

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

# Spire

MARCH 2015

## COFFEE MORNING



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

**10am - 12 noon**

**Christ Church Hall**

**Guisborough Road**

**All Sorts of Stalls**

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# MARCH

- 1 **Sun** **Lent 2** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11am Holy Communion at St Oswald's.
- 2 **Mon** Hollygarth Communion Service at 2pm: Newton PCC at 7pm
- 4 **Wed** Ayton Churches Lent Course 10.45am at Friends Meeting House: Standing Committee at 7.30pm.
- 6 **Fri** Women's World Day of Prayer.
- 7 **Sat** **Who Let the Dads Out** 10am - 12 noon.
- 8 **Sun** **Lent 3** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion: 11am WWI Short Act of Remembrance for William Hopper, followed by Come & Praise in Church; Deanery Lent Address at Stokesley Church at 5pm.
- 11 **Wed** Ayton Churches Lent Course at 7.30pm in Royal Oak. Join Rev Pev for tea at the Oak beforehand at 6.15pm.
- 12 **Thurs** WWI Short Act of Remembrance for Samuel Davies 12 noon.
- 15 **Sun** **Lent 4 Mothering Sunday** (Foodbank Sunday) 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion 11am All Age Service at St Oswald's.
- 18 **Wed** **Annual Church Meeting for Great Ayton** in the Church Hall at 7.30pm.
- 19 **Thurs** Ayton Churches Lent Course in Christ Church Coffee Lounge at 1.30pm.
- 21 **Sat** **Yvonne Lyon Concert** in Christ Church at 8pm.
- 22 **Sun** **Lent 5** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; Deanery Lent Service at Stokesley at 5pm.
- 23 **Mon** **Ayton Churches Lent Course in Methodist Church at 1.30pm**
- 27 **Fri** Marwood School Easter Service in Church at 11am.
- 29 **Sun** **Palm Sunday** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11am Holy Communion at St Oswald's.

*Regular activities on back page*

Items in Magenta all take place at St Oswald's Church at Newton,



## The Thank You Month

Here at Christ Church, March is very much the month for saying Thank You, for it is the month of our Annual Church Meeting. It is a chance to hear from many people and organisations who together contribute to such a lively Church.

The Annual Report will soon be available, both in paper version in Church and electronic version on the website. It is where you can hear just how good a year we have had, and how much to be thankful for.

**The Annual Church Meeting is on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.** We are beginning it with a glass of wine and a presentation by Helen Jones on the wonderful work being done in Roseberry School in Darjeeling in India. This was the beneficiary of our best ever Christmas Appeal. You can come for the wine and talk, and then go, if you wish.

Or you can stay a short while longer to hear how things are going at Christ Church and how much we have to be thankful for. Don't worry, we are not looking for new Churchwardens this year, so there's no danger of having your arm twisted!! You can just come and listen.

As the Annual Report containing all the reports from Church Officers and Organisations, together with the Church Accounts, is published beforehand, this leads to a swift meeting.

Do join us, and if you feel moved, clap at the right times to show your appreciation for all those who work behind the scenes to give us such a well maintained and lively Church to belong to.

**Paul**

### **ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN**

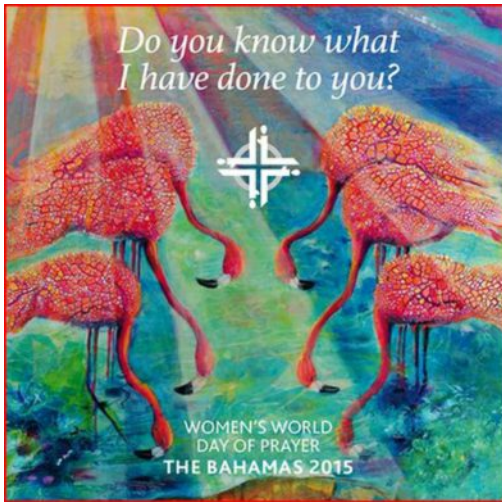
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> MARCH from 5pm & Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> from 9am**

**CHRIST CHURCH , GUISBOROUGH ROAD**

# CHARITABLE GIVING 2014

## These are the charities we supported in 2014

Charity	£	Charity	£
Christian Aid	241.09	Trinity Holistic Centre - JCUH	128.53
FRRME - <i>Elijah Appeal for Syria</i>	4391.31	JCUH Neo-Natal Unit	216.38
Tear Fund	57.62	Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research	59.71
Barnabas Fund	194.28	Teesside Hospice	2700.42
United Society (USPG)	834.73	JCUH Stroke Unit	62.60
Church Mission Society	800.00	South Cleveland Heart Unit	157.91
Church Army	750.00	Daisy Chain	615.49
Children's Society	1639.80	Stockton Parish Church	1000.00
Children in Distress	1748.03	Friends of Deep Griha	326.34
Tees Valley Youth for Christ	3075.35	School Aid India	3742.33
British Heart Foundation	279.16	Middlesbrough Food Bank	180.00
Diabetes UK	117.80	Together Middlesbrough	1000.00
Epilepsy Research UK	194.88	Royal British Legion	651.09
Yorkshire Cancer Research	2781.74	Stokesley Deanery M Union	218.42
James Cook University Hospital	209.34	Camphill Village Trust Ltd	256.82
Marie Curie Cancer Care	358.61	Blitz Corporation	614.18
Bethany School, Bethany	900.00	Great Ayton Health Centre	104.61
Great North Air Ambulance	1128.00	Cleveland Mountain Rescue Team	163.90
Macmillan Cancer Support	1736.63	Tees Credit Union	92.73
Herriott Hospice Homecare	231.62		
Water Aid	124.50	<b>TOTAL</b>	
Alzheimers Society	354.81	<b>34848.84</b>	
Zoe's Place	408.08		



## Women's World Day of Prayer

2pm Friday 6th March

Methodist Church.

The service has been prepared by the Christian women of the Bahamas.

Theme "Jesus said to them: "Do you know what I have done to you?"". (from the passage John 13:1-17)

Lively worship embracing the joys and the concerns of the people who live on this group of Caribbean Islands. Everyone welcome.

### Auction's Record Amount

Thanks to all who supported our Charity Auction of Surplus Christmas Gifts. We had a great afternoon of fun and raised £946.50 for **A Way Out** - a Stockton based charity working with the needy on our own doorstep.



It's always a sadness to lose an old tree, and the lime trees outside Christ Church are likely to have been planted when the Church was built in 1876. Sadly one of them developed a fungal infection, the results of which you can see. We took it down before it became a danger.



# Lent Activities

<b>Sundays</b>	Deanery Lent Talks with various speakers at Stokesley Parish Church at 5pm on Challenges for Faith. Talk followed by Compline
<b>Mondays at 9am</b>	Start the week with the Vicar! Morning Prayer & Thought for the Day, in Christ Church.
<b>Wednesdays</b>	Holy Communion & Address (If you haven't been before, join us for Lent)
<b>Fridays</b>	Get Up With God - the ever popular early morning communion followed by breakfast that gives a great start to the day.

## PRAISE HIM! Hymns of the New Testament

The village Churches will be sharing the latest York Course together which examines some of the famous “hymns” in the New Testament with thought provoking questions to get a good discussion going. The venues and dates are varied to allow maximum participation. Come to one, come to all.

- 1 Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1.30pm – 3pm St Margaret's Church  
**Gratitude** (Ephesians 1: 3 - 14)
- 2 Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 10.45am - 12 noon Friends Meeting House  
**Images of God** (Colossians 1: 15 - 20)
- 3 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm – 9pm Royal Oak Upper Room  
**Humility** (Philippians 2:5-11)  
**Join Rev Pev for tea in the Oak at 6.15pm beforehand**
- 4 Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 1.30pm – 3pm Christ Church Hall  
**New Birth** (1 Peter 1: 3 - 12)
- 5 Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1.30pm - 3pm Methodist Church  
**Word made Flesh** (John 1: 1 - 12)

## Stokesley Deanery Lent Course

A lively Lent is promised this year with speakers on Challenges to Faith Today.

<b>1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Revd Canon Sue Sherrif, Vicar of Tadcaster
<b>8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Revd Canon Angela Bailey, Cleveland Lay Training Officer
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	Revd Dr Gavin Wakefield, Director of Training, Mission & Ministry

All talks take place in Stokesley Parish Church at 5pm on these Sundays, last about 30 minutes and will finish with Compline.

## Christ Church Coffee Morning

**Please support the Coffee Morning in the Parochial Hall on Saturday 14th March from 10 – 12 noon. Tickets £1.50**

Please contribute to the following stalls if you can:-

Cakes	Mary Boyce	722552
Preserves	Ruth Waterton	724270
Toys	Little Fishes	725483 or 722979
Books	Dorothy and Gordon Wood	723900
(PAPERBACKS ONLY)		
Raffle	Eric Boyce	722552
Any bottles for a Tombola	Any choir member	
Jewellery	Eleanor Batch	722035

Help on the day (putting out tables, manning the door or helping on a stall) Rosemary 722451

# Cafe345Church

Café345Church met for the first time on Education Sunday, with a full house in the Coffee Lounge spanning the ages. We had folk from a variety of our other regular services – Little Fishes, Come & Praise as well as our two Sunday morning communion services. With a strong lead from our musicians and singers we explored the theme central to education “identifying the potential in people & helping them realise it”.



Members from our Firms delivered a dramatic reading of the story of Jesus' Presentation at the Temple – complete with improvisation from our narrator Isaac with a cast of Jessica (Mary), Simon (Joseph), James (Simeon) & Emily (Anna).

Table Talk was introduced at two spots within our service enabling everybody to share in the process of 'Discovering who you are'.

Café345Church will return on 3<sup>rd</sup> May when our focus will be on Christian Aid.





## THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

We held the Annual Box Opening Coffee morning recently and were pleased to receive so many boxes to be counted by our team of volunteers. It was good to see plenty of attendees, along with Helen Whiteley who is the area representative. The sum of £260.95 was made on the morning, and also Pauline Titchmarsh sold quite a lot of her cards.



By the time you receive this edition of Spire the Lent Soup Lunch will have been and gone, as it is to be held at the end of February this year. We are hoping that it will be as successful as other years.

**Jancie Brown**



Why science teachers  
should not be given  
playground duty.

[www.Facebook.com/GeizzerPlanet](http://www.Facebook.com/GeizzerPlanet)



# William Hopper (1894-1915)

Died 8<sup>th</sup> March 1915



## Early days

William Hopper (known in the family as Willy) was born in March 1894 in Great Ayton. Young William would have been to the British School on the High Street and then to Marwood School. After leaving school he was apprenticed to one of the several boot makers in the village. On completing his apprenticeship, just before the outbreak of war, he seems to have moved to the Kendal area.

## Enlisting with the Border Regiment

The move to Cumberland explains why William enlisted with the Border Regiment, which was based in Carlisle. He was allocated to the 8<sup>th</sup> (Service) Battalion, a battalion formed in Carlisle in September 1914 as part of Lord Kitchener's Third New Army. The service battalions were intended to make good losses in the regular battalions in active service. Composed of men from the Kendal area, the 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion was known as the 'Kendal Pals'.

The 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion moved to Romsey in May 1915 and then to Aldershot in June. They sailed for France on 27 September 1915, landing at Boulogne, and then proceeded to the front.

## William Hopper's death

William Hopper never saw active service. His death occurred at the Boscombe Hospital on 8 March 1915. The exact cause of death is uncertain, but the word 'abscess' appears on his final army papers.

William Hopper's body was sent back to his father in Great Ayton, and he was buried in the Great Ayton cemetery with a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

*Abridged version from an article by Ian Pearce. For the full article, please visit the Church website.*

## Act of Remembrance for William Hopper

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 11am outside Christ Church

*We will remember them.*



# **Samuel Davies (1882-1915)**

**Died 12<sup>th</sup> March 1915**

Although Samuel Davies's service records have been lost, it is possible to piece together his likely service career. He probably joined the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion (Special Reserve) of the Yorkshire Regiment (the Green Howards) at the start of the war. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion was used to make good losses suffered by the regular soldiers of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion suffered heavy losses in the First Battle of Ypres. Drafts of men from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion arrived in France on 16 November, 2 December and 23 December. Private Samuel Davies 3/8769 would have been in one of these drafts.

## **The front line at Neuve Chapelle**

On 7 March 1915 the Battalion moved into billets at Laventie, in preparation for the Battle of Neuve Chapelle. On 10 March they assembled in the reserve trenches before moving into the support trenches immediately behind the front line at 9:00am. There was some machine gun fire from the German positions, but few casualties. The initial British attack was successful, and Samuel may have been in the group sent to occupy trenches vacated by the advance of the front line. However the Germans quickly recovered and the problems of maintaining an isolated advanced position soon became apparent. The Battalion suffered significant losses from a flanking German redoubt which had not been taken, and from artillery fire. They were relieved in the early hours of 13 March. During the three days the battalion suffered 93 known fatalities and 193 missing. Overall, the battle had no strategic effect.

## **The fate of Private Samuel Davies**

Samuel Davies was one of those missing. His body was never found, but his death is recorded on the Register of Soldiers' Effects as on 12 March at Neuve Chapelle. He is commemorated on panel 12 of the Le Touret Memorial on the road between Béthune and Armentières.

*Abridged version from an article by Ian Pearce. For the full article, please visit the Church website.*

### **Act of Remembrance for Samuel Davies**

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 12 noon outside Christ Church**

***We will remember them.***



# Reaching Out into Communities

Stokesley & District Community Care Association are hoping to reach out to people in the community who are full time carers for their spouses or partners. We believe that carers need and deserve a break to get jobs done, go to the hairdressers, enjoy a coffee with friends or just to have some time to themselves – in the knowledge that their loved one is being looked after.



*Sarah Thorogood, the Community Visiting Coordinator, with some **Community Care Association** volunteer befrienders and respite sitters, winning an award from The Newcastle Building Society for Services to the Community*

Our Respite Sitting Scheme provides volunteers to sit for clients for up to two hours (a week or fortnight) allowing a full time carer to have a break. The scheme aims to reduce isolation for carers, allowing them to be active members in their community if they wish, it also helps them remain physically and mentally well.

Just a couple of hours break a week can increase their ability to cope with their caring role and improve the relationship between carer and cared for.

We are also reaching out for new volunteers to help us provide this valuable service to carers in our local communities. We are looking for people who could give us a couple of hours of their time a week, fortnight or even monthly to sit with a client – no specific qualifications required – just an ability to talk to others!

Can you help us? Do you know of anyone who could benefit from our service? Or would you like to find out more about becoming a volunteer respite sitter yourself?

If so please contact either Sarah or Kay on 01642 710085 or email: [communityvisiting@stokesleycca.org.uk](mailto:communityvisiting@stokesleycca.org.uk)

**Sarah Thorogood**

**Christ Church is delighted to host a musical evening by the acclaimed young Scottish singer/songwriter Yvonne Lyon.**

Yvonne has featured several times recently on “Good Morning Sunday” on BBC Radio 2 prompting Clare Balding to call her music “really stunning” “very moving” and even “just perfection”. She is one of the best young singer/songwriters around the UK at present and has been described as “an emotive performer, combining poignant lyrics with creative melodies and has a voice that can be both fragile and intense”.



Yvonne has shared the stage with Beth Nielson Chapman, Patti Griffin, Karine Polwart and Eddi Reader and has performed at the Celtic Connections festival in Glasgow.

She recently toured Scotland to raise funds for Tearfund, playing to full houses wherever she went.

We are delighted that she has included Great Ayton in her March Tour of the UK and we can be assured of an evening of great music. For a sneak preview, log onto Yvonne’s website at [www.yvonnelyonmusic.com](http://www.yvonnelyonmusic.com) – you won’t be disappointed!

**The concert is on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March commencing at 8pm. Tickets are now on sale priced £10 and can be obtained from Helen Dickinson, Ken Taylor, Geoff Jaques or at the Discovery Centre. Profits from the evening will go to the local charity Daisy Chain.**

**Ken Taylor**

# YORKSHIRE CANCER RESEARCH

## Great Ayton & District Committee

Coffee Morning in Ingleby Greenhow Village Hall on Saturday 21st. March 10am -12 noon. Dance display by Bradley School of Dance. Raffle, Cakes, Tombola. Tickets £1.50p.



### HOUSE TO HOUSE COLLECTION

Unfortunately due to restrictions of the dates given to use it is with regret we decided not to collect door to door this year. Our sincere thanks to all who collected over many years and to all who gave so generously.

Yorkshire Cancer Research is celebrating its 90th. anniversary this year. We hope to have a celebratory afternoon tea later in the summer.

**Margaret Stevens**

### WHICH WAY

A stile a gate a bole of a tree covered in lichen and grey as the sea.  
The path's to the right along the field's edge  
Old are the bird's nests in the bare hedge.  
I now take the level way forced by old age  
Instead of the rougher and harder first stage.  
I ran the rough ground much earlier in life  
And suffered the setbacks the trouble the strife.  
Retired to the smooth path switched over to cruise  
But, if there's one last throw on the rough way  
Then I'll take it I've nothing to lose.

**Jim Knight**

## Controversial Plans Nothing New



Much attention has been focused on the public inquiry into controversial plans to build 113 houses on farmland off Station Road. Forty years ago, villagers were fighting an even bigger scheme which would have swamped the village.

A newspaper report of October 6, 1972 records: “Plans for a massive 700 development on 70 acres of farmland at Great Ayton have shocked villagers. The scheme would destroy the village, said Mr William Cardwell, parish council chairman.

“The parish council and Great Ayton Civic Society are opposing the plan. Proposals concerning land known as Farrow’s farm, 70 acres stretching away from Great Ayton to the north-west from just behind the old church (All Saints) to a point on the main Middlesbrough Road.

“The only access to this area at the moment is two tracks, one by the old church and the other opposite the cemetery on Guisborough Road.

“Mr Cardwell said the extra 700 houses would stretch all the village’s amenities to the limit, increasing its size by almost half. The proposals would put most of the 700 houses nearer to Nunthorpe than to the centre of Great Ayton. Considerable feeling had been generated in the village against the proposal.

Earlier still, in 1962, parish councillors were suggesting that Great Ayton was already big enough, as this report of a parish council discussion in March 1962, revealed...

“Grave concern was being caused by rumours of further building in the village. Leslie Martin wanted to know if there was any truth in the rumour that the building would take place in the Easby Road - Ayton Firs locality.

“Building had now reached saturation point and Great Ayton was becoming outside a village, said Miss Anne Wilson. T F Cumbor agreed, saying, ‘Great Ayton is already big enough.’

**Malcolm Race**

# Cities of Sanctuary

Tees Valley of Sanctuary is seeking to build a culture of hospitality for people seeking sanctuary in this area; the goal is to create a network of 'faith communities' which working together are proud to be places of safety, and which include people seeking sanctuary fully in the life of their communities.

Paul, Ken and I went to a meeting at Trinity Centre, North Ormesby with c. 60 other folk from the various faith communities in the Teesside area to hear how other 'Cities of Sanctuary' had progressed and to explore how we could work together to forge a 'Faith Stream'. All the main stream Christian denominations were represented.



We were well fed on some Eritrean food prepared by one of the people who'd been granted Asylum.

Bishop Paul opened the evening and handed over to Heather Black, from Together Middlesbrough, who introduced national co-ordinator Rose McCarthy and trustee Helen Moore from York Minster, who emphasised that Asylum Seekers & Refugees needed to be at the heart of any project.

The City of Sanctuary movement began in October 2005 in Sheffield. In September 2007, with the support of the City Council and over 70 local community organisations, Sheffield became the UK's first official 'City of Sanctuary'. A City of Sanctuary is a place of safety and welcome for people whose lives are in danger in their own countries. You can find more information here <http://www.cityofsanctuary.org/>

National Refugee Week is 15 - 21 June, <http://www.refugeeweek.org.uk/> various ideas were discussed on how we could use that week – your ideas welcome!

One of the objectives in our 'Giving in Grace' programme is "to make a difference both in our community and further afield" This is one real possibility – watch this space for more information.

**Geoff Jaques**



## 70th Anniversary of Christian Aid



In 2015 Christian Aid turns 70. That's 70 years of walking with our partners in solidarity and 70 years helping in the fight to overcome poverty.

At the North East branch of Christian Aid, we want to mark our 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary by signing up 70 supporters to run the Great North Run.

Starting in Newcastle, the course crosses the iconic Tyne Bridge, passes through Gateshead alongside its famous international athletics stadium, and finishes in South Shields. Live music, on course refreshments, and thousands of cheering supporters will keep you motivated every step of the way. Each member of our fantastic team will receive: a runner sponsorship pack, including a USB stick containing all your fundraising, awareness and training advice; personalised support from the Events Fundraising Team including telephone calls and regular e-newsletters; a Christian Aid running top; personal training and fitness advice from experts; cheering packs for your friends and family; and plenty of encouragement, enthusiasm, and smiles throughout your challenge.

### Great North Run

Date: 13 September 2015

Location: Newcastle to South Shields

Registration fee: £35

Minimum sponsorship: £300

If you would like to join the Christian Aid team or you already have your own place for the event and would like to join our team, please get in touch:

Call +44 (0) 20 7523 2073

Email [events@christian-aid.org](mailto:events@christian-aid.org)

A promotional poster for a fundraising evening. The background is a teal and green sunburst pattern. At the top is the Girlguiding logo with the tagline "WE DISCOVER, WE GROW". The main text is in blue and white, inviting people to join for a fundraising evening to support Great Ayton Guides and Senior Section on international trips in summer 2015. It lists activities like cake sale, raffle, craft stalls, and Mother's day gifts. The event is on Friday 6th March from 6pm to 8pm at the Parochial Hall, Great Ayton. At the bottom, it says "Everyone welcome!" with a small icon of three people.

# From the Registers

## Holy Baptism

8 <sup>th</sup> February	Reuben Kenneth James Armitage
15 <sup>th</sup> February	Stephanie Wanjiku Ferguson
15 <sup>th</sup> February	Benjamin Gachigi Ferguson



*Reuben made sure the job was done properly!*

## Christian Burial and Cremation

23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Ray Dawson
24 <sup>th</sup> January	Stephen Yates
4 <sup>th</sup> February	Laura Kirk
9 <sup>th</sup> February	Fred Allinson
9 <sup>th</sup> February	David Brook (in Tenerife)
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Don Hanson
12 <sup>th</sup> February	Harry Litchfield
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Ian Franks
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Sybil Foster
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Ruby Ness
19 <sup>th</sup> February	Jack Preston

Services in Magenta took place at St Oswald's Church, Newton

Parish website	<a href="http://www.christchurchgreatayton.org.uk">www.christchurchgreatayton.org.uk</a>
Church Office e-mail	<a href="mailto:gapo1876@outlook.com">gapo1876@outlook.com</a>
Diocese of York	<a href="http://www.dioceseofyork.org.uk">www.dioceseofyork.org.uk</a>
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>

## The Laws that Govern the Universe

**Law of Mechanical Repair** - After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to pee.

**Law of Gravity** - Any tool, nut, bolt, screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible place in the universe.

**Law of Probability** - The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

**Law of Random Numbers** - If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal; someone always answers.

**Variation Law** - If you change lines (or traffic lanes), the one you were in will always move faster than the one you are in now.

**Law of the Bath** - When the body is fully immersed in water, the telephone will ring.

**Law of Close Encounters** - The probability of meeting someone you know INCREASES dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.

**Law of the Result** - When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, IT WILL!!!

**Doctors' Law** - If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor, by the time you get there, you'll feel better. But don't make an appointment and you'll stay sick.

**Law of Public Speaking** -- A CLOSED MOUTH GATHERS NO FEET!

**Coles Law**- Thinly sliced cabbage and mayonnaise.

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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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Organist	Dr Craig Cartwright		07554 422779
PCC Secretary	Mrs Julie Bourke		01642 724508
PCC Treasurer	Mr Ken Taylor		01642 722400
Child Protection	Mrs Gail Jukes		01642 723504
Gift Aid Sec.	Mrs Sheila Levett		01642 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)