

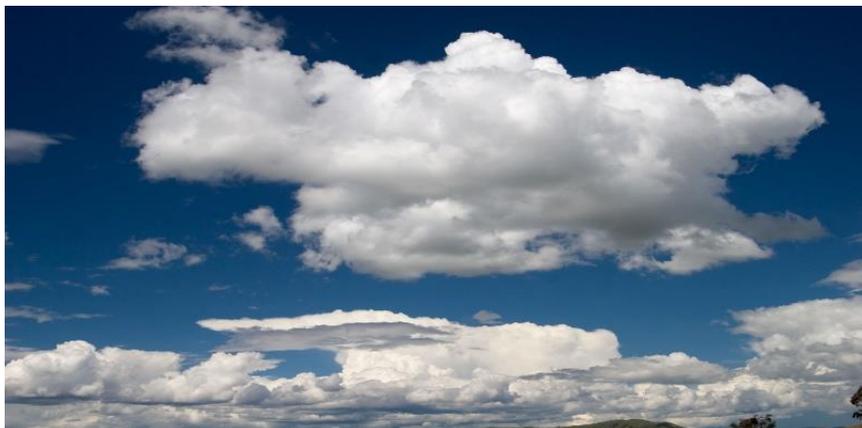
# PARISH NEWSLETTER

May 2019

for the villages of Aldwark, Alne, Flawith,  
Tholthorpe, Tollerton and Youlton

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There is now a vacancy for the Priest in Charge of the Alne Parish, although Carmel Gittens is still with us. Carmel can be contacted by telephone on 01347 833437 or by e-mail at [carmel-gittens@live.co.uk](mailto:carmel-gittens@live.co.uk). However please try contacting the church wardens as the first point of contact – a full list of wardens is provided on page 11 of this Parish Newsletter.



“..... so we in heart and mind may also ascend  
and with him continually dwell  
who is alive and reigns with you.  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God now and for ever. “

One day when we had just moved to Yorkshire from Birmingham, we were travelling along the beautiful Vale of York and I remarked

“There’s much more sky here in Yorkshire”

As usual what I was saying was nonsensical! Having lived in Suburbia on the edge of a crowded city I was limited in my visual images as far as noticing the sky. You will agree with me that the skies in Yorkshire are magnificent, the clouds so varied day by day, hour by hour.

Life can sometimes be about the perspective from which we see things. If we just look at body height level, we can get claustrophobic from all the buildings that are built up around us. Lifting the view angle introduces us to wonderful views that are so inspirational.

The month of May ends with the festive date of “The Ascension” (30<sup>th</sup>). This reminds us that our Saviour and Redeemer, victorious in his Resurrection and is now Ascended. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we have access and deliver our prayers to the eternal Trinity of God! What a privilege and joy!

Let’s raise our gaze!

Blessings  
Revd David Senior

### **Monday Morning Prayer Meeting at Monk Green House**

There will be a prayer meeting at Monk Green House, Main Street, Alne, YO61 1TB, **every Monday morning at 9.30a.m.-10.00a.m.** All will be welcome.

# GodZone

Fun sessions for children age 3 - 13 years

Sunday mornings twice a month

For more info see our facebook page

 @St Michael's Church Tollerton

## News from Alne Church

### Vacancy

Interviews for the new vicar are to be held in early May. Meanwhile, we thank the Revd Carmel Gittens and other members of the clergy who continue to keep our services going in Alne as well as at our sister churches in the area. Whilst the church roof is being repaired we will be holding services at Alne Village Hall on 28<sup>th</sup> April and 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> May.

### Restoration Project

A number of CCTV cameras have been placed on the roof and we have some interesting images of a mysterious visitor to the roof on Good Friday. Should he/she wish to see the videos, please contact Peter Cove (838346)

### Programme

**9<sup>th</sup> June – Alne Street Fayre** – the church will continue to host a number of activities during the Street Fare

**12<sup>th</sup> July – Talk – ‘Working in the Sultanate of Oman’** to be given by Ian Bullock

**2<sup>nd</sup> November – Easingwold Town Band**

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### Wardens

As anticipated Carol Glen and Peter Cove stood down as churchwardens at the Annual Church meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> April. ***Please note that no one has yet put their name forward for these posts.*** For the interim Carol will continue to organise our services and will also manage the weddings and Baptisms. Peter will continue with the restoration project until the work has been completed later this year and will also coordinate other aspects of church activities.

We are fortunate that Jenny Rudd has taken over as Verger. She will coordinate funeral and memorial services. We continue to have considerable assistance from those who generously give of their time to help with flower arranging, church cleaning, grass cutting and other tasks. However, we are still seeking some admin help.

We will also continue to seek ways of sharing the various duties carried out by our team of helpers and volunteers at the church.

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*Alne Church Committee is seeking limited help for routine admin work related to the church. Please contact Peter Cove (838346 or Carol Glen (838016)*

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**From the Parish Registers**

**Weddings**

23<sup>rd</sup> March 2019 – Ben Judge and Alice Burley  
6<sup>th</sup> April 2019 - Samuel Porter and Rebecca Wilson

**Baptism**

23<sup>rd</sup> March 2019 – Harrison Roy Judge

**Alne Main Street**

Given the long dry spell, it is no surprise that the strips of new turf bordering the new setts along Alne Main Street are beginning to look a bit jaded and dry.

It would be very much appreciated if owners of properties bordering the new setts could keep the new turf strip watered until it is fully bedded in. Thank you for your assistance.

Alne Parish Council

## **Village Hall News and Dates for your Diary**



### **Upcoming events**

#### **Pub Nights**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 7.00p.m. to 10.00p.m.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June, we are planning a summer BBQ on this date too. More details to follow.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 7.00p.m. to 10.00p.m.

Further summer dates will be added soon.

#### **Spring Plant Sale and Alne Open gardens Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

The plant sale will be held in the Village Hall on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May from 12.00 noon to 3.00p.m. Come along and buy your bedding plants and fill your garden with colour this summer. This will run consecutively with Alne Open Gardens. (See separate entry on page 8).

#### **Village Hall Refurbishment**

We continue our efforts to try and improve the facilities on offer at the Village Hall. The main lights in the Village Hall are now obsolete. We are currently investigating the cost of replacing them and installing lighting and sound equipment to enhance the quality of events held at the hall.

In order to maintain the Village Hall for future generations, we need your help. Please come along and support our events if you can. If you would like to be involved in the running of the hall please get in touch.

Please check our webpage on [www.alnevillage.co.uk](http://www.alnevillage.co.uk) for contact details and upcoming events. Follow us on Facebook. If you would like to be included on the e-mail distribution list (which is confidential) please let us know.

## **Alne WI Meeting - 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

We received a warm welcome from Joan our president & Pam our Secretary, who dealt with the business issues. Jean offered lots of various excursions & workshop opportunities including the chance to try hang gliding!

Our speaker this evening was Keeley Metcalfe: Small Garden Design.

Keeley is a local lady whose love of gardening & building ponds from the age of 4 transferred into her career choice at 17 years old. Keeley successfully trained to become a landscape designer & teacher of landscape design. Keeley spoke very passionately about her subject. It soon became obvious that design is not all about measurements but more how to appeal to the eye, even subtle changes can be made to make a difference. We enjoyed Keeley's talk & the accompanying slides, demonstrating how design can enhance our outdoor space, as her before & after photographs proved. Gill gave the vote of thanks, Jean & Angela were hostesses.

Next meeting **Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May.**

Resolutions & Friendship posies to be made for distribution to local people. Visitors are always guaranteed a warm welcome.

## **Alne Street Fayre 2019 – Tombola**

We need lots of prizes to run a successful tombola and over the last few years we have really appreciated your donations.

Please drop off suitable prizes for this year's tombola at any of the following addresses:

Liz and Mark at White Cottage, Main Street, Alne  
Dennis at 4 Gale Road, Alne  
Sophie at Brooklyn House (next to the Bluebell Inn), Alne  
Angela at Fairhaven (opposite the village hall), Alne

Thank you



## Alne Oil Co-operative

**Meet us at Easingwold & District Community Day –  
Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> May.**

A number of the local Oil Co-operative Coordinators and a representative from our supplier, Tate Fuels, will be at Easingwold & District Community Day **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019, 10.00a.m. to 4.00p.m.**

Come along with your questions regarding the Lower Swale Oil Syndicate and meet your local Coordinator.

At this free event, you will also find:

- Events in the Galtres Centre and grounds, Town Square, Tourist Information Centre, COZIE and Community Library
- Over 80 local organisations, services, clubs and charities waiting to meet, greet, inform and entertain you
- A Lions safety day with the Police & Fire Service
- A Health & Well-being area with Millfield, Stillington & Tollerton Surgeries and many health charities
- Easingwold's Wold-Class businesses are joining the fun with their combination-lock competition
- Sports Demonstrations
- Scouts climbing wall
- Rare-breed animals
- Veteran cars

If you can't get along, but would like further information about

## **Alne Open Gardens - Afternoon of Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 1.00 – 5.00p.m.**

After a very dry spring, and an exceptionally warm and sunny Easter weekend, we have returned to some cooler showery weather, which the gardens desperately needed.

The Alne Open Gardens preparations are now well advanced, with 10 plus gardeners in the village who have generously agreed to participate busy tending their plots. An advance advert has gone in the Easingwold Advertiser on 25<sup>th</sup> April, and a full length feature incorporating photos of some of the gardens will be included in the edition just before the day.

Posters have gone up on surrounding village noticeboards and some roadside notices have been produced and installed so the event is well promoted locally. If you have friends from further afield who may like to come along please refer them to the national website [www.opengardens.co.uk/](http://www.opengardens.co.uk/) for more information about our event in Alne and encourage them to come along.

All the participants and organisers have attended a meeting in late April to meet each other, clarify and confirm details for the day, and make final arrangements. Car Parking for the event will be on the Playing Field, so hopefully the Main Street will not get too congested.

If you have any good quality books that you wish to donate to the Second-hand Book stall please leave them for Angela Butler at 20 Gale Garth, if she is out, on the doorstep will be fine.

The final Programme for Alne Open Gardens is being assembled, and will be available for £5 at the Village Hall. This will have a map showing where the gardens are, together with a brief description of what each one has to offer.

The WI is organising refreshments at the Village Hall, where the Spring Plant Fair will also be taking place between 12 noon and 3.00p.m. I hope lots of local residents will take the opportunity to view and enjoy the range of interesting gardens on offer around the village. Live music performed by local residents will be arranged by Helen Dawson in one of the gardens.

The one thing beyond our control is the weather, but fingers crossed we have a fine summer afternoon. All proceeds from the Alne Open Gardens event will go towards the Village Hall for further improvement works to this vital community facility.

I hope visitors enjoy the day and many thanks to all those who have been involved. David Lepper Alne Open Gardens Co-ordinator 01347 838114  
[d.lepper27@btinternet.com](mailto:d.lepper27@btinternet.com)

### **Tollerton Vilage Litter Pick**

A big thank you to all the volunteers, including the boys and girls, who turned up on Saturday morning, 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019 for the annual village litter pick.

12 bags of rubbish were picked up from hedgerows and verges throughout Tollerton.

Thanks again to Rob T for taking the rubbish to Tholthorpe waste recycling centre.

Richard Walker - Parish Councillor

### **Tollerton Children's Outing to Scarborough 2019**

Tollerton Children's Outing to Scarborough this year will be held on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> July. The coach leaves Tollerton Village Hall at 9.00a.m. and departs from Scarborough at 6.00p.m. The Outing is also open to children from surrounding villages at a charge of £4, Tollerton children go free and the charge for all adults is £8.

If you are interested in joining us for a very enjoyable day please contact Pauline Metcalfe, tel. 01347 838794 or Dot Dawson, tel. 01347 838272.

# Charity Golf Day

on behalf of St Stephen's Church, Aldwark

at Aldwark Manor Golf Club  
Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Team Stableford

Teams of 4,

Best 2 scores to count on each hole

All scores to count on the 18<sup>th</sup>

Free half-way house with home-made cakes

Now in its 12<sup>th</sup> year, this is an enjoyable and popular event.

To enter or for further details contact Bill Ormerod  
01347 838357

[helenandbill.ormerod@gmail.com](mailto:helenandbill.ormerod@gmail.com)

## Imaginative Prayer / Quiet Group

Do you enjoy being quiet and having time to stop and be still? Did you enjoy the Easter mediations on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday?

There will be two more imaginative prayer meetings at St Michael's church Tollerton at 7.30p.m. for about an hour.

The dates for your diary are: **Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>, July.**

All a very welcome. Further information from David and Michèle Beverley on 838469.

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#### St. Michael's Tollerton

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### METHODIST SERVICES – MAY 2019

The Rev Elizabeth Cushion is the Methodist Minister for the villages around Easingwold. Elizabeth can be contacted on 01347 821460. You are welcome at all of the village services listed below.

Date	Time	Venue	Service Details
5 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30a.m.	Brafferton	United Service
	3.00p.m.	Alne/Tholthorpe	Circuit service at Stillington
12 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30a.m.	Brafferton	United Service
	3.00p.m.	Alne	Rev E Cushion

<b>19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	10.30a.m.	Brafferton	A Haith
	3.00p.m.	Tholthorpe	Rev E Cushion CA
<b>26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	10.30a.m.	Brafferton	United Service
	4.00 p.m.	Alne/Tholthorpe	Circuit service at Huntington

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MAY 2019**

<b>Venue</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> May</b>
Aldwark	9.00a.m. Holy Communion Rev C Gittens		9.00a.m. Baptism Chris Mitchell	
Alne	10.30a.m. Holy Communion  Rev D Senior	10.30a.m. Holy Communion Rev. John Hetherington	10.30a.m. Holy Communion Rev C Gittens	10.30a.m. United Service Rev. John Hetherington
Tollerton	10.30a.m. Holy Communion (with GodZone) Rev C Gittens	10:30a.m. Morning Worship Alison Dowson	10.30a.m. Holy Communion (with GodZone) Rev R Law	10.30a.m. All Age
Brafferton	10.30a.m. Holy Communion Canon Robert Law	6:30p.m. Compline Rev C Gittens	10.30a.m. Methodist Service	10:30a.m. Holy Communion Rev C Gittens
Myton		10.30a.m. Baptism Rev C Gittens		
Thormanby	10.30a.m. Morning Prayer			

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