

Making Disciples who make Jesus known

HEADLINE NEWS!

THANK YOU for your kind welcome to myself, Emily and Evie. It was an honour to be 'collated and inducted' at the licensing! Inevitably parachuting from one parish to another (and indeed from one diocese to another) is a somewhat disorientating experience. On the positive side, it's also a chance to refresh/reboot both personally and professionally/vocationally. I hope this will be case for everyone involved in St John's and St Luke's too - there will be many things I simply don't appreciate or understand, and I'll need your patience, but equally I hope that you'll be appreciative of a fresh pair of eyes and engage positively with the possibility of change. I intend to share some of my reflections with PCC after the summer, and any tweaks that happen in the meantime will be intended to try to clarify/simplify anything which might perhaps unintentionally have become a little onerous or where there's unnecessary duplication or confusing complication; so there may perhaps be a few changes along the way in the meantime, and a degree of necessary experimentation (some of which won't always work out) - but very much shared and discerned evolution rather than revolution in this initial phase. While trying to get the lie of the land over the summer and generally all have a bit of a rest, I'd very much appreciate any ideas or input that you'd like to share - to be clear it won't necessarily be followed up or acted upon, but it'll definitely inform my own thinking going forwards; what has worked well, what not so well; things to celebrate, areas in need of improvement etc. Just to be clear that's not feedback on me so far (!) as I'm very much learning as I go at this stage and will inevitably be making all sorts of mistakes and missteps and forgetting which church I'm at; it's more a chance to chip in any thoughts into the mix, your aspirations for our life together. And it's absolutely not about doing more, it could be consolidating what we do and finding the spiritual space to draw closer to God together. Outside the box or counter-cultural observations most welcome! I generally subscribe to the 'less is more' school of thought, although sometimes this is easier said than done, especially giving ourselves permission to slow down and see where it takes us. Thanks again! Email/ring (before end of August). **Matthew**

TODAY'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

SUNDAY 22ND JUNE (*First Sunday after Trinity*)

9.00am Holy Communion (SJ)

10.30am Holy Communion (SJ)

Readings: Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

10.30am All Age Worship (SL)

Readings: Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

6-7.15pm Ignite (Year 7+ Youth Group) (SL)

CHURCH LIFE

Thank you to everyone that contributed to and supported Saturday's **EXTENDED COFFEE MORNING** at St John's, a magnificent **£1196** was raised for our church funds. We were blessed with good weather (almost until the end) and a great attendance for our usual and extra stalls, thank you to the wonderful team that run our coffee mornings every month and also to those that ran the extra activities this time. Thank you too for all of your very generous donations for the stalls. We couldn't have done it without you all.

The next **COFFEE MORNING** is in the church hall at St John's on Saturday 12th May, 10.00am-12noon, entrance £1 includes tea/coffee & biscuits (accompanied children free).

There will be the usual stalls including homemade cakes ~ jigsaws ~ handmade cards ~ books ~ raffle ~ tombola.

All proceeds next month are going to **BILTON & WOODFIELD COMMUNITY LIBRARY**.



Bilton & Woodfield
Community Library

This is one of the biggest fundraisers for our volunteer-run local library each year and they really do appreciate our support.

If you haven't recently been into the library on Woodfield Road pop in and take a look at the works they have had done to improve the space they have available for community use. They are having their official opening ceremony on 28th June at 10am and the town deputy Mayor will be in attendance.

Following the success of this month's coffee morning we are looking for donations of raffle/tombola prizes which can be left in the boxes at both churches (maybe you won something you want to re-gift?)

We are really missing the volume of home-made jams/preserves/chutneys that Jean used to make so if you are making some over the summer please do think about making some extra to be sold at the coffee mornings.

Our resident artisan baker is away for most of July so we will really need extra cakes and buns to sell as these always go well, if you can bake and freeze ahead of time or in readiness for the next couple of coffee mornings it would be really appreciated, donations of cakes can be brought on the morning.

There were a couple of **RAFFLE PRIZES** unclaimed from the extended coffee morning, if you have the following ticket/s please collect from the church office:
WHITE 163 GREEN 897

If you have some time to give perhaps you could help on one of the rotas that we need new **VOLUNTEERS** for: helping with Sunday school groups, serving refreshments after services, counting the collection on Sundays, cleaning the church, perhaps you would like to read the Bible passages during a service or even joining the worship band? If any of these are of interest please speak to the office to find out more.

WELLBEING CAFÉ

We serve a fresh bowl of homemade soup and roll with cups of tea and coffee and cakes a plenty. There are lots of activities to get involved in, from jigsaw puzzles to dominoes. The café welcomes everyone from the community and is dementia friendly.
Come along on Fridays 1-3pm at St Luke's. £3 entry.



YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S WORK

CALLING ALL YEAR 6s, come along to Ignite on Sundays 29th June and 13th July, 6-7.15pm at St Luke's and see what you can be part of from September, this is a lovely way to meet the team of volunteers and the young people already coming to Ignite. If you have not already registered your child on iKnow please contact the [office](#) to be sent a link



We are able to announce that following the closing date for applications for the **YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORKER** vacancy the interview day planned will be going ahead on Tuesday 24th June. We ask for your prayers for the panel during the process and that the right candidate has applied and will be successful on that day.

THE GREEN TEAM

Community Sewing Project St John's Welcome Banner

Started by the Green Team using up off cuts of fabric, the new banner is now well on the way in construction. If you have been to a sewing session or have a part sewn figure or character please do drop them into the office for Claire to collate. The next sewing session is SUNDAY 29TH JUNE, 2-4pm in the main church, all welcome. Please bring needles and scissors if you have them plus SMALL scraps or off cuts of fabric suitable for making figures or flowers.

SUPPORTING MINISTRY & MISSION

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If you have, the church needs to know if any of the following changes apply to you.

- Change of address since the declaration was signed.
- No longer paying tax on income or capital gains.

If you are new to the church, and you are a UK taxpayer, but have not yet signed a Gift Aid declaration, please consider doing so.

Information is available from the church office or download [here](#)

We love welcoming everyone into our churches, whether it's to mark an important time in someone's life, to worship

regularly, or to come together in the heart of the community.

If you'd like to support your local church, perhaps you'd consider making a gift? You can make a regular or one-off gift simply and safely online, through the **PARISH GIVING SCHEME**, scan the QR code to find out more.



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THIS WEEK'S DIARY

MONDAY 23 JUNE

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

TUESDAY 24 JUNE

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

1.00pm Young People's Worker

Interview Day (SL&SJ)

3.30-5.00pm Pause (Year 6-13
Drop-in Space) (SJ Hall)

WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

10.30am Holy Communion (SJ)

10.30am Thirst at Dene Park
Community Centre

THURSDAY 26 JUNE

9-9.30am Morning Prayer (SJ)

9.30-11.30am Little Fishes (Parent
& Child Group) (SL)

FRIDAY 27 JUNE

1-3.00pm Wellbeing Café (SL)

6.30-7.15pm Junior Choir Practice
(SJ)

7-7.45pm Adult Choir Practice (SJ)

SUNDAY 29 JUNE (Second Sunday after Trinity)

9.00am Holy Communion (SJ)

10.30am **JOINT** Morning Worship
(SL)

Readings: Acts 12:1-11

Matthew 16:13-19

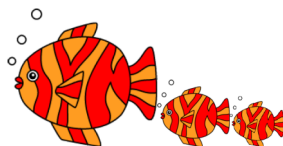
2-4.00pm Banner Making Session
(SJ)

4.00pm Choir singing at St
Oswald's, Filey

6-7.15pm Ignite (Year 6+ Youth
Group) (SL)

LITTLE FISHES is our parent/carer and child group at St Luke's on Thursdays, 9.30-11.30am. £1 per family, includes crafts, toys, games, singing and refreshments.

For more information contact Tracey on 875768 or just go along to try it.



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