



"Connect 5"

Barmby Moor
Group of Churches

Weekly news connecting
church and community
across the five parishes

Dear Friends,

At last, we have been blessed with some sunshine! It even had a little warmth in it too and so I think we can definitely say that Spring is in the air. I hope that after the grey and wet weather the recent sunshine has brought you some cheer and even put a spring in your step!

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'See! The winter has gone.
Flowers appear on the
earth; the season of singing
birds has come.'
(Song of Solomon 2:11-12)



Thought for the Week:

As winter fades and creation bursts back into life, may we be reminded that God is always in the business of renewal. Just as the earth awakens in spring, so too can our hearts be refreshed, warmed and made new in His presence. Is there a winter in your heart that needs transforming into Spring? Give it to God.

Quiz Night

Friday 20th March 7pm
Allerthorpe Village Hall.

Tickets £15 including a hot supper
(bring your own drinks) and are
available from Angela Batty 01759
303136/angela3batty@gmail.com

Mother's Union

Wednesday 11th March at
2pm at St Catherine's,

Barmby Moor.
Speaker: Nigel Puckrin on
the subject of Red Kites.
All welcome!



Church Services

Sunday 8th March - 9:15am Holy Communion at St Martin's, Fangfoss, 10:45am Celebration All-Age service on the theme of 'Heroes' at St Catherine's, Barmby Moor, both led by Rev'd Mark.

Wednesday 11th March - 10:00am Benefice Morning Prayer led by Annie Harrison.

Sunday 15th March - 9:15am Holy Communion at St Botolph's, Allerthorpe, 10:45am Celebration All-Age service on the theme of 'Heroes' at St Michael's, Thornton, both led by Rev'd Mark.

Wednesday 18th March - 10:00am Benefice Holy Communion led by Rev'd Mark.

Everyone is very welcome at any of our services!

Community Choir Concert

The Barmby Moor Community Choir will be performing alongside the Pocklington Celebration Singers at **Melbourne Village Hall on Friday 13th March, doors open from 7:00pm** for much-needed funds for repairs to St Michael's, Thornton church building. Tickets are £7.50, under 16s are free and available from Janet Hayton (01759 318287) and Rebecca Metcalfe (07840183594). Bring your own drinks, glass and nibbles and there will be a raffle. Donation of prizes most welcome - please give to Janet, Rebecca or Rev'd Mark. Thank you!

Pocklington Singers
Mark Wharfedale
Musical Director
Alastair Timmis
Organist



Olivet to Calvary
A sacred cantata by
John Henry Maunder

Featuring
Tenor - Liam Ormiston
Bass - Miles McHugh

Sat 28th March 7.30 pm
All Saints' Church, Pocklington

Tickets £12 on door (card payment available
or in advance from church office
To buy tickets online, scan here
Students £5 Under 18s free



Wine and soft drinks available
www.pocklingsingers.org.uk

Spring Market

The Barmby Moor Community Choir will be hosting a tombola to raise funds at the Spring Market on **Saturday 25th April between 10:00am and 2pm at the Boot & Slipper, Barmby Moor.** Please can you help by donating a prize? Please leave with Rev'd Mark or his wife, Emma. Thank you!



Baptisms

Sunday 8th March at 1:30pm at St Michael's, Thornton - John-Patrick Smith and his sister Bridget Kathleen Michelle Smith of Melbourne.
Sunday 15th March at 1:30pm at St Catherine's, Barmby Moor - Ada Jane Wilkie and Amy Elizabeth Thompson.
Please pray for them on this special occasion.



Mother's Day School Service

The children of Barmby Moor Primary School will be having their Mother's Day service at **St Catherine's on the 10th March at 9:30am.**

Funeral

Rev'd Mark will conduct the funeral of the late Paul Henry of Barmby Moor at Octon Crematorium on **Friday 20th March at 1:30pm.** Please remember his wife, Chris, in your prayers.



Readings for the Third Sunday of Lent 8th March

Romans 5:1-11

5 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we^a have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access^b to this grace in which we stand; and we^c boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we^d also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ^e ¹⁰For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

John 4:5-42

⁵So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. ⁸(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ^a ¹⁰Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' ¹¹The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' ¹³Jesus said to her,

'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' ¹⁵The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

16 Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' ¹⁷The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' ¹⁹The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you^b say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' ²¹Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' ²⁵The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' ²⁶Jesus said to her, 'I am he,^c the one who is speaking to you.'

27 Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' ²⁸Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, ²⁹'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah,^d can he?' ³⁰They left the city and were on their way to him.

31 Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' ³²But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' ³³So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' ³⁴Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. ³⁵Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. ³⁶The reaper is already receiving^e wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. ³⁷For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." ³⁸I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

39 Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.'⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days.⁴¹ And many more believed because of his word.⁴² They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

Readings for Mothering Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent 15th March

Exodus 2:1-10

2 Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman.² The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months.³ When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river.⁴ His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

5 The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it.⁶ When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said.⁷ Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?'⁸ Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother.⁹ Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it.¹⁰ When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses,^a 'because', she said, 'I drew him out^b of the water.'

John 19:25-27

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.'²⁷ Then he said to the

disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

