congratulations'*

### Congratulations to

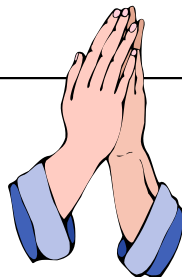
Betty and Dudley Reyner  
who celebrate their Diamond  
Wedding on 6th June and

Bill and Janet Cunliffe who  
celebrate their 50th Wedding  
Anniversary in June.



## Diary for June 2013

- |    |       |  |
|----|-------|--|
| 2  | Sun   | Rock Solid 5.00 - 6.00 pm at St Giles            |
| 4  | Tues  | Circle Dancing 7.45 pm                           |
| 5  | Wed   | Toddler Praise 10.00 -11.00 am                   |
| 5  | Wed   | Luncheon Club 12.15 pm                           |
| 5  | Wed   | Mother's Union 2.00 pm                           |
|    |       | Canon Ann Hemsworth "Florence Nightingale"       |
| 6  | Thurs | The Word – Bible Study 7.30 pm                   |
|    |       | Home Group Tel 2670311 for location              |
| 9  | Sun   | Rock Solid 5.00 - 6.00 pm at St Giles            |
| 11 | Tues  | Women's Fellowship 8.00 pm                       |
|    |       | Robert Ward "The Magic of Gem Stones"            |
| 12 | Wed   | Toddler Group 9.15 am                            |
| 13 | Thurs | Walking Talking Group 9.30 am                    |
| 16 | Sun   | Fair Trade Stall 10.30 am                        |
| 16 | Sun   | Communion with Brunch for Father's Day           |
| 16 | Sun   | Rock Solid 5.00 - 6.00 pm at St Giles            |
| 18 | Tues  | Circle Dancing 7.45 pm                           |
| 19 | Wed   | Toddler Group 9.15 am                            |
| 19 | Wed   | Open House 2.00 - 4.00 pm                        |
| 20 | Thurs | The Word – Bible Study 7.30 pm                   |
|    |       | Home Group Tel 2670311 for location              |
| 23 | Sun   | Activities for under 7's during Service. 9.30 am |
| 23 | Sun   | Rock Solid 5.00 - 6.00 pm at St Giles            |
| 26 | Wed   | Toddler Group 9.15 am                            |
| 27 | Thurs | Pub Walking Group 9.30 am                        |



Please 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. In the first instance they should contact:  
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# St Columba - Colum the dove (521-597)

Columba was born in Donegal into a princely family and was educated as a monk in the monastery of Clonard. The story goes that he had an argument with a fellow monk over copyright of an illustrated psalter; a bloody battle resulted during which many men were killed. As a consequence, Columba was exiled from Ireland and set out with 12 companions in 563 to find the nearest place from which he could no longer see his native Ireland. He ended up on the island of Iona in the Inner Hebrides. You can imagine him arriving there, far from home, exiled and isolated, and it was probably raining! Indeed the green streaked pebbles on the beach where Columba landed on Iona are known as 'Columba's tears'. He established a monastery on Iona in the Irish Celtic tradition, evangelising throughout Scotland and the north of England. The Celtic tradition in the north of England gave us many of the 'Northern' saints including St Aidan, St Cuthbert and St Oswald.

Columba died on 9 June 587 and was buried on Iona. His relics became a powerful symbol of Scottish nationhood. They were

carried before the Scottish army in battle, notably in 1314 at Bannockburn, when the Scots sent Edward II 'homewards, to think again'. I wonder if Mr Salmond has put in a bid for them?

Most of what we know about Columba comes from writings by the Venerable Bede and by Adomnan, who was the ninth Abbot of Iona. They tell the story of a brave and warlike evangelist and scholar, who once had a tussle with the Loch Ness monster – the final score was Columba 1, Nessie 0, as the



monster was banished to the depths of the Loch by Columba after it had killed one of his disciples. Maybe that is why sightings of the monster are so rare today?

The Iona Community has produced a liturgy for this



year to celebrate the 1450th anniversary of the arrival of Columba on Iona. Its title is 'Bell, Book and Candle', which sounds a bit dire. But it is not quite as grim as it sounds. The Bell calls us to worship and suffer for our faith, the Book teaches us our faith, and also brings to mind the Book of Kells, written by monks on Iona, and the Candle represents our evangelism throughout the world. The liturgy ends with this blessing:

*And now may kindly  
Columba guide you*

*To be an isle in the sea  
To be a hill on the shore  
To be a star in the night  
To be a staff for the weak  
Amen.*

*Jenni Hall*

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# So what's Ordination all about?

Over the next few weeks, Ordination Services will be held across the Church of England, as men and women are ordained as deacons and priests. But what is this call to ministry all about?

Of course, every Christian is called to be a disciple of Jesus Christ and to live out that discipleship in ways which make the most of his or her unique blend of gifts, personality and situation. However, for some this is expressed in a call to ordained ministry within the wider church. A key to understanding this is found in Paul's words to the Ephesians:

'So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.' (Eph 4:11-13).

The role of leadership is to equip and enable all God's people to be actively engaged in the work of ministry, rather than simply the leaders.

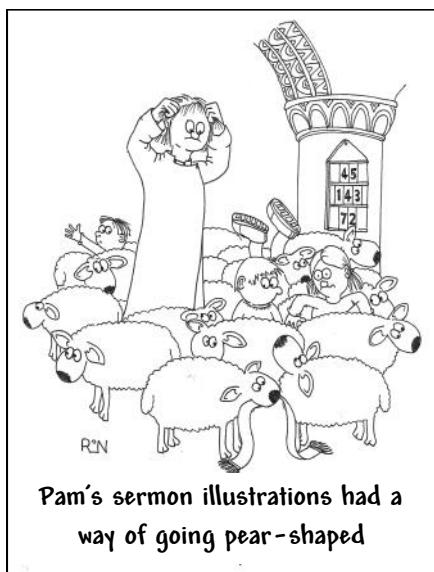
In the Church of England, there is a 'threefold order' of ordained ministry: bishops, priests and deacons. This reflects what we find in the Pastoral Epistles, where Paul identifies two roles within the church, 'presbyter' or 'bishop' (the terms being used interchangeably for leaders in the church), and 'deacon', involving being set aside (ordained) for a particular serving role. A person who is accepted for ordination as a priest is first ordained as a deacon. Then, after a period of normally a year, he or she is ordained to the priesthood. This reminds us that humble service is always at the heart of priestly ministry.

Most ordained ministers are priests or presbyters. Their work is to build up the Body of Christ in the Church and in the world through the celebration of the sacraments, teaching, preaching and pastoral care. It is a ministry of leadership and mission, enabling all Christian people to realize

their potential as they witness to Christ in the world. It is also about living lives which point to the life of Christ crucified and risen, encouraging all God's people to show love, care and compassion and to strive for justice and peace.

It is a challenging and significant role within the life of the church. So do pray for those are preparing for this significant step in their own lives in the near future.

*Paul Hardingham*



# Thank God for farmers!

*Open Farm Sunday is this year on 9th June, when Christians are being asked to remember farmers.*

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It's all a million miles from where the  
story began,  
and the world of those who should tell it.

Those who prepare the land, plough it and  
cultivate it;  
sow it and plant it, weed it and spray it,  
irrigate it and harvest it, and sort and transport  
the crop that's produced.

Those who calve the cow, stay with it and tend it;  
feed it and milk it, help with the birth and watch the calf grow.  
Who tag it and protect it, nurture it and feed it,  
until it's ready for market as a strong healthy beast.

So many hours and so much skill.  
Generations of experience, tending the land and caring for  
stock.

So much effort, so many risks,  
the weather, disease, the whim of the market  
all to put food on my plate.

Lord I thank you  
for those who produce the food that I eat;  
for their commitment and effort, their knowledge, their skills.  
And forgive me I pray that I take them for granted,  
forget what they do, and ignore what I owe.  
May I value their work and all it produces,  
May I give them the respect and the appreciation they deserve.  
And may I give you the glory, as Creator Provider,  
the giver of all that I now thank you for.  
Amen

*From the Arthur Rank Centre*



## A prayer for farmers.....

### ***Struggling to recover from the severe weather***

Gracious God, you provide us with food from the earth through the work of human hands:

after a poor summer and long winter,

we pray for all those who grow and produce our food

in the most difficult conditions.

We remember the physical hardships

and distress of farmers dealing with livestock that have died,

and those who are still to sow crops to harvest this year.

Bless the work of all those who care for your land and animals so that we may have food to sustain us.

This we ask through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

*Cn Dr Jill Hopkinson, the  
CoFE's National Rural Officer  
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# Responses of the Heart

*"This is the meaning of the parable: The seed is the word of God" (Luke 8: 11)*

I was phoning London from Zimbabwe, after visiting the famous Victoria Falls. "Have you seen it?" I was asked. "Yes." I replied. Next - "Have you photographed it?" "Yes!" "All of it?" "Ah," I said, "You don't know what you're asking. It's the biggest thing I've ever seen. It's a mile across! All you can do is take individual snaps. But I can tell you – it's the best thing I've ever seen in my life!"

When it comes to the biggest thing in the whole world – the kingdom of God – it's much the same principle. Rather than give an overall theological definition of God's kingdom, Jesus would tell parable after parable, so giving to his listeners a series of snap shots – of the Kingdom.

Here in Luke 8 he's taking snaps of the human heart – as it comes into contact with God's word.

First we learn of:

*The shut heart of hard unresponsive soil (v.5)*

The 'path' here was trodden down and beaten flat; any seed that fell, the birds got. This is what happens in a heart that over time has

become impervious to God's word. The seed is quickly whisked away and produces nothing.

But then there is:

*The shallow heart of rocky soil (v. 6)*

This seems to represent the individual who has some kind of flirtation with the Gospel. It becomes apparent that the implications of discipleship have never been thought out. Let adversity or opposition raise its head – and early resolves 'wither' away and are simply dried up.

*The choked heart of cluttered soil (v.7)*

It's the 'thorns' that have been allowed to grow in what could have been good soil. So much to do, to see, earn and enjoy! And so

many worries to attend to.... This is the hearer who becomes diverted from spiritual priorities. Result – a slow expiry....

*The changed heart of the receptive soil (v. 8)*

Is this yours – the open heart – ready and willing to receive the word that draws us into the very kingdom of God in Jesus Christ? It's that category only that will produce a crop for eternity. The Kingdom – it's the biggest thing there is!

*Richard Bewes*

*With father's day this month.....*

## Daddy's girl

A young father was taking care of his baby daughter while his wife went to town shopping. He decided to go fishing and he had to take the toddler along. "I'll never take her along with me again!" he told his wife that evening. "I didn't catch a thing!"

"Oh, next time I'm sure she'll be quiet and not scare the fish away," his wife said.

The father said gloomily. "No, it wasn't that. She ate all the bait."

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# Pause for Thought

*Bishop of Bradford reflects on preaching to 9 million people .....*

The Bishop of Bradford has praised DJ Chris Evans for building his Radio 2 Breakfast Show into Europe's largest radio audience. Recent industry figures give the show, which includes *Pause for Thought*, an average of 9.5m people tuning in every day.

The Rt Revd Nick Baines, the Bishop of Bradford, is one of the show's regular *Pause for Thought* contributors. Speaking in a

Church of England podcast published today, ([www.churchofengland.org/media-centre/engage-with-us-online/podcasts.aspx](http://www.churchofengland.org/media-centre/engage-with-us-online/podcasts.aspx)) Bishop Nick says, "You've got to be able to fit in with the medium. It's no good having stuff to say if you don't know how to say it or there is a big 'clunk' between the programme, which is great, fast-moving fun and 'the religious bit'".

Elton John, Barry Manilow,

Barbara Windsor, Peter Kaye and Rick Astley are amongst the showbiz names that Bishop Nick's shared a studio with during the three years he's been on the show. He recalls the morning Suggs, the lead singer with Madness, was Chris' guest. Bishop Nick managed to work sixteen Madness song titles into his *Pause for Thought* script.

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## Samaritans - celebrating 60 years

**Samaritans** (until 2002 known as **The Samaritans**) is a registered charity aimed at providing emotional support to anyone in emotional distress, struggling to cope, or at risk of suicide throughout the United Kingdom and Ireland. The name comes from the Biblical parable of the Good Samaritan, though the organisation is secular.

Samaritans was founded in 1953 by Chad Varah, a vicar in the London Diocese. His inspiration came from an experience he had had some years earlier as a young curate in the Diocese of Lincoln. He had taken a

funeral for a girl of fourteen who had killed herself because she feared she had contracted an STD. In reality she was menstruating. Varah placed an advertisement in a newspaper encouraging people to volunteer at his church, listening to people contemplating suicide. The movement grew rapidly: within ten years there were 40 branches and there are now 203 branches across the UK and Ireland, deliberately organised without regard to national boundaries on the basis that a service which is not political or religious should not recognise sectarian or political divisions. Samaritans offers support through over 20,600 trained volunteers (2011) and is entirely dependent on

voluntary support. In 2004 Samaritans announced that volunteer numbers had reached a thirty-year low and launched a campaign to recruit more young people (specifically targeted at ages 18–24) to become volunteers. The campaign was fronted by Phil Selway, drummer with the band Radiohead, himself a Samaritans volunteer.

*Extracts from Wikipedia*





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# The Coronation: I was There!

It is, as you may have noticed, the sixtieth anniversary of the Queen's coronation this month. If you are under 55 it is probably simply a matter of history. That piece of history, however, will be relived this month in many grainy pictures on our television screens - even, perhaps, some in colour, from the cinema newsreels of the time. For those of us over that age, however, it is probably one of those memories - images, really - that you can never quite forget. In truth, it is part of our history.

Millions, like me, sat in a crowded room and gazed at a tiny television screen on which black and white images appeared of the

distant scene in and around Westminster Abbey. Up till then, TV had been largely a rich person's toy, but no one was going to miss the event of a lifetime. Aided by the entrepreneurial genius of Radio Rentals and other newly formed competitors, we watched on rented sets, our own or a neighbour's. Television suddenly became available to almost everybody. Indeed, I can't think of anyone in our very ordinary circle of friends in a London suburb who didn't watch the coronation as it happened.

And that made a difference. Previous coronations had been great affairs of State, attended by the nobility, the great and the good - just a few hundred of them. True, the crowds could line the route to and from the abbey and cheer and wave flags, but once the real business began they were definitely outside. But now - miraculously, it seemed - we were inside: indeed, we had a better view of proceedings than most of those distinguished folk who had got tickets for the abbey.

This, like no other, was the People's Coronation,



and the young Queen and her fair-haired sailor husband were the People's Monarchy, in a way none of their predecessors could possibly have imagined. When the archbishop placed the crown on her head, we were just feet away (or so it seemed). When he anointed her with oil, we could see it glisten. We could join in the prayers and the hymns, hear the glorious music and fanfares, share with the congregation in the abbey an occasion that was, after all, a vital part of the life of our nation and the Commonwealth.

Time and again over those few days we sang 'Long live our gracious Queen', and she has done it. 'Long to reign over us, happy and glorious'. Exactly.

*Canon David Winter, a former Head of Religious Broadcasting at the BBC.*



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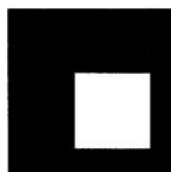
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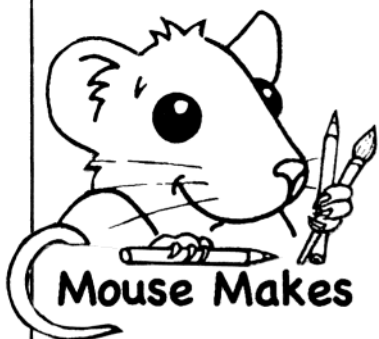
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- MISHAEL
- AZARIAH
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- STATUE
- IDOL
- FURNACE
- TREE
- WRITING
- WALL
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Ashpenaz changed the names of Daniel and his friends. Look up *Daniel 1:7* to see what he changed them to.



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## **Mothers' Union**

A few members attended the Deanery Lady Day Service at St. Margaret's Church Horsforth on April 8th, a very good service in a cold Church (they had forgotten to put the heating on!) but the lovely cakes and tea more than made up for it!

On 1st May Shelagh Robinson spoke to us about the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. The Charity was founded in October 2000, currently costs £9,990 per day to operate and is entirely funded by the public of Yorkshire. The money is raised through legacies, The Charity's own lottery, recycling of textiles, shoes and mobile phones, fundraising events and sale of merchandise. There are two helicopters, one based on the Nostell Priory Estate and the other on Topcliffe RAF Station where there is also a house for crew and paramedics to stay overnight if necessary. She told us several stories where lives had been saved by the rapid response of the crew and paramedics. They aim to have casualties moved from the scene of an accident to the hospital within an hour. It was an interesting and very informative talk and we all felt that this was a charity

well worth supporting.

The cost of our outing to Richmond on July 3rd will be £25 which includes the coach and lunch. There is the option of a tour of the Georgian Theatre there for an extra £2.50. Please sign up, choose your menu for lunch, and pay at the next meeting which is a talk by Canon Ann Hemsworth on Florence Nightingale.

*Anne Marshall*

## **Children's Society**

The committee held the AGM on 8th April. Overall we have had a successful year of events and the total sent to the Society this year is £5,593.62p. The fundraising accounts and summary is displayed on our notice board.

*Anne Marshall*

*What an amazing amount of money raised in just one year by one committee.*

*Wow! Ed*

## **Women's Fellowship**

The meeting this month is a real sparkler! Robert W. Wood is coming to give a talk entitled "Crystal Power, Fact or Fiction" based on the many mysteries surrounding Gemstones and Crystals. Discover the Scriptures connection with Birthstones

and how they can bring Peace of Mind. Their healing power, the placebo effect and how Quartz crystals light up in the dark are other intriguing aspects of his talk.

All that and a raffle and a gift stall with jewellery, books, bracelets and lots more. You really cannot afford to miss this sparkling evening. Bring all your friends and family. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, 11th June at 8.00pm

July will be our Summer Supper. Note this is on Wednesday, 10th July at 7.30. Tickets still at the amazing price of £10! More details later.

*Rosemary Cysarz*

## **Open House**

Next Open House is on 19th June in the church hall between 2-4pm. If you fancy making new friends or catching up with old ones over a cup of tea and cake. Do give it a go or ring Wendy Fudge 281 7754 for more details. You will be warmly welcomed.

## **Luncheon Club**

The next and final Luncheon Club before October is on Wednesday 5th June at 12.15pm. Have you given it

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# Notices.... Group News.... Notices.... Events....

a try yet?

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New members are always welcomed so book your place early (or at least a week before) with Mary Burnell on 2671742 for the June Lunch.

## ***Walking Club News***

The walks for the month of June will take place on the 13th and the 27th. The former will be the Walking Talking Group, the latter being the Pub Walking Group.

Both groups meet before the walks in the Old Lane car park adjacent to the Craven for a 9.30 a.m. departure.

*Ken Ball*

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## ***The Word***

The Word meets on 6th and 20th June this month.

It is informal worship, bible-based discussion and prayer, meeting twice a month on a Thursday in each others' homes at 7.30pm.

We are a friendly group who start the meeting with refreshments, and would like

to welcome you to join us for informative, relaxed fellowship. Open to anyone!

*Krystyna Novak*

## ***Nightflyers Big Band***

I didn't actually see dancing in the aisles but I am sure if someone had dared to try it there would have been many followers. We had a wonderful evening of entertainment with songs such as *Chatanooga, Bill Bailey, Just the Way You Are* and of course *In the Mood*.

The Nightflyers Big Band did us proud and a whopping £1500 was raised to be shared between the Kitchen Fund and Christian Aid. Thank you to all who came, helped and supported us.

*Gill Pinches*

## ***Book Sale***

A big thank you to everyone who helped with our recent book sale. Due to your generosity we received lots of books for sale and this enabled us to raise the magnificent sum of £568. This money will be donated by the Club to the Church Kitchen Fund. The story does not end there, however. Books which remained unsold were subsequently donated to Christian Aid

(who now collect books) and the remainder to Oxfam.

This means that your unwanted books will not only benefit us here in Bramhope but also be used to fund relief work in the wider world. Well done everyone!

*Bernard Williams*

## ***Kids Club***

Kids Club, an after school club run at Bramhope Primary School will not now be meeting again until September.

Since Easter the children have been learning the Easter story and had lots of games and activities. If you know of any children in school years 3-5 please let them know of Kids Club. We meet at 3.15 - 4.30pm on Tuesdays. Further details can be obtained from Revd Janice 203 7523.

## ***KEYS, KEYS, KEYS***

A plea from Mary Mumby - our curator of keys.....

Any keys belonging to church should be returned to Mary if the reason they had been issued has been rescinded.

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## **New Barrier Gate**

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The gate has been made by Gayle Mill in Wensleydale and we are very grateful to Fiona and Gary Manners who transported it back to Bramhope in their trailer. Gayle Mill was a finalist in the 2004 BBC2 Restoration series. Although it did not win the Restoration competition, it did receive funding to help with the restoration and the Gayle Mill Trust now own and run the mill. The Trustees and Friends use the water powered saws and equipment to make wooden objects which are for sale in their shop to help with the running costs.

## **APCM**

The Meeting of the Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held on 21st April 2013. Miranda Reynard was re-elected as PCC Secretary, Mary Mumby and Gill Pinches re-elected as Churchwardens. The Accounts were presented and it was pointed out that a few

legacies and donations had helped us keep our head above water but they couldn't be relied upon for future years. Consequently a plea went out for people perhaps to increase their standing orders or start giving by standing order. After all, as Janice said in her report "We have a growing church here in Bramhope, which is bucking the national trend. We should be grateful for this and give to God for this blessing." It was also proposed that we use a different Auditor. This was accepted.

5 new members were elected onto the PCC and thanks were given to those retiring. 2 new sidespersons were elected and questions were asked about the kitchen refurbishment which is in the latter stages of planning now.

Minutes of the meeting can be found at the back of church.

*Gill Pinches*

## **Calling all pre-school children.**

### **Toddler Praise**

Bring your Mum, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa or Childminder for an hour of songs, stories, crafts and,

most importantly, tea, juice & biscuits!

Held on the first Wednesday of each month, our next session is on Wednesday 5 June in the church. The following one (and last one before the summer holidays) is Wed 3 July.

Janice & Fiona look forward to seeing you!

*Fiona Wrightson*

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# Notices.... Group News....



## Messy Church

Many of you will have seen our signs for Messy Church but what is it?

Messy Church is a fun way of doing church for all the family; children and adults together. We meet in the church hall at 2pm. There is always a theme for the afternoon. We have had the obvious like Pentecost, Easter and Christmas and others not so obvious like the story of Ruth at which we did harvest, or baptism, or mountains in the bible. You'd be surprised how many mountains are involved at pivotal moments in the bible eg the 10 commandments, the Sermon on the Mount; we made a mountain out of cardboard boxes as well.

So what do we do? Each theme is illustrated by crafts or games, the messier the better. Here are some of the children's favourites and mine!

- Primordial slime we made for Creation
- Jesus feeding the 5000 in cake, biscuits and icing
- Fishing for ducks in the paddling pool.
- Making swords and shields
- Fruits of the spirit with targets and catapults.

- Lots of pictures and friezes made with junk, scraps and finger prints.

- Lots of paint - feet prints, hand prints, painted faces, clay tablets, play dough to name but a few.

At the half way mark we go into church for about 15 minutes and take what we have made to show and have a story with some action songs. Our current favourite is *My God is so Big*.

When we go back in the hall the food is out, all organised by Marva and her team. We don't call her marvellous Marva for nothing! There is food for both children and adults and its really good!

We finish the afternoon with games and go home with lots of things we have made and memories of a fun afternoon. Grandparents, parents and children learning and having fun together.

If you want to join in our last event before the summer break, our next Messy Church is on 16 June 2013. It's Father's Day and we are celebrating dads and our Heavenly Father. For a change we are joining the rest of the church family at the 9.30 service. There will be presents to make for dads, opportunities for everyone to join in the worship and after

service ..... our ever popular breakfast brunch... yum.

And now my thank yous to

- The team who plan and decide the activities.
- The team who prepare the crafts and lead them on the day.
- The musicians who play and sing.
- The food team led by Marva.
- The families, their relatives and friends who come to Messy Church.

Messy Church returns on **8 September at 2pm** in the church hall. Interested?

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applications are based on attitude not academic results. The programmes are based on action learning, because entrepreneurs learn best by doing and they learn best from their peers and practitioners in the field. There is no typical student; the SSE has students aged 19-74 and its students are roughly split 50:50 between men and women. The students have a mix of educational experiences, including those with no formal qualifications

and those who are professionally or academically qualified. Its uniqueness lies in the depth and duration of its support, and in the emphasis on supporting and developing social entrepreneurs alongside their organisation.

*Sue Osborne*

*-to be continued next month-*

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## What makes you happy?

What does it take to make you happy? Getting into bed between freshly washed sheets, or finding £10 note in our jeans is enough to set most of us off, it seems. We also feel happy when people tell us they think we have lost weight. Praise from our boss, or even waking up to a sunny morning, can also bring a surge of simple joy.

The Top 20 Things that make us happy include: sitting in the sun, getting a nice message from a loved one, listening to our favourite song, finding a bargain, getting a promotion, and even the smell of the Sunday roast. Three Barrels

Brandy, which conducted the research, said: "It would seem that it does not take much to lift our spirits. Small gestures from friends and family can work wonders. Simple things can make such a positive difference."

Solomon agreed: "I know that there is nothing better for men than to be happy and do good while they live." (Eccles. 3:12)

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## And what invention annoys you the most?

Probably automated telephone switchboards. Being told to 'press 1 to place an order', 'press 2 to....' has been named as the most infuriating innovation imaginable. Speed bumps and pop-up advertisements on websites are also high up there on the annoyance scale.

What else drives us crazy? Money-making speed cameras, car alarms that go off for no reason, pay-for-use lavatories and self-scan supermarket check-outs. These all also appear in the top ten most-hated list.

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The Vicar thanked **Mary McMahon** & her Spring Fayre Committee for raising £750 for the Church Missionary Society.

**Bryan Bunday** wrote an interesting article on the laymen's views of "The Peace". He observed that parishioners initially had a natural reticence to greet people in this way in church and yet we usually have no hesitation in greeting and shaking hands with someone outside church? Bryan made a fascinating observation in that "The Peace" was the first time he had ever shaken hands with his wife, **Nancy**!

He thought that as everybody had got used to this new venture "The Peace" had added a new dimension to the church worship.

Following 2 years of cross stitching and very hard work, 21 kneelers had been finished for the new chapel. These were to be dedicated at Harvest time. **Mary Cook** was one of these hard workers. However the stitchers were adamant that they would not do another 150 for the main church!!

In May, the **Mothers' Union**

had attended the Diocesan Festival of Worship at Ripon Cathedral & **Gill Perkin** had carried the banner. Dancers from Harehills School had performed 3 parables.

The **Women's Fellowship** had enjoyed a talk about Golden Acre Park in the 30s. At that time it boasted of a boating lake, miniature railway, swimming pool and a dance hall.

**Joyce Shephard** had raised £155 for the Church of England Childrens Society with a lunch at her house.

Finally the choir had started to use the RSCM Junior Training Scheme and **Mark Mumby** was thanked for producing the notice boards in the choir vestry. During the winter some boys had left the district and others had become casualties of voice change during adolescence. Consequently **Mr Hunt**, the then choirmaster was advertising for choirboys; one of the qualifications was to know how to behave!

*Janet and Bill Cunliffe*

## Warden's Blog

First and foremost, thank you. Whether I should be thanking you for electing me for another year is another matter.

I do enjoy being busy and can't understand people who say they are bored. Though now the summer is approaching (?) I do need time in the garden especially as we are hosting a garden party in July.

The busy week end of the Men's Supper Club Book sale tested me too. After organising the concert on the Friday evening and shopping



for books on the Saturday (when am I going to read them?) I found myself on my knees mopping the floor in the ladies loo on Sunday morning. Someone had inadvertently left the tap on and water had sprayed everywhere.

It's all in a Warden's day...

*Gill Pinches*

# Rotas for June 2013

## CHURCH FLOWERS

Guild Member Janet Howard

2 June Janet Howard

9 June Wedding

16 June Wedding

23 June Julie Fuller

30 June Margaret North

2 June Wendy Fudge

9 June Betty  
& Dudley Reyner

16 June Sara Leefe

23 June Gill Perkin

30 June Marjorie Mason  
Dorothy Pickles

9 June Nicci Shay

16 June Catherine Birkby

23 June Marian Rider

30 June Karen  
/Steven Giles

## COFFEE

2 June Miranda Reynard  
Dianne Thompson

9 June Jean Kendall-Smith  
Betty Reyner

16 June Jean Snowball  
Julie Tomkins

23 June Audrey Harrison  
Joanne Dawdry

30 June Karen Giles  
Norma Watkinson

## CHURCH GROUNDS

1 June Tom Jones

Mark Shay  
8 June Nick Pinches  
Neil Simpson

15 June Clive Harland  
Norman Robertson

22 June John Pickles  
Matthew Laird

29 June Stephen Giles  
Martin Lee

## BRASS CLEANING

## ROCK SOLID

2 June Will Clifton



## *Quote of the month*

This evening at 7 PM there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

## SIDESPERSONS' ROTA

Sunday	8.15am	9.30am	6.30pm
1st	Bill Cunliffe Steve McGraw	Dorothy Powney, Margaret North Matthew Laird	Ann Ridsdale
2nd	Mike Brown Joyce Shephard	Philip Kendall-Smith John Grahame Neil Simpson	Margaret North
3rd	Janet Howard Chris Pearson	Fred Archenhold Bob Lewis Joan Archenhold	Michael Coles
4th	John Grisdale Keith Hawkins	Suzanne Mills/ Pam Walton Tom Pridmore Lesley Reeves	Alan Woodthorpe
5th	John Grisdale Sue Gamble	Sara Leefe Jean Snowball Audrey Harrison	Pat Gregersen

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# Church Services for June 2013



## Sunday 2nd

8.15am

9.30am

6.30pm

10.00am

10.30am

## FIRST AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion (BCP)

Parish Communion (CW)

Choral Evensong

Toddler Praise

First Thursday Holy Communion (BCP)

Wednesday 5th

Thursday 6th

## Sunday 9th

8.15am

9.30am

6.30pm

Thursday 13th

## SECOND AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion (CW)

All.together Service

Holy Communion (CW)

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

*All.together!*  
all-age service

## Sunday 16th

8.15am

9.30am

3.00pm

6.30pm

Thursday 20th

## THIRD AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion (BCP)

'Father's Day' Together Communion (CW)

with Messy Church & Healing Ministry

Confirmation Service with Holy Communion (CW)

Led by Rt. Revd. John Packer, Bishop of Ripon and Leeds

NO SERVICE

10.30am

Holy Communion (BCP)

## Sunday 23rd

8.15am

9.30am

6.30pm

Thursday 27th

Holy Communion (CW)

Together Communion (CW)

Choral Evensong

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)



## Sunday 30th

9.30am

6.30pm

8.15am

Parish Communion (CW)

Choral Evensong

## FIFTH AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion (BCP)

## July 2013

Wednesday 3rd

Thursday 4th

10.00am Toddler Praise

10.30am First Thursday Holy Communion (BCP)

## Sunday 7th

8.15am

9.30am

6.30pm

## SIXTH AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion (BCP)

Parish Communion (CW)

Choral Evensong

Transport for First Thursday 10.30am services - contact Donald Coates on 2673608