

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

PARISH NEWS

November 2014

Services in the Benefice for November:

EVERY Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion followed by Coffee: Aldbrough

SATURDAY November 1st All Saints Day

7.00pm Songs of Praise: Mappleton

Preacher: Venerable Andrew Broom (New Archdeacon)

Sunday November 2nd: All Saints/All Souls

10.30am Parish Communion: Aldbrough

4.00pm Commemorative service for All Souls: Aldbrough

Sunday November 9th: Remembrance Sunday

*10.00am Parish Communion followed by

Act of Remembrance, the War Memorial 11.00am: Aldbrough

12.00 noon Act of Remembrance: All Saints, Mappleton

2.00pm Act of Remembrance, the War Memorial: Withernwick
followed by service in Church

HEALING COMMUNION: Tuesday November 11th

10.30 for 11.00 at 4 Mill Lane, Withernwick

Beginning with a short act of remembrance

Sunday November 16th: 2 before Advent

10.30am Parish Communion: **Withernwick**

Sunday November 23rd: Sunday before Advent

8.30 Holy Communion: **Withernwick**

10.30 Morning Praise: **Mappleton**

10.30 Parish Communion: **Aldbrough**

Sunday November 30th: Advent

10.30am Parish Communion: **Goxhill**

7.00pm **Service of Light for Advent: Aldbrough**

Sunday December 7th: Advent 1

10.30am Parish Communion: **Aldbrough**

From the Vicar October 2014

The news the other day showed the Queen and Prince Philip walking through the 'field of poppies' at the Tower of London - 888,246 ceramic poppies commemorating British and Colonial service men and women killed in WWI. It is an amazing sight - even on the television!

This has been a year of 'remembering'. Up and down the land, local events (including our own at Aldbrough's War Memorial in August) and national commemorations have reminded us again and again of the Great War which cast such a dark shadow over Europe a hundred years ago - a shadow which spawned a second and equally destructive conflict barely twenty years later.

The trouble is that for many of us it is difficult to remember something we have never experienced but this should not stop us from doing so.

Every Sunday millions of people all over the world go to church specifically to 'remember' an event that took place not a

hundred but nearly two thousand years ago, the death of Jesus Christ on the cross. 'Do this', he had said, 'in remembrance of me'. And in his memory bread is broken and wine shared, exactly as he commanded, in order to evoke and represent the profound significance of what he did. We 'remember' not because we were there and saw it happen, but because (like the dark shadow of war) the event itself still matters, still changes things, still touches our lives.

That kind of 'remembering' demands a response. We should not simply remember the horrors of two world wars as phenomena of the past, but as challenges to us to change the future. To remember and do nothing is not really to remember at all. True remembering changes us, and in changing us it may eventually change the world.

That's why we are having 3 Acts of Remembrance this year. At Aldbrough we shall begin with a shortened communion service in church before processing to the War Memorial for 11.00. Then there will be acts of remembrance in Mappleton Church at 12.00 and Withernwick War Memorial at 2.00. I do hope that many members of our various communities will be able to attend one of these services.

Of course it is not just those who have been killed in various conflicts that we remember this month - the Church celebrates the beginning of the month with a time of remembrance for All Saints and All Souls. All Saints, which used to be known as All Hallows (Hallow being an old word for Saint or Holy Person), was made a church feast day in 835 and actually started the evening before - hence Halloween. The following day 'All Souls' is a time for us all to remember those who have died. This year All Saints falls on a Saturday giving us a perfect opportunity to 'Sing For all the Saints who from their labour's rest' at the Songs of Praise

in All Saints Mappleton. On the Sunday afternoon (All Souls Day) there will be a special service in Aldbrough Church for anyone who would like to light a candle in memory of loved ones.

The end of the month is of course preparation time - the beginning of Advent. Do come and join us for a very special 'Service of Light' at Aldbrough as we begin our preparations in earnest for God's coming to earth as a baby - to be the light of the world.

'They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.'

Revd Anne

EVENTS THIS MONTH IN THE BENEFICE

November 15th - Friends of Mappleton and Goxhill Annual Dinner

November 29th - Christmas Market - Witherwick

Looking ahead - Christmas Trees in Aldbrough 6th, 13th and 20th December - look out for the special themed days!

Do good, By John Wesley

Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as ever you can.

Aldbrough WI. October Meeting.

This month Rachel Young spoke to the members about the work done to support children and families in various countries throughout the world by the Body Shop Foundation. Rachel told of the schools and education programmes developed to support these countries and also how they use locally grown products to help sustain the programmes by selling good to the Western World. Rachel went on to demonstrate some of the new products that Body Shop will have available for the festive season. Vote of thanks was given by Hazel Armstrong.

WI business and was presided over by Angela Dunn. Quiz team members told of the finals of the WI quiz held in Beverley the team came midway in the rankings and had attained an honourable score. The provisional arrangements for the group rally to be held May 2015 were presented to the membership, a short discussion took place and final amendments were made.

Arrangements were made for the joint venture with the Local Primary School for a social evening to held on the 11th November in the School Hall when Alan Lavender will be the guest speaker and also demonstrating some festive cooking. Tickets will be £5 to include a glass of wine, tickets available from the School Office and any WI member. All are welcome.

The planter which the WI cares for at top of Castle Hill at the entrance to the village is in full bloom and is very attractive. Plans were made to plant up the planter for the winter and spring.

Helicopter

Sometimes people think of church as being like a giant helicopter. They don't want to get too close in case they get sucked into the rotas. - *Milton Jones*

Withernwick Ladies Group News

We met in St Alban's in October and had planned a talk on the Mesolithic Age but unfortunately our guest speaker was unable to come. How fortunate we were to welcome Muriel Berztin who told us all about her life as a Land Army Girl and what a fascinating time in history it had been, she was warmly thanked for this. A group of members and friends visited the Hull Tapestry in the Guildhall, this is made up of several embroidered panels which depict some iconic times in history occurring in the city together with influential figures and important industries linked with Hull. From here we travelled to Skidby for afternoon tea and enjoyed some delicious pastries, tea and good conversations. Thanks go to Maureen and Ann Woollen for arranging it.

Next month 5th Nov we meet for a demonstration of making Christmas baubles with Meg Croft, all welcome.

Poem from Muriel: Still burns the flame

Time passes by and dreams they vanish
passions like the seasons wane.
But memories are everlasting
for those in graves without a name.
For all of those in unknown pastures
still burns the everlasting flame.
Aching hearts with time find comfort
but memories remain the same.
Time passes by and as we mellow
age becomes a state of mind
Yet everlasting are the memories
for the unnamed left behind.

FROM THE REGISTERS:

Baptisms

5th October: SAMUEL WITTY: Goxhill

12th October: RILEY TAYLOR: Mappleton

ALDBROUGH CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2014

We will once again be decorating the Church with trees for our annual festival. Lots of other activities are planned for this year and details will follow in next month's newsletter. We invite residents of the parish, families or businesses to decorate a tree for the festival.

Trees will be supplied at a cost of between £20 to £25. Be creative and decorate for this festive occasion in support of The Friends of St Bartholomew's.

The Church will be open for viewing on Saturdays and Sundays in December.

If interested please to contact the Church Wardens, Kath or Christine.

LITTLE FISHES

This month we shall meet on THURSDAY 6th and THURSDAY 20th NOVEMBER at 10.30am for Parents and carers of pre-school children meeting at Wentworth House, Aldbrough.

There will be a mixture of music, stories and games, but primarily it offers the chance to come together as a community for an hour. Personal invitations work best so if you know anyone who you think would be interested please do invite them along.



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