



"5 Alive!"

The Barmby Moor Group of Churches
Flourishing together across our 5 communities

Dear Friends,

Welcome to a brand-new **MONTHLY** newsletter, '5 Alive!' Here you will find news, events and things to ponder for your information & enjoyment. This will sit alongside the excellent weekly 'Pew Sheet' created by my volunteer Admin Assistant, Thelma Wingfield, which details weekly essentials such as the church service times, Bible readings for each Sunday and the Collect Prayer. The Pew Sheet and monthly '5 Alive!' replace the fortnightly 'Connect 5.' There is some **fresh content** which I hope you'll enjoy! Please email me if you would like anything to feature in a future edition.

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Thank you

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks for your love and support shown through your prayers, messages, cards, gifts and visits during my recent illness and convalescence. They certainly kept me going through some difficult times. I am delighted to be back amongst you all. Thank you also to **Rev'd Chris Wingfield** who has done a superb job of keeping everything going and supporting me so generously.

HARVEST FESTIVALS

For this year I have created a new service booklet to help us celebrate Harvest! We have already enjoyed a Harvest Festival at **St Michael's, Thornton** which was followed by an auction of produce and supper in Church. We have also celebrated Harvest at **St Martin's Church, Fangfoss** followed by a delicious supper at The Carpenter's Arms. We still have two more festivals so why not join us....

Sunday 4th October at 6pm at St Botolph's Church followed by supper in church.

Sunday 11th October at 10:45am at St Catherine's Church followed by refreshments. This service is suitable for folks of all ages.



SoulKidz&Co

We celebrated Harvest with children from across the five villages on Saturday 26th September. The children took part in a range of craft activities, discussions and sharing of food as we thanked God for all good gifts around us!

The next SoulKidz&Co is on Saturday 5th December at St Martin's School, Fangfoss 10:00am-12:00. Email Rev'd Mark to book a place.



Baptisms

It was a privilege and joy to baptise Ellie Primrose Friend and Lyla Rose Tipping at St Catherine's Church, Barmby Moor on Sunday 27th September. Everyone enjoyed sending their prayers to heaven with bubbles!

Join me in praying for them and for their families and godparents.



Wedding

I was very pleased to be able to conduct the wedding of Laura Johns and Richard Nicholson on Saturday 12th September at 4:30pm at St Catherine's church in Barmby Moor. It was a very happy occasion. Congratulations to them both!

5 Alive Folk!

This month in the spotlight is Janet Cromack who has recently stepped up to become the treasurer of St Catherine's, Barmby Moor. I am so grateful to her! Here are 5 things about Janet

Favourite Hymn: Tell Out My Soul

Favourite pastime: Crochet

The best thing done this year: A cruise around the Baltic

Favourite pet: Nutmeg the cat

Your Happy Place: Home



St Martin's Church, Yapham

The Bishop of Selby will be joining us on Saturday 10th October at 2:30pm to lead a service of Thanksgiving and Lament to commemorate the closure of our beloved St Martin's church. The service will take place outside and there will be shelter and some chairs. Following the service there will be a wake in the village hall and churchwarden Ann is determined to provide a lovely spread of food assisted by Elaine and a few others. Please do consider attending the service and supporting us at such a significant event.



Turning of the Season

As September slips into October, the light softens and the leaves begin their slow, golden letting go. Autumn reminds us that change is not loss but part of a greater rhythm. The trees release what they no longer need, trusting that winter's rest prepares the way for spring's renewal.

"For everything there is a season," says Ecclesiastes, a book of Wisdom literature in the Old Testament. Perhaps this is an invitation to loosen our own grip on what has run its course, and to give thanks for the harvest of the year past. May we walk these shorter days with gratitude, gathering warmth, fellowship and hope around us.



Fond Farewell to Helen Drewery

Helen Drewery has played the organ in all five of our churches for many years, and we have treasured all she has brought to services through her musical talent. Helen has now secured a post as Director of Music at Edward The Confessor in Dringhouses, York. We presented her with a card and gifts on behalf of all our churches as a token of our appreciation and gratitude at the Harvest Festival at St Martin's, Fangfoss. Helen leaves us with our love and prayers for a successful future.



5 dates for your diary:

- 10th October 2:30pm - Service of Thanksgiving & Lament at St Martin's, Yapham.
- 15th October 2:00pm - Holy Communion at Lavender Fields Care Village.
- 2nd November 6:30pm - Light A Candle for a Loved One service to commemorate All Souls at St Catherine's, Barmby Moor.
- 3rd December **Benefice Advent Reflection & 3 course Christmas lunch at Wydale Hall (£27.50) 11:30am- 2:30pm. To reserve your ticket please contact Jan Gardham (07599070113).**
- 5th December 6:00pm - The Big Sing at St Catherine's, Barmby Moor.

5 Things to pray for this month:

1. For our sisters and brothers of St Martin's, Yapham as we grieve the closing of the church.
2. For our local farmers.
3. For continued growth of our churches.
4. For new folks to come forward to help with the publication of the Parish News.
5. For children and young people as they start a new school year.

