

News Letter

Brigstock with Stanion, Lowick and Sudborough
Sunday 8th June to Saturday 15th June 2025.

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Couldn't help recalling, as above, how I helped children remember the word Pentecost when doing school assemblies and/or RE. Since Whit Bank Holiday was replaced with a fixed Spring Bank Holiday it's general feel has changed in the UK. Many people, without any Church background, will no longer know what it represents. If you get the chance this week bring it up in conversation – 'We celebrated Pentecost in Church this week'. You might get asked 'what is that then?'.

For ourselves the Easter celebrations give rise to the fulfilling of Jesus' mission on earth. His life, teaching, saving death and Resurrection were working towards equipping ordinary people for their everyday lives. Lives lived in the knowledge that He remained with them and each subsequent generation hereafter, through the presence of God's Holy Spirit.

In the New Testament the Holy Spirit is both within us and separate from us. At times coming to us in a whisper, at other times like a rushing wind, as the disciples experienced. And with us at all times yet requiring us to 'ask and it shall be given to you'. Contradictory eh? Not really as much as you think. As the oxygen in our atmosphere is there for our benefit, it does require us to breathe it in to acquire it's life giving properties. So too the Holy Spirit is a constant unseen companion, but we do need to connect in thought and prayer to properly receive. It's a partnership, bathed in mystery.

Notice your own breathing a few times this week. With every inhale of breath, know the Spirit flowing through you. With every exhale throw out all that threatens your peace and leave it with God.

Go well!



Sunday Services



Sunday 8th June 10.00 a.m. St Andrews Brigstock – Service to be taken by The Reverend Steve Benoy Readings: **Acts 2 1-21 John 14 8-17**

Sunday 15th June 09.30 a.m. All Saints Sudborough
11.30 a.m. St Pters Stanion All Age service

Sunday 22nd June 10.00 a.m. St Peters Lowick

Sunday 29th June 10.00 a.m. Benefice Patronal Festival Service at St Peters Lowick

For further information and updates please visit our website www.harperbrookanglicans.org.uk

Mid-Week Services

Wednesday 11th June 10.00 a.m. St Andrews Brigstock Holy Communion taken by The Reverend Shakeel Nurmah

Please note that during Rev'd Heathers absence cover has been arranged for the Thursday morning Holy Communion services however some weeks the service may be on alternative days and may not start until 11.00 a.m. To help you plan ahead details are given below. These dates and time may be subject to change so please keep an eye on your News Letter.

Friday 20th June 10.00 a.m.

Thursday 26th June 10.00 a.m.

Thursday 3rd July 10.00 a.m.

Thursday 10th July 11.00 a.m.

Thursday 17th July 10.00 a.m.

Thursday 24th July 10.00 a.m.

Friday 1st August 10.00 a.m.

Thursday 7th August 11.00 a.m.

Thursday 14th August 10.00 a.m.

Friday 29th August 10.00 a.m.

- **This week's Mind** – Tony Ward 1996, Lucy Butcher 2002, George (Ray) Bird 2020, Stephen Chamberlain 2023, Sylvia Monney 2009, Emma Wilkinson 2013, Madeleine Douglass 2006, Tristan Beaumont 2021

Parish Notes

Rector: The Reverend Heather Lowe

Associate Minister (Church Army): Captain Alan Lowe,

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Brigstock – Vacant

Stanion – David Lafferty 01536 200175

Benefice Administrator – Allison Porter email: beneficeoffice5@btinternet.com or telephone 01536 373509 or 07933 804432

Benefice website: <https://www.harpersbrookanglicans.org.uk>

As part of Bishop Debbie's year of prayer our Deanery have organised a 24-hour prayer event. This will start on Friday 6 June at 7 p.m. at St Columba Church, Studfall Avenue, Corby NN17 1LG until Saturday 7 June 7 p.m. We are asking for prayer requests specifically for our Deanery, so if you would like to forward these to me, Donna Winch, that would be much appreciated. We are also asking for participants to have up to an hour of private prayer which can be booked through myself or via the link below. This event has been registered on the 24/7 website and there is a link to this on St Marys Church website, which takes you to the booking hourly slots page.

People can either register and book a slot or book a slot as a Guest without having to register.

This is the link: <https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/e384ff/>

You should be able to book a slot by clicking on/using this link.

I really hope you will be able to support this event, my details are

djwinch@btinternet.com 07830 391934

SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB – 1st Sunday of the Month.

Sunday Lunch group meets monthly for good food and company for folk who would otherwise be eating dinner on their own. If you are interested, please contact Carol on the following number and leave your contact details 07894261164. If a lift is required it may be possible for people from the same locality to liaise with each other.



Little Treasures Baby and Toddler Group meet at Stanion Village Hall on a Friday in school term time from 10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. For Parents and Carers with their children.

Craft, sensory play, toys, jigsaws, drinks and snacks. £3.00 for first child and siblings £1.00 each (the increase is due to an increase in the village Hall rental cost). Concessions for those on Universal Credit.

Dates for your Diaries

St Peters Lowick -



The next monthly Coffee morning offering refreshment and a chance to catch up with friends is happening on 24th June, at the Village Hall (Germain Rooms), from 10 a.m. to midday. £2 per person, children and dogs free! All welcome.



Stanion Village Fete (Church, School and Village Hall) will be on the 5th July, more information to follow. For further information please contact kate.redding@sky.com



St Peter's, Stanion - Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 29th November 10.00 a.m. – 3 p.m.