

Diocese of York Newsletter

News from
the Church of
England
between the
Humber and
the Tees

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Our New Priests and Deacons



Archbishop Sentamu ordained sixteen Priests on Sunday 19 June, and twelve Deacons on Sunday 3 July.

Above are our new Priests, and below are our new Deacons. Please continue to pray for them as they embark on these new stages of their ministry.



The Church and the Internet

For many of us, the internet is now the place we go for up-to-date information. People use it to check the weather, train times, their bank balance; to buy books, holidays, music and groceries. Even if you don't have a computer yourself, you may well have asked someone to use the internet for you

And as for the church ... a few years ago someone invented a website with a page for every church in the country – A Church Near You (www.acny.org.uk). Look in the diocesan directory and you'll see your church's 'acny' index number. You can easily register and update the entry for your church.

It's such a brilliantly simple idea. So I'm taking this opportunity to encourage each parish to do something with your 'acny' page. It's as if we were being given a free notice board, and free publication of a guidebook, for every church.



But what shall we do with our page? There's a question here that goes deep. What would you really want to tell the world (and potential newcomers in particular) about your parish and the life of your congregation? And when your PCC looks at the draft of what you are going to load onto the 'acny' site, what message are those words and pictures giving about your priorities and the potential you see for the church in your community? Be brave: show the draft to someone who isn't a churchgoer, and ask whether it would make them want to have anything to do with a church such as the one you've described!

Yes, by all means use your 'acny' page to tell the world about your parish history and your building, but don't stop there. Whatever your style of worship, whether yours is a town or village parish, and whichever part of the Church of England's spectrum you reckon you fit within, the question is the same: Does this page tell me about a Christian community that is alive, where lives are touched with the joy and challenge of the Gospel, and where I can grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ?

*The Ven Paul Ferguson,
Archdeacon of Cleveland*

1811 - 2011 and beyond!

We're now halfway through this momentous year, and our main event, the Minster celebration for all our Church schools, is also past. Here's how Evie J Howard, Heather Mesley and Ryan Webster, primary school pupils in the Cleveland archdeaconry, described the day.

"On the 16th of June, we the year 5s and 6s of Egton C of E Primary School travelled to York Minster, for the thanksgiving and celebration of 200 years of church schools service.

When we walked into the Minster the craftsmanship that must have gone into the whole building was absolutely, utterly, completely, amazing and the more you look the more incredible it becomes.

There were loads of children, there were some singers singing some lovely songs and it felt like we were a huge family. Everyone there was happy and joyful. When Archbishop Sentamu was walking between the seats, he looked very majestic and I was just happy to be there with everyone.

I thought York Minster was VERY BIG!!!!!! I loved the bit where we went back in York Minster ... so all together, so many children, SUCH A CROWD!

I saw lots of photographers and a special choir that was singing. It was very special that our prayer went up into the sky on the huge cross. It will be near to God (actually we made four prayers).



The service was extremely entertaining, especially the bit with Joshua Watson who came stumbling in from the 'tardis' and 200 years ago. The whole event was massively gripping including the superb singing and ribbon dancing.

It was a long way to go over the moors but I wish we could do it more often. It was extreme!"

After the service, we were blessed with fine weather for a huge picnic in the Dean's Park, followed by a variety of workshops in different venues across the city. The Board of Education would like to thank all those who took part in the service, led workshops, or helped in an amazing range of ways, and all those schools who brought their children for the day. We all have great memories which will be with us for a long time to come.

Viv Todd, Assistant Director of Education.

Cleveland visit to False Bay

A group from the Archdeaconry of Cleveland - Bishop Martin Warner, Sister Pam OHP, the Revd Marie Edwards, the Revd Luke Tillett, the Revd John Ford and Barbara Ford - visited in the Diocese of False Bay in May. During the team's visit to South Africa they visited most parts of the Diocese and saw many of the social action projects in which the Anglican Church were actively engaged, working out their faith in action.

Bishop Martin said, "There's no point in pretending that a visit from Yorkshire in England to Cape Town in South Africa is really just work. The four of us (a bishop, two curates and a religious sister) who set off from Newcastle airport were in equal measure going as tourists, pilgrims, ambassadors and students. Our expectations were, I think, far exceeded by the experience that awaited us in our link diocese of False Bay.

"Part of the greatest learning curve for us was encounter with an extreme of poverty that we simply do not see in England. Our visits to the townships and informal settlements were in no sense voyeuristic. We were treated by those who lived there as welcome guests, and we were humbled by the generosity of their hospitality and the spontaneous expression of their profound faith in God. This was where we were simply students, not of sociology or economics,



Marie meets one of the children at Fikelela Children's Project

but of the gospel of Jesus Christ in its fullness."

The Revd Marie Edwards said, "Some of the projects we visited included the Children's Home at Ocean View ran by Joyce, the House Mother, who is supported by the church. She has made a life-long commitment to five young children to be legally responsible for them until they are eighteen years old. Joyce looks after these children as their parents are unable to look after them for a variety of reasons such as being in jail or suffering from AISA/HIV.

Sister Pam said, "The first church people from England went out to Cape Town to be in charge. Now we go as equal partners, with much to learn. I hope that the link between the Archdeaconry of Cleveland and the Diocese of False Bay will grow in fellowship and prayer and mutual support."

Year of the Environment - God's Creation around the Diocese

Art from church members has been travelling across the Diocese as part of the Year of the Environment.

The exhibition, 'God's Creation' was first exhibited at York Minster, where the Bishop of Hull, the Rt Revd Richard Frith, awarded the exhibition prize to Clive Nicholls for his ceramic stones showing the Creation of the Birds and Fishes, Flowers and the Sun, Stars and Moon (pictured).

Thank you to the following churches for hosting the exhibition: St Cuthbert,

Marlborough Avenue, Hull; St Michael, Malton; St James, Scarborough; All Saints, Pocklington; St Mary, Thirsk and St Barnabas, Linthorpe.



Carols for Heroes

Help for Heroes raises money to support those in the armed forces who are injured in the course of duty in Afghanistan. One of the many projects they are involved in is the Personnel Recovery Programme. Funding is available to help those who having to adjust and discover not what they couldn't do but what they can.

It is about the healing of the person, in body, mind and spirit and we as a church called by Christ to bring healing could look at ways in which we can contribute and help. It is with this in mind that one church in York, All Saints Pavement is organising a Carols for Heroes next December and would very

much like other churches to be involved in organising their own Carols for Heroes, and to get their whole community in the parish or group of parishes, together whether, in the church, village green or shopping centre.

To register your Carols for Heroes event visit their website www.helpforheroes.org.uk and sent details also to comms@yorkdiocese.org. If you visit the Dicocean website www.dioceseofyork.org.uk and search for "Carols for Heroes", you'll find some suggested hymns you could use, and a template for a poster.

*The Revd David Simpson,
All Saints Pavement, York.*

Pilgrimage to Iona



A Pilgrimage is, by definition, a journey and any journey into the unknown will be faced with excitement and some trepidation by those embarking on it. These emotions and others were felt by those of us travelling to Iona in June. In the event, the journey was nothing to fear. Those of us on the coach were transported smoothly and effortlessly to Oban and despite slight glitches with the ferry and bus across Mull, we arrived on Iona safely, in time for supper.

The next four days were to take us on a different sort of journey. Inspired by the scenery and peace of the island we were able to enjoy nature in all its glory, both on land and at sea, observing the wild-life in its natural environment. Seals, otters, red deer, golden eagles, sea-eagles were among the creatures that inspired us, and even the shy corncrake, who had woken us most mornings with his rasping cry, ventured out onto the lawn of Bishop's House on our last morning.

But we were there on a spiritual journey. Margaret Sentamu laid out the map for us, leaving us to follow the routes that best suited each of us.

Her addresses spoke to all of us in different ways as she invited us to contemplate first our Arrival, then the Place – “The Lord is Here”, - then to “Rest in God's Presence”, to capture the moment – “How Awesome is this Place” – and finally to “Journey Forward”.

A Pilgrimage has a beginning and an end. For us the end was to return to our homes, which again we did safely and smoothly, but all of us must have returned as slightly different persons, bringing with us a host of experiences and a new insight into our own spirituality and understanding of God and His creation. What we do with those experiences and that understanding depends on where we are and whom we meet, for each of us must “Blossom where we are planted”!

The Pilgrimage next year will be from Mon 13 August till Sat 18 August and will be led by the Revd Joyce Watson of Iona and the Revd Canon Edwin Newlyn of Whitby. For more information and to register and interest contact Jo Holland on 0776123023 or 01904 470519, or Edwin Newlyn on 01947 604533.

Walking the Deanery - how far did you say?

When asked how far it was between the churches in the Deanery of Scarborough, it was not expected to be worked out by walking between them or at least some of them! That's what happened on Saturday 12th June but it was for a good cause!

Nine intrepid walkers plus Jess the dog set out from St Oswald's church in Filey at 8.30 am with thoughts of the final destination at Cloughton and the evitable pub finish, one problem there was 20 miles between Filey and there and several churches to visit in-between.

The route took us through Muston, over the Wolds to Folkton, across the Carr to Cayton and into town via St. Michael's. The lunchtime stop at St. James's was a welcome break being provided with sandwiches by the priest-in-charge the Rev Phil White. The route took to St. Mary's via St. Saviour's and St. Columba's before heading out to St. Mark's and afternoon tea. The final visit was to St Laurence's, Scalby before the finish at St. Mary's Cloughton and the welcome sighting of the pub.

Apart from two brief rain showers the weather was perfect for walking. Why did we do it? Well it was to raise money for a Scarborough Charity called "Bungoma Calling" (Bungoma is in Western Province of Kenya)

This charity supports an orphanage and wants to provide basic equipment for the 38 resident children (e.g. mosquito nets, bedding, shoes etc); school links (e.g. St Martins and Braeburn Infants are linked to schools less well provided for); a theological library, some child sponsorship.

Two teams are visiting Bungoma during July. One led by The Revd Alison Gilchrist is a group of young people and adults from St Hilda's Greatfield Estate (encouraged by their school Archbishop Sentamu Academy) who will be living at an orphanage for 2 weeks. The second team is a group of 8 adults who will be delivering a programme of seminars for the Diocese of Bungoma with whom we have a training link.

David Wain.



Music from the time of Sir Francis Willoughby

The splendid church of St Mary, Birdsall is hosting an historic concert on August 6th. In 1575 Sir Francis Willoughby put together a book of his favourite lute music from England and the Continent. The manuscript, known as 'The Willoughby Lute Book', as an irreplaceable rarity is now kept at Nottingham University Library. In about 1720, the Willoughbys moved to Birdsall, North Yorkshire, which has since then been the country seat of the Lords Middleton.

The Willoughby Lute Book will form the basis of a Concert of music from the time of Sir Francis. Pieces from the book, together with other Elizabethan songs with which Sir

Francis may have been familiar will be performed in the lovely setting of St Mary's on the Birdsall Estate. A facsimile copy of the book will be on display.

The lute will be played by Denys Stephens, who is also an editor of Early Lute Music. The mezzo-soprano Jenny Hill, is the Rector of West Buckrose, of which Birdsall forms part of her Parish.

Tickets are £7.50 to include refreshments, available from Leefe's Stationers, 57 Market Place, Malton; Wallis Stationers, 9 Yorkersgate, Malton or by post from J Stone 01944 768545, and on the door.

New children's trail at Paull Church

St Andrew Church and South Holderness NADFAS launched the Paull Church Trail for children on 14 June .

The Church Trail is a questionnaire designed by members of NADFAS for children aged 8 -12 but is really for people of all ages! The trail guides the participant round a church looking at the architecture, history and furnishings. A corresponding answer sheet is provided for accompanying adults. The aim is to encourage children to explore the building, to learn about it and enjoy

the experience so that they are inspired to visit other churches.

The questionnaire is an A4, black and white, two-sided sheet in a child-friendly design. The simplicity of this format keeps the cost of reproduction to the absolute minimum.

Please encourage your younger family members to come along and have a go, it is also surprising what you can learn yourself, it fascinating to learn about the heritage of the building.

Mandy Annison.

Making Disciples of All Nations

Around 200 people gathered out in the open at St John's Newland, Hull on Sunday evening, 5th of June to witness the baptism by full immersion of 5 young adults, four originating from mainland China.

In a packed church building the four Chinese students each shared how they came to a personal faith in Christ while attending St John's. Each Thursday evening the church runs the 'Globe Café' for international students at the Newland Christian Centre. This provides a wonderful opportunity for friendship and care as well as talking about the Christian faith. Some of those baptised came to faith via this route.

One said that while at home in China he believed there was a Creator God but had no idea who he was. Another said that she had come from a Buddhist background but had rejected her parents' faith in her teens. Another knew nothing of God until she came to the UK and met a fellow Chinese student who was a Christian.



As each searched the Bible under the careful direction of Student Minister, Scott McKay, they came to a realisation that it was Jesus Christ who was 'God with a human face' and who was 'The Way, the Truth and the Life'. The fifth person to be baptised was a postgraduate student from the UK. After a time of worship and ministry of the Word, the whole congregation left the church building for the church lawn and the 'baptism pool.'

Free hassocks



St Mary's Church in Strensall have approximately 30 beautifully embroidered hassocks/kneelers to give away. We no longer use them; our recent church reordering involved replacing our pews with chairs. Contact Gordon Fee, Church Warden; Telephone No. 01904 492669. Email: gifee@btinternet.com

What's On

Thurs 4 Aug - Lunchtime Organ Concert at Central Methodist Church, York, 12.30pm. Performance by Philip Paul who is the Director of Music at the Central Methodist Church.

Thurs 4 - Mon 8 Aug - St Oswald's Festival, Flamborough At St. Oswald's Church, Flamborough. Beautiful flower displays in the Church. In the Church Hall from 10.30 a.m. till 5.00 p.m. homemade refreshments and light lunches, tombola, raffle, sale of books, plants and much more!

Sat 6 Aug - Summer Organ Festival at York Minster, 7.00pm. David Pipe, Assistant Director of Music at York Minster, will be performing. Admission is £8.

Sat 6 Aug - Music from the time of Sir Francis Willoughby, St Mary, Birdsall. See page

Sat 6 Aug - Rutter Magnificat Concert at Howden Minster, 7.30pm. It will include many light-hearted pieces and be directed by the Director of Music, Matthew Collins. Tickets cost £5 for Adults, whilst accompanied under 16s are free. Call: 01430 434890, email: tony.parker1@homecall.co.uk.

Sat 6 - Sat 13 Aug - Holiday Week in Herriot Country at Holy Rood House, Thirsk. A relaxing house-party with a holiday feel at Holy Rood House. For more information about this event, or to book a place, please visit Holy Rood House, call 01845 522580 or enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk.

Tues 9 Aug - Open Day at Wydale Hall. Come and spend a day at Wydale Hall where a sandwich lunch and Afternoon Tea will be provided. For more information on this event, please visit Wydale Hall or call 01723 859720.

Weds 10 Aug - Lunchtime Organ Concert at St Helen's Church, York, 1.10pm. Performance by Matthew Atherton from Barnard Castle School.

Sat 13 Aug - Open Day for Churches in the Buckrose Carrs Benefice. Various events and areas of interest will be on display, ranging from hobbies, crafts, display of kneelers, children's paintings, children's quizzes, donkey rides, history of the relative and items which are particularly unique thereto, to a display of vestments and much more. Refreshments will be available at some of the Churches.

Sat 13 Aug - Summer Organ Festival at York Minster, 7.00pm. Francis Jackson, Organist Emeritus from York Minster will be performing. Admission is £8.

Tue 16 Aug - Lunchtime Organ Concert at St Martin's Church, York, 1.10pm. Performance by Philip Paul, the Curator Organist at St. Helen with St. Martin

Thurs 18 Aug - Lunchtime Organ Concert at Central Methodist Church, York, 1.10pm. Performance by Francis Jackson, Organist Emeritus at York Minster.

Fri 26 - Mon 29 Aug - Flower Festival, All Saints Church, Great Ayton. with the theme "All the Saints". Preview Friday night at 7.30 with refreshments and music, tickets £6. Musical Evening on Saturday at 7.30, harpist and friends with refreshments, tickets £10 call 01642 722380. Songs of Praise at 6 pm on Sunday. Refreshments - tea/coffee and scones available all weekend.

Fri 26 - Sun 28 Aug - Annual Flower Festival at St. Michael's, Bempton. St. Michael's Church will hold its Annual Flower Festival with the theme ' Sports and Pastimes'. Refreshments, a raffle and stalls will

be in the Village Hall at Bempton. A fundraising event for the St. Michael's Church, Bempton's Heating Appeal for which the target is £10,000.

Sat 27 Aug - Organ Recital at Bridlington Priory, 6.00pm. Performed by Paul Derrett. Tickets cost £8 (concessions £7). These are available at the door or from the Bridlington Priory Concerts Information Line: 01262 670153, or by email on jfevamy@hotmail.com.

Sat 27 Aug - Summer Organ Festival at York Minster, 7.00pm. John Scott Whiteley, Organist Emeritus at York Minster, will be performing. Admission is £8.

Weds 31 Aug - Lunchtime Organ Concert at St Helen's Church, York, 1.10pm. Performance by Raymond Sturdy from Old Malton Priory.

Photocopiers available

Canon NP6317 - in working order. Was in regular use until last year. No longer needed. Free to any Church or individual who can collect.

Toshiba photocopier - capable of up to A3 size. This one has been stored unused for the last ¾ years. Free to any Church or individual who can collect.

Contact Les or Andy Bingham, Barbican Bookshop, on 01904 653643 or york@wesleyowen.co.uk

People on the move

The Ven Richard Murray Crosland Seed has been appointed to the Chapter of York Minster as Residentiary Canon and Prebendary of Osbaldwick with effect from 28 June 2011.

The Chapter of the Minster has given its consent to Archdeacon Seed continuing in his ministries of Archdeacon of York and Incumbent of the Benefice of York Holy Trinity Micklegate (which consent is required by the Statutes of the Minster).

The Revd David John Everett, House for Duty Assistant Curate in the Moor Allerton and Shadwell Team Ministry, in the Diocese of Ripon and Leeds, has been appointed Vicar of the Benefice of Market Weighton, the Benefice of Goodmanham and of the Benefice of Sancton (held in plurality).

The Revd Barbara Elizabeth Hodgson, NSM Assistant Curate of Bridlington Emmanuel, has been appointed House for Duty Assistant Curate of the Benefice of Burton Fleming with Fordon, Grindale and Wold Newton.

The Revd Stephen Charles Frederick Wilcox, Assistant Curate of the Benefice of Kirk Ella and Willerby, has been selected by the Archbishop as Vicar of the Benefice of Anlaby St Peter and of the Benefice of Anlaby St Mark, following consultation with the Patrons and PCC.

The Revd Anne Dawson, House for Duty Priest in Charge of the Benefice of Siggleshorne with Nunkeeling and Bewholme, is retiring with effect from 4th September 2011.

The Archbishop has granted Permission to Officiate to the following:

The Revd Bill Ankers of Norton.

The Revd Stephen Fisher of Marske by the Sea.

The Revd Christopher John Hayes of Malton.

The Revd Andrew Charles Martlew of Balne.

The Revd Andrew George Pearse of York.

The Revd Norman Taylor of Ampleforth.

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