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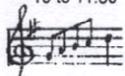
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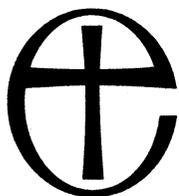
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Wedding

July 25th Lauren Anderson and Thomas William Joyce

Funerals

July 3rd Kathleen Coates
 July 6th Silver Kinch
 July 7th Edith Helen Phillips
 July 10th Alan Hargreaves
 July 13th Ronald Shaw
 July 14th Barbara Dobson
 July 17th Shelagh Mary Mortimer
 July 22nd Gerald (Gerry) Shirley
 July 23rd Mark Swales
 July 24th Betsy Farrer



AUGUST

2nd	10.30am	Exodus Ephesians John	Ch.16 Ch.4 Ch.6	Vv. 2-4,9-15 Vv. 1-16 Vv. 24-35	TRINITY 9
	6.30pm	Job Hebrews	Ch.28 Ch.11	Vv. 17-31	
9th	10.30am	1 Kings Ephesians John NO EVENSONG	Ch.19 Ch.4 Ch.6	Vv. 4-8 Vv. 25-5.2 Vv. 35,41-51	TRINITY 10
16th	10.30am	Proverbs Ephesians John	Ch.9 Ch.5 Ch.6	Vv. 1-6 Vv. 15-20 Vv. 51-58	BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TRINITY 11
	6.30pm	Exodus Hebrews	Ch.2 Ch.13	Vv. 23-3.10 Vv. 1-15	
23rd	10.30am	Joshua Ephesians John NO EVENSONG	Ch.24 Ch.6 Ch.6	Vv. 1-2a,14-18 Vv. 10-20 Vv. 56-69	TRINITY 12
30th	10.30am	Deuteronomy James Mark NO EVENSONG	Ch.4 Ch.1 Ch.7	Vv. 1-2,6-9 Vv. 17-27 Vv. 1-8,14-15,21-23	TRINITY 13

Dear Friends

It is almost a year now since our former vicar John Harrison retired. A great deal has been quietly going on behind the scenes at the Parish Church, as members of the congregation have continued to keep the lights of faith burning brightly.

They have maintained services to the community for the significant 'life' moments: through baptisms, weddings and funerals; times of Remembrance and special Christmas events; not to mention regular acts of worship during the week and on Sundays. A number of individuals, not least the Churchwardens, but many others who shall remain nameless here, have worked very hard to offer a warm welcome to all who have crossed the threshold of the Parish Church during the Vacancy. We hope that those who have visited find it, as T S Eliot once described, a place "where prayer has been valid" for hundreds of years. Sometimes people write in the book of prayer-requests and their prayers have been followed up faithfully during the week.

Perhaps at some time you have had somebody ask: "Say one for me will you?" This may be said humorously - or in all seriousness - but it is an opportunity for people of faith, to pray "vicariously" for their neighbours. You don't need to be a vicar to live vicariously. The root meaning of the word in Latin, means "representative or deputy" and so the vicar is the "deputy" of the local Bishop. In the Roman Catholic Church the Pope is described as the vicar of Christ. In recent years, however, the word "vicarious" has, elsewhere, come to mean "experiencing something second hand". Perhaps we should reclaim the original meaning of this word as the Church gathers to pray for and on behalf of those who believe, but do not choose to belong; or for those whose own faith has grown weak and who ask for our prayers in times of great need or fear.

As the vacancy draws to a close and we look forward to the arrival of our new Vicar, Margaret Young, it seems an appropriate time to say "Thank You" to all who have served our community vicariously - in prayerful and practical ways - over this past year. It may also be the time to look forward to the challenges of life in a Post-Christian and, what some consider to be an increasingly Post-Secular world*.

It is not realistic to expect one person [the new vicar, for example,] to respond to all these challenges alone whilst trying at the same time, to meet the spiritual needs and demands of those who believe, but do not wish to belong. It is the calling of all who are baptised, whether we want to belong to the church or not, to help to keep the light of faith burning brightly in our town, each according to our gifts.

* Grace Davie's "Religion in Britain" Publisher: Wiley Blackwell. [2nd edition 2015 looks back 20 years since 1st ed]

Barbara Wilkinson



OUR NEW VICAR

As you know from last month's magazine, the Churchwardens are delighted at the appointment of the Revd Margaret Young as our new vicar. As a reminder, her Collation and Induction by the Bishop of Selby, the Rt. Revd Dr John Thomson, and the Archdeacon of York, the Venerable Sarah Bullock, will be at 7pm on Tuesday September 1st. This is a very important service and, as is usual, a significant number of her present parish, family and friends will join us, as will our own local dignitaries and representatives of other churches. We do hope that many of you will also come to welcome her but because of high numbers entry to the service and to a finger buffet afterwards at the Galtres Centre, will be by ticket from the Churchwardens (Diane Gallon & Ian Peel). Do please, therefore, let us know in good time if you would like one.

Diane (821294) would also like to hear from anyone willing to help with/contribute to the refreshments that evening. It's a very important part of Margaret's welcome.



Archbishop's statement of Condolence, Empathy and a Call to Prayer

"I want to express my condolences to the families of those British holiday makers who were brutally murdered in Sousse, Tunisia. At times such as these, words can seem so limited and futile in the face of brutality and horror. To the bereaved and to those who were wounded in the attack—you are in the thoughts and prayers of many of us. I invite you, our neighbours of all faiths, and particularly of the Abrahamic faiths, to pray for peace, justice and reconciliation in prayers appropriate to your tradition. May we all nurture love, foster courage and seek wisdom, and choose not to accept sentimentality, challenge loathing of the other, and reach out to all our neighbours—those of faith and none.

May these words of W. B. Yeats (1835-1939) *The Second Coming* spur us to a carrying out of that most goodly work: Prayer.

*Turning and turning in the widening gyre
The falcon cannot hear the falconer;
Things fall apart; the centre cannot hold;
Mere anarchy is loosed upon the world,
The blood-dimmed tide is loosed, and everywhere
The ceremony of innocence is drowned;
The best lack all conviction, while the worst
Are full of passionate intensity*

My hope and message to all of us is that in a world of short cuts, deception and death we will seek and find the Way which is of Truth and brings Life. God Bless us all."



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WEDNESDAY AUGUST 5th

LITE BITE LUNCH, Old Black Bull, Raskelf

SUNDAY AUGUST 2nd & 16th

COMMUNION 9.10am

SUNDAY AUGUST 9th

FAMILY SERVICE 10.30am

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 1st

COLLATION Revd Margaret Young

New Vicar Easingwold & Raskelf

Easingwold Parish Church 7.00pm & afterwards Galtres Centre

SEE SEPARATE NOTICE FOR TICKETS



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 prayers for yourself or another, in church or on our confidential Prayer Circle, please contact Deacon Chris Peel on 823548. Please include in your prayers this month:

1. All who live and work on either side of Thirsk, Raskelf & Alne Roads
2. Easingwold County Primary School—staff, pupils (especially those leaving & going on to the senior school) & parents; out of school club
3. The Parish Church & appointment of new Vicar; its worship and outreach
4. The farming community around Raskelf and Easingwold

NEW BISHOP OF HULL



Two thousand people, including sixty bishops from across the globe, gathered at York Minster on Friday July 3rd for the Consecration of the Rt Revd Alison White as Bishop of Hull. The Bishops attending the service included the Rt Revd Ingeborg Midttømme [Bishop of Møre in Norway] the Rt Revd Garth Counsell [Bishop of Table Bay in our twin Diocese of Cape Town] the Rt Revd Helen-Ann Hartley [Bishop of Waiakato in New Zealand] and the Rt Revd Terence Drainey [Roman Catholic Bishop of Middlesbrough]. Before the service the Dean of York, the Very Reverend Vivienne Faull, said this was “a day of celebration for the Northern Province” and this was especially the case for the Diocese of York.

NEW DEACONS



Two days later on Sunday July 5th the Archbishop ordained 21 people. 8 men and 13 women were ordained as Deacons. Our own Catherine Toase from Easingwold & Raskelf is in the front row—3rd from the left. We all wish her a warm welcome in her new ministry and send our best wishes for her future work among us.

MOTHERS' UNION



Saturday August 8th 3pm onwards in the Parish Rooms

In aid of the MU Big Wheels Appeal (donations please)

Everyone welcome to enjoy an old fashioned tea - cakes, scones & sandwiches

Thursday August 27th 10am Communion & Coffee in the Parish Church

FOCUS

- **Lord's Prayer Study Day...** Saturday August 8th 10.00am—4.00pm at Springhill Court. Bring your own sandwiches— drinks & cake provided. Cost £2.00. We say this prayer frequently. Have you ever considered what the prayer Jesus gave to his disciples, when they asked him how to pray, is really about? This is an opportunity to listen to wise words about this prayer and to reflect alone, and with others, on what the Lord's Prayer is saying to us today. Contact Chris Peel on 823548 to reserve your place.
- **Harvest Festivals...**this year are in October. Harvest Supper in Easingwold is at the Methodist church on Saturday October 3rd; the Harvest Service at 10.30am and Ecumenical Harvest Songs of Praise in the Parish Church are on Sunday October 4th. Harvest Festival is at Raskelf on Friday October 9th at 7.00pm followed by supper at the Old Black Bull in Raskelf. More details next month.
- **Flower arrangers...** calling all flower arrangers. You don't have to be an expert, just someone with occasional time to spare and a love of flowers. If you can help please contact Pat Brooks on 824120.
- **Ebor Lectures...**start again on September 9th in York Minster. The theme of the new series is *Global Security and the United Nations* and aims to examine the contributions of the United Nations to global security and its shortcomings; to discuss the contemporary issues from socio-cultural, economic and religious perspectives; and to explore ways and means for local communities to get involved in promoting and maintaining peace and justice. United Nations celebrates 70 years since its founding with 51 member states. It now has risen to 193. The first speaker will be *Natalie Samarasinghe*, Executive Director of the UN Association.
- **Church near you...**if you are going on holiday and want to find a church close to where you are staying, go to www.achurchnearyou.com put in a place and a small map and details should appear. Or alternatively, if you have someone coming to stay who would like more information about our churches, please contact Michael Wansborough (822166) for a welcome pack.
- **Easingwold Food Bank.** The former food bank, which was run as an offshoot of Hambleton Food Share, has now been re-established as a separate local facility serving Easingwold and Villages. A collection Box for food items is at the back of the Parish Church, giving details of what is needed; please help if you can. The number to ring if you know of someone in need is **0772 44 44 750**

SERVICES AND EVENTS

AUGUST 2015

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Children are welcome at all our services but particularly on the 4th Sunday when there will be special activities for them.

SUNDAY 2nd TRINITY 9

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		9.10am	Raskelf Eucharist
		10.30am	PARISH EUCHARIST
		2.00pm	Baptism of Charlotte Dukelow
		6.30pm	Evensong
Mon	3rd	7.15pm	Choir Practice in church
Wed	5th	9.00am	Holy Communion
		12noon	Lite Bite @ The Old Black Bull, Raskelf
Thurs	6th	7.30pm	Bell Ringers in church
Sat	8th	10.00am-4.00pm	Lord's Prayer Day @ Springhill Court
		3.00pm onwards	Mothers' Union Afternoon Tea

SUNDAY 9th TRINITY 10

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		10.30am	PARISH EUCHARIST
		10.30am	All-Age Service at Raskelf
		2.00pm	Baptism of Zach McGuinness
		6.30pm	Evening Service @ Methodist Church
Mon	10th	7.15pm	Choir Practice
Tues	11th	10.00am	Bible Conversations, 11 Whiteoak Ave
		3.00pm	Springhill Court Holy Communion
Wed	12th	9.00am	Holy Communion
Thurs	13th	7.30pm	Bell Ringers
Fri	14th	from 7.30pm	Church Clean, male volunteers needed for higher levels
Sat	15th	from 9.00am	Church Clean, volunteers to dust, polish and wash

SUNDAY 16th TRINITY 11/ BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		9.10am	Raskelf Eucharist
		10.30am	Parish Eucharist
		2.00pm	Baptism of Ella Spence, Imogen, Evelyn & Ilana Broadwith
		6.30pm	Evensong

Mon	17th	7.15pm	Choir Practice
Wed	19th	9.00am	Holy Communion
Thurs	20th	7.30pm	Bell Ringers

SUNDAY 23rd TRINITY 12

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		10.30am	Family Service with Holy Communion
		12.30pm	Baptism of Elodie Sherwood at Raskelf
		3.00pm	Baptism of Eden Bird
		6.30pm	Evening Service at the Methodist Church
Mon	24th	7.15pm	Choir Practice
Wed	26th	9.00am	Holy Communion
Thurs	27th	10.00am	Mothers' Union Communion and Coffee
		7.30pm	Bell Ringers

SUNDAY 30th TRINITY 13

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		10.30am	Parish Eucharist
		2.00pm	Baptism of Gracie Kilmartin
Mon	31st	7.15pm	Choir Practice in church

SEPTEMBER

Tues 1st 7.00pm Collation and induction of Margaret Young

Restricted attendance—admission by tickets available from Churchwardens

Wed	2nd	9.00am	Holy Communion
		12 noon	Lite Bite Lunch @ Old Black Bull, Raskelf
Thurs	3rd	7.30pm	Bell Ringers

SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

		8.00am	Holy Communion
		9.10am	Raskelf Eucharist
		10.30am	PARISH EUCHARIST
		6.30pm	Evensong