

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

# Spire

OCTOBER 2017



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**Pull out Guide**

**To Christ Church**

Join Bishop John to find the real  
Jesus, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October  
9.30am - 1pm  
At Christ Church



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# OCTOBER

- 1 **Sun** **Trinity 16** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11am Holy Communion; 11.15am Baptism.
- 2 **Mon** 2pm Coffee Lounge Communion - All Welcome.
- 5 **Thurs** Marwood C of E Infant School Open Day.
- 7 **Sat** **Will the Real Jesus Stand Up** - Morning with Bishop John Pritchard 9.30am - 1pm in the Coffee Lounge. All welcome.
- 8 **Sun** **HARVEST AT CHRIST CHURCH** (Foodbank Sunday) 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Harvest Service with Parade; 11am Come & Praise; 12.15pm Holy Baptism.
- 9 **Mon** 7.30pm All Saints Committee
- 13 **Fri** 1.45pm Church Visitors; 7pm **ST OSWALD'S HARVEST SERVICE & SUPPER**
- 14 **Sat** 1pm Wedding.
- 15 **Sun** **Trinity 18** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11am All Age Service; 12.15pm Holy Baptism; Come & Sing Faure's Requiem in Christ Church 3pm Rehearse - 6pm Sing.
- 19 **Thurs** Deanery Synod at Saint Mary's Hall.
- 20 **Fri** 11am Marwood School Harvest Service in Church.
- 21 **Sat** 11am WWI Remembrance of Albert Bottomley; 3pm Wedding in Christ Church
- 22 **Sun** **Trinity 19** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11.15am Baptism; 12.15pm Baptism.
- 23 **Mon** 1pm Wedding.
- 25 **Wed** 12 noon Captain Cook Service at All Saints Church
- 29 **Sun** **Trinity 20** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11am Holy Communion ;12.15pm Baptism
- 30 **Mon** 11am WWI Remembrance John Coates

**Regular activities on back page**

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

# Time for a Reformation?

Five hundred years ago on 31<sup>st</sup> October 1517, a devout German Roman Catholic Monk called Martin Luther made a protest against the way his Church was going. Corrupt practices had come into the Roman Catholic Church and they were selling forgiveness for money in order to raise funds to rebuild Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome. Luther strongly disagreed with this practice, and believed forgiveness couldn't be bought by money or good deeds, but always came through the grace and generosity of God.



As there was no Facebook or Twitter to get a discussion going, Martin Luther did what they did at the time to get people talking, he wrote out his concerns on paper and nailed them to the Church door in the German town of Wittenburg.

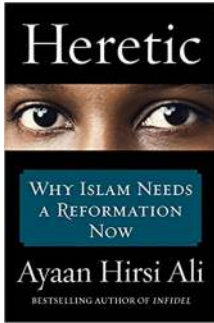
His was not a lone concern, for this acted as a spark to light a fire that engulfed Europe as more people joined him and protested – earning themselves the name Protestant. Many wished to move to a more Biblical view of the Church, and soon things were changing. The Roman Catholic Church, realizing that it did need to reform, then started the Counter Reformation, changing itself from within.

Today's Church is very different to what it would have been without Martin Luther and the Reformation. Like many institutions the Church had grown complacent and corrupt and needed reform. It needed to have the freedom to examine itself and reform. This was not an easy process and it was accompanied by violence and wars, but left unchecked things would have been decidedly worse.

Somali born writer Ayaan Hirsi Ali maintains in her book *Heretic: Why Islam Needs a Reformation Now*, that Islam is now at the same point in its history that the Christian Faith was with Martin Luther. It needs to free itself from the negative medieval



beliefs and move to the positive teachings that come from the Meccan period of Mohammad's life, when his teaching was more peaceful and loving. Once he had moved to Medina and become a Warlord, his language and actions were very different with more violence and intolerance.



Hirsi Ali argues that without reform, Islam is incompatible with Western values. British Law has equality written through it like a stick of Redcar rock, but Islamic Society is very unequal and this applies to non-Muslims, Muslim Women, and Gays. Simply look to the plight of non-Muslims in Muslim majority countries today. Christians risk becoming extinct in the Middle East – the cradle of Christianity. If we allow Sharia Law to trump British Law, then we do no favours to Muslims or others fleeing injustice in other countries.

Like Martin Luther, Hirsi Ali has a set of theses, of changes needed in Islam to bring about a peaceful reformation and allow Islam to retain a peaceful place within society. Today any challenge to anything Islam says is either met with violence or accusations of hate crimes that have more in common with Orwell's vision of 1984. As Hirsi Ali says *In no other modern religion is dissent still a crime, punishable by death.*

The majority of Muslims living in the United Kingdom will be appalled at the excesses of Islamic State, but history has told us that majorities can be irrelevant. The majority of Germans were not Nazis, yet Hitler came to power. The majority of Russians were not communists, yet Stalin's purges claimed more victims than WW2. The majority of Trade Unionists in this country in the 70's were not firebrands, yet we had strike after strike. All that is necessary for evil to triumph is that good men do nothing.

If we believe that the Christian Faith in Europe benefited from the Reformation and regained its vision and purity, then surely we should be doing what we can to assist those, like Ayaan Hirsi Ali, who wish to do the same for Islam and help it take its place in the modern world.

### **Paul**

*(PS I have bought and circulated several copies of her books - Infidel, Nomad and Heretic, which are out there somewhere. I recommend them all. If you have finished with one, leave it at the back of Church*

# Good News for Local Alzheimer's Centre

In the last Spire, it was reported that the Alzheimer's Day Centre at Stokesley was to close. We are very pleased to learn that Stokesley and District Community Care Association is to open its own Day Centre to provide this vital support to those with dementia and their carers. They intend to open immediately after the Alzheimer's Centre closes so that there is no break.

Stokesley & District Community Care Association offers a number of services to help the elderly in our community. To find out more, including how you might volunteer, please contact them on 01642 710085 or check out the website [www.stokesleyycca.org.uk](http://www.stokesleyycca.org.uk)

## Storytelling in Stitches

**An Illustrated Talk on  
the Quaker Tapestry**

**Friday 6th October at 7.15 p.m.  
at The Friends Meeting House  
High Green, Great Ayton**



Inspired by the Bayeux Tapestry The Quaker Tapestry is a collection of 77 panels embroidered by 4,000 people from around the world.

It is a celebration of the insights and wisdom that has motivated Quakers over 350 years with panels about many Quakers, Quaker work and Quaker testimonies.

A unified crewel embroidery, it uses four ancient stitches and a brand-new stitch specially designed for lettering on a specially woven fabric and 150 colours of crewel wool

*You are invited*

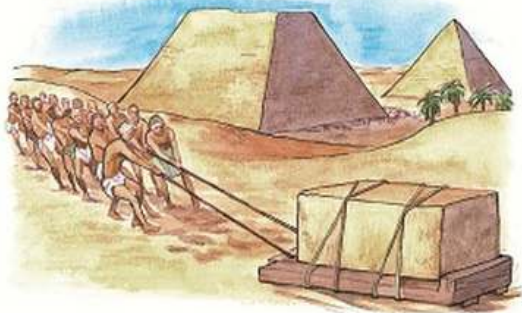
## How to achieve Inner Peace

To achieve inner peace I was told to finish what I started.

So I finished the cream cake, a box of chocolates and a bottle of wine, and now I feel quite serene.

## Are We Pulling Our Weight?

There are many analogies for the Church in the New Testament - a bride, a building and a body amongst them, but surprisingly Saint Paul never mentions one that resonates with me. When I think of the Church I picture the folk who built the pyramids, pulling all those stones across the desert and putting them one on top of another to create something wonderful.



If those on the end of the ropes all pull together, great things happen, but if there are not enough there to pull, or some don't pull their weight, then the remainder get exhausted and drop. We are a team and need each other to do wonderful things.

This year so far - and we are only nine months in - we have lost nine members of Christ Church through death, and others who have either moved away or who are ill. These were folk who were faithful in their attendance, involved in different ways, and generous in what they gave to us. The ropes they willingly pulled for all our sakes to help build our Church and make it something good for us to enjoy as we worship God are now slack and we need to make sure that enough people come forward to take up that slack to keep up the good work they have done.

A good Church, like a good marriage, doesn't just happen automatically. It needs work, commitment and sacrifice, and for our Churches to remain healthy we need people willing to be involved in their life and do things that need doing, otherwise they simply won't get done and we will all be the losers.

At Great Ayton we are now running the PCC with four vacancies. We need more helpers for things from the Sunday School, arranging flowers to Church cleaning. Could it be you?

Our older members were also of the generation that gave regularly to Church. Our appreciation of what we have inherited comes with what we hand on to others. Will it be as good and will we keep up the generosity?

If you would like to join one of our Giving Schemes with a Bankers Order, then please contact Ken Taylor (Ayton) or Jancie Brown (Newton), our Treasurers. If you prefer Weekly Offering Envelopes, then contact Jean Goat 01642 723 274. Let's all pull together and continue to build something wonderful.



## HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Over the years Harvest Festivals have declined in popularity. At one time, especially in country areas, Churches would be full as people gathered to rejoice at Harvest Home - all is safely gathered in. Now in a world community where we rely on harvests in different countries throughout the year, and food comes in trays wrapped in clingfilm, we have become more disconnected with the countryside, and as a consequence getting together to say Thank You is in decline.

Yet, a brief look around the world reveals so much that we should be in Church thanking God for. We don't get the hurricanes that devastate whole islands, or the drought Kenya and other parts of Eastern Africa have had for three years now, or earthquakes like Mexico, or mudslides like Sierra Leone. Our countryside is good and productive and our shops are full of food to buy. So why not come and say Thank You?

### **Harvest at Christ Church Great Ayton**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 8am & 9.15am**

Join us for one of our services and bring with you either a donation of food for Middlesbrough Foodbank, or a monetary donation to our Hurricane Appeal.

### **Harvest at Saint Oswald's, Newton under Roseberry**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Harvest Service & Supper**

Bring along a contribution of food or drink to share. Donations will be to RABI - Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institute - who support UK farmers going through difficult times.

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 11am All Age Harvest Service**

**Come and Join us**

## Marriage in heaven

On their way to get married, a young Catholic couple were involved in a fatal car crash. They found themselves outside the Pearly Gates waiting for St. Peter to process them into Heaven. While waiting, they begin to wonder: Could they possibly get married in Heaven?

St. Peter showed up, they asked him. St. Peter said: "I don't know. This is the first time anyone has asked. Let me go find out," and he left. The couple sat and waited. Two months passed, and the couple were still waiting. As they waited, they

discussed that IF they were allowed to get married in Heaven, SHOULD they? "What if it doesn't work?" they wondered. "Are we stuck together FOREVER?"

Finally St. Peter returned, looking somewhat ragged. "Yes," he informs the couple, "you CAN get married in Heaven." "Great!" said the couple, "But we were just wondering, what if things don't work out? Could we also get a divorce in Heaven?"

St. Peter, red-faced with anger, slammed his clipboard onto the ground. "OH, COME ON!" he shouted. "It took me three months to find a priest up here! Do you have ANY idea how long it'll take me to find a solicitor?"



*Come & Sing*

*Faure's*  
*requiem*

*led by Stephen Maltby*

Christ Church  
Great Ayton

Sunday October 15th  
Rehearsal 3:00pm...performance 6:00pm  
£5 per singer including tea

*Please book by contacting Michael Aisbitt on [m\\_aisbitt@hotmail.com](mailto:m_aisbitt@hotmail.com)*



# A Guide to Christ Church Great Ayton

**Welcome to Christ Church**, the Parish Church of Great Ayton.

The church is a Victorian Building constructed at a cost of £5,000 after the nearby 12<sup>th</sup> century church of All Saints had become too small to meet the needs of the Parish.

The new church was opened on 19 May 1876, and consecrated on 12 March 1877 by the Archbishop of York, William Thompson, following which a Confirmation Service took place. A number of prominent local landowners contributed to the cost of the church and the then Vicar, the Revd Joseph Ibbetson himself collected £1,400.

The architect for the new church was Mr John Ross, an old scholar of the Friends School in the village (now turned into flats). A newspaper account of the consecration suggested the church was 'unquestionably one of the prettiest of its kind'. Pevsner, however, in his famous survey of the architecture of England's buildings, was less kind, describing Christ Church, rather harshly, as having 'a restless

composition and an uninteresting interior'.

Nevertheless, it has some features of note, not least because of their links with several well-known local families and benefactors. These are most

marked if you study the coloured windows in the church. For instance, the large east window, above the high altar, was presented by the Marwood family, who gave the land for the church, hall, school and vicarage. The family's coat of arms can be seen at the top of the window. The windows in the north wall are to



the memory of Dr William Augustus Loy, his wife and daughter. Dr Loy died in 1886; he and his father, also a doctor, each served in the village in turn and had their surgery at 67 High Street. The memorial windows depict the Resurrection of Christ, His appearance to Mary, Christ in His healing ministry and 'a virtuous woman', as described in the Book of Proverbs, industriously employed for her family, whose children "rise up and call her blessed".

Along the the south wall are several more coloured windows. One, overlooking the side chapel, was presented by the Kitching family in memory of Alfred Harold Kitching (brother of Mrs Pru Southall, formerly of Ayton Firs and now living in the village), a glider pilot, who was killed during the invasion of Sicily in 1943, aged 23. It also commemorates the other Aytonians who fell in World War II and includes not only their names but two well-known local features – Roseberry Topping and Easby Hill, with the Captain Cook monument. Above them are portrayed St George and St Michael, triumphant over the evil serpent. This window is the work of the artist Hugh Easton, who was also commissioned for a similar task in Westminster Abbey.



Further along the wall are the windows in memory of Dr Charles Stuart (who spent 39 years working locally) and his sister. These show the Nativity and the adoration of the shepherds in the stable

at Bethlehem. The coloured windows nearest the church door, depicting unusually, groups of workers from various trades and professions through the ages, were presented in 1980 in memory of Dora JE Kitching by her husband and family.



The side chapel itself was created as a memorial to those local men who died in the 1914-18 war and their names are painted on either side of the triptych over the altar.



Perhaps the most striking window in the church is the richly coloured rose window high up in the west end of the church, which was dedicated by the Bishop of Whitby, the Right Revd Robert Ladds on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, Easter Day 2000, to

mark the Millennium. The window was designed by Josie Kyme and made by Kymes Stained Glass of Middlesbrough.



The window was designed along traditional lines, in keeping with the gothic style of the tracery lights, which are arranged like spokes giving a wheel-like effect. Within the rose, the small central circle contains the equilateral triangle representing the Trinity. Radiating out from that point, the blue and red glass takes the diamond shapes from the plain quarry leaded glazing below. The main colours of the window are blue and red, which, when lit by the evening sun, irradiate equally and are complemented by other colours which are arranged to appear more mosaic-like. The colour blue symbolises heaven and heavenly love while red is the church's colour for the martyred saints. In each of the radiating "lights" are roundels or circles of etched, painted, stained or fused glass containing symbolic references – the cross, the dove, wheat, IHS (the first three letters of Jesus in Greek), the

grape and the fish. The small painted circles (three lower lights) in the band containing the inscription, are all early Christian symbols based on ancient forms of the cross and circle.

The Greek Mnemonic for Jesus - IHS, is also featured in the Victorian stenciling on the chancel ceiling that was painstakingly restored in 2009.



Don't miss the magnificent stained glass window on the north wall, opposite the main door and the newest. This was made by Barley Studios of York and paid for by donations in memory of the Revd. Ted Appleyard, Vicar of the parish from 1968 -78, and then in retirement here from 1975, serving as a Honorary Curate.

Ted's great passion to reach out with the Christian message, combined with his great love of children, were combined by the stained glass artist, Helen Whittaker, in a most moving and imaginative way. In a window full of life, colour and energy, we see the figure of Christ calling the fishermen, while at his feet are three children.

Andrew resembles Ted during the time he was vicar here.



Hanging on the north wall, near the link door which leads through to the coffee lounge and hall, you will see a painting of Madonna and Child by William Lee-Hankey (1869-1952) that is on loan to the church from the Kitching/Southall family. Incidentally, the coffee lounge, office, cloakrooms, storeroom and linking corridor were opened by Princess Margaret 6 July 1971.

The organ was installed in 1899 and has just undergone a major restoration in 2016 funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. Also included in the bid were the drop down screen from the Chancel Arch and the Digital Projector and Organ camera, that has made organ recitals so much more enjoyable. The screen is well used at many other times too.

Numerous wooden fittings in the church are by Robert Thompson, the famous "mouseman" of Kilburn.



Among other interesting features on the North wall is a memorial plaque to the Rev'd Joseph Ibbetson, who was Vicar for 50 years from 1827 and who was instrumental in having the vicarage built in 1846 and, later, Christ Church.



There is also a framed version of the Lord's Prayer, executed by Edwin Rayner Burnley, using a quill pen, in 1847, when he was just ten years old — a remarkable piece of work which was presented to the church by his granddaughter. At the back of the church is a list of parish priests of Great Ayton from the 14<sup>th</sup> century to the present time. The list is complete from 1577.

These are just some of the things to see as you visit our Church. We hope you enjoy your time, and invite you to say a prayer while you are here, and sign the Visitors' Book.

# ORGAN WORKSHOPS IN 2017

There is only 1 one day workshop remaining this year. This workshop is for adults with some keyboard skills. It will be held here in Christ Church on:

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

This will be run by Professor David Baker from the Halifax Organ Academy. It is open to local musicians and ones from further away. For further information or to book please contact David Baker: 01422 884655 or by email: [d.baker152@btinternet.com](mailto:d.baker152@btinternet.com)

Further workshops are planned both for schools and for individual children and adults over the next 2 years, so watch this space over the coming months.



## Great Ayton Remembers

**Albert Bottomley**

**On Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2017**

**John Coates**

**On Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

**Both at I Iam in Christ Church**

## CONFIRMATION -CHANGE OF DATE

Unfortunately we have discovered that our Confirmation Service would be at exactly the same time as the village Christmas Fair. So as to support our village and allow folk to be at both, we have moved the Confirmation to **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 9.30am.**

If you are interested in being Confirmed in your faith, then please see the Vicar or email him at [revpev@btinternet.com](mailto:revpev@btinternet.com)

## Yorkshire Cancer Research

Great Ayton and District Committee

### Coffee Morning

in Kildale Village Hall

On Tuesday 3rd. October, 10am. - 12 noon.

Cakes, Jams, Crafts, Raffle.

Tickets £1.50 from 01642 722044 and 723334

or pay on the door.



**Christmas Coffee Morning** in Christ Church Hall on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. We will be serving Coffee/Tea with mince pies, Christmas cake and cheese, and shortbread and other Christmas goodies.

Cakes suitable for freezing and other Christmas Goodies will be on sale. Raffle. Tickets will be £5.

## THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Our Autumn programme is as follows:

The Quiz at The Conservative Club will take place on SUNDAY, 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER, at 7.30 pm (this event usually happens in November, so please note earlier date). This will be run by Mike Myers at a charge of £6 per person. To book a place please contact Marina Charlton (01642 723087) or get in touch with Mike.



"Cards for Christmas" coffee morning will take place in the Methodist Church Hall on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> October.

Annual Bridge Drive will be run on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> October - please contact me for further information.

**Jancie Brown**  
Tel 01642 723873

## Quiet Morning

You are warmly invited to a 'Quiet Morning' in the Friends' Meeting House on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> October.

This will be led by Rev Lesley Ashton.

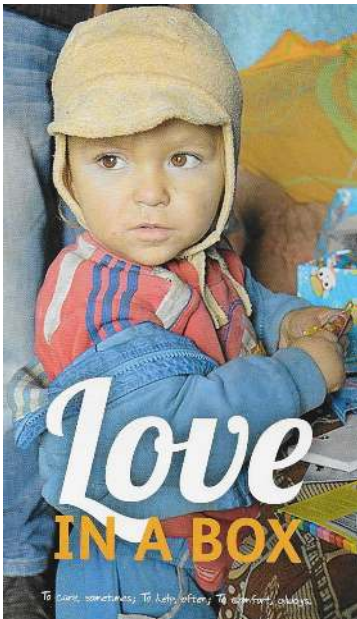
There will be the usual time of silent prayer and contemplation, and Lesley will share with us the poem 'The Three Silences'.

This is a wonderful opportunity to step aside from the hectic pace of life and find peace and refreshment.

The morning runs from 9.45am to 1pm with a mid-morning coffee break, so feel free to come for all or part of the time.

There is no charge but donations are welcomed to cover expenses

If you need to know more please contact  
Enid Sedgwick, Dorothy Sills, Pip Nel or Carole Avison



## LOVE IN A BOX

Its time to get ready for our annual Christmas Love in a Box Appeal, as we gather a shoebox full of gifts for some of Europe's poorest people.

Children in Distress have worked in Romania for over 25 years, and for many of these have been taking Christmas gifts for children, who otherwise wouldn't get anything.

Our **Love in a Box Sunday** is on **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November with a service at 4pm**. Pick up your leaflet from the back of Christ Church and pop along to Boyes!

Make a difference to a child this Christmas by giving a gift, rather than exchanging a present.

# MARWOOD

Church of England Infant SCHOOL



# OPEN DAY

THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017

9.30am – 11.30am and 1.30pm – 6pm

## Prospective Parents

are warmly invited to visit our successful and happy school

We will work together with you to build the firm foundations for your child's future with:

- \* **SMALL** Class Sizes
- \* **OUTSTANDING** Teaching and Learning
- \* **HIGH STANDARDS** of Attainment and Progress
- \* An **EXCELLENT** Learning Environment where your child will be nurtured both emotionally and intellectually, with the recognition that every child is a valued person with different gifts and skills
- \* An ethos, based on **CHRISTIAN VALUES**, which encourages compassion and kindness as well as our core values of Love, Friendship and Forgiveness
- \* **CONVENIENT** Before and After School Clubs
- \* **CLOSE LINKS TO ALL JUNIOR SCHOOLS** to ensure a smooth transition to your child's next stage of education



Please telephone 01642 722389 for an appointment, and visit us at

[www.marwoodschool.org](http://www.marwoodschool.org)



# Wedding Gallery



Hannah Clark & Liam Manning  
married at St Oswald's 25 August



Naomi Preston & Liam Austick  
married at Christ Church 25 August



Jayne Hall & Richard Tekell  
married at St Oswald's 26 August



Alex Jukes & Daniel Wilson married  
at St Oswald's 2 September



Naomi Garbett & Ian Corner  
married at St Oswald's 9 September



Tom Beilby & Hayley Mableson married  
at Christ Church 16 September

# From the Registers

## Holy Baptism

3 September	Albie Quinn Baylin
23 September	Theodore Cameron Beckett Erin Elizabeth Beckett
24 September	Delilah May Turnbull Olivia Grace Rainsbury

## Holy Matrimony

25 August	Liam Manning & Hannah Clark
25 August	Liam Austick & Naomi Preston
26 August	Richard Tekell & Jayne Hall
2 September	Daniel Wilson & Alex Jukes
9 September	Ian Corner & Naomi Garbett
16 September	Tom Bielby & Hayley Mablesen

## Christian Burial and Cremation

4 September	Frank Stephenson
8 September	Bernard West
11 September	George Brack Dougie Frank
14 September	Stanley Ord
15 September	Bill Hutton

Entries 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>

## Malcolm's Bits and Bobs



In advert for a new laundry opening on Teesside offered “all kinds of services, from ironing, washing and drying to alterations and even reproofing.” A punch in time...?

A Daily Telegraph reader told how he contacted Norfolk constabulary to obtain a crime number after the gates disappeared from a field he tenanted. They replied: “The person or persons unknown who have removed your gates may intend to return them. Therefore we do not consider it necessary to issue a crime number.”

A pension provider provided a man with a canvas shopping bag emblazoned with the message: “Due to increased longevity, this may not be a bag for life.”

A man paid £250 each for two tickets for the ICC India versus Pakistan cricket final at the Oval before he realised it was on the same day as his wedding. His friend texted: “If you are interested, he is looking for someone to take his place.

“It is at the Sikh temple in Gravesend at 11 am. The bride's name is Gurmit Kaur. She is 5ft 4 ins, about 115 lbs and she's a good cook, too. She will be the one in the red lengha.” A hoax or for real ?

A family of 13 siblings in County Armagh with a combined age of 1075 years claimed to be the world's oldest family. They put their longevity down to eating porridge for breakfast and supper. “The key is to get your oats at night,” one (aged 72) was quoted as saying.

“When choosing between two evils, I generally like to pick the one I've never tried before.” -Mae West.

An amateur actor was said in a newspaper report to have “added another feather to his bow” by being elected to Barnard Castle Town Council.

Did you know that MPs are banned from wearing hats, armour or medals - or carrying a briefcase - in the House.

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

## Services

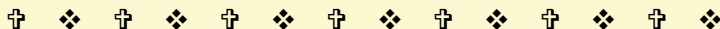
### Christ Church, Great Ayton

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

**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)

### 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



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