

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

PARISH NEWS

October 2014

Services in the Benefice for October:

EVERY Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion followed by Coffee: Aldbrough

Sunday October 5th: Harvest Festival

10.30am Parish Communion - Aldbrough

2.00pm Baptism at Goxhill

Sunday October 12th: Trinity 17

10.30am Parish Communion with Baptism- Mappleton

HEALING COMMUNION: Tuesday October 14th

10.30 for 11.00 at 4 Mill Lane, Witherernwick

Sunday October 19th: Trinity 18

10.30am Parish Communion - Witherernwick

2.00pm Songs of Praise - Goxhill with Salvation Army Band

SUMMER TIME ENDS!

Sunday October 26th: Last after Trinity/Bible Sunday

8.30 Holy Communion: Mappleton

10.30 Morning Praise: Aldbrough (Helen Wastling)

10.30 Parish Communion: Witherernwick

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

From the Vicar October 2014

As we enter the month of October Autumn is truly upon us, not helped by the fact that the clocks go back at the end of the month - still for those attending the 8.30 service on the 26th it will feel like 9.30!! The beginning of the month is a busy one in Aldbrough and I hope you will take the time to visit the Flower Festival - the theme 'Dressed in robes of Gold' is taken from the harvest hymn 'To thee O Lord our hearts we raise' which has in the first verse these words: 'bright robes of gold the fields adorn'. This year, I believe, has been a reasonable harvest here in the East Riding and the fields have certainly been golden! If you've missed the chance to sing your favourite harvest hymns there is a final opportunity on Sunday 5th October at Aldbrough.

This harvest time also gives us the opportunity to remember St Francis of Assisi whose feast day is October 4th - his apparent love for creation and the natural world makes him perhaps one of the most attractive and best loved saints. But he began by being anything but a saint. Born the son of a wealthy cloth-merchant of Assisi, Francis' youth was spent in fast-living, parties and on fast horses as a leader of the young society of the town. He went to the war between Assisi and Perugia, and was taken prisoner for a year. By the time of his release, Francis had changed and he abandoned warfare and

carousing, and began to help the poor and the lepers of his area. Then one day a voice which seemed to come from the crucifix in the small, semi-derelict church of Damiano Assisi 'Go and repair my house, which you see is falling down'.

This religious experience was a vital turning point in Francis' life: Jesus Christ became very real and immediate to him. His first action was to begin repairing the church, having sold some of his father's cloth to pay for materials. His father was furious - until Francis renounced his inheritance and even his clothes by his dramatic stripping off in the public square of the town! The Bishop of Assisi provided him with simple garments, and Francis began his new life.

This month also, Luke, the writer of the third of the three gospels and the book of Acts, has his feast day - 18th October. He was, we learn from the letters of St Paul, a 'physician' - an educated man and probably the only one of the writers of the New Testament who was not a Jew. Luke reveals to us a Jesus who turned no one away, reserved his harshest words for hypocrites and religious grandees, cared for the marginalised, the poor, the persecuted, the handicapped and the sinful. His Gospel is full of people we can recognise - indeed, in whom we can often recognise ourselves.

There are more women in Luke's Gospel than in any of the others, but also more poor people, more lepers, more 'sinners' and tax-collectors, more 'outsiders' who are shown to be 'inside' the love of Christ. This, for many of us, is the great Gospel of inclusion and compassion. Here is a Jesus for the whole world and for every one of us - no wonder we celebrate Bible Sunday at the end of the month.

Then right at the beginning of next month we celebrate All Saints - to whom Mappleton Church is dedicated. On the Saturday evening we shall be welcoming the new Archdeacon to the Songs of Praise Service - this will be followed by refreshments. If you have any favourite hymns you would like to be included please let me know.

On the following day at Aldbrough in the afternoon there will be a service of commemoration to remember family members who have died in recent years.

Dare I mention that we are then only 4 weeks away from Advent - how time flies!

Revd Anne

Withernwick Ladies Group

Visiting speaker for our September meeting was Mr Derek Clark who brought much laughter and enjoyment with a number of strange objects for discussion as to their functions and history. He has been to our group on previous occasions and each time has regaled us with his knowledge and enthusiasm for an assortment of strange by-gones. Next month's meeting Wednesday 1st October will again take place in St Alban's at 3pm when we look forward to discovering 'Mesolithic Holderness', please come and join us, we welcome new members and visitors. We also have planned for October a visit to the Hull Tapestry and afternoon tea at the Sail's Restaurant.

Dates for diary, Wednesday 5th November 'Making Christmas Baubles' Wednesday 3rd December 'Yorkshire Dialect'

EVENTS THIS MONTH IN THE BENEFICE

October 3rd-5th Aldbrough Flower Festival -

Dressed in Robes Of Gold

Friday October 3rd 7.30pm Beverley Male Voice Choir; St Bartholomew's Aldbrough. Tickets (to include a glass of wine/fruit juice) £5 in advance £6 on the door

Saturday October 4th 7.30pm Friends of St Bartholomew's Annual Dinner - Wentworth House Hotel.

Monday 6th October - New Archdeacon to be licensed in Beverley Minster 7.30pm

Sunday October 19th 2pm Songs Of Praise with Driffield Salvation Army Band at St Giles Goxhill

Tuesday 28th October - Coffee Evening 7.00-9.00pm at 4 Mill Lane, Withernwick, in aid of Withernwick Church.

LOOKING AHEAD

November 1st - Mappleton Gift Day, Songs of Praise

November 2nd - All Souls

November 9th - Remembrance: 10.00 Aldbrough;
12.00 Mappleton; 2.00 Withernwick

November 29th - Christmas Market - Withernwick

Friends of Mappleton & Goxhill Churches Annual Dinner & Quiz

Saturday 15th November 7pm for 7.30pm

@ Hornsea Indoor Bowls Club

Tickets available now from Paul Soltys (536372)
& Anne Holmes

(please note tickets must be booked before 31st Oct)

Bird Watching at Aldbrough WI

Tim Isherwood gave a very entertaining talk to the WI on 1st September. Tim told those present of how as a young boy he became interested in birds and from that early start he has spent many hours over the years watching birds. Tim explained the difference of being a bird watcher through to a twitcher. He also described how bird watching has developed over the many years, from the collecting of bird eggs which is now illegal, to today when bird watchers use highly sophisticated technology to track birds and inform others of where rare birds are to be found. Tim spoke of how we can help birds survive in our own gardens, and some of the safety factors to consider. Tim was asked many questions from the members. Lynne Wright gave vote of thanks.

The WI business meeting was presided over by Angela Dunn. There was a lot of information from Federation Office to discuss. Members were asked to donate ribbon for the WI Christmas Tree to be decorated in Beverley Minister. The colours requested were Turquoise, White and Purple which are the colours of Ovarian Cancer Awareness campaign. Also clean scarves to be collected for the Autumn Federation Meeting,

Next meeting 6th October 7-30 pm. Rachel Young talking about the Body Shop History.

Sunday 19th October
2pm At Goxhill church

Driffield Salvation Army Band

Songs Of Praise

FROM THE REGISTERS:

Baptisms

14th September: CLAIRE POTTAGE: Mappleton

Funeral

29th August: SYLVIA VARLEY: St Nicholas, Hornsea

18th September: JOAN RHODES: Aldbrough

The Benefice Choir is busy rehearsing for Advent and Christmas. More singers, **especially female voices**, are always welcome. Rehearsals take place at 10.45 on Wednesdays in St Bartholomew's Church, Aldbrough - just come along.

You are all invited to attend this new study course to learn more about what it means to be a pilgrim on a journey with Jesus Christ. The sessions begin with a look at the promises made at our baptism (usually on our behalf) - particularly how we 'turn to Christ'. There are six sessions on offer: 2.00pm and 7.30pm beginning on Monday 13th October and meeting at Benefice House.

Please let Revd Anne know if you would like to attend.

LITTLE FISHES

This month we shall meet on **THURSDAY 9th** and **THURSDAY 23rd OCTOBER** 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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A Church near you: www.acny.org.uk

Also Diocesan website: www.dioceseofyork.org.uk

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village websites ;**

www.withernwickvillage.co.uk

www.aldbroughparishcouncil.co.uk

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Items for next Parish News to Paul by 17th October, please