

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

Spire

JUNE 2018



If William Wordsworth the poet had lived in Great Ayton we would have had a poem about Bluebells. They were stunning this year. (Photo by Geoff Jaques)

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JUNE

- 2 **Sat** 3pm Wedding at Christ Church
- 3 **Sun** **Trinity 1** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11am Holy Communion; 12.15pm Baptism at St Oswald's.
- 4 **Mon** 2pm Coffee Lounge Communion & Chat - in Christ Church.
- 5 **Tues** 2pm Nunthorpe MU Visit & Service in All Saints Church.
- 6 **Wed** 9am - 12 noon. Organ Workshops in Christ Church. 10am Communion Service now at Saint Oswald's followed by coffee at Kings Head.
- 9 **Sat** **VILLAGE FETE DAY**
- 10 **Sun** **Trinity 2** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parade Service; 11am Come & Praise. 4pm Choral Vespers with RCMS & Christ Church Choir at St Paulinus Guisborough. 7pm Quiz at Royal Oak.
- 11 **Mon** 1pm Wedding at Saint Oswald's Church.
- 15 **Fri** 1.45pm Church Visitors meet in Church.
- 16 **Sat** 12.30pm Wedding in Christ Church.
- 17 **Sun** **Trinity 3** (Foodbank Sunday) 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 11am All Age Service.
- 19 **Tues** 7.30pm Deanery Synod at Kildale Church.
- 21 **Thurs** 7.30pm Midsummer Concert at Saint Oswald's Church, Newton.
- 23 **Sat** 7.30pm Michelmas Singers Concert in Christ Church
- 24 **Sun** **Trinity 4** 8am Holy Communion; 9.15am Parish Communion; 2pm WWI Remembrance Charles Wildman.
- 28 **Thurs** 7pm MU Archdeaconry Festival at Stokesley.

Regular activities on back page

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

Great Ayton Remembers

Charles Wildman

On Sunday 24th June 2018 at 2pm

in Christ Church



Take Time To Enjoy Life's Blossoms

The May blossom and the bluebells have been quite spectacular this year, and those who look at *I Love Great Ayton* on Facebook will have seen some quite stunning photographs from Jim Greathead, Gordon Simpson and Claire Baxter. As I haven't got their permission to reprint here, you will have to do with my poor efforts here and super one on the front by Geoff (But I do hope they could get together and do a Great Ayton Calendar and put their talents to work. It would be stunning.)

The two photographs below were taken three weeks apart just to the side of the changing rooms on the football pitches early in the morning. On 7th May the colours were spectacular - and I couldn't get the nearby lilac in the shot. Back from holidays and on 28th May it was all gone. You have to enjoy it whilst you can.



There's a parable for life in that, for the people around us are like the blossom, both colourful and delicate, and it's so important to enjoy those special times when we can, for who knows how long they will last.

When I do funeral visits the thing that always comes to me is how important holidays feature in families' memories, for it is usually then that we spend quality time together, that so easily disappears with the demands of life and work.

The times we get together as families, friends, in organisations and at Church are special. None of us know just how long we have to enjoy each other, and we so often take for granted that people and things will always be there. They won't. We will wake up some morning to find some colour missing in our life as someone or something that was part of us is no longer there. Take time to stop and enjoy the blossoms of life, and make the most of them while you have them. Indeed, why not take some time this month to spend some special time with someone that you may have been taking for granted, and you will find colour added to your life.

Paul

The Archdeacon of the East Riding, Andy Broom, writes:

I'm 53 and far too often I am the youngest person in Church as I go out to different churches Sunday by Sunday! Our diocesan goal of 'Reaching those we currently don't' recognises this as we commit ourselves to reaching those in their '20s – 40s'. There are some churches which have managed to retain the generation in their 20s – 40s but sadly many have not, and therefore, any children these folk may have are also missing from many of our churches.

Turning this situation around obviously presents a challenge but there is a growing sense that God is calling us to that task and that by the work of the Holy Spirit we can address this situation. We will need to embrace new ways – too often our current way of being church is alien to a younger generation. If the current Services can't be changed, then we may need new worshipping communities which feel different and may not even meet on a Sunday.

We also hope to see a changing ethos amongst us where we share insights, resources and people; and when one church has seen growth, they don't keep it to themselves but look to give away people to start something new elsewhere.

Often we are already 'reaching' lots of people in this age range (baptisms, toddler groups, weddings, church schools, social events etc), the challenge is how to we talk about faith with them and accompany them on the journey of discipleship.

We are proposing a number of actions to help all this to happen :

13 new posts focused on places with a high number of 20s – 40s who will grow new Worshipping communities,

share their learning and then start again elsewhere

- A Start Up Fund that will help churches create part time roles or provide resources to begin new projects, all aimed at reaching and discipling 20 – 40s
- A web-based 'Toolbox' of Resources for all to use
- Using St Michael le Belfrey's experience to create new worshipping communities
- Events to envision and equip us, to encourage a 'ripple' effect as learning and ideas spread between churches & deaneries



This all costs money! As well as using some of our reserves, we have applied for a substantial grant from the Church Commissioners which will fund the 13 posts and the Start Up Fund. We will know their thoughts in late June – please pray for a good outcome.

This will all be rolled out during 2019 but we can start now – looking for ways to reach and disciple 20s – 40s and praying that God will do a new thing amongst us all.

Marwood's Headteacher Takes on New Role

It was announced last month that Marwood Schools Headteacher, Mrs Celia Wilson, has been appointed as a Schools Development Advisor working for the Diocese of York in supporting Church Schools across the Diocese.



Mrs Wilson came to Marwood School in 2007, the year after it had just received an Outstanding Ofsted Report. As a result of the consistently high standards at the school, we have never had another Ofsted since! Some may welcome this, but Ofsted also serves to recognise excellent work done - and there has been plenty.

Since 2007 Marwood we have received two Outstanding Church Inspection Reports, so we know all is well. Mrs Wilson also took on the headship of Kirkby and Great Broughton Church Primary School in 2011 and has made huge gains there also.

We will miss her warmth and ability greatly, but are pleased that all Church schools in the Diocese will benefit from all the experience she has gained along with her many gifts. The staff at school are stepping up to cover the vacancy for two terms to allow the Governors time to explore future possibilities for our unique and outstanding Church School. You don't have to attend Church to go to Marwood School, neither for that matter do you need to live in Great Ayton. We have had many children from places like Guisborough as often Grandparents still live here.

Paul

Support us here

SATURDAY
21 APRIL
9am - 4pm

Church Hall Renovation Project

GIFT DAY

Huge thanks to the generous donors who have continued to add to our Gift Day total throughout May, bring us to £21,500 at time of writing.

Work starts on the Hall on Monday 4th June, and due to the extensive nature of the work the contractor has now told us that it will be out of use for the duration because of Health and Safety, rather than having some use of it in early stages. Our thanks to all our Hall users for being so understanding and for other providers in the village - notably the Village Hall, WI Hall and Scout hut who have rallied around to support those groups we can't hold in Christ Church.

All work needs to be completed for a wedding reception in the Hall in September, and we hope that the Hall may provide a cheaper venue for such celebrations, especially in the summer holiday weeks when it is quieter. We look forward to seeing it re-open in September.

TALK OF GOD

What would you tell somebody about God that might encourage them to want to find out more?

I asked 26 members of our church for "3 things they'd tell somebody. Here are a handful of the 63 answers I was given.

For those interested in data analysis 11 were under 50, 7 were men.

Geoff

God wants us to know him and have a relationship with him. But he sent Jesus to prove his love for us, that he knows everyone of us and to ensure that when we get it wrong (sin), this is no reason to just give up. We should keep trying to get it right.

God accepts us as we are, not as we think we should be.

God is the first 'cause' - the only reason for the existence of everything that has come into

God is always there and loves me no matter what I do... It's not anything I have done that has earned his love and grace, but what he has done for me.

We love to read about celebrities; what they think, do. Imagine if you could do the same with God? Well you can, he's given us a book all about him! Loads of details, interviews, his Son's opinion. Have a read?

What would you say?



MUSIC FOR A SUMMER'S EVENING

A CONCERT OF PASTORAL CHORAL GEMS

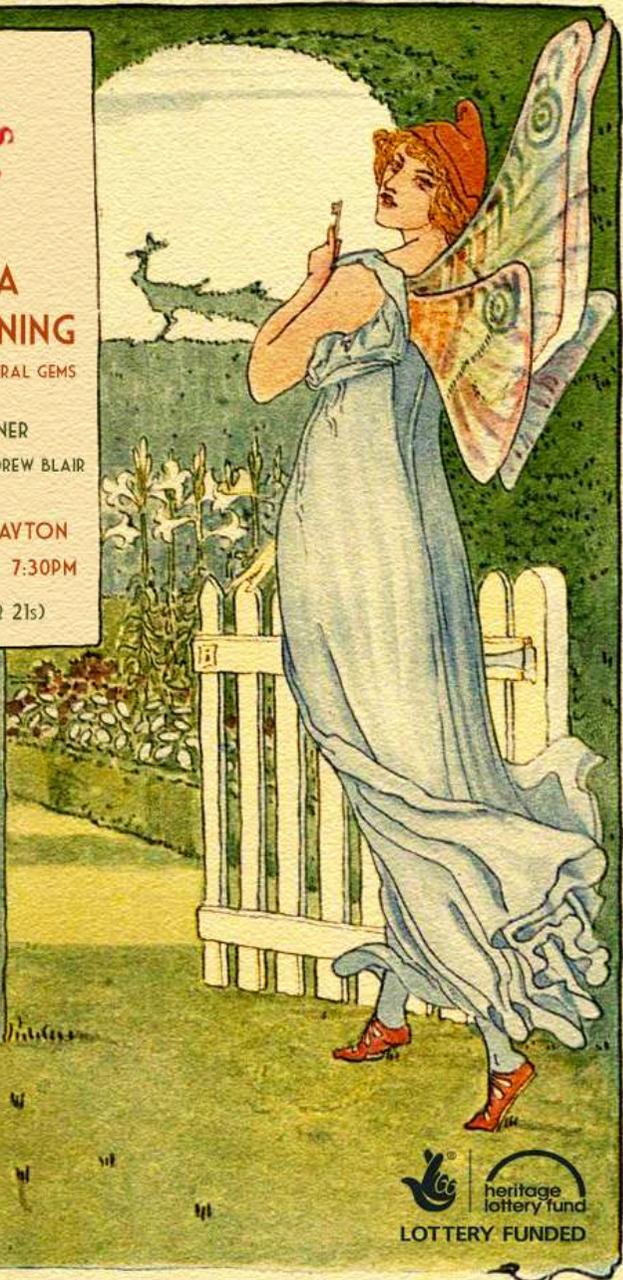
DIRECTOR SAM GARDNER

WITH ORGAN INTERLUDES BY ANDREW BLAIR

CHRIST CHURCH GREAT AYTON

SATURDAY JUNE 23RD 2018 7:30PM

TICKETS £10 (£4 UNDER 21s)



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MIDSUMMER MUSIC

St Oswald's Church
Newton under Roseberry

Thursday 21st June at 7.30pm

SWING FEVER

An Evening of Swing Jazz & Blues

Tickets £10 Raffle

Proceeds to Church Funds

Tickets from Paul Carter paul@pauldavidcarter.com or
Saint Oswald's Church

Poppy Knitters

Join our Poppy Knitting Group on Mondays from 7pm - 8.30pm in preparation for a display by the War Memorial to mark the 100th Anniversary of the Armistice on 11th November 2018.



From June onwards the Coffee Lounge is out of use, so we will meet at the Vicarage, or if numbers too big, in Christ Church. Tuition given.

These are the dedicated ones who came Bank Holiday Monday!

PRAYER RIBBONS

The Methodist Church are organising ribbon tying again on the railings outside Suggitts with the support of the other Churches in the village, between Sunday 27th May and Wednesday June 13th. We invite people to tie a ribbon and remember a loved one, the needs of the community



and of the world. Ribbons will be available from all the Churches, Suggitts, the Discovery Centre & Thompson's hardware. The ribbons will be taken down and there will be a short of thanksgiving in waterfall park (opposite Suggitts) on **Wednesday 13th June at 6.30pm** which everyone is invited to.

Dr Waldie Memorial Trust Fund

Applications are now welcome from students and young people living in Great Ayton for Dr Waldie Trust Fund grants to assist with further and higher education or the costs of educational and developmental activities or training.



Apply by e-mail before 30th June to drwaldietrustfund@gmail.com

Susie Sonley
Secretary to the Trust

The Trust was founded in 1981 from donations in memory of Dr Waldie the much loved village doctor from 1951 to his retirement in 1974.

Yorkshire Cancer Research

Great Ayton and District Committee



The quiz held in the Conservative Club, by kind permission of the committee and organised by Mike Myers, raised a wonderful £560 on the night. Thanks to Mike and Barclays Bank, the final amount was £1,120 with the £ for £ scheme. A very successful evening.

On Saturday 12th May, the Silverwood Band played in Christ Church in memory of Margaret Norgan, a YCR. committee member for over 20 years who sadly died last year. Her daughter Sue and granddaughter Sarah play in the band. A wonderful concert, a successful evening both socially and financially raising £900.81 for YCR. A big thank you to everyone who supported in any way.

The annual Coffee Morning will be held on Wednesday 18th July 10am - 12 noon in the **W.I. HALL, GREAT AYTON** Different location same format, cake stall, Tombola, raffle, jams, crafts. Tickets or pay at the door £2 to include coffee and scones.

Thank you for all the generous support given to Y.C.R. and we hope to see you at future events.

Margaret Stevens

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The recent Fashion Show was very successful, making a total of £964, which is marvellous. Rachel and her models, including Sylvia from our committee, showed clothes and accessories from The Yorkshire Store of Stokesley, and demonstrated a range of fashion from several suppliers. We thank Rachel and her team for the hard work that had been put into the event - flowers and candles on the tables made the Hall very welcoming. The show was followed by a finger buffet, which everyone said was very tasty.

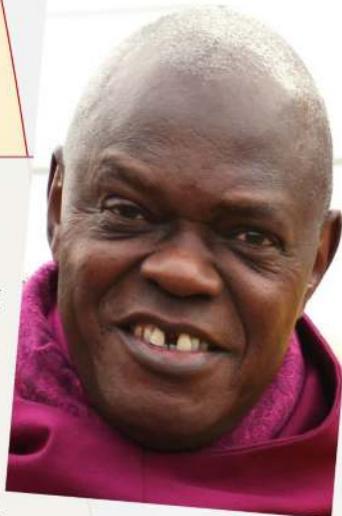


We hope you have a good summer.

Jancie Brown
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Understanding The Diocese of York's 2018 Budget

From the Archbishop of York



During fifty eight years of walking with the Lord, I have noticed that the most generous Christians of my acquaintance – the 'hilarious givers' – have always been the most joyful and almost invariably the most possessors of abundance of life – promised by Our Lord in John 10:10.

That generosity is rooted in our gratitude for God's loving provision for us, and we express that thankfulness in our care not just for our own family and mission unit, but for the whole Body of Christ (in our case the whole Diocese of York). This is the basis of what we call our Common Fund – the money we give and the blessings we receive each year through the work commissioned and sanctioned by our Diocesan Synod.

In 2018 Archdeacon Sam Rushton has been going out to meet with parish treasurers across the Diocese, and they have told her how important it is that we can tell each other where and on what the money in our Common Fund is spent – and where it comes from.

I pray that this leaflet (and you can use the centre pages as a poster) will put this information at your fingertips as you begin to shape what generosity looks like in your own parish and community. Please share it, and ask for more copies if you need them.

On the whole, people trust 'hilarious givers' with larger and larger sums and responsibility, and so it is frequently with the Lord; he gives by sackloads to those who give bucketfuls.

Thanks be to God for all we have been given; and for all that this enables us to do together in his name.

April 2018



"The Lord gives by sackloads to



In 2018 every £100 in the Diocese of York's £14 million Budget goes to...



£63 on deploying clergy in parishes; stipends, National Insurance, pensions, housing, training



£13 on our new clergy; including vocations work, and training ordinands and curates



£10 on parish support; safeguarding, church buildings advice, lay training etc



£8 on diocesan support; including meeting statutory responsibilities



£3 on supporting our work in schools



£3 supporting the national work of the Church of England

Did you know...

A Diocese is so much more than numbers, but ours includes:



600 churches in 470 parishes



125 Church of England Schools



290 clergy including 3 Archdeacons and 75 self-supporting ministers



150 Readers

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those who give bucketfuls!"



-Archbishop of York Dr John Sentamu

In 2018 every £100 in the Diocese of York's £14 million Budget comes from...



£60 given by parishes as their Freewill Offer to our Common Fund



£14 from the national Church of England



£6 collected as fees for weddings and funerals



£10 from investments, rents etc



£5 contributions to stipends from other organisations



£5 drawn from our reserves



Here's the typical cost of a full-time* parish priest in 2018:

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| Stipend: | £25,845 |
| NI & Pension: | £11,524 |
| Housing: | £ 9,831 |
| Training & Vocations | £ 9,212 |
| Shared diocesan support: | £13,425 |
| TOTAL: | £69,840 |



*a half-time post costs about 2/3 of this total due to fixed costs for housing, training etc

ing & Nurturing Disciples



reaching



growing



sustaining

Diocese-wide consultation two years ago led us to adopt our goals of 'Reach', 'Grow' and 'Sustain'.

These give structure to our plans to deliver our vision of 'Generous churches making and nurturing disciples...'.
They are already beginning to shape priorities and actions and we pray that some of our work will benefit from the national funding that the Church of England is making available for new mission initiatives.

Our vision also says that we should be 'Generous Churches ... mutually resourcing to fulfil God's mission'. The more parishes everywhere offer support through prayer, and their Freewill Offerings, the more we will be able to do under our goals and the more fruit we will see.



If you have questions or need advice...

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A Creative Response to Dementia

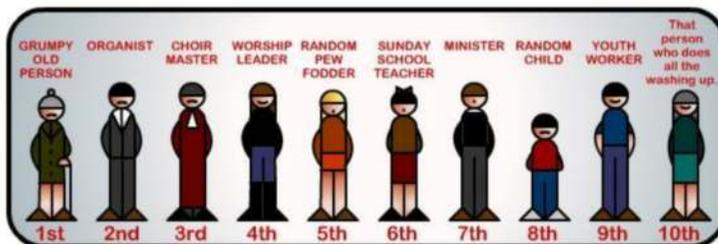
This was the title given to an excellent day held at Holy Trinity Church North Ormesby at the end of April which Sue Mason and Enid Sedgwick attended along with more than 70 people from the North East who came together to discuss ways in which churches could become more dementia friendly.

David Richardson, the dementia co-ordinator for Churches Together in Cumbria gave an excellent talk, which included many statistics about dementia, together with **WHY** churches should respond and **HOW** the challenge to “*be welcoming and inclusive towards people with dementia and their carers*” had made progress and continued to make progress throughout the Diocese of Cumbria. There is much more information about this and other aspects of the day available at www.cuf.org.uk/news/creative-responses-to-dementia-conference-tmc

A carer, who values the support she (and the relative she cares for) receive from activities run by various local churches, spoke movingly about how she has been helped. She gave much food for thought with her open, honest and very moving talk. Her outlook was to “*take the lemons in life and whenever possible make lemonade*”. With a variety of Workshops before and after lunch, together with some discussion time and a question and answer panel to finish everything off - 3.00pm came round very quickly. The end of a really informative day delivered by enthusiastic, passionate people.

Earlier this year Christ Church successfully registered with the Dementia Friendly Middlesbrough project – committing to becoming more dementia friendly.

Most of the people who are members of our Visitors Group here became a Dementia Friend after a short introductory awareness course was held during one of our regular meetings. This session was also repeated at a later date for Sidespeople. We hope to organise one again, later this year, for any members of the congregation who wish to attend. If you are interested in being there or have any comments about this on-going venture please have a word with either Sue or Enid.



Average C of E pecking order.

Giving credence to beauty – Phil Thomas

“Our Churchwardens are looking after the contents of the Victoria and Albert Museum in six hundred branches staffed entirely by volunteers,” said Phil Thomas, who retired as Church Buildings Officer for the Diocese of York in the spring of 2018.

Phil became Secretary to the DAC (the Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches) in 2001, and became Church Buildings Officer some years later when the role was separated from that of DAC Secretary.

How does he see the future for our church buildings?

“I hope we can become braver – most of our buildings have slowly evolved over centuries – change is absolutely appropriate.

“The ‘good-old’ and the ‘good-new’ should be in partnership; those who want

to conserve are sometimes unfairly looked down on, so we must encourage high standards, a sense of adventure, and persuade PCCs to be less conservative.

It’s not going to be a pipe-and-slippers retirement, is it?

“I have a dozen papers to write, paintings to catalogue, a seventeenth-century manor house and outbuildings near Howden to repair, a garden to make! But the front of Howden Minster is probably the finest of its date in Britain, and I’ll see it every day!”

“I’ll work part-time with Barley Studios (glaziers) designing inscriptions for windows in the UK, Ireland, the USA and Europe – I admit I’m worried that church organisations will ask me to be on committees in an ‘honorary’ capacity.

What about memories – what gives Phil particular satisfaction?

He is glad to have played a part in rescuing historic furnishings and incorporating them in new schemes for old buildings:

“It’s important to know what you’ve got and to treasure the best things.”

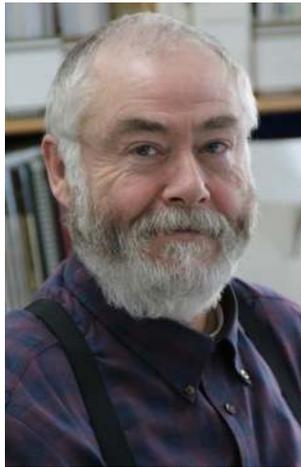
“There are new stained glass windows scattered around the diocese, which I’m really pleased I helped to encourage.

“And the aumbry at North Cave by Peter Coates; a wonderful piece of wood and metalwork.”

If Phil were to leave a note for his successor, what might it say?

“Give credence to beauty; doing a thing well is part of your own intellectual and aesthetic growth. “Putting up with second best imperils yourself!”

We have benefited from Phil’s advice many times over the years in dealings with all three Churches in the Benefice - All Saints, Christ Church and St Oswald’s, and he has always been friendly, helpful and efficient. Thank you Phil for all the support you have given to many in such a cheerful way. Ed.





15 guys from Christ Church took part in our 2018 Footgolf Championship on a sunny May morning ahead of the Royal Wedding. Several had never played before - but all enjoyed a great time to see who could take the mantle of "Champion" from Robin Hazell's shoulders.

Our 2018 Footgolf Champion, with a score of 29, is Ian Williams pictured in the centre - pointing to number 1. His team including Ewan, Frank & Mark had the lowest team score of 27. At one point our former champion lodged his ball in one of the trees - clearly his hadn't practiced enough this time.

Thanks to David Fox for organising the event - we look forward to a rematch in the near future.

Spire Sports Correspondent



The Heroes Return

A great village occasion welcoming back the Tanfield family after the great success of Charlie and Harry in the Commonwealth Games in Australia. We are rightly proud of them all, for such achievements wouldn't have been possible without the support & encouragement of Stuart and Claire.

From the Registers

Holy Baptism

29 April
27 May

Heidi Elizabeth Cresswell
Theo David Slater

Holy Matrimony

19 May

Robert Hauserman & Anna King

Christian Burial and Cremation

4 May

Margaret Tait

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

Alzheimer's Poem

Do not ask me to remember
Don't try to make me understand
Let me rest and know you're with me
Kiss my cheek and hold my hand.
I'm confused beyond your concept
I am sad and sick and lost
All I know is that I need you
To be with me at all cost.
Do not lose your patience with me

Do not scold or curse or cry
I can't help the way I'm acting
Can't be different though I try.
Just remember that I need you
That the best of me is gone
Please don't fail to stand beside me
Love me till my life is done.

Owen Darnell

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| Stokesley Deanery | www.stokesleydeanery.org.uk |
| A Church Near You | www.acny.org.uk |

Malcolm's Musings

"One person cannot change the world - but you can change the world for one person" - George Hoffman, founder of what became Tearfund.

"A bank is a place that will lend you money if you can prove you don't need it" - Bob Hope

A father, attempting to teach his son manners, giving him a present, asked him to say the magic word. He replied: "Abracadabra."

US baseball star Yogi Berra, after whom Yogi Bear was named, was noted for his inadvertent bon mots, e.g "When you come to a fork in the road, take it"

Of a popular resort: "Nobody goes there. It's too crowded."

"Baseball is 90 per cent mental; the other half is physical."

Asked by his wife where he would like to be buried when he died, he replied: "Why don't you surprise me?"

Teacher, marking a boy's homework: "Your father has not understood the question."

A McDonald's restaurant in Shepherd's Bush troubled by youths' violent behaviour solved the problem by playing classical music at certain times during the day. "It's working really well," said a spokesman.

Burglar: "One move and you're dead. I'm looking for your money."

Vicar: Hang on, let me get a light. I'll help you."

A shopper trying to find soap in a supermarket sought the help of an assistant who, puzzled at first, came up with: "Oh, you mean cleaning bars !"

The commander of a new submarine, accompanying a wartime convoy along the coast, signalled to an escorting destroyer: "If

attacked at night I intend to remain on the surface." The destroyer replied:

"So do I."

Malcolm Race



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The Parishes of Great Ayton with Easby and Newton under Roseberry

Services

Christ Church, Great Ayton

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| 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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Email. gapo1876@outlook.com (For services or pastoral matters, please contact the vicar as this phone isn't manned every day)