

Thank you to all who were able to support the **Summer Afternoon Tea** at Shilbottle last Saturday. An amazing **£599** was raised but more than that it was a wonderful opportunity for folk to spend time together over a gorgeous Cream Tea!

More Ministry Team Development News!

Catherine Nelson (Warkworth) has been accepted on to the two year training course for Spiritual Directors which is delivered at St Anthony's Priory Durham and funded by the Diocese. All those engaged in any form of ministry are expected to have a Spiritual Director but they can also be helpful for anyone struggling to integrate their faith into every day life or at significant points in life. If you feel you would benefit from the support of a Spiritual Director please do speak to a member of the Ministry Team or you may prefer to contact the Bishop's Adviser in Spirituality, The Revd John Vilaseca-Bruch vilaseca26@yahoo.es

Maintenance Update: St Lawrence

Thankfully we had fine weather for the high level gutter clearance at Warkworth and despite the gutters on the vestry being cleared when the storm damage was repaired not so very long ago a veritable carpet of grass was removed from a hidden box gutter! The inspection of the south aisle roof revealed some areas of concern (and woodworm; which was treated) but all in all, for timbers over 500 years old, they are in pretty good nick. The findings will be fed into the restoration plans. Unfortunately (or perhaps fortunately) one of the monuments in the churchyard (which has been a cause of concern for some time) was nudged by the machinery and took a tumble. Thankfully no-one was hurt. The archdeacon has been consulted about next steps and in the meantime it will be safely stowed by the Saxon sarcophagi.

Re-dedication Service at HMP Northumberland

If you have not already given your details to Christine it is now unfortunately too late to register to attend the service on Thursday.

Pop Up Cafes

These events are open to all and provide step-free access to refreshments in refreshing company! They are hosted by a generous team of volunteers whose aim is to offer open hospitality to those who might otherwise feel isolated. They are a lovely opportunity to spend time with folk you might not otherwise see very much of so do pop in if you can.

Two dates of your diaries:

Friday 14th August 11am - 12noon Acklington Village Hall (Guyzance Room)

Friday 21st August 10.30 - 12noon St Lawrence Warkworth