

## Services in the Benefice for May 2017

### EVERY Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion followed by Coffee: Aldbrough

### **Sunday May 7th: Easter 4**

10.30 Parish Communion: Aldbrough

### HEALING COMMUNION: Tuesday 9th May

10.30 for 11.00 at 4 Mill Lane, Withernwick

### **Sunday May 14th: Easter 5**

10.30 am Parish Communion: Mappleton

### **Sunday May 21st: Easter 6**

10.30am Parish Communion: Withernwick

4.00pm Songs of Praise: St Helen's Well  
with the Bishop of Hull

### Thursday May 25th: Ascension Day

7.30pm Holy Communion: Aldbrough

### **Sunday May 28th: Easter 7**

9.00 Holy Communion: Withernwick

10.30 Parish Communion: Aldbrough

6.00 Evensong: Mappleton

### **\*Sunday June 4th: Pentecost**

10.30am Parish Communion: Goxhill

6.00pm Deanery Confirmations: Aldbrough  
with the Bishop of Hull

\* Please note changes in the service pattern



FROM THE REGISTERS:

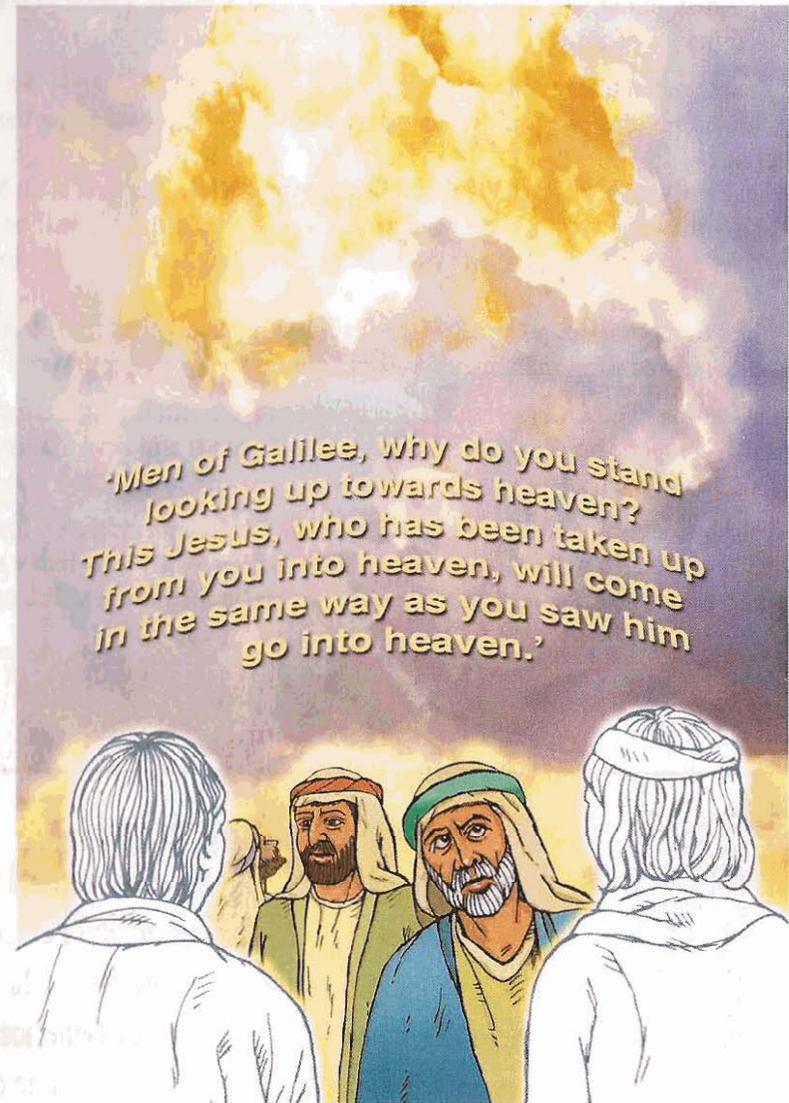
April 6<sup>th</sup>: Stuart William Hammond (Aldbrough)

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Items for next Parish News to Paul by 19th May please

## The Parishes of Aldbrough Mappleton & Goxhill with Great Hatfield & Withernwick

MAY 2017



Before Easter each PCC had its annual meeting at which I said 'How we worship together stands top of the list of things we've done throughout the year and it is a delight that so many people are prepared to travel to wherever worship is – the average Sunday attendance for 2016 was 23 – up from 19 in 2015! The Wednesday morning service continues to grow apace – often with 2 very young people, and averages about 12/15 adults.'

But of course it isn't just about numbers and I am very aware that outreach is very important. How we do this needs the support of the whole community, not just the church. You will see in this newsletter 2 new initiatives: Open the Book and Messy Church. I hope you will embrace these as much as possible.

Such things of course mean that my diary for May is looking incredibly busy – but if we are to let 'thy kingdom come' then we must be proactive at all times in proclaiming the gospel in words and action.

In addition we have not one but two visits from the Bishop of Hull. The first is on May 21st at St Helen's Well – the nearest we have to a church in Great Hatfield. This will be an open air 'Songs of Praise' and the Salvation Army band will be leading our praise. Do join us at 4.00pm.

Then on June 4th at 6.00pm Bishop Alison will be confirming candidates from across the Deanery – please come and support them, as well as holding them in your prayers.

As part of 'Thy Kingdom Come' initiative the Archbishops are encouraging us to choose five people who we can pray for regularly. I shall have some cards and bookmarks to give out to help with this.

Just a final thought as we think about our outreach: A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, 'I finally figured out what the Bible means!' His father smiled and replied, 'What, then?' The son replied, 'It stands for "Basic Information Before Leaving Earth".'

With every blessing

Revd Anne



25th May - 4th June 2017  
[www.thykingdom.co.uk](http://www.thykingdom.co.uk)

**Thy Kingdom Come** is a global prayer movement, which invites Christians around the world to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ. There will be opportunities for our Benefice to take part in this – Messy Church being one of them – so please keep an eye out for posters



### What is messy church?

Messy Church is a way of being church for families involving, food and various activities to help people encounter Jesus. It is NOT just for children. The whole of Messy Church is about worshipping God, having fellowship, exploring faith matters. It welcomes everyone, involves everyone, values everyone, is always there for the outsider. It's a church in the true sense of the word!

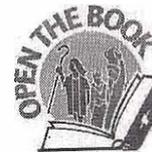
**We shall be holding our first ever session on Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10.00 – 2.00.** Please put the date in your diary and encourage families to come along. More details shortly.

### An evening at St Alban's Church

Join us for a fun evening with Hornsea Choir and the Ukulele Band on Saturday, May 20th, at St Alban's Church. Tickets are £8 for adults or £5 for under 16s and include a glass of wine or a soft drink and nibbles. The evening starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are available from any of us at St Alban's and the proceeds are for the church restoration fund.

We hope to see you there.

Anne Wood



### OPEN THE BOOK: Training Event, Saturday May 20th 10.00 am, Aldbrough School

Jon Steel, the Children and Youth Adviser for the East Riding Archdeaconry, together with others will be leading a training event for those who would be interested in becoming storytellers for Open the Book. Teams of about

4 people go into the local Primary School to tell the stories from the Bible in an interactive way, using drama, props and costumes. You do not have to be an 'actor/actress' to be able to do this as you follow a prescribed text. If you would like more information it is worth having a look at the web page <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/get-involved/open-the-book>

Dear All,

Good news, work begins on the refurbishment of the Church clock. The scaffolding should start going up on the 1st of May and the following week the engineers move in to dismantle the clock and take it away for repair.

You will also see the clock faces being dismantled and taken away and the hands will have to be remade and fitted. It has been a long process but the generous support of the Withernwick Wind Farm and various businesses such as Graham and Janet Burton at Mappleton Garage, Larkham Leisure at Cowden and Hatzfeld Care, (Willowgarth) Rolston have made this refurbishment possible.

It is always difficult thanking people but I cannot let the opportunity pass and not mention the 20 or so individuals who have given so much money to this effort. One local man saw me in the street and yelled, "Oi Kim, I've got a cheque here for you." He pushed a cheque for £500 into my hand. Another lady gave me £100, someone else put £75 in cash in an envelope and posted it through our letterbox. Many others did similar things and I have to send each of them a special thankyou letter for their generosity.

We sometimes think that the real Christian spirit is something that only existed years ago but I can tell you, in my experience, it is very much alive and kicking in our Benefice. Rev Anne White needs to be acknowledged for that, she has done much to give us a spiritual anchor that we can set fast in our quest to bring the word of our Lord into our communities.

If anyone else would like to contribute to this very worthwhile effort it is not too late. Cheques should be made payable to Mappleton Church Clock Appeal Fund or give your contribution to myself or your Churchwarden. ALL contributions gratefully received.

#### Kim Baish

Beverly Taylor & Antoinette Butlin would like to say Thank you to: Margaret Banks & Jayne, Ann Wood, Ann Teale, Kath Moore, Carol & Carole, Rita Leonard, Steve Iceton, Paul Taylor, Alan Butlin & Judith for our fantastic posters. Also to everyone who donated and attended our recently held Fund Raising Event in Aldbrough Youth Club.

The weather smiled on us, we had a fun successful afternoon. Total raised £370, however there are still further donations to come in. So once again Thank you to everyone for all your hard work.

PS We can highly recommend the Aldbrough Youth Club if anyone is thinking of future Events.

#### 2017 DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

DATE	EVENT	WHERE
May 11th	Admission of churchwardens	York Minster
May 14th	Friends of Mappleton and Goxhill AGM	Following the Sunday service
May 16th	Joint PCC	Aldbrough school
May 17th	Deanery Synod Talk on Fairtrade	7.30pm Leven church
May 20th	Open the book training	10.00-2.30 Aldbrough School
May 20th	Concert	Withernwick
May 21st	Service with Bishop Alison	St Helens Well 4.00pm
June 2nd	Messy Church	10.00- 2.00 Aldbrough
June 4th	Confirmation	Aldbrough
June 30th	Deanery Service	Wassand Hall
August 25th	Gift Day	Aldbrough
August 28th	Fete	Great Hatfield
23rd -25th February 2018	Parish Weekend	Wydale

#### Red kites

If you see one, you can not mistake them. Their wing span is big, only the eagles are bigger. The kite body plumage is a warm foxy red brown, streaked with black and frosted with silvery feathers. They are a sight to see flying. They eat worms, but most of their diet is carrion and they have the ability to find it.

They do not travel far from the parents nest site in early life. As it is used year after year by the parents, they set up a new home, just a few miles away.

It's good news for them, the numbers are going up, so we should see more of them. I was up on the Middleton pastures and saw one in flight, also one as been seen near our village.

God bless Revd. Anne  
and all who read this  
regards  
John

### Supper time

Receive from me these gifts ; he said  
Know I am yours and you are mine  
My body broken as the bread  
My blood poured out like ruby wine

The time has come, the hour is so  
That one for many shall atone  
You can not follow where I go  
The cup is mine to drink alone

He drank the cup of Holy wrath  
His outstretched arms the world to bare  
In dying conquered sin and death  
And rising brought new life to share

So eat the bread and drink the wine  
Proclaim the body and the blood  
And taste the covenant divine  
Which feeds our souls and makes us good

by John Phillips



On the last day of term the school 'processed,' with Coco the Donkey, from school to church for their Easter Assembly. We told the story of Holy Week and Easter with actions, readings and hymns – including two from the new school choir!

### Food Bank

Grateful thanks to all who took part in the Benefice Food Bank Challenge during the five weeks of Lent.

A total of 707 items were donated, this includes 110 items from the staff at Aldbrough School. All donations were taken to the food bank store in Hornsea where they were distributed almost immediately to families in the local area, whom, at this time do not have sufficient funds to buy food.

There is a receptacle in St. Bartholomew's Church where items for the Food Bank may be left all year round.

Thank you for your generosity.  
Antoinette Butlin  
R.P.A.

### **METHODIST CHURCH**

**FRIDAY MAY 19TH**

**COFFEE MORNING at 9-30—11-30 AM.**

**£ 1-00 TOMBOLA STALL . COFFEE / TEA and BISCUITS £ 1-00  
ALL PROCEEDS FOR CHRISTIAN AID. ALL are WELCOME.**

Advance Notice - June 3rd 10-00-11-30am  
Coffee Morning with GIFT DAY ,please support,

**Priest in charge  
Revd Anne White  
01964 527230**

**Churchwardens  
St Bartholomew, Aldbrough  
Mrs C. Longstaff (527190)  
Mrs K.Moore (527552)  
All Saints Mappleton & St Giles Goxhill  
Mr B. Rhodes (533954)  
Mrs R. Skinner (534580)  
St Alban's Witherwick  
Capt. D. Smith (527419)  
Mrs Anne Wood (527947)  
Recognised Parish Assistant  
Mrs Antoinette Butlin 527438**

### **Benefice Website**

<https://aldbroughbenefice.wordpress.com>

**See your Parish Church on the web ;  
A Church near you: [www.acny.org.uk](http://www.acny.org.uk)  
& Diocesan website: [www.dioceseofyork.org.uk](http://www.dioceseofyork.org.uk)**

### **Methodist Church**

- May 1st Bible Study at 2-00pm.
- 2nd Craft Club 1-30—3-30pm.
- 6th COFFEE MORNING with CAKE and BRIC—BRAC STALLS.
- 7th Service at 10—45 am Preacher Mr KEITH RUSSELL.
- 8th BEETLE DRIVE at 6—00pm'
- 9th Network at 2-15pm . Speaker Rev Colin Marchment.
- 10th Craft Club 1-30—3-30pm.
- 14th Service at 10-45 am Preacher MR ALAN MOIR.
- 16th Bible Study at 2—00pm.
- 17th Craft Club 1-30—3-30 pm.
- 21 st Service at 10—45am Preacher MR PETER BROWN.
- 23rd Network at 2-15 pm Speaker Rev Anne White.
- 24 th Craft Club 1-30—3-30-pm.
- 28th Service at 10-45-am Preacher MR HECTOR ROBINSON.
- 30th Bible Study 2-00pm!