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GREAT AYTON REMEMBERS *Spire*

NOVEMBER 2018



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Village Act of Remembrance

Remembrance Sunday

11th November 2018

Act of Remembrance starts at 10.45am
by War Memorial and then moves into
Church for the service.

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NOVEMBER

- 2 **Fri** 10.30am Saints & Souls Service in Christ Church.
- 4 **Sun** **4th Sunday before Advent** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; **11am Holy Communion**; 4pm Love in a Box Service.
- 5 **Mon** 2pm Communion & Cuppa in the Coffee Lounge.
- 7 **Wed** 7pm Joint Clergy & Readers Chapter Meeting in Coffee Lounge.
- 8 **Thurs** 11am WWI Commemoration for Thomas Robinson; 7.30pm Standing Committee.
- 9 **Fri** 9am *Marwood School Remembers* by the War Memorial.
- 10 **Sat** 10.30am Who Let the Dads Out; 2pm Baptism in Christ Church.
- 11 **Sun** **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 10.45am Act of Remembrance & Service in Church; 5pm Memorial Service for the Recently Departed; 7pm *Battles Over* on High Green.
- 17 **Sat** 11.30am Wedding in Christ Church
- 18 **Sun** **2nd Sunday before Advent** (Foodbank Sunday) 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; **11am All Age Service**; 12.30pm Baptism at Christ Church.
- 19 **Mon** **7pm Newton PCC Quinquennial Meeting in Saint Oswald's Church.**
- 21 **Wed** 7.30pm Great Ayton PCC Meeting.
- 25 **Sun** **CHRIST THE KING** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11.15am & 12.15pm Baptisms in Christ Church.
- 26 **Mon** **7pm Newton PCC Meeting**
- 30 **Fri** 1.45pm Christ Church Visitors in Upper Room

Regular activities on back page

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

Great Ayton Remembers

Thomas Robinson

On Thursday 8th November 2018 at 11am

in Christ Church



We Will Remember Them



This Remembrance Sunday will be the most significant one in memory as we remember the 100th Anniversary of the Armistice being signed that marked the end of the First World War. This will be to the very minute one hundred years later.

Our thanks go to many in the village community who have worked wonderfully together to make a memorable display of Poppies linking Low Green, High Green and Camp Corner together with the main display by the War Memorial. Around 9,000 poppies have been knitted, with an additional 47 ceramic poppies made to mark the individuals from the village who died. Two silhouette *Tommys* have been hand made to stand guard by our *Flanders Field* of Poppies. We invite people to visit the displays to pay their tribute to all who have died in war. The ceramic poppies will be sold when the displays come down for £20 each to raise funds for *Help for Heroes*.

Christ Church will also be filled with Poppies for the weekend, many made by children from Marwood and Roseberry Schools as well as Sunday School, and by an incredible co-incidence on the Saturday before Remembrance Sunday we shall Christen a young girl called ...Poppy! That is so fitting, for the soldiers gave their todays that we might enjoy a tomorrow.

Thanks also to the History Group in the Village who have faithfully gathered in Church for every 100th Anniversary of the 48 men from the village who have died. Also, for the most informative talks given by Ian Pearce for each man, revealing not just their personal circumstances, but the horrors they endured in the war.

There is nothing glorious about war, and it effects not just humanity but the rest of the planet too. The First World War is a prime example of something that cost so much and achieved so little. If all the countries concerned could have known the outcome at the beginning, they would probably have all gone back home again. We remember so that we don't let it happen again.

The village Act of Remembrance will begin outside Christ Church by the War Memorial at 10.45am on Sunday 11th November. We invite you to join us, or to keep the two minutes silence privately at home.

On the evening at 7pm on High Green we will mark **Battles Over** with the lighting of a token beacon, a short act of Remembrance and Community Singing.

Paul

CHURCH HALL OPENING

It finally happened - the Official Opening of the newly Refurbished Church Hall that we linked with our annual Community event, Praise & Party. Over 130 people gathered in Church for the service, during which the Vicar thanked Robin Harmar, Chairman of the Hall Committee, who had led the project from start to finish.



After the service we retired to the newly refurbished hall where local Community Champion, Tom Maddison BEM, performed the cutting of the ribbon to officially open it.

A super spread followed to truly Christen this wonderful asset for our village, and all who have seen it have expressed admiration for the much needed improvements.



The Hall was used for a wedding reception in September and proved a most versatile venue. See some photos in the wedding gallery.

We are planning our own Wedding Fair to showcase the Hall on Sunday 3rd March 2019 from 12noon - 3pm.

To book the hall call Sarah on 01642 722 665.

FREEWILL OFFER 2019

In September we looked at ***From Thankfulness To Generosity (FTTG)*** as a preliminary to deciding on our Freewill Offer to the Diocese to help fund our family of Churches in 2019. The Church of England doesn't get state help, so if we want vicars, then we need to pay for them. So that poorer parishes have vicars too, the more wealthy areas are asked to pay for more than just their own vicar in order to help others.



On the **FTTG** Sundays we looked at both North Ormesby and Loftus Parishes able to be there and minister because they are supported. At the Wednesday meeting we heard two incredibly powerful and challenging messages from Marion Howard, a Health Visitor in South Bank and Kath Dean, a Reader from Saint Chad's in Middlesbrough who told us of the challenges they face every day. Such work can only happen with support. All the people present that evening came away realising their blessings and how much more we need to do to support such good work.

Christ Church PCC met to decide on our offer for 2019, knowing that our Income has decreased over the last year. We are already a generous Parish and often sited as an example to others (although hopefully not by name). We give lots away as we receive so much, and the PCC made a long list of many blessings we have.

Despite our own need for more funds, we decided to hold our giving to the Diocese at the same amount of £90,840 which together with Saint Oswald's offer of £19,704 gives a total of £110,544 This will pay the associated costs for one and a half clergy. (As well as Stipend, there is housing, training new clergy, pension costs for retired clergy and our share of the necessary Administration costs) At Christ Church we have said we will look again in 2019 and see if we can increase this amount.

It is absolutely right that we should be generous and give, for we have been given so much already. At Christ Church we depend heavily on a small group of givers (20%) who give 80% of our Income. If the other 80% who together give 20% of our Income could be more generous and be joined by many members who don't belong a regular giving scheme at all, then we would have no problem in being more generous, as well as resurfacing the car park front and back, and changing the lighting in Christ Church to LED - two projects much needed.

I know there will be some who will compare us to other parishes and think we give enough. If you are sure that God will see it this way - fine - but my guess is that when we stand before him most of us will wish we had been far more generous now. You can thank me then for pointing this out early :-)

Paul

Peter's 50th Anniversary Service



Peter is pictured centre, flanked by the Bishop of Whitby and Archdeacon of Cleveland and surrounded by Readers, Clergy & Christ Church Choir.

On Sunday 14th October Peter Titchmarsh celebrated 50 years as a Reader in the Church of England, with almost half that time spent here in Great Ayton.

We celebrated with a Sung Evensong taken by other Readers from the Deanery and attended by the Bishop, Archdeacon and many family, friends and neighbours.

Following the service we retired to the Church Hall for a celebratory Faith Tea, with a glass of Prosecco and the cutting of Peter's Anniversary cake.

Peter is pictured here with Pauline, to whom he had moving tribute in his sermon. Our Congratulations to Peter, and thanks to all who made this celebration so special.





Open House at the Harvies'

71 Roseberry Crescent Great Ayton

Saturday 3rd and Monday 5th November
2018 * 11am to 7pm



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Great Ayton and District Committee

70th Celebration of Great Ayton Committee.

Pie, Peas, Pots and Puds

in

The Church Hall, Great Ayton.

on

Wednesday November 21st 2018 at 12.30pm

Raffle, Mincemeat, Jams, Christmas Puddings, Crafts.

Tickets £10 from Committee members

or [Tel:- 01642 722 044, 01642 723 334.](tel:01642722044)



The Kildale Coffee Morning raised £514.20.

Thank you to everyone who supported the event.

Margaret Stevens

Tom Gets His Gong

A Very Proud Maddison Family gathered to support Tom as he received his British Empire Medal for community work on the 8th October in a Ceremony at Northallerton.



It is refreshing to see Community stalwarts be recognised in the Honours and Tom's was well earned.

Perhaps as a community we should be supporting more local people and businesses for awards to recognise the good things in our midst.

Well done Tom Maddison BEM

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The recent Bridge Night was very successful - the players thoroughly enjoyed the evening, commenting on the delicious supper served by very pleasant ladies. The committee did a great service! A total of £487.50 was raised which was excellent.



The next event is the **QUIZ** on **SUNDAY, 4th NOVEMBER**, at 7.30pm in The Conservative Club. The questions will be set by Mike Myers, and tickets @ £6 are available through Marina Charlton (01642 723087).



CHRISTINGLE is on **SUNDAY, 2nd DECEMBER** at 4pm in Christ Church. This is a very special year for Christingle, as it marks the 50th year since the first service was held in England at Lincoln Cathedral on 7 December 1968, for *The Children's Society*. In those 50 years we have helped more than one million children and young people.

Jancie Brown



GREAT AYTON REMEMBERS

Many thanks to all who have made this incredible act of Remembrance .for our village.
You can read about each of the 47 men who died on the back of our Church notice board.

We invite you into our Flanders Fields to spend some moments of reflection. Each of the ceramic poppies represents a name on our War Memorial.

Join us in Christ Church at 11am on 8th November to hear about Thomas Robinson who died days before the Armistice was signed.



Before



After

Poppy Planters



Flanders Field



NEWTON NEWS

Saint Oswald's looked magnificent for our Harvest Festival Service, thanks to our very talented ladies.

Our numbers were up slightly for the Friday evening service, where Christ Church Choir joined us and treated us to live music and a Harvest Anthem. Tables groaned with food and the wine cellar was well stocked!

We were back again on the Sunday morning for the Harvest All Age Service playing our own style game of Harvest Countdown



The Harvest Appeal this year was sent to The Bible Society to help provide Bibles for the growing Church in China. Last time I heard it was £605 raised on the night, but the final figure may be higher. Thank you to all for their generosity, and to local farmer David Petch who suggested supporting another type of Harvest this year.

Whilst the focus of our First World War Commemorations will centre around the 48 men from Great Ayton who lost their lives in the Great War, we must not forget that Newton also lost several of its sons.

The peel of tubular bells in Saint Oswald's Church were given in memory of all the men from Newton who gave their lives in the First World War, and these bells as



well as others around the country, will be rung on Remembrance Sunday/ Armistice Day, which coincide this year.

A hand written plaque hangs in the vestry under the bells to remind us that even small communities paid a huge cost in lives during the war. Rest in Peace.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Anyone wishing to sponsor a Christmas arrangement please contact Marina Charlton Tel. 01642 723087. The suggested amount is £30 and a small laminated card will be placed by the arrangement recalling the memory in which it is given.



LOVE IN A BOX SERVICE

SUNDAY 4th NOVEMBER at 4pm

CHRIST CHURCH

Whilst our service is slightly earlier this year, as Vicky Gawthorpe and Mandy Johnson are kindly coordinating the depot at Prestons of Potto, I am sure you can bring them in after this date if necessary.

SONGS FOR CHRISTMAS

With the **Angrove Singers**

& **Flautissimo**

Saturday 1st December 2018

Christ Church



Saints & Souls



A service to celebrate All Saints on Friday 2nd November at 10.30am in Christ Church which will incorporate the reading of names of the departed for All Souls. Please print any names you would like remembered on the list at the back of Church and come along and join us as we pray for them.

The Memorial Service for all who have died since Easter will take place on Sunday 11th November at 5pm

Roseberry School Darjeeling Autumn 2018

A lot of positive things have happened in Darjeeling this year, although I have not yet seen them for myself. In January, work at last began on replacing our



earthquake damaged pre-school centre. The old much loved wooden hut with its lovely wall decoration was demolished, and the arduous work of stabilising and building up the slope below began. The resulting flat area is much bigger than the floor area of the old building, allowing the team to build a spacious new pre-school base as well as providing a useable outdoor space. Construction is now complete and the building should have dried out

ready for use by the start of the new school year next March. There will be much work to do on equipping the new building, and I am really looking forward to discussing possibilities.

Two volunteer teachers (ex Sunnyside School) went to Darjeeling with their husbands, one of whom donated 6 laptops to the school. The two teachers went armed with teaching materials, books and lots of ideas to offer the teachers at Roseberry while the men setup the laptops and organised a suitable internet connection. The teachers could hardly wait to start looking things up on the internet, and it will be interesting to see how their teaching develops in consequence.

In the spring my son Rob and grandson Thomas visited Roseberry, and Thomas volunteered for classroom work while Rob shot off a lot of video around school. The resulting 15 minute documentary can be found on our website www.schoolaidindia.org via a link in the news section. Hearing our ex pupils talking confirms what a wonderful job the teachers are doing and that the Darjeeling team really are changing lives. We hope that School Aid India will be able to continue its support for their project. **Helen Jones**



(spot Thomas on the back row and Diksha on the front row. She features in the film too)

What is it all about?

Faith, church. My faith, this church - what's it built on?

Some of us have been members of Christ Church for many years – over 40 for me! Others are very new – maybe only a few months.

We worship regularly – some frequently; some on a Monday, quite a lot on a Tuesday, others on a Wednesday and most of us on a Sunday.

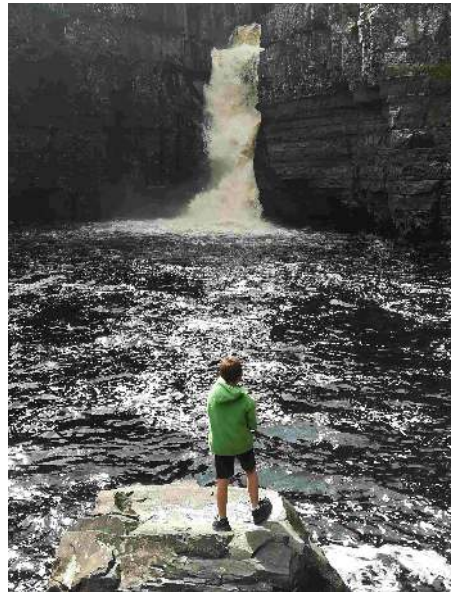
And we pray; some quietly in the silence of their hearts – listening; some while walking the beaches, the hills, the river banks; some alone – others in small groups.

We go through daily life – some in full time jobs; others caring for family, friends or neighbours; we shop, have coffee, suffer the torment of following a football team (great or small), experience the joy (& the trials!) of parenting or G-parenting. Life in all its fullness.

Reading the Bible, perhaps with guide books or other helpful support like New Daylight forms part of our voyage of discovery.

Who am I? Where am I going? What do I believe? What is it all about? Big questions – and there are many more.

Am I searching? Do I think I've got all the answers? Most of us would answer YES to the first and NO to the second. If you have different responses please let me know.



In 2019 we're launching "Growing Together". There'll be an occasion, a short course or a group to suit all adult members of our church – giving us the opportunity of Growing Together.

Ask Geoff for more details & look out for next month's Spire

Geoff Jaques

A New Look By The Bridge



The bottom end of the village is now looking up with two new businesses.

On the other side of the stone bridge from *The Velveteen Rabbit*, Amber's Hairdressing Salon has just opened.

Having worked in Toni and Guys in Middlesbrough for over 20 years, and spent the last 3 years in Stokesley, Amber felt it was time to have her own business - with a wonderful view. Well she has certainly achieved

this with a stunning view up Low Green, and the colour of her Salon (The same as Fortnum and Masons, I'm told.), gives a lovely dash of colour by the bridge.

Amber is offering a high class experience in a beautiful setting and going by the number of former clients who packed the opening, it looks like another very successful business has come to our village. Hopefully her clients will then visit other traders.

The good news is that men are just as welcome as the ladies. (If only I had hair!)

Amber (Pictured left) is assisted by Rebecca (right) and they are quite a team having worked together for 14 years. We wish them every success.

To contact Amber, call 01642 913295



Wedding Gallery



Wolfgang Meyer and Rebecca Weschenfelder were married in Christ Church on 29th September.



Following their ceremony in Church, Rebecca and Wolfgang retired to the newly refurbished Church Hall for their Wedding Reception. It looked fantastic. Tim had grown all the flowers used on his allotment, and these were arranged by *Stitch and Glitz*, who also decorated the tables. They went for a rustic style wedding, and ironically hired in wooden trestle tables just like the ones we have donated to the Parish Council!!

Food and the Bar was done by *Big D Catering*, and all guests had ample to eat. Food was served in the Coffee Lounge, which now looks so much bigger than before.



From the Registers

Holy Baptism

13 October	Skye Tia Watson Jake Steven Watson
14 October	Sofia Louise McKenzie Scarlett Durant
21 October	Rose Emily-Neesham-How Penelope Rose McMahon Grace Ollivia McMahon Nevaeh Antonia Jack

Holy Matrimony

29 September	Wolfgang Meyer & Rebecca Weschenfelder
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Christian Burial and Cremation

11 October	Bill Hutchinson
12 October	Brian Lee
19 October	Harold Hutchinson
22 October	Alan Cross

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

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Malcolm's Musings

Instruction issued at a Gloucestershire wedding: "Would you please wait until the couple have left the church grounds before throwing anything at them."

"I simply didn't realise how much it cost to be rich" - character in ITV's Vanity Fair on inheriting a large house, estate and staff.



A man had a collection of handwritten signs he hung on his garden gate to assist couriers (e.g. Amazon, Yodel). A passer-by asked why he kept changing the name of his house.

Receptionists at a Lincolnshire surgery now carry name badges saying they are "Care Navigators."

Arthur Lowe, as Captain Mainwaring in Dad's Army, had a clause inserted in his contract saying that at no time would he be required to remove his trousers.

"He's a very respectable man if it wasn't for his character" - witness at a court hearing.

A writer to a newspaper said his branch of Marks and Spencer had a seating area just inside the main entrance, usually occupied by elderly people waiting to be picked up by taxi. "Staff call it God's Waiting Room."

Ever wondered how an "X" at the end of a letter came to signify a kiss? In the Middle Ages illiterate people often signed documents by making a "X" then kissed it to affirm their sincerity. Eventually the X and the kiss became synonymous.

From an abbey newsletter: "Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say 'hell' to someone who doesn't care much about you."

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Malcolm Race

The Parishes of Great Ayton with Easby and Newton under Roseberry

Services

Christ Church, Great Ayton

Sunday	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
Tuesday	9.30am	Little Fishes Carer & Toddler Group
Wednesday	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

At St Oswald's, Newton under Roseberry

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

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