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From the Vicar . . .

September and October are the traditional months of Harvest. We thank God for his good grace and for all of the work that is involved in getting our food to our plates. Part of this is how we look after the land on which we are living. Many of you will have been on holiday recently or have seen television programmes and we have seen the sorry state of the planet with litter strewn everywhere.

Tim and I were fortunate enough to go to India a few years ago and one thing that I found difficult to see was the conditions in which some of their animals lived. Their cows, sacred animals, were left to do whatever they pleased, but the poor things had so much rubbish around them that they were trying to eat plastic bottles and crisp packets. This is not the only place in which this happens, I am sure that farmers here could tell stories of plastic in one form or another been left lying around and the animals eating it.

Our animals are taken care of here, if one is ill after eating plastic it will be treated by the vet, but we see on TV beaches covered in litter and the animals trying to eat it. When these animals become ill, there are no vets to help them with the pain of being put out of their misery.

In Genesis, God gave us dominion over the animals and not dominance. Treating our animals with respect only means a good outcome for us.

Harvest reminds us that we thank God for the good things that He provides us with, but it is also an opportunity to think about the way that we as individuals and we as a community think about litter and how we throw it away. We are all fortunate that we have wonderful farmers who provide us with our food. Is there anything that we can make life more sustainable by changing our action?

May the love of Christ be with you all throughout the harvest season.

Margaret

“Where there’s a Will”

Two of our parishioners, David Meal and his wife, have been wondering how they might contribute to our Church’s 600th celebrations. David then recalled that some years ago, he had compiled a paper outlining the importance to adults of all ages of having an authentic will in place. Also how to create and maintain the will. The paper was very well received by the congregation at the church they attended at that time. The paper has now been brought up to date and is available to our congregation for consideration.

It is hoped that it will prompt us to do three things:

- Make sure we have a legal will in place in order to avoid the mass of problems created for our successors should we pass away intestate (ie, having not left a legal will).
- Ensure that the values and wishes in our will are realistic by today’s values and that it reflects our current wishes.
- Thoughtfully consider the Christian aspects of will making and consequently name our church as one of our beneficiaries.

The paper is split into comprehensive sections:

- A. Introduction – Where there’s a Will
- B. The Christian Perspective
- C. Why make a will? The problem created if a person dies without leaving a will.
- D. How to make your will in 5 easy steps.
- E. Changing your will.
- F. Which type of gift is appropriate?
- G. Suggested wording for bequests.
- H. A simplified way to value your estate.
- I. Some legal jargon you may encounter.



We thank David for his time and effort into producing this paper which has been prepared and published at no cost to the church.



MOTHERS' UNION



Thursday 27th September at 10am:
Communion & Coffee at Parish Church
All welcome

“CURIOUSER AND CURIOUSER”?



This may well have been the thought in the minds of our youngsters recently at the Easingwold Parish Church Rooms as they arrived for what had been billed as a “Mad Hatters Tea Party”. This was held to help us celebrate the Church’s 600th Anniversary.

We started off with some colouring and table games before hearing a story about the Mad Hatter and the March Hare. As nobody was sure of the exact date of the church building’s completion 600 years ago, it was decided that we were having an ‘Unbirthday* Party’. This was followed by some energetic games, including pinning the grin on the face of the Cheshire Cat! There was then a quieter session of crafts, making a watch for the White Rabbit and a crown for the Red Queen.

Vicar Margaret Young bravely judged the ‘Mad Hat’ Competition before everyone settled down for a splendid tea (including Jam Tarts, though there was no Dormouse in the teapot). We greatly appreciated all the thought and hard work which had gone into making this a very enjoyable occasion. Tweedledum and Tweedledee had been restrained from battling and there had been no cries of ‘Off with his head’!

* ‘When I use a word,’ Humpty Dumpty said in a rather scornful tone, ‘it means just what I choose it to mean, neither more nor less.’

M.W.



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 Lottie Cranfield on 824399.

Please include in your prayers this month:

1. The Lions – giving thanks for their support to local people in need
2. Community Care - their organisers and the volunteers who drive and befriend
3. Communities at Conroy Close; United Response (Boot Shop); those living in independent units.
4. St Mary’s Church, Raskelf, and its outreach into the community.

Great Pilgrimage 90 (GP90)



In August 1928, The British Legion, as it was formerly known, organised a “Battlefields Pilgrimage” for over 11,000 First World War veterans and War Widows. They visited battlefields and cemeteries of the Somme and Flanders before participating in a parade and ceremony at The Commonwealth War Graves Commission’s Menin Gate Memorial, to mark the tenth anniversary of the launch of the “Hundred Days Offensive”.

Exactly 90 years later, over 2,200 Royal British Legion members and other representatives, undertook the Great Pilgrimage 90 visiting many of the same battlefields as those visited back in 1928. On 8th August, they all came together in Ypres to parade their Standards and wreaths through the Market Square to the Menin Gate for the One Hundred Days ceremony.

My husband, Barry, and I travelled to Ypres to witness the event which was a truly memorable, emotional and thought provoking experience. As the parade approached led by The Band of Her Majesty’s Royal Marines Scotland, there seemed to be a never-ending sea of Standards followed by the wreath bearers.



Easingwold Branch Chairman, John Walker laid a wreath on behalf of our Branch and Cadet Sergeant Josh Ainley from Easingwold ATC paraded our Standard.

The original pilgrimage was attended by the then Archbishop of York and this event saw our own Most Reverend Doctor John Sentamu making the journey to Ypres to take part in the service of commemoration.

After the parade, participants and spectators were entertained in the Square by The London Welsh Male Voice Choir, Sam Jefferson (singer-songwriter), The Band of Her Majesty’s Royal Marines Scotland and The Central Band of The Royal British Legion ending with what seemed like everyone in the Square singing “Jerusalem” and “Land of Hope and Glory”.

Sue Thorn





Services and Events

September 2018

To contact the **Revd Margaret Young**

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The Vicar's day off is Monday

Children are welcome at all our services

Sunday 2nd

8.00am

9.10am

10.30am

6.30pm

Mon 3rd

4.00pm

Wed 5th

9.00am

12 noon

Thurs 6th

7.30pm

Fri 7th

3.00pm

3.45pm

Sat 8th

2.00pm

Trinity 14

Holy Communion

Raskelf Eucharist

Parish Eucharist

Evensong

Choir Practice

Holy Communion

Lite Bite Lunch @ Old Black Bull, Raskelf

Bell Ringing Practice

Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre

Ignite for Primary School age in the Parish Rooms

Wedding of Clegg & Brett

Sunday 9th

8.00am

10.30am

10.30am

3.00pm

Mon 10th

5.30pm

Tues 11th

10.00am

3.00pm

7.00pm

Wed 12th

9.00am

9.45am

Trinity 15

Holy Communion

Raskelf Family Service

Parish Eucharist with Church Mice

'Byland Service' at the Priory, Long Street

No Choir Practice

ECY @ the Cozie Centre (Easingwold Christian Youth)

Bible Conversations @ 11 Whiteoak Ave – All welcome

Springhill Court Holy Communion

CTED meeting at Methodist Church

Holy Communion

Standing Committee meeting

Thurs 13th	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice
	8.00pm	Inspire: Young Adults/young in faith @ Vicarage
Fri 14th	3.00pm	Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre
	3.45pm	Ignite for Primary School age in the Parish Rooms

Sunday 16th

8.00am
9.10am
10:30am
6.30pm

Trinity 16
Holy Communion
Raskelf Eucharist
Parish Eucharist with Church Mice
Evensong

Mon 17th	4.00pm	Choir Practice - All welcome
	5.30pm	ECY @ the Cozie Centre (Easingwold Christian Youth)

Wed 19th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	7.30pm	PCC meeting

Thurs 20th	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Fri 21st	3.00pm	Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre
	3.45pm	Ignite for Primary School age in the Parish Rooms

Sunday 23rd

8.00am
10.30am
12.30pm
6.30pm

Trinity 17
Holy Communion
Harvest Festival Family Service
Baptism of Elliott Skillbeck
Evensong

Mon 24th	-----	No Choir Practice
	5.30pm	ECY @ the Cozie Centre (Easingwold Christian Youth)

Tues 25th	7.00pm	Deanery Synod at Strensall
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Wed 26th	9.00am	Holy Communion
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Thurs 27th	10.00am	Mothers' Union Communion & Coffee – All welcome
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice

Fri 28th	3.00pm	Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre
	3.45pm	Ignite for Primary School age in the Parish Rooms

Sat 29th	3.15pm	Bell Ringers from Pickering
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Sunday 30th

8.00am
10.30am
3.00pm
6.30pm

Trinity 18
Holy Communion
Parish Eucharist with Church Mice
Springhill Court Harvest
Organ Recital by Peter Smith

October

Mon 1st	4.00pm	Choir Practice - All welcome
	5.30pm	ECY @ the Cozie Centre (Easingwold Christian Youth)

Wed 3rd	9.00am	Holy Communion
	12 noon	Lite Bite Lunch @ Old Black Bull, Raskelf



ST MARY'S CHURCH RASKELF

Sunday 2nd September
 Wednesday 5th September
 Sunday 9th September
 Sunday 16th September
 Wednesday 3rd October

Eucharist, 9:10 am
 Lite Bite Lunch, Old Black Bull, 12 noon
 Family service, 10:30 am
 Eucharist, 9:10 am
 Lite Bite Lunch, Old Black Bull, 12 noon

Readings

2nd September 2018

Song of Solomon 2.8-13
 James 1.17-27
 Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23

9th September 2018

Proverbs 22.1-2, 8-9, 22-23
 James 2.1-10, 14-17
 Mark 7.24-37

16th September 2018

Proverbs 1.20-33
 James 3.1-12
 Mark 8.27-38

23rd September 2018

1 Timothy 6.6-10
 Matthew 6.25-33

30th September 2018

Esther 7.1-6, 9-10; 9.20-22
 James 5.13-20
 Mark 9.38-50

14th Sunday After Trinity

15th Sunday After Trinity

16th Sunday after Trinity

Harvest Festival – Family Service

18th Sunday after Trinity

Evensong

Exodus 12.21-27
 Matthew 4.23-5.20

Byland service @ The Priory

Evensong

Isaiah 44.24-45.8
 Revelation 12.1-12

No evening service

Springhill Court Harvest Service

Registers . . .

Baptisms

19th August — Casper Atkinson
 26th August — Amelia Bramma

Marriages

4th August — John Walker and Alison Young
 18th August — Jonathan Sherwood and Louise Williams

Funerals

9th August — Harry Turton
 10th August - Geoffrey William Mooney



The Church
Mice



Children are very welcome on any Sunday

You are invited to our Sunday School for ages 3-11,
which continues on September 9th, 16th and 30th
at St John the Baptist & All Saints Church, Church Hill, Easingwold
Many activities – Learning through the Bible

Calling All Raskelf Standing Order Donors

This applies to Raskelf donations only. The present method of recording donations made by standing order is changing because in our combined parish the Diocese advises us to keep just a single bank account. It is important to note that our accounting system maintains a separate fund for Raskelf, so monies donated to Raskelf remain distinct but within the one account. If you donate by standing order you are asked to complete a new Bank Mandate form directing your bank to pay to account number 00322202. If you Gift Aid your donation, please also complete a new Gift Aid Declaration form and return it to the Treasurer. Both types of form are held by the Wardens or at the back of the church.

Thank you, Bill Henebury, PCC Treasurer



Quiz Night

Saturday 8th September at 7pm

Church Parish Rooms £1 per person with a maximum of five people per team
Nibbles and soft drinks will be available but feel free to bring your own wine.

Organ Recital

by Peter Smith
with Alex Cranfield (Soprano soloist)
and
Margaret Young (Flautist) Sunday 30th September at 6.30pm

(Proceeds in aid of a new piano for the church)

Children's Society Boxes

Please could box holders leave their box at Tempo for emptying and collect a new one.

Please remember to put your name on the box.

Thank you.

One Bird Flying

Slowly, distantly, the trees
waken to April sun.
Above them, drifting clouds
dispense alternate streams
of light and shadow,
flowing across the green
of spring foliage, gliding
and darkening, gliding
with gold-leaf, darkening
with green-black caverns.

Silently, the clouds
traverse the sky
in shifting patterns.
No other movement is there
until, slowly,
across vast spaces
one tiny shape moves, silhouetted,
alone in the universe.

One bird flying.
O my soul!
One small bird flying.



(Written by Monica Ditmas and permission given by her. She explains that when the last three lines were given to her she was unsure of their meaning but later realised that they describe the flight of the soul as it leaves this world for the next, a journey we all have to take alone.)



Some charities have had a bad press this year which perhaps has made us a little more circumspect about our charitable giving. Last year our church and community made a great effort in filling 156 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child – the international project run by Samaritan's Purse for providing needy children with a Christmas gift. I hope we can demonstrate the same degree of compassion, commitment and generosity for the 2018 appeal. We know that these gifts are suitable for and go directly to children and there is little opportunity for misappropriation.

The Samaritan's Purse has asked that £5 be included in each box this year. This may seem rather a lot and although the project is run almost entirely by volunteers the 100 plus processing centres in the UK require heating, electricity, sometimes rental costs and other services. However it is the transport to Eastern Europe, Africa and Central Asia which is the biggest cost. In 2017 our donations enabled 51 huge lorries and 21 sea containers to export over 678,000 shoeboxes to 13 countries from the UK.

The majority of our own boxes were sent to the Ukraine and Liberia last year and a delightful video of children receiving their gifts in these two very diverse and struggling countries is now available. I am hoping this video can be shown in church later this autumn.

Christmas may seem a long way off but time is passing and our little band of knitters is already busy knitting garments to help fill the boxes! Shortly a notice board dedicated to the shoebox appeal will be displayed in church to keep you posted.

Gaynor Cole

Iona Trip 2019

Do you want to come and enjoy the peace and tranquillity of the small Island off the West Coast of Scotland that was the location of the start of Christianity in Britain? After last year's successful 4-day parish trip to Iona, we have booked Bishop's House retreat for the 7 days from 18th May to 25th May 2019. If you are interested in going, please look out for information leaflets and booking forms in church from February. Precise costs cannot be provided until later in the year but we estimate that the total cost will be between £625 and £650 for the one week of full board accommodation and all travel costs.



Harvest Festival Weekend

The Parish Church will be decorated for the Harvest Festival on Saturday 22nd September at 9.30 am. Any help would be much appreciated.

23rd September: Following the morning service, there will be a Bring and Share lunch with the Methodists in the Parish Rooms.

Oasis Café @ Methodist Church

Friday, September 28th from 9.45 onwards. We look forward to seeing all those who are able to come at our first Oasis of the autumn. Although we clash with a Macmillan fundraising day we are keeping to our normal last Friday in the month, feeling certain that many of you will be able to drink two cups of coffee! We have agreed to pass on our profits to the Local Information Centre to help support this agency which is so valuable to our tourist town.

The Oasis Team



Art & Craft Competition For All Ages – PRIZES!



Use your imagination to paint or build a church of the past / future. Closing date: 1st November 2018.

Easingwold Deanery Photo Competition:

£10 book token for each category winner. The categories are:

- Best photo of church or churchyard
- Best photo of a church service - service can be held inside or outside.

(Relevant consent/permissions must be in place for children and vulnerable adults, or photo will not be used).

Closing date for photos is Monday 1st October 2018

Please send your photos to Carol: easingwolddeanery@gmail.com

JPEG format if possible. — Any entries received will be used on deanery website.



A very special wedding took place at Easingwold Parish Church on 4th August. Rev'd Margaret Young had a dual role: she both conducted the service and was the bride's mother! Every blessing to Alison and John and may the years ahead be filled with lasting joy.

Tim and Margaret's daughter Alison, would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts, gifts and cards that she received for her wedding to John. You helped make a special day extra special.

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