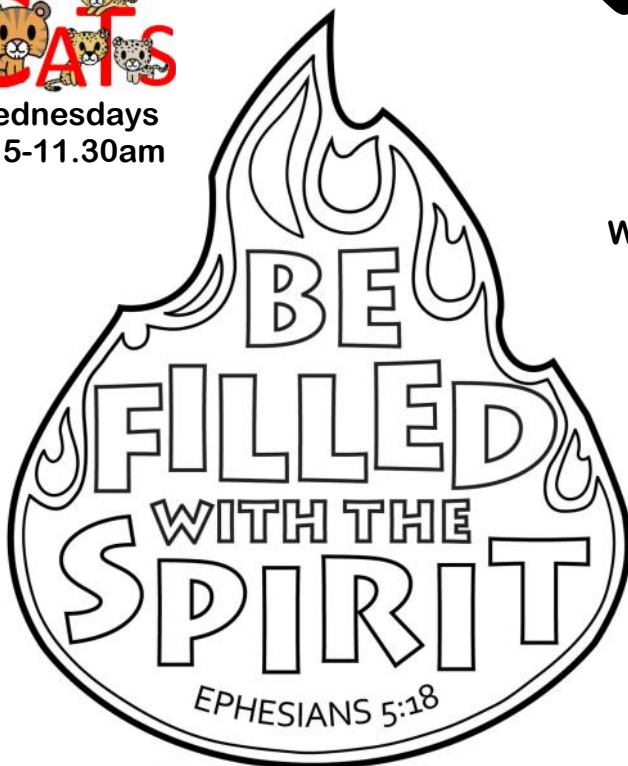


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Although Easter may be over we still have Ascension Day and Pentecost to celebrate in our church Calendar (p8-9). And there are other celebrations too, as Janice points out in her letter (p5). Messy Church at St Giles is 5 years and there is to be a celebration of Marriage for everyone in June.

Lots of people have been 'persuaded' to join in our 'Getting to know you' article (p11) but there is always room for more. If you wouldn't mind sharing your

history with others, please contact Bill Cunliffe (2672326).

Gill & Marion

Our sincere apologies to Joan and Fred for making changes to their jointly written 'Getting to know you' article in last month's magazine. After due consideration at the time we made these changes in all good faith.

Gill & Marion

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From the Vicarage

Dear Friends

I have just returned from Spring Harvest at Butlins Skegness where I and some others from our congregation have been with other Christians. Butlins isn't perhaps the place you would normally associate with a Christian convention but once a year Spring Harvest take over the whole site.

We've spent 5 days in the company of thousands of other Christians learning about our faith, worshipping the God we love and enjoying each others' company. There were events and worship for everyone from 3 year-old Gabrielle who each day presented me with another craft she had made (my favourite was the fridge magnet with God loves me on), through to the 20 somethings and the older ones of our party...

Just having some time away with other Christians was a growing experience. The theme was from Ephesians and concentrated on Ephesians 3:18: how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ. How wonderful to know and acknowledge that love of Christ for us all.

It wasn't all bible study, worship and prayer; there was time for fun together, companionship, meeting up with old friends and making new ones. And those of a more adventurous nature (not me) braved the high and deep and wide water world slides..

At St Giles in 2016 there is an opportunity for us to go away together to Rydal Hall in the Lake District to live, learn and grow together for a week-end. The dates are 15 to 17 April. It's open to all ages. We have done this before and had a wonderful and fulfilling time together, as well as laughter and attempting the impossible (ask those who lost the birds nest making competition).

I'm sure we will find something equally challenging in 2016. There are still a few places left. If you want to join in, then please sign up on the list in the lobby or contact me for more details.

Talking of future events but something a little closer, the **15th May at 3pm** sees the 5th anniversary of Messy Church. Our theme is baptism and it will be an opportunity for all children who have either been baptised at St Giles or at other churches to come and celebrate their baptism. At Messy Church our crafts, songs, story and food will all be based around baptism. So come along with your children and grandchildren to celebrate their baptism and yours.

On the **7th June at 9.30am** there will be a morning service to celebrate something else... marriage. Were you married in St Giles



Church or elsewhere? Whether that was recently or many years ago you will be welcome at our service to celebrate marriage.

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baptisms, weddings and

Diary for May 2015

- 5 Tues Circle Dancing 7.45 pm
- 6 Wed Toddler Praise 10 – 11 am
- 6 Wed Luncheon Club 12.15 pm
- 6 Wed Mothers' Union 2.00 pm
Robert Carswell "An Evangelical Story"
- 9 Sat Men's Supper Club 10am – 12noon
Second Hand Book Sale
- 9 Sat Echo Choir @ St Giles 7.30pm
- 10 -16 Christian Aid Week
- 12 Tues Women's Fellowship 8.00 pm
Val Howson "More Tales from the Charity Shop"
- 13 Wed CATS 9.15 – 11.30 am
- 17 Sun Fair Trade Stall 10.30 am
- 17 Sun Messy Church Baptism Party 3.00 – 5.00 pm
- 19 Tues Circle Dancing 7.45 pm
- 20 Wed CATS 9.15 – 11.30 am
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- 24 Sun Activities for under 7's during Service
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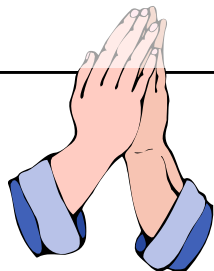
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Ascension Day—14 May

Surely the most tender, moving ‘farewell’ in history took place on Ascension Day. Luke records the story with great poignancy: ‘When Jesus had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands - and blessed them’.

As Christmas began the story of Jesus’ life on earth, so Ascension Day completes it, with his return to his Father in heaven. Jesus’ last act on earth was to bless his disciples. He and they had a bond as close as could be: they had just lived through three tumultuous years of public ministry and miracles – persecution and death – and resurrection! Just as we part from our nearest and dearest by still looking at them with love and memories in our eyes, so exactly did Jesus: ‘While He was blessing them, He left them and was taken up into heaven.’ (Luke 24:50-1) He was not forsaking them, but merely going on ahead to a kingdom which would also be theirs one day: ‘I am ascending to my Father and to your Father, to my God and your God...’ (John 20:17)

The disciples were surely the most favoured folk in history. Imagine being one of the last few people on

earth to be face to face with Jesus, and have Him look on you with love. No wonder then that Luke goes on: ‘they worshipped Him - and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.’ (Luke 24:52,53)

No wonder they praised God! They knew they would see Jesus again one day! ‘I am going to prepare a place for you... I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.’ (John 14:2,3) In the meantime, Jesus had work for them to do: to take the Gospel to every nation on earth.

David Winter

He Counts On Us

There is a very old legend, and all legends that persist speak truth, concerning the return of the Lord Jesus to heaven after his Ascension. It is said that the angel Gabriel met him at the gates of the city. ‘Lord, this is a great salvation that thou hast wrought,’ said the angel. But the Lord Jesus only said, ‘Yes.’ ‘What plans hast thou made for carrying on the work? How are all to know what thou hast done?’

asked Gabriel. ‘I left Peter and James and John and Martha and Mary to tell their friends, their friends to tell their friends, till all the world should know.’ ‘But Lord Jesus,’ said Gabriel, ‘suppose Peter is too busy with the nets, or Martha with the housework, or the friends they tell are too occupied, and forget to tell their friends – what then?’

The Lord Jesus did not answer at once; then he said in his quiet wonderful voice: ‘I have not made any other plans. I am counting on them.’

*George MacLeod
From ‘Lent & Easter Readings
from Iona’*





24 May

Jerusalem was crowded with thousands of visitors, for the Feast of Firstfruits, looking forward to the wheat harvest.

A small group of people who had followed Jesus were praying. There was nothing else for them to do: Jesus had died, he had risen, and he had ascended, promising to send them 'a Comforter'. They were left alone, to wait at Jerusalem. And so they waited – on him, and for him. They were not disappointed: for that morning the Holy Spirit fell upon that small room, and transformed those believers into the Church, Christ's body here on earth. Pentecost was not the first time that the Holy Spirit came to the world – throughout the Old Testament there are stories telling of how God had guided people and given them strength. But now his Spirit would use a new instrument: not just isolated prophets, but the Church, his body on earth.

The Ark

The biblical story of Noah and the Ark has been told and retold down the ages, in medieval mystery plays, in children's books and even in opera 'The Ark', a full-length made for television film starring David Threlfall, which was shown on BBC 1 over the Easter break, and will soon be available on DVD.

It is a moving examination of the human and emotional issues which the story raises. The most visual elements of it are not prominent. The animals – two by two – are mentioned but not seen. The monstrous flood – storm, deluge and fast-rising tide – are there, but more as a dramatic background to the story than as its cause.

Instead, the writer, Tony Jordan, skillfully dissects the impact on a loving, united family (husband, wife, three sons and their wives) of the stubborn conviction of a dominant patriarch that he has received a message from God which he must at all costs obey. As it involved building a massive boat in the middle of the desert seventy miles from the sea, and in the process completely disrupting the rhythm and security of their agrarian life-style, it tested the family's

love and loyalty to breaking point.

The film raises all manner of issues. How do we respond to people who are absolutely convinced that what they are doing is in response to a divine command, however bizarre it may seem to everyone else? What are the limits of family loyalty? Does science explain natural events like the flood, or can they also have a meaning beyond human reason? A starry cast and a brilliant script bring these issues vividly to life, most notably in the struggle of Noah's wife to understand her husband's obsession.

It all ends with a rainbow, of course – beauty and promises about the future. But at what a price! I can see this film enlightening and stimulating many a home discussion group.

'The Ark' was a Red Planet production for BBC.

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Sue & Gareth Osborne

Sue was born in Gloucester where she spent her childhood. After graduating from Swansea University she moved to London to work before taking a gap year on her own at the late age of 27, following which she moved to the North East in 2001 for a job, where she shortly afterwards met Gareth.

Gareth is half Spanish and half Geordie! He was born in the Canary Islands, where his mother originates from. He spent the first few years of his life in South Africa with his parents before moving back to the Canaries and then to the UK. Gareth has lived in Oxford, Ambleside, Paris and London prior to moving back to the North East in 2001.

Sue and Gareth have lived in Bramhope for seven years. This is the longest both of them have lived in any one place since childhood!!

They have been attending St Giles since they arrived in Bramhope and moved here with their two year old daughter Zoe. Gareth was confirmed at St Giles and their youngest daughter Lucy was baptised at St Giles. They regularly attend the 9.30 Sunday morning

service, always with their children.

Sue has been a member of the PCC for the last six years and is also a member of M.L.T. Connected to this role Sue and Gareth have co-ordinated the annual Christian Aid collection in Bramhope. Sue has also been involved in many of the children's activities at St Giles including Get.Together, Toddler Praise, Messy Church, Christmas and Easter crafts. They have regularly hosted and led Lent Groups and Home Nurture Groups.

Gareth is the Chair of the Bramhope Youth Development Trust and Sue is a Trustee of the Lorna Young Foundation and the Bramhope Primary School PTA.

After University, Sue had worked in general insurance for Commercial Union but applied for voluntary redundancy after 6 years and used her redundancy cheque to fund her year's travel. Upon her return she took a role as Business Development Director at a social finance organisation called Shared Interest in Newcastle, providing trade finance to fair trade producers in the developing world. Her current role is Director of the Yorkshire and Humber School



for Social Entrepreneurs, supporting individuals to start and scale up enterprises that use their profits to satisfy their social purpose.

Gareth's first job after his degree in 'cake baking' (Hotel and Catering) was in recruitment. From there he decided to do a Masters in Marketing and worked in this area for nearly 20 years, both for London Business School and a number of Law Firms. He has now moved away from this field and is currently Chief Operating Officer for Bradford College. Family life does have its funny side. Gareth's mother, despite living in the UK for 40 years, still confuses her expressions, including too many cooks and not enough Indians and keeping her toes in lots of pies!

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Three days of festivities are being planned across the UK to mark the anniversary on May 8.

A national two minute silence will be held at The Cenotaph at 3pm on May 8, marking the moment the prime minister, Winston Churchill, broadcast his historical speech to formally announce the end of the war, before the lighting of more than 100 beacons across the country.

The following day cathedrals will ring bells at 11am in celebration.

On Sunday, May 10, veterans and their families will join members of the royal family, politicians, members of the Armed Forces and representatives of Allied nations and Commonwealth countries for a service of thanksgiving at Westminster Abbey, followed by a parade of veterans and servicemen and women along Whitehall.

People are being encouraged to enjoy their own celebration by holding street parties

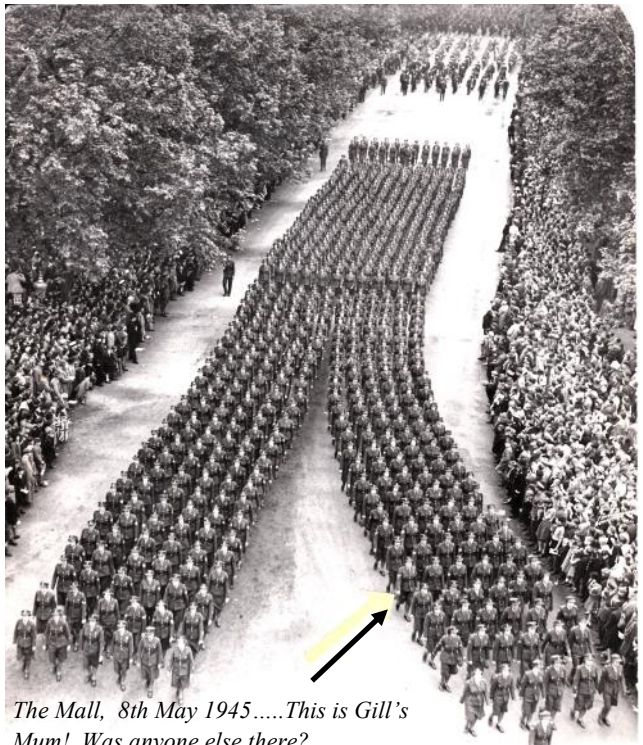
We have to consider that this may be the last time that the generation who served in the Second World War is able to gather in numbers.

Eric Goldrein, who served with the Royal Artillery, was in Italy when the announcement came that war was over. Mr Goldrein, from Hale near Liverpool, said: ‘ We celebrated in a field.

The Signallers set up speakers playing music and the locals came out and joined in with us.

I heard about the street parties back home and I’m looking forward to being part of these 70th anniversary celebrations.’

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

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The animals, along with hats, were knitted by MU ladies for Helen to take with her to Namibia when she takes a group of 15-17 year olds



from The Mount School, York, to do voluntary work in July 2015.



Next month we have Roger Carswell talking to us about 'An Evangelical Story'. Roger is a renowned author and speaker on Evangelism

and so do encourage visitors to join us.

Gill Pinches

Women's Fellowship

On May 12th the members are looking forward to another talk by Val Howson entitled 'More Tales from the Charity Shop'.

Janet Cunliffe

Who do you need to call?

The name was pushed off the bottom of this article last month by the mice eating Easter eggs! Any problems with supplies or equipment etc in the church hall please call Krystyna on 267 0311 in the first instance. Sorry Krystyna!

Gill Pinches

Children's Society

Some members of the committee had a collection outside Stephen Smiths on Sunday March 15th and raised £115.

We shall be holding an Antiques Evening on Saturday May 16th at 7.30 with Gary Don, a local antiques expert seen and heard on TV and radio. Tickets available from committee members are £10 to include supper. There will be a bar and raffle and you

are welcome to bring your antiques for a free valuation.

Grounds Rota 2015

Thank you to all who have volunteered to help with this year's grass cutting rota, especially to the new recruits. The full year's rota is printed on page 26 of this magazine.

Thank you also to those who have retired this year after many years of service for which we are all very grateful. There are still one or two spaces to fill and if you are able to help please contact Alan Tomkins on 2842187. Best wishes

Alan Tomkins and Jim Molyneux

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From the Library Shelf

Spring is here at last – a time for new beginnings – and there are two important new developments regarding the library that I must tell you about. First, the library will now be open at all our Sunday services. Several people have suggested it would be good to do this, and the Churchwardens have very kindly arranged to open the library for the 8.15 service and close it again after the evening service. This will give those attending these services a chance to use the library.

My second piece of news is that the way the library books are arranged is changing. Instead of being shelved in alphabetical order by author, books will now be shelved by subject. Each subject along with its colour code will be clearly marked on the shelf. Each book will have a coloured sticker matching the appropriate subject colour, and all books for that subject will be shelved together. This should make it much easier to browse the library and to find the book you want. It will also be easier to shelve



books when they are returned to the library. This change is already underway, and the re-shelving should be finished soon.

I hope that by improving access and re-arranging the books the library will be easier to use and get more use. Please let me know if you like these changes and if there is anything else you feel I can do that might improve the library.

Don't forget – if you've read a really good book which you feel we should have on our library shelf then please let me know. And if you have books you've read and enjoyed, but no longer want, please consider donating them to St. Giles library. If you're not sure whether a particular book is suitable or whether we already have it, then please email me, and I can advise.

Good Reading.

Sue Grahame
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Yew tree campaign celebrates Magna Carta

The Heritage Lottery Fund is supporting an ancient and veteran yew tree campaign being launched in early May this year. The campaign will be managed by The Conservation Foundation in association with the Church of England - 217 of the country's 272 ancient yews are in churchyards.

The campaign will include the distribution of young yews propagated from ancient yews, to communities and churches to celebrate the 800th

anniversary of Magna Carta. It is thought the ancient yew at Ankerwycke, near Runnymede, was where King John, his Barons and the Bishops gathered to witness Magna Carta.

A list of ancient and veteran trees listed by Diocese can be found on the Ancient Yew Group website: <http://www.ancient-yew.org/>. More details: www.conservationfoundation.co.uk

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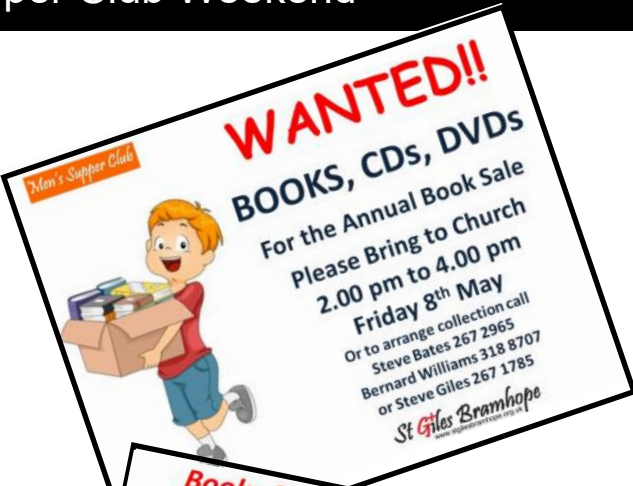
Men's Supper Club

The Ladies' Outing on Thursday 9th April was a visit to the Leeds Grand Theatre to see 'Twelve Angry Men'. The play gave a fascinating insight into the deliberations of a jury having to decide whether a 16 year-old boy was guilty of the murder of his father. Initially only one of the twelve felt there was 'reasonable doubt' about the evidence – by the end all twelve had come to the same conclusion. Our thanks to Bryan and Nancy Bunday for once again organising the Ladies' Outing, including a 51-seater coach from Church.

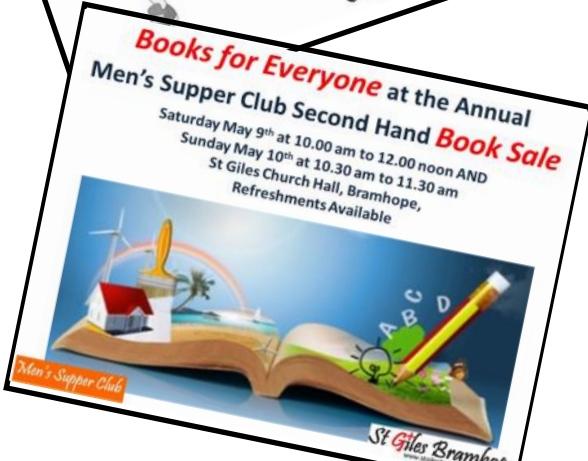
The current session ends with the second hand book sale on Saturday 9th May from 10 am to 12 noon, organised this year by Steve Bates (0113 267 2965). Please bring books for sale, including children's books, to the church hall on Friday 8th May from 2 – 4pm or arrange collection prior to that date.

Fred Archenhold

More volunteers would be most welcome to help sort the books on the Friday at 2pm, please.



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*Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways!
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in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.*

*In simple trust like theirs who heard
beside the Syrian sea
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word,
rise up and follow thee.*

*...Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.*

The priests are hoping that Soma will give them an experience of the divine, but instead they simply get drunk. This failure is then compared to some Christians' use of "music, incense, vigils drear, And trance, to bring the skies more near, Or lift men up to heaven!" But all their effort is in vain. It is mere intoxicated folly.

And so the poem runs for 11 verses. Then, in verse 12, the whole scene changes, and we are not using props any longer, but simply looking into the loving face of the God of the Bible. We come to Him in penitence, and are met with grace and love. We encounter Jesus, and follow Him in obedience. The result is peace, stillness, and eternal life.

The poem became the hymn in 1884, when Garrett Horder took the poem's final five verses and made them the hymn we love today. Here in the UK we sing it to the tune 'Repton', by C Hubert H Parry.

This is the nation's second favourite hymn, according to a poll taken by the BBC Songs of Praise programme in 2005. But it did not originate in the UK, nor did it begin life as a hymn. It began in the USA, as part of a poem about a drug-induced religious frenzy.

John Greenleaf Whittier had been born in Haverhill, Massachusetts in 1807. His family were part of a pious Quaker community, and so the young John had grown up in an atmosphere of reverence, of waiting upon God in prayerful silence. Whittier wanted to be a poet, but his father directed him to journalism instead, in order

to be sure his son could earn a living. Obediently, Whittier took up his pen and began to write for the papers. He was soon engaged in the fight against slavery, which he called the 'national crime'. He was frequently abused and criticized for his stand, and found his solace in turning to his first love, poetry.

In 1872 he wrote a 17 verse 'hymn-poem' called 'The Brewing of Soma'. It was an attempt to depict the futile ways in which mankind tries to engage with God. The story line is of priests of the Vedic religion (close to Hinduism) brewing soma, a sacred ritual drink with hallucinogenic properties.

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Writer Damian Hall, author of the guidebook, 'Pennine Way', knows it intimately, having taken part in The Spine, an event for ultra athletes who are challenged to complete the distance in just seven days – in January!

Mr Hall says the Pennine Way offers the perfect escape for those wanting to escape the crowds.

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Fellow walker Chris Saintly, who is chairman of the Pennine Way Association, has completed the 268 miles

13 times since 1978!

His own top spot is Fountains Fell, a mountain in the Dales crossed by the Pennine Way which boasts a beautiful view of Penyghent.

He says ' In the 1960's it was the only footpath like it, with tens of thousands of

people walking it'.

Like many spectacular sights it is on our own doorstep.

Extracts from the Yorkshire Post. 16.03.15

Celebrating the Penny Black

I unusually wrote three letters yesterday. Not having any stamps I walked up to the Post Office.

I asked for forty first class and forty second class stamps. But I revised my order downwards, not wanting to embark on a second mortgage.

1st May is the 175th anniversary of the Penny Black, Britain's first official adhesive postage stamp. Ever since then, we have been writing letters, putting them in envelopes, addressing them and sticking a stamp on. In recent years we have been spared the need to lick them, as peel-off stamps have become the fashion. The penny, of course, has multiplied sixty fold, like the biblical wheat, and, oddly, on the whole, letters take longer to arrive now than they did in the days

of Queen Victoria.

What we are seeing now looks like the slow death of letter writing, which old'uns like me are supposed deeply to regret. To be fair, I do regret not receiving personal letters. But I can't expect to get them if I don't send them, and almost all my personal 'correspondence' is via email. Sadly, I don't think people will one day be reading the collected emails of David Winter, or even of distinguished artists, poets or bishops. Perhaps it's just as well that the invention of the internet is so recent. I can't imagine that St Paul's Email to the Ephesians would have stood the test of time.

David Winters

Rotas for May

CHURCH FLOWERS

Guild Member Kath Grainge

3 May Ann Waite

10 May Wedding

17 May Marjorie Mason

24 May Wedding

31 May Kath Grainge

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16 May Ron Mc Taggart
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30 May Stephen Giles
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6 June

13 June

20 June

27 June

4 July

11 July

18 July

25 July

1 August

8 August

15 August

22 August

29 August

5 September

12 September

19 September

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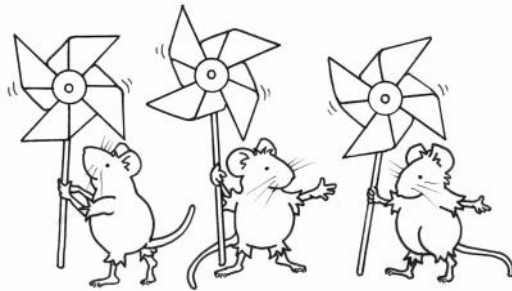
Bernard Williams

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Sunday	8.15am	9.30am	6.30pm
1st	Bill Cunliffe Steve McGraw	Margaret North Philip Kendall-Smith	Margaret North
2nd	Mike Brown Joyce Shephard	John Grahame Neil Simpson	Margaret North
3rd	Janet Howard Chris Pearson	Fred Archenhold Joan Archenhold	Michael Coles
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Church Services for May 2015

Sunday 3rd

FIFTH OF EASTER

8.15am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am Parish Communion (CW)
6.30pm Choral Evensong



Wednesday 6th

10.00am Toddler Praise

Thursday 7th

10.30am First Thursday Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 10th

SIXTH OF EASTER

8.15am Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am All.together Service with Healing Ministry
6.30pm Holy Communion (CW) with Healing Ministry

All.together!
all-age service

Thursday 14th

ASCENSION DAY

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 17th

SEVENTH OF EASTER

8.15am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am Parish Communion (CW)
3.00pm Messy Church
6.30pm Choral Evensong



Thursday 21st

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 24th

PENTECOST

8.15am Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am Together Communion (CW)
6.30pm Choral Evensong
10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)



Thursday 28th

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 31st

TRINITY SUNDAY

8.15am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am Parish Communion (CW)
6.30pm Choral Evensong

JUNE 2015

Wednesday 3rd

10.00am Toddler Praise

Thursday 4th

10.30am First Thursday Holy Communion (BCP)



Sunday 7th

FIRST AFTER TRINITY

8.15am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am Celebrating Marriage Service with Communion (CW)
6.30pm Choral Evensong

