

The  
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Church of England in  
Great Ayton with  
Easby & Newton  
under Roseberry  
Parishes

# Spire

JUNE 2014



## Village Fete Day

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June from 2pm

High Green, Great Ayton

Come and join the fun



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# JUNE

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| 1  | Sun   | <b>Easter 7</b> 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; <b>11am Holy Communion at Saint Oswald's.</b>                                |
| 2  | Mon   | <b>Holy Communion at Hollygarth</b> at 2pm. All welcome.  |
| 3  | Tues  | <b>Deanery Synod</b> at Hemlington Church at 7.30pm   |
| 4  | Wed   | <b>Fabric Committee Meeting</b> at 7.30pm in Church Office  |
| 7  | Wed   | <b>Mothers Union Meeting</b> at 2pm, preceded by Holy Communion at 1.30pm in Church   |
| 8  | Sun   | <b>PENTECOST</b> - 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion: 11am Come & Praise: 4pm Churches Together for Pentecost in Christ Church. |
| 9  | Mon   | <b>Newton Church PCC</b> at 7pm   |
| 10 | Tues  | <b>Mothers Union Deanery Festival</b> in Yarm at 7.30pm   |
| 14 | Sat   | <b>Village Fete Day</b>   |
| 15 | Sun   | <b>Trinity Sunday</b> (Foodbank Sunday) 8am Holy Communion; <b>11am All Age Service at Newton</b> ; 11.15am Baptism in Christ Church      |
| 18 | Wed   | <b>Church Hall Committee Meeting</b> at 7.30pm  |
| 19 | Thurs | <b>Concert at St Oswald's Newton</b> at 7.30pm  |
| 22 | Sun   | <b>Trinity 1</b> 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion;   |
| 25 | Wed   | <b>Standing Committee Meeting</b> at 7.30pm   |
| 28 | Sat   | <b>Concert in Vicarage Gardens by Tees Valley Youth Orchestra</b> from 2pm - 4pm <i>See page 13 for details.</i>                          |
| 29 | Sun   | <b>St Peter's Day</b> 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; <b>11am Holy Communion at Saint Oswald's.</b>                          |

***Regular activities on back page***

Items in Magenta all take place at St Oswald's Church at Newton, and the remainder at Christ Church, unless otherwise stated.



## A Beacon of Light

Do you every get depressed by all the bad news around us all the time? Young girls kidnapped in Nigeria, a young woman sentenced to be flogged to death in Sudan for allegedly converting to the Christian faith from Islam (she says her Christian mother brought her up as such as her Muslim father left them, when she was a baby), hundreds killed in a mining disaster in Turkey, the ongoing onslaught in Syria, and Russia and Ukraine still deciding whether to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the beginning of the First World War by starting the third! And so the list goes on.

In such a dark world you need a beacon of light to guide you through. For Christians Jesus has been that beacon, showing us that humanity can rise to the heights and bring out the very best. It doesn't have to be our destiny to wallow in misery. Jesus showed us through a selfless life of love just how we can make a difference and reveal that image of God in each of us. Even when all seems to go wrong, as it did on that first Good Friday when he was crucified, God tells us not to worry, that He is ultimately in charge and the best is to come.

In May we were privileged to see another beacon of light in the life of a young man called Stephen Sutton who died of bowel cancer at just 19 years old. He could easily have been forgiven for thinking just of himself and wallowing in self pity, but not Stephen. He spent his last weeks and days trying to make a difference for the good for all other young people like him by raising funds for the Teenage Cancer Trust. He started off with a target of £10,000 and so inspired people, he has raised over £4 million. ([www.justgiving.com/Stephen-Sutton-TCT](http://www.justgiving.com/Stephen-Sutton-TCT))

Stephen died last month, having inspired many people - both great and small - and managed to bring some goodness out of thousands of people as they reached into their pockets and made a donation. The money he has raised will help many, many more young people suffering from cancer. Because your metabolism is in overdrive when you are growing, this means that even cancer moves quickly, so you can't waste time.

Stephen, although your life was cut short, you made the world a better place to be and shone a light into the darkness to make things better for others. What better tribute is there than that?

It's a salutatory thought for each one of us, in that when our lives come to an end, will we have left the world a better place for us being here? Will we have shown in our lives the best that humanity can be? Irenaeus said back in the 2<sup>nd</sup> century *The Glory of God is a human being fully alive*. May we strive to show that glory by how we live.

**Paul**

## Men's Meeting



In May we welcomed Peter Warry, the York Diocesan Secretary to talk to us of his journey of faith.

As well as a fascinating talk about his journey, we also learnt something of the tricks of the trade of the chocolate industry when he worked for Rowntree Mackintosh in York before becoming Diocesan Secretary.

Once again the Royal Oak did us proud with an excellent meal beforehand, and, as you can see, they do a pretty mean Parmo!

We now have the summer off and start again with a trip to Beverley on 20<sup>th</sup> September. Watch this space for details.



## Christ Church Choir on Tour!!

Following a very successful and enjoyable trip to St George's Minster in Doncaster in July 2013, Christ Church Choir have been invited back to sing whilst the Minster Choir are on holiday.

This year the choir will be singing at the Minster on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2014 for the 11am Sung Eucharist.

In addition the choir have also been invited to sing Choral Evensong at Ripon Cathedral on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 5.30pm.

There are now two signup sheets at the back of church if you would like to join the choir for either of these trips. Tickets are £10 each to cover the cost of transport.

Congratulations go to all the members of the choir for their dedication and hard work to produce the high standard needed to be invited to these venues.

**Craig Cartwright**

## Chasing Monkeys

What do chasing a monkey, waiting for the kingfisher and W. B Yeats poem The Lake Isle of Innisfree" have in common?

All (and so much more) can be found in a box of surprises opened by Father Kevin from Ampleforth Priory when he acts as a guide to help open a door into a time of quiet prayer.

On Thursday June 26 from 9.30am – 1.00pm Father Kevin will be at St. Margaret's R.C. church to guide a morning on contemplative prayer. There will be more details about the morning later but if you are interested please put the date in your diary now.



**Enid Sedgwick**

## ***Pentecost Praise***

With **A**yton **C**hurches **T**ogether

**A Service for Pentecost**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 4pm**

**Christ Church**

## Break a Leg!

The theatrical call of good luck , “Break a Leg”, was not needed for this year’s play, for it was quite obvious that a huge amount of preparation had been put in by both the cast and those preparing the set.



**The Haunted Through Lounge and Recessed Dining Nook at Farndale Castle** was a new play to the group, being a comedy with wonderful elements of farce entwined.

The cast knew their lines well, and you could see the obvious enjoyment they got from performing it, coping with some clever dialogue suited to style of the late Ronnie Barker.

It would be wrong to single out any character for special praise, as all did very well, but I must confess to laughing heartily at Rachel Roberts portrayal of the rather toothy vicar.

The set was excellent and all the special effects worked on cue.

Well done to the cast and all involved. We look forward to your next production. If you fancy treading the boards and joining them, then do contact a member of the Society as I am sure they would be delighted to see you.

## New Bishops in the Diocese



Her Majesty the Queen has appointed the Venerable Paul Ferguson, Archdeacon of Cleveland, as the Suffragan Bishop of Whitby, and the Reverend Canon Dr John Thomson, Director of Ministry in the Diocese of Sheffield, as the Suffragan Bishop of Selby.

The Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu said, “Paul is well known in this Diocese as the current Archdeacon of Cleveland and is a man of real commitment and godliness. I am delighted that he is willing to serve in this new role, and I pray that he will continue to encourage those in the Cleveland Archdeaconry, as well as people across the Diocese, to enable the Church to make a real difference in our communities.”

The Ven Paul Ferguson said, “It’s a great honour to be asked to continue to serve in the Diocese of York in a new capacity, and I’m looking forward to the fresh responsibilities and opportunities that I shall have as Bishop of Whitby. Penny and I will value your thoughts and prayers over the coming weeks and beyond.”

The Ven Paul Ferguson visited Holy Trinity Church, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough, to meet with members of the church and hear about the good work the church is doing in the community, as they prepared for their Foodbank distribution on Friday afternoon.

The new Bishops will be consecrated in a Service at York Minster on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 11am.

## Praise & Party - A Different Service!



On 18<sup>th</sup> May, we cancelled the 9.15am Service and invited everyone to join us instead at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for our third annual Praise & Party - a short and lively service followed by afternoon tea in the Church Hall.

The idea for this service came from Rosemary Wheway and our Visiting Group as a means of including many people who are normally house-bound, or who may find a 9.15am start just that little bit too early.

Members of the Church made a lovely tea, and younger members of *The Firm* youth group helped serve the tea to our guests. As well as the people present who enjoyed their tea, over a dozen boxes of cakes and sandwiches were taken out to those who couldn't make the service.

Many thanks to all who helped support it.



## Mothers' Union News

We had a very amusing and energetic afternoon with Ann Coppick who put us through our paces with Chair Exercises. We certainly needed our cup of tea afterwards.

Next month on 4<sup>th</sup> June, Malcolm Elvidge is giving a talk on "A Remarkable Lady" at 2pm. Paul will take a short Communion Service before the meeting at 1.30pm in church.

We are having the usual 50p children's stall at the Village Fete on 14th June. Any donations worth no less than 50p please, will be gratefully accepted, (sweets, bubbles, games books etc) and can be left at 32 Langbaurch Close anytime.

**Jean Goat**

## THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

During May we had the "Cake-Bake" on a blowy, cool Saturday morning - we thank everyone who made cakes and other things and brought them to the stall on the day. We were pleased with the total of £150 which was raised at the event.

Nothing is planned for June, so our next event is a "**KNIT-IN**", which will take place on **Thursday, 17 July**, at my house, 6 Greenacre Close. Sponsor forms can be obtained from committee members in advance or on the afternoon itself. This is a good opportunity to raise money whilst at the same time catching up on news from other knitters.



**Jancie Brown**



## Gospel Concert Success

A good evening was enjoyed with the **York City Gospel Choir**, where 120 people enjoyed their lively repertoire of Gospel singing in Christ Church.

The evening was in support of Stokesley School Christian Youth worker project, and was introduced by Neil Harris. It raised a marvellous £1,075. Thank you to all who supported it.

## A WOMAN'S POEM

He didn't like my casserole  
And he didn't like my cake,  
He said my biscuits were too hard  
Not like his mother used to make.

I didn't perk the coffee right  
He didn't like the stew,  
I didn't mend his socks  
The way his mother used to do.

I pondered for an answer  
I was looking for a clue.  
Then I turned around and  
Smacked him one,  
Like his mother used to do.



Seen in **Messenger**, the Church Magazine of St Margaret's Brookfield, and it made me chuckle. Hope you enjoy it.

# New Revs On The Block

New Appointments have been made to Churches in the area.

**Brookfield, Hilton & Stainton (BHS!)** will be welcoming their new Vicar on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June, when the Archbishop will induct Revd Vivienne Hatton as their new Vicar, joining these Parishes together.

Vivienne was ordained in 2006 and has served so far in Lichfield Diocese, having come to the Church from a background in Accountancy.



A new Vicar has also been appointed to **St Mary's Nunthorpe**. The Revd Laurence Biggs, currently the vicar of St Giles in Coldicote will be moving to Nunthorpe around September. Laurence is married to Alison and they have 5 children. He has been vicar of St Giles since 1999, having previously been curate at St Paul's St Albans. Prior to ordination he worked as a computer consultant - most recently for Unisys. Laurence has a heart for the poor and for world mission and has worked extensively in Romania and to a lesser extent in Africa.

**Guisborough Parish** just next door to us have also just appointed the Revd Alison Philipson as their new Rector. Alison is a former Curate at Stokesley, and is presently Vicar of Coatham and Dormanstown.

In addition to these new Vicars, we also have three new Curates for the Deanery coming in June following their ordination as Deacons in York Minster.



**Stokesley** will welcome Revd Susan Strand, **Ingleby Barwick** will welcome Revd Catherine Reid and Revd Pauline Percy (Not another PP, surely) will be going to **Kirklevington**.

We wish them all well in their new posts.

# Great Ayton Village Fete

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

**from 2pm**

**On High Green, beginning with the Parade of Floats.**

**Come and enjoy the fun with all in our village.**

**Crash Bang Wallop Youth Theatre**

**Present**

## *Hairspray*

***The Forum, Northallerton***

*Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July*

*to Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July*

*At 7.30pm*

***Saturday Matinee at 2pm***

Tickets £11 adult; £9 Concessions

Box Office 01642 722192

## **Going Back**

St Lynas was depressed. Somehow God seemed far away. So he decided to have a day's ramble back to the little country chapel where God first became real to him. Perhaps he would become real to him again.

Packing sandwiches, he found the chapel and knelt in quietness.

"Are you there God?" He asked.

"Of course" said God. "I am here in your rucksack. What did you bring me all the way back here for?"

*A little thought from The Gospel According to Saint Lynas. Pub 1993*

## **MIDSUMMER MUSIC**

**St Oswald's Church  
Newton under Roseberry**

**Thursday 19th June 2014**

**At 7.30pm**

***With the amazing piano of  
Martin Dack & Friends***

**Tickets £10** *(Includes a glass of wine)*

**Raffle**

*Proceeds to Church Funds*

## **Summer Serenade**

With

**Tees Valley Youth Orchestra**

**Saturday 28th June 2014**

**From 2pm - 4pm**

Vicarage garden, Great Ayton

*Sit and enjoy some beautiful music  
with a glass of Bucks Fizz & Straw-  
berries & Cream.*

**Tickets £8** *from Karen & Paul Peverell*

Children Free but strawberries  
& soft drink £1

*Proceeds for Orchestra Funds*

## **Nicholas Nowicki**

*Conductor of TVYO*



### **Piano Recital**

**Sunday 6th July 3 - 5pm**

**Stokesley Methodist Church**

**Tickets £10 payable at door**

## **Great Ayton Open Gardens**

**Saturday 28th &**

**Sunday 29th June**

**1pm - 5pm**

Admission £5 adult - children free

Available from Thompson's Hard-  
ware, or Phone 01609 777 413, or  
obtain from Marquee on Low  
Green on day.

*Supporting Herriot Hospice Homecare*

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Great Ayton & District Committee

## FUTURE EVENTS

### Coffee Evening

Wednesday June 25th at 7:00pm.

In The Parochial Hall

A talk given by ladies from the Community Bakery at Bedale. As seen on TV? Enjoy the taste of bread followed by cakes.

Tickets £4. Raffle, Jams, Crafts

Tel. No. 722044, 723334



### Coffee Morning at Sylvia Tanfield's

14 Langbaugh Close

Wednesday August 6th 10-12 noon.

Tickets £1.50.

Congratulations to Rachel Bibby who completed the Nice, in France, half marathon and raised £525.

**Margaret Stevens**



# I Saw The Stork — and Was Walloped !

At least one reader remembers the visit of the stork to the village in November 1938, recalled in last month's Spire.

As an eight-year-old, June Imeson was one of the pupils of the Edward Kitching School who played truant to see the stork at Tile Sheds Farm – and were "walloped" for their pains. "I got smacked, but not very hard," she explained. "Others got smacked harder because they were older."



"Almost all the school went along to see the stork, which was on the big pond where the garage was later and then the flats, on Newton Road. It was only there a couple of days."

"When they started building the garage some lads got an artificial swan and put it on the pond and said Does this bring back memories?"

**Malcolm Race**

## An Old Bird?

Not a stork, but I saw this feathered friend when out walking my dogs through the village early one morning.

The heron is often by the river, but usually flies off before I can get a camera out of my pocket. I managed on this occasion to get my phone out and zoom in left handed whilst holding two Labradors in my other hand - hence its a bit blurred.

The early morning is often the best part of the day.

**Paul**



# All Change at the Hall



After sixteen years in post as Office Secretary, giving secretarial assistance to the Vicar and managing the day to day running of the Parochial Hall, Jennifer Roberts has taken a well earned retirement from this role in May.

Over her time we have seen many improvements in the Church Hall as it keeps up to date to meet people's needs. Jennifer has also performed the difficult balancing act of trying to keep everyone happy - especially in the run up to Christmas.

We thank Jennifer for her great commitment to the Hall over these years, that she undertook with great personal interest and commitment. She cared as much as if it were her own home. We wish her well in her retirement.

We were pleased to be able to appoint a worthy successor in Sarah Botez after a great deal of interest in the post and some very good applicants. Sarah's cheerful manner and efficiency, as well as her skills on the computer, will help her enormously with the job - and come to terms with the new PC running Windows 8! (Does anyone like this?)

The Office is open Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9am until 12 noon.

The phone number remains the same 01642 722665 but with Windows 8 we have brought in a new, shorter email address [gapo1876@outlook.com](mailto:gapo1876@outlook.com) (**Great Ayton Parish Office & 1876** being the year of Christ Church being built to distinguish us from other gapos!) The old address will still work, but we shall be moving over to the new one.

We wish Sarah well in her new role, and she is looking forward to meeting Hall customers old and new.



# Wedding Gallery



Simon Hayley & Rebecca Sill  
married at St Oswald's 1<sup>st</sup> May



Hannah Dean & Nick Marshall married  
at Christ Church on 3<sup>rd</sup> May



Giles Smith & Jude Braddy married  
at St Oswald's on 10<sup>th</sup> May



Five very colourful bridesmaids



The Best Man left early with the keys in  
to this car in his pocket, so I got a  
ride/push!



Jon & Jo Dean - very proud parents!

# From the Registers

## Holy Baptism

3<sup>rd</sup> May

Toni-Anne Stevens  
Poppy Ella Ingles-Oakley



## Holy Matrimony

1<sup>st</sup> May

Simon Hayley & Rebecca Sill

3<sup>rd</sup> May

Nick Marshall & Hannah Dean

10<sup>th</sup> May

Giles Smith & Jude Braddy

## Christian Burial and Cremation

24<sup>th</sup> April

Mike Shaw

19<sup>th</sup> May

Edna McHale

21<sup>st</sup> May

Baby Annabel Stevens

28<sup>th</sup> May

Bill Stelling

Services in Magenta at St Oswald's, Newton under Roseberry

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Stokesley Deanery	<a href="http://www.stokesleydeanery.org.uk">www.stokesleydeanery.org.uk</a>
A Church Near You	<a href="http://www.acny.org.uk">www.acny.org.uk</a>

## Annagrams

### **PRESBYTERIAN:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**BEST IN PRAYER**

### **ASTRONOMER:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**MOON STARER**

### **DESPERATION:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**A ROPE ENDS IT**

### **THE EYES:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**THEY SEE**

### **GEORGE BUSH:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**HE BUGS GORE**

### **THE MORSE CODE :**

When you rearrange the letters:

**HERE COME DOTS**

### **DORMITORY:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**DIRTY ROOM**

### **SLOT MACHINES:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**CASH LOST IN ME**

### **ANIMOSITY:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**IS NO AMITY**

### **ELECTION RESULTS :**

When you rearrange the letters:

**LIES - LET'S RECOUNT**

### **SNOOZE ALARMS :**

When you rearrange the letters:

**ALAS ! NO MORE Z'S**

### **A DECIMAL POINT :**

When you rearrange the letters:

**I'M A DOT IN PLACE**

### **THE EARTHQUAKES:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**THAT QUEER SHAKE**

### **ELEVEN PLUS TWO:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**TWELVE PLUS ONE**

AND FOR THE GRAND FINALE:

### **MOTHER-IN-LAW:**

When you rearrange the letters:

**WOMAN HITLER**

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# The Parishes of Great Ayton with Easby and Newton under Roseberry

## Services

### Christ Church, Great Ayton

<b>Sunday</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.15am	Parish Communion with Sunday School
	11.00am	Come & Praise (2nd Sunday of month)
		Evening Worship - as announced in the Diary
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	Little Fishes Carer & Toddler Group
<b>Wednesday</b>	10.00am	Holy Communion - in Christ Church

### At St Oswald's, Newton under Roseberry

**Sunday** 11.00am Services on 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month only  
1<sup>st</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion; 3<sup>rd</sup> All Age Worship

**Baptisms, Banns and Weddings** can be arranged in person at Christ Church Vestry on **Fridays from 6pm - 7pm** where the clergy are present. Or make an initial contact by emailing the Vicar, Paul Peverell at [revpev@btinternet.com](mailto:revpev@btinternet.com)



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	Dr Martin Simmons		723148
Organist	Dr Craig Cartwright		07554422779
PCC Secretary	Mrs Julie Bourke		724508
PCC Treasurer	Mr Ken Taylor		722400
Child Protection	Mrs Gail Jukes		723504
Gift Aid Sec.	Mrs Sheila Levett		723034

### Church Hall Office

For **Church Hall bookings**, please contact the Church Office **Tel 01642 722 665** on **Monday, Thursday or Friday 9 am - 12 noon, or leave a message.**

Email. [gapo1876@outlook.com](mailto:gapo1876@outlook.com) (For services or pastoral matters, please contact the vicar as this phone isn't manned every day)