

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

# Spire

OCTOBER 2018



**Harvested fields in front of  
Captain Cook's Monument.**

**Come and Thank God for  
the Harvest**

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# OCTOBER

- 1 **Mon** 2pm Communion & Cuppa - back in the Coffee Lounge.
- 3 **Wed** 7,30pm All Saints Committee
- 4 **Thurs** Marwood School Open Day 1.30pm - 6pm
- 6 **Sat** 11am Baptism at Christ Church
- 7 **Sun** **Trinity 19** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion;  
11am Holy Communion.
- 13 **Sat** 10.30am Who Let the Dads Out: 10am Organ Workshops in  
Christ Church: 4pm Baptism in Saint Oswald's.
- 14 **Sun** **HARVEST SUNDAY** (Foodbank Sunday) 8am Holy  
Communion; 9.15am Parade Service; 11am Come & Praise;  
12.15pm & 1.30pm Baptisms; 3pm Sung Evensong.
- 15 **Mon** 7.30pm PCC Meeting to pray & discuss FWO for 2019
- 17 **Wed** 7.30pm Deanery Synod Meeting in Church Hall
- 19 **Fri** 1.45pm Christ Church Visitors meet in Upper Room: 7pm Harvest  
Service & Supper at St Oswald's
- 21 **Sun** **Trinity 20** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion;  
11am All Age Service; 12.30pm Baptisms x 3
- 24 **Wed** WWI Remembers John Ord in Christ Church at 11am
- 26 **Fri** 11am Marwood School Harvest in Church: 3pm Wedding at St  
Oswald's: 7.30pm Watermill Sessions Concert in Christ Church
- 27 **Sat** 11am Baptisms at Saint Oswald's x 3
- 28 **Sun** **Ss Simon & Jude** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish  
Communion;
- 31 **Wed** 12 noon Captain Cook Service at All Saints

*Regular activities on back page*

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

## Great Ayton Remembers

**John Ord**

**On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 11am**

**in Christ Church**



## IT'S HARVEST TIME



This October we will be celebrating the Harvest at Services at both Christ Church and Saint Oswald's. Harvest Thanksgiving goes back to the days of the Old Testament when societies lived on the land. A good or bad Harvest could mean the difference between life and death, so they didn't take it for granted and learnt to give thanks for all that was good.

As our societies have become more urban and removed from the land, we have become more disconnected from its fortunes, taking it for granted that shops will always be full of produce for us to buy. That may be so, but a bad Harvest will still increase prices for all, especially the poor, and put many farmers out of business. This last summer that we all thought was wonderful with the sunshine has delivered a smaller harvest as the rain wasn't there to swell the grain, so undoubtedly prices will go up.

Appreciating what we have got helps us value more what we have, rather than taking it for granted, and the things we value we tend to care for more than others.

Join us for Harvest at either of our Churches.

**At Christ Church** we will be celebrating Harvest on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October. The 8am will be a Holy Communion and the 9.15am Service will be a shorter Parade Service where we will be joined by the Uniformed Organisations. We invite people to bring a Thank Offering of goods or money for the Middlesbrough Foodbank. Universal Credits are due to be rolled out and it is expected that Foodbanks will be put under greater pressure at this happens.

**At Saint Oswald's Church** we celebrate the Harvest on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm and again on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October at our All Age Service at 11am. At St Oswald's we are collecting for a different Harvest as donations will go to the Bible Society's push to get more Bibles into China for the growing Christian Church. This different approach was suggested to us by a local farmer and the PCC agreed to support a different Harvest this year.

Hope to see you at either.

**Paul**

## THE RABBIT HAS ARRIVED

For sometime the corner shop by the stone bridge had the tantalising notice *The Rabbit is Coming*. Well, it has truly arrived in the form of *The Velveteen Rabbit Luncheon Club*. The former shop premises have been transformed into a cafe full of character, and like Dr Who's Tardis, it is far bigger inside than we could ever have imagined.



Don't forget to check out upstairs. It will look great with a Christmas tree.

You can either sit in the window and watch the world go by, or if you prefer a cosy hideaway look to the former storeroom up the stairs at the back. A log burner in the corner promises to make this a cosy place on a winter's day.

The Velveteen Rabbit adds to the cafes in the village by offering something different with a lovely selection of homemade food, lovely cakes and scones, and a variety of drinks served in china cups and teapots.

The Rabbit is the work of Ian and Kirstine who named it after the wonderful book by Margery Williams. If you love something enough, it becomes real, and their new cafe has lots of love put into it. They wanted to create something special for the community and I believe they have. Call in and see for yourself.





## Starting School in September 2019?

Then check out Marwood Church of England Infant School in Great Ayton for an **OUTSTANDING** start.

Drop in anytime on our

# OPEN DAY

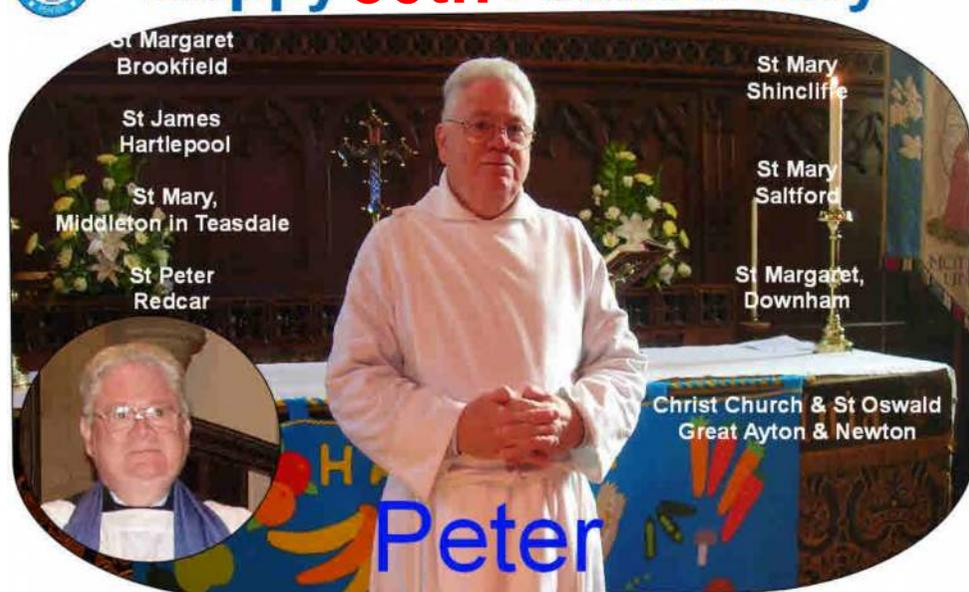
## THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2018

### 1.30pm - 6pm

It you can't make that day then call us for an appointment  
on 01642 722389



# Happy 50th Anniversary



On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October Peter Titchmarsh will have been a Reader in the Church of England for 50 years, 24 of them in this Parish. Reader Ministry is a Lay ministry within the Church for preaching and teaching, although they also do other roles within Services and also can take Funerals.

We will be celebrating this achievement with Peter at a Sung Evensong on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm followed by a Faith Supper in the Church Hall afterwards. The service will be taken by other Readers from the Deanery, our Choir will be there to sing, we will be joined by the Bishop of Whitby and the Archdeacon, and Peter himself will preach.

Please do come along and join us.

We also have a Reader in training in Nick Land. Could there be anyone else out there considering a call to Ministry?

## **NO HELPERS FOR SANTA**

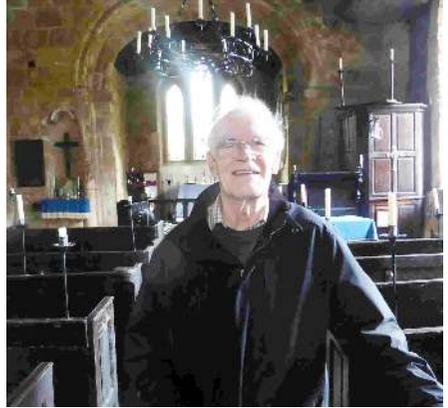
Sadly, despite pleas through Spire and Facebook, we have still not found a volunteer to co-ordinate the Love in a Box packing at Prestons of Potto. How sad it will be if the poorest children miss out and ours still have lots to open at Christmas. Any last minute volunteers?

## **Roger Arkell - Custodian of All Saints Church 1996 - 2014**

Last month saw the funeral of Roger Arkell who had been the Honorary Custodian of All Saints Church for 18 years.

Roger had already taken an interest in All Saints Church helping run the Friends of All Saints raising funds for the major repairs that began in 1993 when I arrived.

Very tragically, the then Custodian, Mike Norgan, took ill with cancer and died in 1996, and Roger rose to the challenge of taking over the role.



He combined a love for meeting people with a passion for history, adding greatly to our knowledge and understanding of how All Saints developed through the years. He carried this role with great dedication, and with a lovely warmth and humour.

He organised any repairs to All Saints to be in sympathy with the building, and together with John & Ray Huddleston, cared for the building and ensuring it was kept open with the help of the volunteer Guides. He loved the fact that we used it regularly for worship- though not quite as often in the winter months!

Roger loved meeting people and especially the sometimes exotic visitors to All Saints who came from the other side of the world, and it wasn't unknown for him to take them home to be fed. Thankfully in Ann, Roger had a very understanding and supportive wife.

When Roger began suffering from Alzheimer's Disease he stood down from the Custodian role, handing over to Robin Hazell, but he still enjoyed popping down to talk to the Guides on duty when he could.

A man with a passion for old Churches, one of the last times I saw Roger was at Saint Oswald's at Newton where he had called to visit with his carer.

We thank God for Roger and all that he has added in helping maintain Great Ayton's oldest building. We owe him our thanks for helping preserve our heritage. The night before his funeral he lay quietly embraced in the peace of All Saints, having been received into the Church with family present earlier in the evening. It was a most moving time and Roger would have been pleased to be back. May he rest in peace.

# Yorkshire Cancer Research

Great Ayton and District Committee

The Coffee Morning at Kildale Village Hall has been rearranged to Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October due to possible road closure on October 9<sup>th</sup>. There will be a cake stall, raffle, fancy goods, jams and marmalade. Pay at the door or tickets £1.50.



## **Date for your diary:-**

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>. November we will celebrate the Great Ayton committee being founded 70 years ago with an event in the newly refurbished Church Hall at 12.30pm. (There will be sweets!) Thank you for all your support.

**Margaret Stevens**

## **THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY**

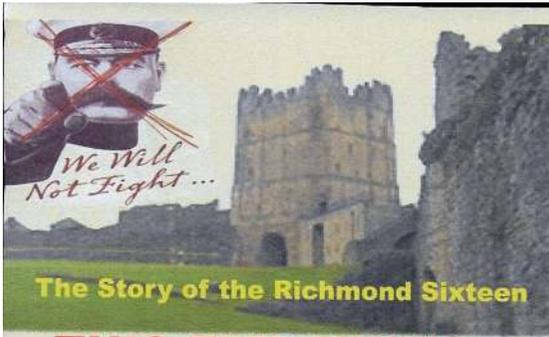
Our Bridge Drive is to be held on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October - please contact me (01642 723873) if you are interested.

We are NOT holding the "Cards for Christmas" coffee morning this year, so please source your cards elsewhere.

On SUNDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, Mike Myers is running a QUIZ for us at The Conservative Club, Low Green, at 7.30 pm. Tickets @ £6 will be available from Mike, or Marina Charlton (01642 723087), so please contact her.



**Jancie Brown**



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**Saturday November 3rd at 3pm**  
 one and quarter hour performance followed  
 by refreshments and Q & A session

**TICKETS donation £5**

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**CAPTAIN COOK SERVICE**

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH**

**WEDNESDAY 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER**

**12 NOON**

Followed by Wreath laying on High Green

**Daniel Cook**  
 (Durham Cathedral)

at Ascension Church,  
 Berwick Hills, Middlesbrough  
 Thursday 11 October, 19.30  
 Free Admission  
*Presented by Cleveland Organists & Chelmsfords' Assn.*

**music for the organ**

**New AA Support Group**

There is a new AA meeting at St Margaret's Hall on Thursday evenings from 6.30 to 7.30

"Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other, that they may solve their common problem of alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics achieve sobriety"

Further information via email [greataytonaa@ttnet.net](mailto:greataytonaa@ttnet.net) or the AA website or come along to the meeting.

# TRANSFORMATION AT THE HALL



We closed in June to start a major renovation of the Church Hall. The necessary funds had been raised through successful applications to Grant making bodies, having initially been turned down by lottery funding. Our thanks to the Impetus Environmental Trust, The Leader Fund, The

Jack Brunton Trust, The Garfield Weston Foundation, The Locality Trust supported by Heather Moorehouse, and Hambleton DC Making a Difference Fund. Also thanks to the three Reah Girls for a super Coffee Morning, The Royal Oak for a brilliant Quiz evening and the Rainbows and Brownies for a sponsored walk up Roseberry, as well as a most successful Gift Day supported so well by the community.

The toilets have been moved from the main hall to a new toilet block, leaving storage for tables etc at the back. One small toilet remains for young children's activities so they don't have to disappear out of sight.

The Gents toilets are the biggest surprise, created out



of the former table store and the outside doorway. They are luxury loos!



The Ladies and Gents (or should we call them Hymns and Hers?) both have baby change and assisted toilets, as well as the separate toilet for the Disabled in wheelchairs.

The Coffee Lounge has had a makeover with the brick walls covered with plasterboard and the woodwork painted. New tables and chairs have been bought, and we also have a large screen for groups and meetings to work with via a computer.



Round tables have been bought to use for social occasions & weddings.

At the heart of every home is the kitchen, and we now have a modern fully equipped kitchen with range, dishwasher, fridge, new crockery and lots of cupboards. In addition, the Coffee Lounge has a glass washer.

This project wouldn't have happened without the drive and determination of Robin Harmar, Chairman of our Hall Committee. He has sought out the Grants that helped us on our way, liaised with architects and builders, and has been positive and upbeat all the time encouraging all that is going on. Thank you Robin, and all the Hall Team, for an excellent job. We hope the hall will continue to serve our community for many years to come, and be a place where good memories continue to be made of many special occasion in life.



# Meditation Morning

30 of us were treated to an inspiring morning on September 10th, led by Revd Nicholas Buxton.

As Priest-in-Charge of St John the Baptist in Newcastle, Nicholas was only too aware of falling church attendances throughout the diocese. When he started offering Meditation he couldn't believe the contrast. The demand was huge, especially among younger adults. Young folk were searching for reality and meaning in their lives, and not finding it in the traditional churches.



Nicholas rented a property near Central Station, and founded the first independent Meditation Centre in the UK – independent of Christianity, Buddhism, and other religions. Determined it should not become a commercial commodity, such as the Mindfulness craze in the USA, there is no charge for the weekday drop-in meditation sessions. The centre has expanded to offer yoga, stress management, mindfulness, and fortnightly seminars led by experts. It is to becoming a registered charity, 'Just Meditation'.

Nicholas spoke briefly about his new job as director of St Antony's Priory, Durham. He is working on the exciting idea of re-establishing a small residential community – one thought being to offer a few months at a time to young folks at a crossroads in their lives. Nicholas was adamant that it would not be inward looking, but must serve society in practical ways. St Antony's programme can be accessed on line. After the break, Nicholas led two meditation sessions.

We tried to follow his advice on how to meditate, by sitting comfortably, closing our eyes, and concentrating on the rhythm of our breathing.

Nicholas is convinced that if we persevere, meditation will give us greater:

- Calmness (to reduce stress levels)
- Clarity (to gain a fresh perspective on life)
- Compassion (to go out in love)

We all commented on the peaceful atmosphere in the Meeting House. 'When's the next session?' 'When can we go to St Antony's?' were questions voiced by many.

So - watch this space!

**Dorothy Sills** (Great Ayton CP Group)

## POPIES FOR REMEMBRANCE

Thank You to all who have kindly knitted poppies for display in the village to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Armistice at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.



We hope to create our own Flanders Field outside Christ Church and around the War Memorial. This will be on display for two weeks before the 11<sup>th</sup> November..

We are grateful to all who have knitted poppies at their own expense, and we are trying to raise funds for other associated costs of sticks, banners and storage. If you wish to contribute to this, please pass any donations to Margaret Hore, Cherri Larkin or Karen Peverell

## CRAFT SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN

Come and make a felt poppy in the Discovery Centre for a Remembrance Day Banner to commemorate 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of The First World War



All children 9 and under must be accompanied.  
50p donation to cover materials. No experience necessary.  
Limited spaces so please

Sign up at Discovery Centre or by ringing / texting Tamzin Little on 07742394361

Saturday September 28th 10:30am - 12:30pm.

Saturday October 6th 10:30am - 12:30pm.

Saturday October 20th 10:30am - 12:30pm and 1:30 - 3:30pm

**The new Free Will Giving Envelope Scheme starts on Sunday 4th November if anyone would like to join the Scheme call Jean Goat on 01642 723274.**

# Climbing the Alps in Support of Macmillan

I decided to sacrifice the Great North Run so that I could do the Alps climb which was 3 days later 12-16<sup>th</sup> September. I had an avulsion fracture of my ankle 10 weeks prior to the Great North Run, so had minimal running training and decided that to much of a risk to try to run it so close to Alps departure.

Anyhow we left early hours of 12<sup>th</sup> September from Heathrow to Geneva. Quick transfer to campsite under the Glacier d'Anneuley near Argentiere and at the foothills of Mont Blanc. We had 3 days hiking/climbing ahead to complete approx 1/3 of the Mont Blanc circuit (60km) 10 000 cumulative ascent and descents.



**Day 1** Ascent to 2,550, climb up through tree line to beautiful views and straddled border of France -Switzerland at the top. Nine hours of climbing and descent.

**Day 2** after a night of constant rain and an early wet start we started early 7.30am to climb to 2,700m, and a welcome beer at the end.

**Day 3** cable car part of way up then steep ascent to 3,200m. A bit cold at the top and steep descent over 4 hours. Feet a bit sore after that from constant downwards pressure but the views were worth it.

I was with 3 guides and 24 other people also fundraising for Macmillan. To date we have raised approximately £50,000 between us which will pay for a Macmillan nurse for 18 months, and with your support I've raised nearly £3,500.

So a massive Thank you to you all for your kind donations and support with all my fundraising. Will have to make a plan to see what I do next year, Kilimanjaro?

With thanks to you all,  
**Rachael Myers (Dr)**



## A Bit of Sporting History

I was sent these two photographs recently of old Ayton teams, and was delighted to see Dorothy Harbottle, a former choir member, playing football. The second photo of a village Tradesmen's Cricket Team features Worthy Pearson, a very well known Ayton name. They look as if they may have come from another publication, but I don't know which, so I hope they don't mind me featuring in Spire.



*Women's football team, 1945-50. Back row, left to right: Tess Eldadale, ? Brown, Sally Robinson, May Featherstone, Dorothy Harbottle, Nan Johnson. Front row: Naudie Readman, Nina Smeeth, Gertie Maxwell, Joyce Balmer, Elsie Lane, Mr Maxwell. But what is the trophy so proudly displayed?*



*Tradesmen's Cricket League champions, 1924. Back row, left to right Tom Pearson, Joe Wright, Jack Sigsworth (butcher), Frank Bottomley (niner), Frank Dodsforth (grocer), Albert Ingledew (builder) - Burton (builders), Tom Bean - Davidson. Front row: Oliver Jackson (barber), Jack Farnsdale (joiner), Dick Hearnside, Worthy Pearson (newsagent), Plumber Wilson, Bill Harbottle (crafter). Matchday team obtained from Whitehead.*



## Some Questions and Answers as to how we will achieve our Diocesan Goals

### HOW WILL DEANERIES BE INVOLVED IN DEVELOPING OUR STRATEGY?

**‘Developing Our Deaneries’** – part of our strategic thinking – identified three new purposes for deaneries: Enabling Mission, Resourcing Ministry, and Supporting Relationships.

**Enabling Mission:** Deaneries will be critical to the fruitfulness of the strategy: local knowledge will help us ascertain how best to apply the strategy in their area. They can identify wider opportunities to ‘Reach those we currently don’t’ and ‘Move to Growth’. Conversations have already occurred in some deaneries about the initial focus for activity to Reach 20s-40s.

**Resourcing Ministry:** The strategy requires delivery of local, contextual training and resourcing events. New 20s-40s and Stewardship support roles will want to gather people to envision and equip them. Deaneries are ideally placed to provide a focus for this.

**Supporting Relationships:** Increasingly deaneries are where we share learning and what’s going well, and gather people with similar roles for mutual support.

In changing times Deaneries will be more important than ever.

# Wedding Gallery



Carmel Hawkesford & Michael Lamb  
married at St Oswald's 16<sup>th</sup> August



Sarah Woodward & Stephen Turner  
married at Christ Church 25<sup>th</sup> August.



Gemma Hudson & Tom Horton  
married 27<sup>th</sup> August 2018



Liz Hamm & Tony Dawson married at  
Christ Church 22<sup>nd</sup> September

## POLICE NEWS

Police have just released details of a new drug craze that is being carried out in Yorkshire nightclubs.

Apparently, Yorkshire club goers have started injecting Ecstasy just above their front teeth.

Police say the dangerous practice is called "E by gum"

# From the Registers

## Holy Baptism

5 Aug	Lara Ruth Grainge
1 September	Maisie Grace Austick

## Holy Matrimony

16 August	Michael Lamb & Carmel Hawkesford
25 August	Stephen Turner & Sarah Woodward
27 August	Tom Horton & Gemma Hudson
22 September	Tony Dawson & Liz Hamm

## Christian Burial and Cremation

30 August	Roger Arkell
31 August	Jean Walker
3 September	Joe Lowrie
21 September	Gladys Brown

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

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

## Malcolm's Musings

A rugby match between traditionally rival teams in Yorkshire had reached a critical stage, with the scores level, several players sent off and others with torn shirts, when a hefty kick by one of the full backs sent the ball soaring out of the ground. A voice from the crowd urged: "Never mind t'ball lads, get on with t'game!"



Teacher: "I come to bury Caesar, not to praise him." Who said that ?

Boy: The undertaker

Woman to friend: "I always take two water bottles to bed in case one leaks."

A police constable was quoted as saying that when he attended road accidents, invariably the woman's first words were "Where's my handbag," not "Where's my husband."

Judge (confronting prisoner in the dock): "Who is going to defend you?"

Prisoner: "I need no man to defend me. The Lord is my defender."

Judge: "You would be well advised to employ someone better known locally."

A little boy had to apologise in a letter for forgetting his aunt's birthday. He wrote: "I'm sorry I forgot your birthday. I have no excuse and it would serve me right if you forgot mine next Friday."

A man was astonished to find a "customer helpline" on his new tube of toothpaste. Another was equally surprised to read this instruction with his new steam iron: "Do not iron clothing while it is being worn. You'll injure the wearer."

A teacher was reading from Scripture "Blessed are they that mourn. "What is it to mourn, Johnny ?

Johnny: "Wen'sday Miss."

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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

**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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## 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.**

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