

Beyond

The Pews

March 2020

Mothering Sunday *Sunday 22nd March*

9.30am All Age Worship
St Helen's, Skelton

11.00am Family Communion
All Saints, Kirby Hill

Come and join us at either of our
informal and friendly services

Floral gifts, refreshments



The Parish Magazine of Kirby Hill, Skelton cum Newby & Cundall with Norton le Clay

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A little sentence in the Old Testament Book Ecclesiastes says, "A threefold cord is not quickly broken". They are words which have sometimes been spoken to couples on their wedding day. The threefold cord then was the couple and God.

Those words point to the importance of co-operation, of doing things together. In that we become more fully human. There is an old African saying, "If you wish to travel fast, travel alone. If you wish to travel far, travel together". Working with others and across boundaries may take longer. As we share insights the outcome is likely to be more worthwhile.

The often quoted words of John Donne, "No man is an island", echo those of the New Testament, "We are members one of another". In our country now we find ourselves not only at a time of challenge but also one of opportunity. Possibilities open up of making new links in new places. Following that up should not mean jettisoning all that has been. We need constantly to seek to build bridges not to erect walls. Fundamental must be the recognition of our common humanity. In that most basic way we are members one of another. That goes for relations in every sphere, be it in families or between countries, races or faiths. Whenever possible, "both and..." is much more positive than "either or....".

Those two words "both and..." point to something important that may at first sight seem opposed to what has gone before. They speak of holding together ideas and understandings which might appear contrary to one another. Truth is often – perhaps always – greater than any of us can fully comprehend. To be true to life, at least this side of Heaven, will often involve paradox. Sometimes it means living with a kind of tension for the greater good and the larger picture. This way, difference is positive not negative. It enlarges our lives and the possibilities before us. We don't all have to be the same. The unity of God the Creator is seen in the diversity of creation.

+Clive

What's On

Community Lunch

18th March 12.00 -2.00 at The Grantham Arms

Why eat alone when you could be at The Community lunch? Good food; good company and good value.

Menus available from All Saints' church or The GA. All members of our community are most welcome.

Prayer Group

This month the prayer group will meet in All Saints' church at 7.30 (after Compline) on Tuesdays 10th and 24th March.

Time and Space

Tuesday 3rd March 10.00 -10.30 All Saints' church. Thirty minutes of quiet to rest, reflect or pray and escape the busyness and demands of life listening to quiet music with the opportunity to light a candle.

Church Annual Meetings

Skelton Monday 6th April 6.00 in St Helen's church

Cundall Tuesday 14th April 7.00 at Lilac Cottage, Norton Le Clay

Kirby Hill Sunday 19th April 6.00 in All Saints' church

Anyone is welcome at these meetings but only those on the respective electoral rolls are eligible to vote.

Easter Day

Bishop Helen-Ann will be joining us at Kirby Hill. Details of this and all the services for Holy Week next month.

We like to Sing

The next meeting is on Thursday, March 5, 2.00pm-4.00pm at St James Church, Boroughbridge.

Come and join us for a relaxing afternoon singing. All ages and abilities welcome. Bring your friends - make new ones.

There will be tea and cake - but no rehearsals or concerts!!

For more information please contact Jane Barber on 01423 325 808 or e-mail music@yorevision.org.uk.

Tuesday Community Coffee Mornings

10.00 to 11.30am All Saints' Church

March 17th in aid of Brain Tumour Research

May 19th in aid of Mothers' Union



Once again it has been a busy year for Kirby Hill Guides. They have had opportunities to go Bell boating and attend the Wellies and Wristbands camp in August at Waddow Hall.

The first year of the new Guide Programme has been completed and the girls learnt some new skills. They have completed badges such as upcycling, mixology and keeping fit as well as working well in patrols with their skill builder badges.

In June the girls headed down the canal on bell boats. They thoroughly enjoyed the challenges that were set whilst heading down the canal. They particularly enjoyed leaping off the boats at the end of the session and swim back to the shore. A massive thank you to the Scouts for giving them the opportunity. We have already booked for next summer.

"We had a great time, we climbed to the front of the boat and laid down, dipped our hair in the water and worked as a team. It was fun to be on the canal with our friends. We sang songs and splashed each other with water. We also learnt about bell boating and some of the plants we saw on the way." Izzy and Rose.

In August 2019, 6 girls and 2 leaders spent the Bank Holiday weekend at Wellies and Wristbands camp at Waddow Hall in Clitheroe. This is a Festival style camp designed especially for Guides and Rangers. It gives the girls the atmosphere and enjoyment of a festival but in a safe, secure environment. Approximately 1000 screaming Guides enjoyed listening to live music with the leaders sitting at a safe distance during the evening. During the day there were opportunities to do activities such as canoeing, tree climbing, crate building, crafts. It was an amazing weekend especially the weather as it was one of the hottest bank holidays we have had for a long time. The challenge was to make sure the girls stayed hydrated and protected from the very hot sun. The 100metre water slide at the front of the house became very popular as a result.

"There were lots of fun activities during the day and live music at night. We had a lot of freedom and our favourite activity was the 100m water slide. We liked the inflatable army assault course as well. The waffles, pizzas and chips were my favourite food and filled me up for the night."

Lauren and Francesca.

Four girls have been some of the final Guides to complete their Baden Powell Challenge this year. It is a series of 10 challenges ending with an adventure, they chose to go to the Snowzone in Castleford and join other Guides from North East England on their adventure. They went sledging and went up the hill and thought about how you would rescue someone from a snowy mountain. Congratulations to Matilda, Lily, Alex and Shannon. They all worked extremely hard for this well-deserved award.

With the introduction of the New Guide Programme girls will continue to have the opportunity to achieve awards but the Baden Powell Award has now been replaced with the Gold Award. They will still have adventures and it will be a valuable part of the Guiding Programme.

This year, one Leader and one Guide are heading over to Switzerland in August. County camp is taking place in July at Bramhope near Leeds. They also have plans to try the Junior Warrior challenge in June.

If anyone is interested in Guides (or Rainbow, Brownies and Rangers) then please get in touch.

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Thursday 19th March 2.00pm

Coronation Hall Milby

Please note change of venue

Woodcraft Veterans

With Chris Morgan. Beautiful craftwork
helping those suffering from PTSD
Everyone welcome, Refreshments

For more information contact
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Boroughbridge Bowls club

The summer season is approaching fast and the Aldborough Road Green will be opening for bowling in mid-April. The new water sprinkler system is now installed and will improve the playing area this year.

The club play in four leagues and members also take part in social bowling.

Anyone interested in having a go at bowls, whether experienced or a novice, will be made most welcome. For more details contact Les Gill on 01423 324961

Does anyone need a piano?

Free for collection. Please contact Jennifer 01423 329142.

Kirby Hill C of E Primary School

Are you enthusiastic about education with some time to spare? The school is looking for a committed person to join the Governing Body as Co-opted Governor.

For more information, contact the school office at admin@kirbyhill.n-yorks.sch.uk.

What's On in Lent

Water Aid

This year our Lent Appeal will be raising money for Water Aid. Did you know that 10% of the world's population still don't have access to clean water or that 800 children die each day through drinking contaminated water? That's deeply shocking isn't it? Would you like to help us work to make that history?

Please join us in saving or donating money via our churches which we will collect on Easter day, or come along to our Lent Lunches.

Ash Wednesday (the start of Lent) 26th February

Holy Communion for Ash Wednesday when we have the opportunity to receive the sign of the cross in ash on our foreheads, 10.00, All Saints' church. We will be joined by the older children from Kirby Hill school.

Lent Courses at which everyone is most welcome

'Lent in a Bag'

Wednesday evenings 7.00 - 8.30 starting on 4th March in St James' Boroughbridge led by Revd Karen. This promises to be an inspiring and engaging course in which each week participants will be given something to help them journey through Lent.

Wednesday afternoons 2.30 -3.30 beginning on 4th March in All Saints' church - an informal series of reflections on encounters Jesus had with a variety of people with a time for discussion and prayer.

Compline:

On Tuesday evenings in Lent we will be holding the short but beautiful service of Compline at 7.00 in All Saints' church.

Lent lunches raising money for Water Aid

Tuesdays 10th and 24th March 12.00 -1.30 in All Saints' church- everyone welcome

Special Services for Mothering Sunday

22nd March, 9.30 St Helen's, Skelton; 11.00 All Saints, Kirby Hill

Good Friday 10th April Walk of Witness

We will be walking from Kirby Hill down to Boroughbridge carrying a large cross through the streets with stops along the way for brief readings and reflections. We will be leaving All Saints' church at 9.45 and finishing at St James' at 11.00. We welcome anyone who would like to walk with us or join us for part of the route.

Diary Dates

- Mar 3 10.00am Time and Space at All Saints', Kirby Hill
7.00pm Compline at All Saints, Kirby Hill
7.30pm Kirby Hill WI
Cleaning the Teeth of Skeletons - Dr Andrew Farrer
- 4 2.30pm First Session of Informal reflections for Lent
at All Saints', Kirby Hill - see p6
7.30pm First session of 'Lent in a Bag'
at St James', Boroughbridge - see p6
- 10 7.00pm Compline at All Saints, Kirby Hill
7.30pm Prayer Group at All Saints, Kirby Hill
7.30pm Skelton WI
- 11 7.00pm Kirby Hill PCC meeting at the vicarage
- 14 10.00am Churchyard Clear-up at All Saints' Church, Kirby Hill
- 17 10.00am Coffee Morning in aid of Brain Tumour Research
All Saints', Kirby Hill
7.00pm Compline at All Saints, Kirby Hill
- 18 12.00nn Community Lunch at the Grantham Arms
- 19 2.00pm Mothers' Union at Coronation Hall
- 24 7.00pm Compline at All Saints, Kirby Hill
7.30pm Prayer Group at All Saints, Kirby Hill
- 31 7.00pm Compline at All Saints, Kirby Hill



Advance Notices

Friends of All Saints Church

Easter Coffee Morning All Saints Church Saturday April 4th 10.00-12.00

Afternoon Tea at Hawthorn Lodge Saturday July 11th

First Steps 2 School- Peru

Quiz at Coronation Hall Saturday 2nd May 7.00pm

More information to follow nearer the time.

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SERVICES

Date Sunday	1 Mar Lent 1	8 Mar Lent 2	15 Mar Lent 3	22 Mar Mothering Sunday	29 Mar Lent 5
CUNDALL		11.00 CW2		9.30 MP	10.30 CW2
KIRBY HILL	11.00 IC	9.30 CW1 11.00 Activ8	11.00 AAW	11.00 Family Communion	United Benefice service at
SKELTON	9.30 CW1		9.30 CW1	9.30 AAW	Cundall

WEEKDAY SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS' KIRBY HILL

Tuesday 9.00am MP (said)
Wednesday (except – see below) 10.00am CW2 (said)
Third Wednesday of the month 10.45am at St James, Boroughbridge

CW1 Holy Communion, Common Worship, order 1, Modern language

CW2 Holy Communion, Common Worship, order 2, Traditional language

AAW All Age Worship, **MP** Morning Prayer; **ES** Evensong, **EP** Evening Prayer;

IC Informal Communion, **Activ8** Messy Church for children, young people and parents. On the 4th Sundays of the month, at Kirby Hill, children's activities are available during the service.

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