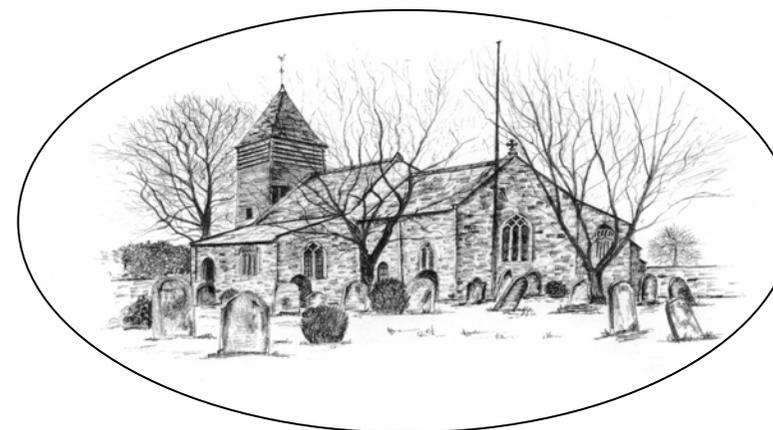


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PARISH NEWS



St John the Baptist & All Saints, Easingwold



St Mary the Virgin, Raskelf

January 2014

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JANUARY

5th	10.30am	Isaiah	Ch.60	Vv. 1-6	EPIPHANY
		Ephesians	Ch.3	Vv. 1-12	
		Matthew	Ch.2	Vv. 1-12	
	3.30pm	Isaiah	Ch.60	Vv. 1-9	
		John	Ch.2	Vv. 1-11	
12th	10.30am	No service in Parish Church: Methodist Covenant Service			
	3.30pm	Hebrews	Ch.1	Vv. 1-12	BAPTISM OF CHRIST
		Luke	Ch.3	Vv.15-22	
19th	10.30am	Isaiah	Ch.49	Vv. 1-7	EPIPHANY
		1 Corinthians	Ch.1	Vv. 1-9	
		John	Ch.1	Vv.29-42	
	4.00pm	United Week of Prayer Service			
	26th	10.30am	Acts	Ch.9	Vv. 1-22
Galatians			Ch.1	Vv.11-16	
Matthew			Ch.19	Vv.27-30	
3.30pm		Isaiah	Ch.56	Vv. 1-8	
		Colossians	Ch.1	Vv.24-2.7	

BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP

Bible reading notes are a good way to get started on reading the Bible. With only a short passage to read each day you do not need to put aside a lot of time and the commentaries will help you to understand the passage and apply it to your own life. BRF publishes three different series, for more details please contact Mrs Joan Green on 01347-821389

Ready for Winter?



Last January I was at a meeting at Bishopthorpe. While we were there it snowed heavily and when we came out there were problems for some getting out of the car park. In particular one car had to be dug out so that it could reach the road. Fortunately I'd been given a lift by a friend who was able to get off without trouble. He had fitted winter tyres on his vehicle.

It's all about being prepared. You can have the biggest and most expensive car -and the one in trouble was a Jaguar - but if you can't get it to go, then it's useless. We need to pay attention to fundamentals.

Before Christmas, during Advent, the theme was "be ready". But that's something that's not limited to those particular few weeks. We always need to be ready. Who knows what we will face in this coming year? Who knows what God will require of us? If we don't prepare ourselves by learning how to listen to him, then it becomes more difficult to take his help when we need it.

During this Epiphany season, we're reminded of how God is all around us, showing himself to us and to the world. But we need to have our eyes open to see him, and be ready to receive him in our hearts.

John Harrison

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week for Prayer for Christian Unity runs from 18th to 25th January. There are daily services from Monday 20th in different churches at 12 noon.



Monday 20th at the Parish Church,
Tuesday 21st taken by Community Church at Methodist Church
Wednesday 22nd at the Methodist Church
Thursday 23rd at the Roman Catholic Church
Friday 24th at the Methodist Church
Saturday 25th Community Church at Methodist Church
Sunday 19th the main Unity Service is at the Parish Church at 4pm when the preacher will be the Vicar, Canon John Harrison. This will be followed by a "Bring and Share" tea.

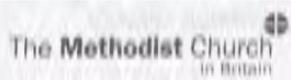
Mothers' Union

The **January meeting** is on Wednesday 8th at 2.30pm in the Parish Rooms and includes the annual wave of prayer for branches we are particularly linked with.



The Mothers' Union Winter Lunch is on Sunday January 12th.
Details on the MU table in church.

Prayer for Christian Unity

 Sunday January 19th is our annual Service with members of the Methodist Church and this year in the Parish Church at 4.00pm. The 8.00am and 10.30am services will take place as normal. This is the COVENANT SERVICE. This historic Covenant was signed by the Methodist Church of Great Britain and the Church of England in November 2003—an important occasion in the Methodist year and when we rededicate ourselves as the people of God through the new Covenant made by Christ

From the Registers

Baptism

3rd Dec Samuel Thomas Mawer

Funerals

25th Nov Joan Broad

2nd Dec Freda Hasnip

5th Dec Kathleen Williams *at Raskelf*

ST MARY'S CHURCH, RASKELF

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 1st

LITE BITE LUNCH, Old Black Bull, Raskelf 12 noon

SUNDAYS JANUARY 5th & 19th

HOLY COMMUNION 9.10am

SUNDAY JANUARY 12th

FAMILY SERVICE 10.30am

PRAYER CORNER

Prayer is at the heart of what the church is about and the prayer corner in St John's continues to be used regularly. Please write the names of people you would like to be remembered in the book there. We also have a prayer chain, where a number of people pray for those in special need. If you would like to join the chain, know more about it or have someone you want to be prayed for, please contact the Vicar or Chris Peel. Please include in your prayers this month:



1. All who live and work along the Stillington and York roads
2. Those who use and those who work at the Golf Club and Football Club
3. All who maintain essential services e.g. gas, electric, refuse collectors, post office workers and more
4. All those who live along Easingwold Road, Raskelf and those who use and work at the Village Hall and Cricket Club

PARISH PROFILES... Reverend Robin Davill

I am probably one of the more mysterious examples of Easingwold clergy: the vicar who lives "up Uppleby"



So how do I come to be here?

I was born and brought up in the East Midlands. I trained as a secondary school teacher which eventually brought me to York in 1980. After eleven years teaching, in 1985 I was accepted for training to the priesthood. I served my title in Preston, where our son Sam was born. In 1991 my wife Ann, Sam and I returned to Yorkshire

In 1993 as we were both working full time, Sam being looked after by a nanny, we agreed that it made more sense for me to work part time, and to become the main domestic organiser. However, in the church of those days no such possibility existed unless you became unpaid, were self-supporting and lived in your own house. So that is what we did, and thus arrived in our current home.

For the next two years I was part of a team looking after Crayke, Brandsby, Yearsley, Stillington and Marton during the Vicar's ill health. When the Vicar retired the Archbishop rewarded me with the title "Priest with informal responsibility for Crayke, Brandsby and Yearsley", although who had formal responsibility for them was never clearly established. In 1997 I was made Priest in Charge, and paid a half stipend and so was regularly asked what I did with the rest of my time. For the record, I enjoy history, the arts, music and singing, gardening, cricket and field sports permitted by law.

In 2003, my job moved to Thirkleby, Kilburn and Bagby and then in 2009 to the Topcliffe benefice. In 2011 I was diagnosed with bladder cancer. Lengthy, ultimately drastic and so far successful; treatments followed. However, I felt I could not return fully to the job I had been doing. I was granted early retirement in 2012 and thus I am fully back in the town which has been our home for twenty years, but where I have never worked. I do feel like an aircraft that has made a forced landing, but praise God, it is good to be here and I look forward to becoming a proper Easingwold person

R.obin Davill

- **Parish magazines**... thanks to all of the people who deliver them every month. A reminder that the annual subscriptions are now due. The price remains the same—£2.40 (12 x .20p)
- **York Minster**.. new arrangements have been introduced for visiting the Minster. New cards which are available *to borrow* from the PCC secretary, Sue Thorn on 01347-823235
- **Advent Lunch**...raised £660 for *Crisis at Christmas* . They have recently published a report in conjunction with the Joseph Rowntree Foundation which has revealed that 9% of adults in England have experienced homelessness at some point in their life. People from deprived areas are more likely to have been homeless and a lack of supply, rising housing costs and cuts to benefits have been identified. So raising that money has been well worthwhile and nearer home Newcastle has been cited where help is needed.
- **Free Home Library and Information Service**...works with local volunteers to provide a free delivery service of book as well as audio books and you might be able to receive this service if you are a carer, or if, because of ill health, disability or age you are unable to get to the library or to carry books. If you would like further information or would like to become a volunteer, please ring: 01609-534581
- **Ebor Lectures**...the next one is on Wednesday 19th March 2014 in York Minster at 7.00pm The speaker is Dr Kathy Galloway, Head of Christian Aid Scotland, the title of whose lecture will be The naked emperor challenging the ideology of deficiency". The theme for the whole series is *The Morality of Austerity* . Tickets are free can be found on the internet: www.yorks.j.ac.uk/eborlectures
- **New Year**.. Our part of the world sees Hull being nominated as the City of Culture 2017 and 2014 sees the 1350th of the Synod of Whitby. And the Tour de France comes to Yorkshire in July.

SERVICES AND EVENTS
JANUARY 2014

ENQUIRIES about baptisms, weddings, etc. -
 please ring the Vicar or call at the Vicarage.
Sunday School meets during the 10.30am service
 in Easingwold church



Wed 1st 9.00am Communion

SUN 5th EPIPHANY

8.00am Holy Communion

9.10am Holy Communion *at Raskelf*

10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

*we are joined this morning by members of the
 Methodist Church*

3.30pm Evensong

Mon 6th 10.30am PCC Standing Committee

Wed 8th 9.00am Communion

10.00am Park Close Communion

**2.30pm Mothers' Union *MU Wave of Prayer*
Parish Rooms

SUN 12th BAPTISM OF JESUS

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Family Service *at Raskelf*

10.30am JOINT COVENANT SERVICE

at Easingwold Methodist Church

No Service at the Parish Church at 10.30am

12.30pm MU Winter Lunch *at The George*

3.30pm Evensong

Tues 14th 3.00pm Communion *at Springhill Court*

Wed 15th 9.00am Communion

7.30pm Special Annual Meeting & PCC Parish

Sat 18th Start of week of Prayer for Christian Unity

SUN 19th EPIPHANY 2

8.00am Holy Communion

9.10am Holy Communion *at Raskelf*

10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

4.00pm Week of Prayer UNITED SERVICE

and Shared Tea at the Parish Church



Week of prayer Daily Service at 12 noon -see p 3

Wed 22nd 9.00am Communion

7.30pm Deanery Synod *Tollerton*

Thur 24th 10.00am M.U. Communion

SUN 26th CONVERSION OF ST PAUL

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

3.30pm Evensong

Mon 27th 2.00pm Churches Together *Meth Ch*

Wed 29th 9.00am Communion

SUN 2nd FEB CANDLEMAS

8.00am Holy Communion

9.10am Holy Communion *at Raskelf*

10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

3.30pm Evensong

Mon 3rd 7.30pm Anglican/Methodist Liaison Meeting

Wed 5th 9.00am Communion

10.00am Communion at Park Close

12noon Raskelf Lunch *at the Old Black Bull*

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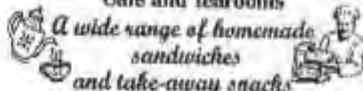
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