

CALENDAR

Sunday		13th May
9.30am	Parish Communion: Revd Canon Ian Flintoft, Director of Discipleship and Ministry for Mission will preside & preach.	
3.00pm	Messy Church: We would be really grateful for help to set up after the service	
6.00pm	Holy Communion (said)	
Wednesday		16th May
10.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
7.30pm	Messy Church Planning meeting	
Thursday		17th May
10.00am	Vacancy Prayers in church	
Friday		18th May
7.00pm	Choir Practice	
Saturday		19th May
11.00am	Organ recital: tea and coffee available from 10.45am	
7.45pm	Purcell: Britten: Ryton Choral Society concert	
Sunday	Pentecost	20th May
8.00am	Holy Communion	
9.30am	Parish Communion	
6.00pm	Evening Prayer (said)	

WORK IN CHURCH: Please be aware that there is scaffolding on the cottage pointing work is taking place. If you are going in and out of the cottage please be careful. We are also having work done on the outside toilet so access round the back of church may be difficult.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK: (14th to 20th May)
Jennifer Herrmann would be delighted to hear from those who would be willing to help with the house to house collection in the village.

LIBRARY: We now have a small lending library of Christian books in the South Transept for both adults and children. Please do feel free to browse and borrow. There is a signing out book.

PARISH NEWS: was emailed out this week. Paper copies available at the back of church for those who do not have them emailed. Please help deliver these copies. Thanks

THE PARISH OF CORBRIDGE WITH HALTON AND NEWTON HALL

Sunday After Ascension 13th May 2018

You are most welcome to our service this morning. A particularly warm welcome to Rev Canon Ian Flintoft who is presiding and preaching this morning. Please stay after the service and chat to each other over coffee, juice and biscuits.

COLLECT FOR SUNDAY AFTER

ASCENSION: 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.

A reading from Acts 1: 15 – 17, 21 – end

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

We pray for:

- The sick, especially: Dick Steele, John and Liz Sykes, Nicholas Craig, Eileen Hopkins, Christopher Cuthbert, Colin Williams, Ben Jackson, Brian Watson and those known to us
- Bella Blackett and Danny Maguire who were married here yesterday
- William Armstrong and Abby Chandler whose banns will be read today.

A VACANCY PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we ask that you will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others, and welcome newcomers. Lord Jesus, guard and grow this church as we worship and serve you together in this period without a vicar. Please guide those who are seeking the right minister for us, and those who are seeking the right church for their ministry, that together we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow. Amen

DATA PROTECTION: As you may already know, new legislation called GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) is coming into effect very soon which changes the way we store, process and use personal data. We need to show that you have given permission for us to use your data according to your wishes. This is also a great way to ensure that we have all your details up to date and correct.

You can give your consent by completing the form given out today and putting it in the basket at the back of church during a service or in the cottage letter box. Please do not leave it in church during the week. This form will supersede the forms that were completed previously for the Parish News, Messy Church and Women's Fellowship.

We shall take it that your permission is given until you withdraw that permission. Please note that if you change your name for any reason, a new Data Protection form needs to be completed. We will treat your personal data within the best practice guidelines of data protection.

Thank you so much for helping us fulfil our legal obligations. If you have any questions please contact the churchwardens who would be happy to chat about any concerns or issues.

Please return forms ASAP thanks

THY KINGDOM COME 2018: 10th May (Ascension Day) to 20th May (Pentecost)

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York are inviting Christians to join another amazing wave of prayer across the UK and around the world – praying that people you know might come to know Jesus.

PRAY FOR 5: Please take a small card and piece of string and follow the instructions on the back!

TEACUPS NEEDED: old and new - to make special bunting along the lane by Vintage at the Tower. Mugs won't do! We don't need saucers, but bring them if you don't want them. The teacups need handles. You won't get them back, so don't bring your best tea service.

The bunting will be in place for Midsummer Evening on Thursday 21 June and for the lane tea party on Saturday 23 June when you can meet "The Tiger Who Came to Tea" at Forum Books. Please hand in your cups at Vintage at the Tower by the end of May or contact Gayle Foster on gaylemfoster@hotmail.com if you want to know more about this.

CORBRIDGE METHODIST CHURCH: We are holding a fun quiz and soup and sweet supper on 19 May. It's part of our anniversary weekend and we'd like to invite our friends at St Andrew's. It's during Christian Aid week and all proceeds will go to that charity. Please purchase tickets (£5) in advance. Ring Jean on 633789. Note early start of 6.30pm