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Church News for Sunday 24th & 31st May 2020

***All Public Services in Church
on Hold Until Further Notice***

In light of the Government guidance around non-essential contact, the

Archbishops of Canterbury and York have issued advice that public worship is suspended until further notice. All our church buildings are now closed.

This does not mean however that we stop being church - The Eucharist will still be celebrated each Sunday (and whenever possible on Wednesdays) along with Morning Prayer, Midday Prayer, and Compline which are prayed daily on behalf of the whole Benefice, however, this is now to be done without a congregation present.

And so we now have 'Phone Church'

To join in simply call 03300 945 940
then at the prompt Room number: 55017514 #
and use Guest PIN: 3885 #

Worshipping With Us



Sunday 24th May **Easter 7**

09:00 [Holy Communion](#) - for Patrick Brompton, Spennithorne, & Finghall

10:00 [Morning Prayer](#) - for Hornby, Crakehall, & Hauxwell

Readings

Acts 1.6-14; 1 Peter 4.12-14; 5.6-11; John 17.1-11

Collect

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During the week

09:00 [Morning Prayer](#) - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 [Holy Communion](#) - Wednesday with Rev'd John Smith

Sunday 31st May Pentecost

10:00 [Holy Communion](#) - for Hornby, Crakehall, & Hauxwell

18:00 [BCP Evensong](#) - for Patrick Brompton, Spennithorne, & Finghall

Readings

Acts 2.1-21; 1 Corinthians 12.3b-13; John 20.19-23

Collect

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:

grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;

through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During the week

09:00 [Morning Prayer](#) - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 [Holy Communion](#) - Wednesday with Bishop Nick

Sunday 7th June Trinity Sunday

09:00 [Holy Communion](#) - for Patrick Brompton, Spennithorne, & Finghall

10:00 [Morning Prayer](#) - for Hornby, Crakehall, & Hauxwell

16:30 [BCP Evensong](#)

Sunday 14th June Trinity 1

09:00 [Prayer and Praise](#) - for Patrick Brompton, Spennithorne, & Finghall

10:00 [BCP Holy Communion](#) - for Hornby, Crakehall, & Hauxwell

16:30 [Taizé - via Zoom](#)

For the liturgy/service booklet please follow the link for the relevant service.

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Phone Church is working well, but please remember it is live and unless you mute the microphone on your phone everyone can hear anything that is happening at your end of the line. We are still learning how to best use this system and whilst responses during the service are working well, communal singing is causing problems - so for the moment please just listen to the music as it plays rather than singing along.

For the latest update from the Church of England please visit
<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches>

Weddings Baptisms & Funerals

The situation is very likely to change so please see link above or contact Rev'd Chris if you would like further clarification.

Weddings

Weddings are now suspended until further notice.

Baptisms and Confirmations

Baptisms and confirmations must now be postponed (not cancelled), please do speak to Rev'd Chris if you have not already done so to rearrange a provisional date.

Funerals

Funerals may now only happen at the Crematorium or at the graveside. Only immediate family members can attend (if the crematorium allows) – that is, spouse or partner, parents and children, keeping their distance in the prescribed way.

Events

Following the Government advice, we have taken the decision to postpone all events for the time being. That includes but is not limited to

All Hornby's 950 Celebrations which have been rolled over to 2021

PCC Meetings, APCM's, social gatherings,

Youth Club, Bible Studies, Home Groups, Confirmation Courses.

Library & Coffee Mornings, Parish Lunches ...

Our Weekend has now been rearranging with Wydale and Bishop Chris and will take place on the 18-20 June 2021. Please do talk to Myra or Rev'd Chris for more information or to talk about refunds/deposits.

We continue to hold phone discussions for Churchwardens, PCC Secretary's, & worship leaders every other Wednesday. Next meeting 16:00 - 03/06/2020 & 14:00 - 17/06/2020

During lockdown we are not able to hold PCC meetings but will shortly start PCC discussions by phone conference with any details being finalised by email in accordance with [CRR2020](#)

Finghall have a PCC Conversation booked for 14:00 on Wednesday 03/06/2020 info on other PCC's to follow.



Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. What started in 2016 as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer.

During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who takes part will:

- Deepen their own relationship with Jesus Christ
- Pray for 5 friends or family to come to faith in Jesus
- Pray for the empowerment of the Spirit that we would be effective in our witness

After the very first Ascension Day the disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total – on our own we can do nothing.

Through the centuries Christians have gathered at that time to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. 'Thy Kingdom Come' picks up this tradition. Over the past three and a half years more and more worshipping communities have dedicated the days between Ascension and Pentecost to pray 'Come Holy Spirit'.

We are praying that the Spirit will inspire and equip us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our friends and families, our communities and networks. It has been amazing how many varied ways there have been in which people from every tradition have taken up this challenge. The effects have been remarkable.

It is our prayer that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus

Christ and his love for the world will hear it for themselves, and respond and follow Him. Specifically, we again invite each and every Christian across the country to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 friends who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

To find out how you can take part please visit

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

Liberia News - Rosemary Gaven

As Pew News is now running every other week here are the latest 2 updates for you.

From 14/05/20

Last Friday Simon sent a young man, with a large swelling under his jaw from a dental abscess, over to the main hospital to get intravenous antibiotics. Sadly, that evening he died from the infection. It is a reminder of how serious tooth decay can be if left untreated. He says that patient numbers seem to be picking up a bit this past week but they are still just opening the clinic on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays. So, the fact that to-day, Thursday is a Public Holiday doesn't make much difference to him!

Simon has completed his Dental Clinic budget and project proposal for the next 5 years and he has been looking at an idea to conduct a dental survey of the children in their ELWA Academy at some point in the future. Cycling around the compound has become an almost daily discipline and he is trying to get in 4-5 laps which is 8-9 miles.

Grace in the meantime tells me that they have had some socially distanced people over and offered hospitality 3 times in the last week. It was good to link up with family and also on church zoom calls and All Soul's in London for worship last Sunday.

She has now started helping the under fives malnutrition clinic admissions.

Some of them are teen and/or single Mums. Life is tough for them. She is just

getting to know them and helping them to know God sees and cares about their plight and their sick child. Listening to their stories, their fears about life, their sick child and family situation. She is praying with them as it is a way to help them and feel their situation matters to God. It is mostly listening, the doctors are calling it "mother craft". She says she is out of her depth and she is trusting God to give her the words they need to hear to make them feel valued by Jesus.

As always they thank those who pray for them so faithfully and send greetings to you all.

From 21/05/20

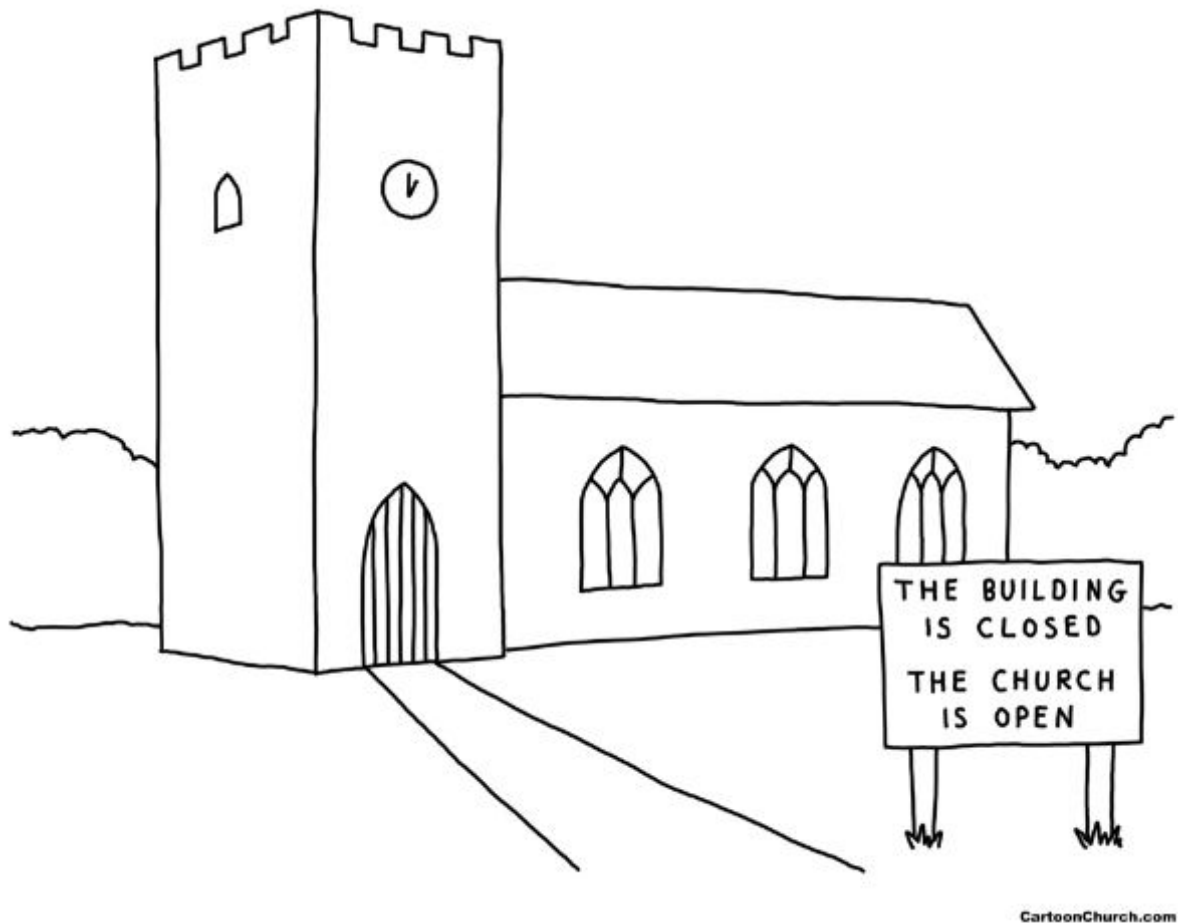
Simon said that Loranzo, their clinic administrator, has uncovered evidence of their receptionist altering patient receipts and pocketing the difference. They are posting to hire a new receptionist. This is sad as she has been with the clinic for 8 years and also implicates, by inference, some of the clinicians whom Simon trained. Sad and frustrating.

Patient numbers are starting to increase again. Over 30 emergencies to-day, Wednesday. If this continues they will go back to a 5 day week.

Grace has been helping one of the missions girls to learn to sew. She has enjoyed this outlet for creativity! She is going to the paediatric ward, listening and sharing God's love and reading an encouraging verse or two for the mummies. Also praying for healing for the sick and malnourished babies. They usually only stay in hospital to get established on the food programme for the under fives, so the visits are 3 times a week to ensure they develop a trust and they feel able to share.

Otherwise, regular socially distanced prayer meetings and their video Church on Sundays. Keeping up with family also takes time!

They appreciate all of our prayers for them.



Social Responsibility

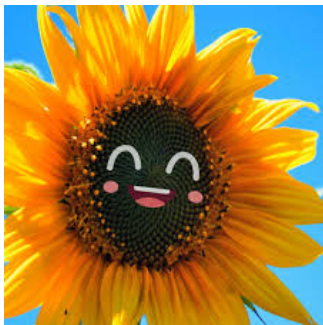
A message from Myra

Because of the Coronavirus, we were not able to collect door to door for Christian Aid during Christian Aid Week, but of course, money is still needed to help so many poor people throughout the world who are struggling with poverty and now the virus. If you would like to donate again this year you can send a cheque made out to CHRISTIAN AID to our treasurer;

Mr John Chritchlow,
19 Oak Tree Drive,
BEDALE
DL8 1UL



Sunflower Competition



Hackforth Village Hall Committee have invited Hackforth, Langthorne, & Patrick Brompton in a Sunflower competition. The idea is to grow a sunflower in our front gardens – the tallest; the biggest diameter seed head (excl. petals) and the ‘best dressed sunflower’ – all as a bit of Lockdown fun.

By growing in front gardens, the flowers will be highly visible and cheer everyone who walks by.

We thought it was a lovely idea and very much hope you will join in and brighten up our village. We will be distributing our precious seeds shortly. Please consider planting these and displaying the flowers in your front garden. We will judge once the flowers are mature (expected in late August).

We hope that each village will host a ‘sunflower walk’ one evening around the August bank holiday as a local social event as we hopefully come out of Lockdown.

Please let us know that you are entering the competition with your name, phone number and address and we will organise judging.

Chris McGee in Langthorne

Wendy: 450595 in Patrick Brompton

and David & Linda in Hackforth

Good luck!

Prize certificates will be awarded.

Patrick Brompton Community Events Committee

We hope that you are all continuing to stay safe and well, and that you are able to keep yourselves occupied and in touch with friends and family. Please keep an eye on our village website (www.patrickbrompton.com) and noticeboards for messages and do not hesitate to get in touch with any of us if you require help. Margaret: 450937 / 07773 903849

And Finally

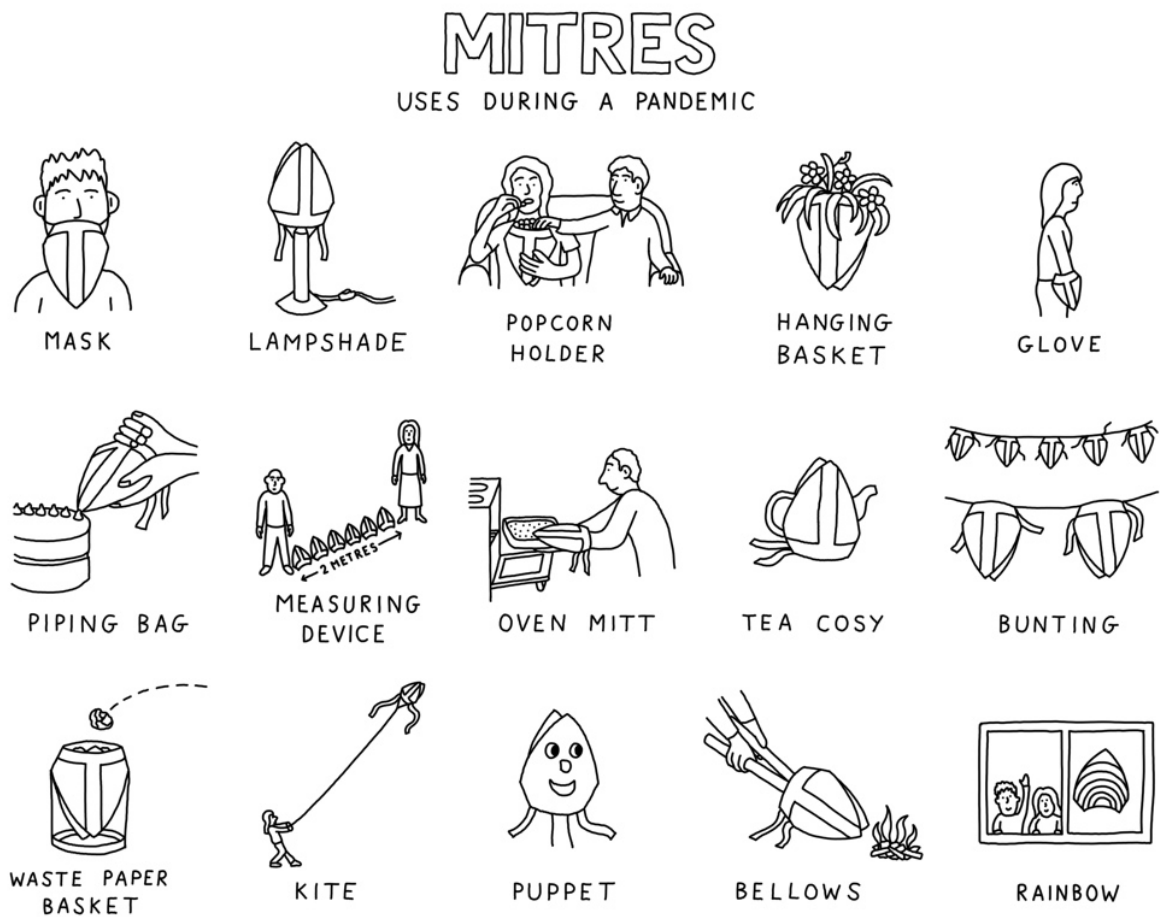
From Rev'd Chris

Today begins our time of watching and waiting - not for the end of lockdown, but for the arrival of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost and this year, like so much around us, this waiting feels very different. We met together this morning and celebrated Ascension Day via Phone Church from the safety of our own homes and we continue to wait and worship - together but apart - through this time of uncertainty remembering that

God is good!
All the time
All the time
God is good!

But as well as being people of Hope, it is also good to acknowledge the things missed and that is particularly poignant for me this week. Not only our much loved open-air Deanery service at Jervaulx Abby missed for the first time in my 6 years in the Dale but last weekend we missed the first wedding of the year - Lucy & David are thoughts are with you and we look forward to your special day with us next year.

Bishop Nick has encouraged us to start planning for the new normal and all that it holds and we have started to engage with that by looking at what we have benefited from and what we have lost, what we are looking forward to and what we can leave behind. And so as we watch and wait, both in and with the spirit can I ask you to start pondering these questions and discuss them with your churchwardens or me.



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