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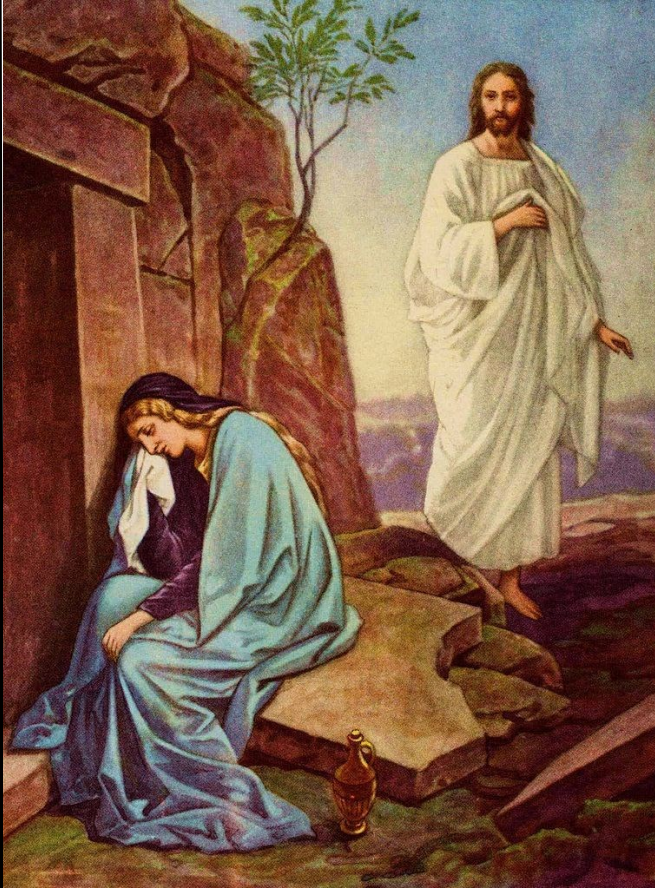
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## LETTER FROM LAURA, OUR TEAM VICAR

Dear Friends,

Recently we took our eldest son on the last of his university visits. At first, we were just 'shopping



around' and getting a feel for various places. But as time went on and the offers came through, things began to feel a bit more real.

I came to realise that, in some ways, I don't want him to go. I will miss him

very much. Maybe I will even miss the wet towels on the floor and the array of empty mugs littering his room?? But of course, in another way I want him to go. We raise our children to be the best that they can be, to discern their skills and to search out their own path. We want them to find their independence, to go out into the world and spread their wings. There comes a time when we must put aside our own needs and nostalgia and let some aspects of parenting die off in order that something new can grow and flourish.

"Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit" (John 12:24).



This single verse of John's gospel captures the constant pattern of loss and renewal that runs throughout our lives and our world.



When we meet a partner and commit to them, we let some aspects of our old life go and something of our single life dies so that we can be with that other person. Parents are continually letting go of their child so that they can grow and flourish.

This same pattern is in nature. You can see it now in the change of the seasons, crocuses and daffodils having blossomed from dormancy.



In church we have just celebrated the most important festival of the church year – Easter. We celebrated the glorious resurrection of Jesus, new life bursting forth from the grave, the promise of a restored relationship with God and a future filled with life and hope. But before we could celebrate Easter, we first had to journey through Holy Week. We had to walk with Jesus to the cross where he faced death. We felt the pain of the disciples as their beloved friend and teacher was taken from them. We sat through the



emptiness of Holy Saturday, where the bitter sting of death had not yet given way to new life. But Easter did arrive, as it always does, and with it came joy and possibility. The single grain became the Bread of Life.

For this year, the festival of Easter has passed. Yet this pattern of loss and renewal, dying and rising, letting go and getting back, continues to be seen in our own lives as we journey on.

Letting go and allowing things to fall or ‘die’ is never easy. But from the letting go, the emptying, the leaving behind, grows the opportunity for new life to arise. We are always living somewhere within this cycle of falling and rising, dying and being reborn.

“Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.”

I wonder, what in your life might you need to let go of today? What might you need to leave behind? What needs to die so that something new can arise? What might grow from the depths of a dark place?



Painful as it is, maybe these are the very places waiting to bear much fruit in your life. Maybe that’s where you’ll see Jesus.

Even when unseen or unrecognized, the power and life of God are present and at work in the depths of our life, in the dark and hidden places, and new fruit - new life - always awaits.

Blessings,

**Laura**

## QUESTION CORNER



Q. Fortunately King Charles is a Christian. But in what sense is the monarch the 'Head' of the Church of England?

A. King Henry VIII gave himself that title when he broke with Rome. He did NOT 'found' the Church of England; that's a widespread misconception (but another question). Elizabeth 1 changed the title to 'Supreme Governor', and that title has been used by monarchs ever since. The King is the Supreme Governor, and the Archbishop of Canterbury is the 'Head' of the Church of England.

So, what's the difference? I find it helps to think of a school situation. The Chair of Governors takes a kindly interest in, and wants to know about, what happens in school. But he or she is not in charge of the day to day administration or organisation – that's the head's business. I know this is an inadequate analogy, but the King is rather like the chief governor, or patron, and the Archbishop is like the head.

Our view of authority in the C of E is rather different from that of our Roman Catholic friends. They see the Pope as supreme, at the top of a kind of 'pyramid', with authority filtering down from him. But we think of a 'circle' of bishops – each bearing authority in his or her own diocese. The Archbishop of Canterbury has the chief seat in the circle, and is sometimes called the 'Primus inter Pares', or 'First among equals'.

*David*

### **St John's Church**

Thank you so much for  
**holding a coffee morning in February**  
and raising an incredible

**£763.90**

for Saint Michael's Hospice



**Your fantastic donation will help us support families living with terminal illness and bereavement across the Harrogate district.**

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## **MAKE YOUR OWN BUG HOTEL EVENT!**

Did you know that an average garden can accommodate more than 2000 different species of insect? Very few of these creatures cause significant damage to our prized plants, and there are many more insects which actually help us to control the ones that do. By providing the right habitat, we can greatly increase the number of beneficial insects in the garden. One way to increase the comfort of your outdoor space for insects is to build them a bug hotel.



Join the Green Team at St Luke's Church on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April to make your own mini bug hotel and to help make a bug palace for St Luke's. Starting after the service, around 11.30am until 1pm (with people from St John's most welcome to join whenever they can), you will be able to make your own insect hotel out of pots, twigs and other materials that you can then take home and put in your outside area or garden.



In addition to this, we are aiming to make a bug palace to be attached to the garage behind St Luke's to house some of the local insect life. Help us make this as beautiful as this image (though the actual design is yet to be finalised and made). Drinks and cake will be available.

## **ANNUAL PARISH CHURCH MEETING** **(Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May after the service at St John's)** **AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL**

Everyone is invited to our churches' annual meeting to hear about the previous year, and about plans for how the church family can share God's love with our neighbours locally and further afield.

But to be able to vote at the meeting, or be elected to any position within the church, you need to be over 16 and have your name on the church electoral roll. Please pick up a form from the back of either church, and return it to the church office or one of the clergy by 5<sup>th</sup> May. Existing members don't need to reapply this year.

## CHURCH GROUNDS WORKING PARTY



On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March, the Green and Gardening Teams held their first church grounds working party. Five hardy souls braved the cold and slight rain and spent two hours clearing the grass and weeds from the edges of the paths around church. The paths now look much neater and cleaner. Thank you to all those who helped.



## MESSAGE FROM EMMA, OUR YOUTH WORKER

I just wanted to pass on my thanks for the wonderful amount raised by the coffee morning last week (£580). A fantastic amount which will help us very much, both with our youth work here in Harrogate and when we go to the summer camp this year. One of the things we are intending to do with it is to supplement the food at camp to keep the costs down for everyone. We also



intend to buy some more games for Ignite on Sunday evenings.

The team who ran the coffee morning are amazing; I didn't have to do anything, it just ran like clockwork!

Thanks again; I'm so grateful,

**Emma**

**St JOHN'S BILTON**  
**COFFEE MORNING**

**SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

**Entrance £1**

**10 – 12 noon**



- Home-made cakes
- Home preserves
- Hand-made cards
- Refreshments

included in entry  
fee - drinks and biscuits

- Large choice of books
- Raffle
- Tombola



A warm welcome

Raising money for  
**ARTIZAN INTERNATIONAL**



Susie Hart writes from Peru

This week we launched the new mosaics workshop to the public, made a life-size mosaic llama, taught new recipes in the cafe, created & costed new jewellery designs, cooked maize leaves for our paper-making process, started training a new member how to help with admin who'd been looking for a job without success for over a year, (despite being highly qualified, all because people wrongly underestimated him due to his disability), received several visitors who came to give their expertise, and so much more! All this, despite having no electricity for two days and no running water for another day, hampering literally everything we needed to achieve this week.



Local top restaurateurs Carola and Michel kindly sent their top person to give additional training to our café staff, and we were visited by a tutor from the best gastronomy school in the city, who was really excited by what we are doing and is going to bring her students to do practical experience alongside our deaf trainees in the café. All in all, a really productive week.

Much still to do, but we are progressing all the time and it's wonderful to see our trainees blossoming & growing in confidence in this beautiful environment. It was very hard to say goodbye to them all on Friday evening, before setting off on the long journey home at the crack of dawn this morning.

I have a day in Lima en route home to research prices of new jewellery materials for the artisans, and I'm then meeting with the British ambassador later, who has kindly asked me to share with him ways in which the embassy can be supportive of what we're doing here in Peru.

***Please support our coffee morning raising money for Artizan  
(see opposite page)***

## THANKS FROM KIDZ KLUB

Thank you so much for making a big difference to many families living in inner-city Leeds by providing Christmas hampers for them. Because of your donations of food, toys, and money we blessed 190 families with Christmas hampers. Also, we gave out over 900 Christmas presents thanks to the support of churches, individuals, shops, and companies like yours. Your generosity and kindness have brought joy, hope, and love this Christmas.

We always tell the families we serve that they are so important to us and that the hamper is a gift to say thank you for being part of Kidz Klub.



As our volunteers distributed the gifts they heard countless excited squeals, saw children jumping up and down with delight at the hamper contents!

"Wow" said a little girl and her brother as they emptied their hamper contents with shouts of delight. They looked through the carefully put together hamper with awe and wonder. They couldn't believe all of these things were for them. Many parents too were overwhelmed with gratitude. One of our

volunteers told us that they gave a Christmas gift to a dad who had worked extra hard to care for his daughters as their mum had been in and out of hospital. He was so surprised and thankful for the gift he received.

Take a look at our social media pages: X (formerly Twitter), Facebook or Instagram for more photos, news, and stories. We have put together a video for you so that you can see the impact of your generosity first hand. You can watch it via this link: <https://youtu.be/TdY4w1TJgVU>

I hope that you enjoy seeing the smiles on children's faces that you made possible. I hope you will continue to support Kidz Klub Leeds anyway you can in 2024 – we cannot do this work without caring friends like you.

Thank you for making Christmas special for many families in need. *(If you would like to hear from Kidz Klub regularly throughout the year, then let me know and I will pass on your email address. Many thanks Caroline [cwise1@gmail.com](mailto:cwise1@gmail.com))*



## FESTIVAL SUCCESS



Congratulations to junior choristers Henry, Jasmine, Francis, Rose, Emily, Albert and Sophie, on their wonderful singing and exemplary behaviour at Harrogate Competitive Festival of Music, Speech and Drama. They all sang beautifully, and we were delighted that Emily won, Albert was second, and Sophie came third in their class.

They were all a credit to the church family.

Congratulations and thanks to Ruth, our choir director, who trained and accompanied them.

We are blessed to have such an active and committed choir at St John's.

## WHAT IS ALPHA?

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe and everyone's welcome. It runs in cafes, churches, homes, universities—you name it. No two Alphas look the same but generally they have three key things in common: food, a talk and good conversation. WHO IS ALPHA FOR? For anyone wanting to find out more about Christian faith. We will be running our next Alpha course over 11 weeks starting on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 7pm, venue to be decided. If you are interested in finding out more information, speak to Laura or Simon, contact the office or visit Alpha.



## TRUSTING THE UPSIDE DOWN



**Which comes first: believing, behaving or belonging? It's a much-discussed question. Mission partners Anna and Chris Hembury's experience shows you can start being a disciple of Jesus before you 'believe'.**

At the summer camp we help to run ([frontiercamps.com](http://frontiercamps.com)), there is a wholehearted commitment to seeing young people as assets and creating leadership opportunities. Their gifts and abilities and their own journeying with God should find a shaping role in taking camp way beyond where God has tasked us older ones to go with it. Amen to that.

But giving our young people, many of whom have no church or faith background, leadership responsibilities at a camp whose first stated aim is telling Jesus' story is a big ask. Do we only allow those who can commit to an institutional church and profess a statement of faith, when their only relatable experience of Jesus and of Christ-centred community is actually camp and our breakfast club?

**Unconditional belonging** - It's that old chicken-and-egg situation: which comes first, believing, behaving or belonging?

We have found that unconditional belonging to our faith communities, in what we do in Hull and in a field at camp, is the starting point for non-churched people in their journey into their own relationship with Jesus.

So we are quick to say yes, come help out at camp, work as crew or as a tent partner. But we feel the burden of responsibility and no easy answers or quick fixes to the question of how we disciple them. Where might they learn how to trust and follow Jesus themselves?

Some years ago we started a young leaders' weekend away: an opportunity for fun, reunion, getting our heads around camp, as well as unpressured but honest time to mull over/wrestle with/find words for some of the faith stuff.

Most of the young leaders have come up through camp, so this is one more step on an adventure with God they are learning to lean into. But this year we felt right to bring a young person who wants to come and help on crew, who is socially very anxious as a result of bullying and who has never been to camp before.

Here's what they said: *Before I went my anxiety was at a 10. I thought I'd be happier just staying in my room at home. But everyone just makes you feel welcome, they don't judge. In school, I used to look at people and copy off them because I was scared of sticking out. There it was really different, I didn't have to change myself to fit in. Everyone just accepted me for who I was, how I acted.*



## **RICHARD TAYLOR SCHOOL** **ANNIVERSARY CONCERT**



Richard Taylor School are hoping that past pupils, staff and parents will join them in a concert at 6.30pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June to celebrate 50 years since the school opened.

Performers can join in person on the day or as part of a virtual choir and/or orchestra. If you would like to take part please get in touch with the school office as soon as possible: 01423 563078 or [admin@richardtaylor.ycst.co.uk](mailto:admin@richardtaylor.ycst.co.uk) Mrs Wake and Mrs Brownbridge are looking forward to hearing from you!

Those who prefer just to come and listen will also be very welcome.

*More details nearer the time.*

### **LET THERE BE LIGHT!**



Picture taken by Peter Nichols

It's been a long process of seeking grants, applying for planning permission, working out all the logistics, finding the right installers etc, but we now have lights along the footpath of St John's Church Drive. Thanks to everyone involved, especially Rob Bath.

Some comments on Facebook:

*Great to see lighting finally in place*

*Will they grow into big street lights?*

*Why not both sides?*

*Reply: because they're there to light the path!*

*Looks lovely!*



# PEOPLE



## FUNERALS/ MEMORIALS

*We extend our sympathy to the families of those who have recently died:*

***Jill Pullman***

## PARISH WEEKEND

**Scargill House, 22-24 November 2024**

We have had a number of generous donations and confirmation from the RICHARD TAYLOR EDUCATIONAL TRUST that financial support is available to help pay for children/young people coming for the weekend; and Scargill have bursaries available for adults, so the costs will not need to prevent anyone coming who wants to. Booking forms with the full details will be out soon!



**St John's & St Luke's**

## **CHURCH OFFICE EASTER HOLIDAY**

The office will be closed from Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April inclusive.

Reopen on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April

 Happy Easter

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# APRIL'S CALENDAR

Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Thirst - Coffee at Dene Park Community Centre
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	9.00am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	All Age Service (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SL)
	6-7.30pm	Youth Worship Night at Artizan Cafe
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	10.00am	Walking Group (SJ)
	10.30am	Funeral: Jill Pullman (SJ)
	2-3.30pm	Comfort Café (SJ)
	4-5.00pm	4twelve (Year 7+ Youth Group) (Harrogate Chocolate Factory)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Thirst - Coffee at Dene Park Community Centre
	12.15pm	Community Lunch at Bilton Community Centre
	7.30pm	Finance & Buildings Committee Meeting (SJ)
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	9.30-11.30am	Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler Group) (SL)
	10.30am	Burial of Ashes: Jill Pullman (SJ)
	6.30-7.15pm	Evening Surgery in Church (SJ)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	1-3.00pm	Wellbeing Café (SL)
	6.30-7.15pm	Junior Choir Practice (SJ)
	7-7.45pm	Adult Choir Practice (SJ)
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am-12noon	Coffee Morning in Church Hall (SJ)
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	9.00am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Parade Service (SL)
	12.30pm	Baptisms (SJ)
	6-7.15pm	Ignite (Year 7+ Youth Group) (SL)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	7.30pm	Rhythm of Life Meeting (SJ)
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)

	4-5.00pm	4twelve (Year 7+ Youth Group) (Harrogate Chocolate Factory)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Thirst – Coffee at Dene Park Community Centre
	10.30am	Thirst Table at Dene Park Community Centre
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Rhythm of Life Meeting (SJ)
	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	9.30-11.30am	Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler Group) (SL)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	1-3.00pm	Wellbeing Café (SL)
	6.30-7.15pm	Junior Choir Practice (SJ)
	7-7.45pm	Adult Choir Practice (SJ)
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	9.00am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (SJ)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (SL)
	11.30am-1.00pm	Bug Hotel Making Session (SL)
	6-7.15pm	Ignite (Year 7+ Youth Group) (SL)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	4-5.00pm	4twelve (Year 7+ Youth Group) (Harrogate Chocolate Factory)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Alpha Course (venue tbc)
	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Thirst – Coffee at Dene Park Community Centre
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	PCC Meeting (SJ)
	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	9.30-11.30am	Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler Group) (SL)
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	1-3.00pm	Wellbeing Café (SL)
	6.30-7.15pm	Junior Choir Practice (SJ)
	7-7.45pm	Adult Choir Practice (SJ)
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	9.00am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	All Age Morning Worship (SL)
	3.30pm	Service to Remember and Give Thanks (SJ)
	6-7.15pm	Ignite (Year 7+ Youth Group) (SL)
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	4-5.00pm	4twelve (Year 7+ Youth Group) (Harrogate Chocolate Factory)
	7.00pm	Alpha Course (venue tbc)

## **MAY**

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)

	10.30am	Thirst – Coffee at Dene Park Community Centre
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2.00pm	Wedding (SJ)
	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	9.30-11.30am	Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler Group) (SL)
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.30-7.15pm	Evening Surgery in Church (SJ)
	1-3.00pm	Wellbeing Café (SL)
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	9.00am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Parade Service (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SL)
	6-7.30pm	Youth Worship Night at Artizan Cafe
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	1-2.30pm	Time to Pray Lunch (SJ)
	4-5.00pm	4twelve (Year 7+ Youth Group) (Harrogate Chocolate Factory)
	7.00pm	Alpha Course (venue tbc)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9-9.30am	Morning Prayer (SJ)
	10.30am	Holy Communion (SJ)
	10.30am	Thirst – Coffee at Dene Park Community Centre
	12.15pm	Community Lunch at Bilton Community Centre
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Rhythm of life Fellow Traveller Meeting (SJ)
	8.30am-1.15pm	Common Mission Forum (SJ)
	6.30-9.30pm	Common Mission Forum (SJ)
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	1-3.00pm	Wellbeing Café (SL)
	6.30-7.15pm	Junior Choir Practice (SJ)
	7-7.45pm	Adult Choir Practice (SJ)
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am-12noon	Coffee Morning in Church Hall (SJ)

Office will be closed from Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March and reopen on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April

## LOOKING AHEAD

Baptism Information Session	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm (SJ)
Family Walk	Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> May, time/venue tbc
Annual Parochial Church Meeting	Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> May, 12noon (SJ)
Archdeacon's Visitation	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June, 7.00pm, St Peter's
Coffee Morning for our Library	Saturday 8th June, 10am-12noon (SJ)
Summer Fair	Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> June, 10.30am-1pm
PCC Meeting & Vision Morning	Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June, 9.30am-12noon, Hampsthwaite



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## SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Our small, friendly Scottish Country Dance group meet at St Luke's Church hall on Mondays from 7.30 to 9.30.

We welcome new members -  
It is not necessary to have experience or bring a partner, just soft shoes and a sense of humour!

It's fun, good exercise and sociable.

The first night is free,  
thereafter the fee is only £3.50.

We would love to see you!  
Either turn up at the hall or contact:

Alan Horsfall 01423 863162  
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Community Library



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