

September 2025

CHURCH NEWS

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM
HOLY CROSS CHURCH, SWAINBY,
AND ST MARY'S CHURCH, POTTO

Delivered to your door, to keep you in touch



STALLS BY THE WALLS (OF THE CHURCH)

Saturday 30th August from 10:00am

Lots of Bric a Brac

*all needs to go to a good home at knock down prices!!!
also cakes, preserves, bric-a-brac, and plants etc.*



Stokesley Deanery

ENVIRONMENT SERVICE

Sunday 14th September at 4 pm in
St Martin & St Hilary, Kirklevington.

Swainby Village Hall

Friday 19th Sept 10am -1pm.

Following our outstanding success
last year, when we raised the
magnificent sum of £1436.00,

we are again hosting a **Macmillan Coffee Morning**.

We would very much appreciate any help with

Tombola, Raffle Prizes and Cakes.

Any support you can offer would be
very welcome.

Please contact: Elsie Clark 01642

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**It's time for
a Macmillan
Coffee
Morning
and you're invited**



VILLAGE LUNCH

IN SWAINBY CHURCH HALL



Proceeds in aid of the Red Cross Gaza Appeal

Monday 15th September at 12.30pm

Please enter your name on the list at the back of Church or at 'the GAP' on Wednesdays in Swainby Village Hall.

The printing of this issue is generously sponsored by an anonymous resident.

Forthcoming Events

Sunday 14th September: Café Church at 10.30am in Swainby Church Hall
informal worship, discussion, prayer and song as well as tea or coffee and cake.
For all ages – we look forward to seeing you.

Enjoy **Village Teas** in **Carlton Village Hall 3-5pm** *More mouth-watering delights!*

Stokesley Deanery **Environment Service** at 4pm **Kirklevington Church**



Monday 15th September: Village Lunch in Swainby Church Hall at 12:30pm

Friday 19th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning in Swainby Village Hall from 10am - 1pm

Saturday 20th September:  The **Church Bells** will be rung from **3.45-4.30pm** to mark **Battle of Britain Day** and celebrate the RAF

Regular Events

Wednesdays: Join us for Barista coffee at **The Gap** in **Swainby Village Hall 10am-1pm**.
with homemade cakes, teacakes and bacon buns –

Thursdays: Table Tennis in **Swainby Church Hall at 7pm**. For information contact 07799 37240

Reports

George Reid who takes our offerings to the foodbank each week and is a blessing to all, sends a message of deep gratitude from those dedicated people at the **Middlesbrough Foodbank** for all the gifts they have been receiving. *We must keep up the good work.*



The **Potto celebration** on 26th July was well supported financially, and was a happy and successful day.

Grateful thanks go to all those involved: the stall holders, the florists, the publicists, who were all so very helpful and so very skilled, and the young bagpiper who delighted us all at his skill.

The amazing sum of £921.81 was made which will go towards paying for the new church path. Thank you to all for your wonderful generosity.

The first pleasure I had on Monday 18th August, when I went to join the party of children and adults on a **Visit from North Ormesby**, was a mini duck race in the beck. Much enthusiasm for the winner of course and the two last mini ducks had their own race - so well done yellow 24!

It was a delightful day, they began with a good walk, followed by lunch and then many activities, one of which was making wooden puppets. They were so clever. Marshmallows were toasted on very slow fires, (fire extinguishers nearby), very popular, and certificates were handed out, ending in prayers and song. Many congratulations to all the team who made the day so successful.

Palestinian statehood – comment from Church of England bishops

(This statement was issued on 30th July, shortly after the August issue of Church News had been distributed)

We condemn unequivocally the Hamas terrorist attacks of October 7, 2023. The hostages should be immediately and safely released without conditions attached to their freedom.

We continue to call for an immediate end to this war and for negotiations leading to lasting justice, security and peace. But the fact remains: a deliberate famine is being inflicted on the people of Gaza.

Air drops of aid are dangerous and entirely inadequate substitutes for what is needed: the unimpeded delivery of aid through the UN and other established humanitarian organisations.

His Majesty's Government has a legal and moral obligation to use every possible political, economic and diplomatic means at its disposal to end this abomination. This approach is clearly still not being taken – and so the urgent question remains: what more will it take?

Meanwhile the prospect of the United Kingdom recognising Palestinian statehood is welcome, overdue, and cannot come soon enough. As settlement expansion continues in the West Bank, the UK must recognise Palestine while there is still land on which a state could be recognised.

The UK has a particular historical and moral duty to recognise the State of Palestine, and it is therefore disappointing that this recognition has been made conditional. The right of the Palestinian people to self-determination is not a bargaining chip, and there can be no conditions placed on it.

We urge the Government to move ahead with recognition of Palestine regardless of the facts on the ground.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we continue in prayer each day for our Palestinian Anglican sisters and brothers and for all the Christian communities, as well as for all Palestinians, Israelis and peoples of the region.

May God bring an end to these terrible injustices and guide our feet into the way of peace.

- The Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell
- The Bishop of Southwark, Christopher Chessun
(House of Lords Lead Bishop for the Middle East)

- The Bishop of Gloucester, Rachel Treweek
- The Bishop of Chelmsford, Guli Francis-Dehqani
- The Bishop of Norwich, Graham Usher

New path at St Mary's Church at Potto

Work will start on 20th August. The path will be blocked for a few days, and the work should be completed in about a month.

100+ Club August Draw

1: John & Sue Crombie (119)	£25
2: Paul & Sue Roberts (77)	£15
3: Alex Smart (134)	£10
4: Marilyn Smith (14)	£10

Thank you

We are delighted to report that we now have some new members of the Village Lunch team - Grateful thanks to members both old and new!

From the Parish Registers

Funerals

15th August Christine Gill Holy Cross
Richard Llewellyn Holy Cross
We give thanks for their lives and offer our sympathy to their family & friends.

Services in Whorlton Benefice

Sunday 7th September

9.30am Hutton Rudby
9.30am Swainby
11.00am Crathorne

12th Sunday after Trinity

Morning Prayer
Parish Communion
Parish Communion

Sunday 14th September

9.30am Hutton Rudby
10.30am Swainby
11.00am Faceby

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Parish Communion
Café Church (*in Church Hall*)
Parish Communion

Sunday 21st September

9.30am Hutton Rudby
9.30am Swainby
9.30am Carlton
11.00am Crathorne

St. Matthew

Morning Prayer
Parish Communion
Parish Communion
Parish Communion

Sunday 28th September

8.00am Potto
9.30am Hutton Rudby
9.30am Swainby
11.00am Middleton

15th Sunday after Trinity

Parish Communion (BCP)
Parish Communion
Morning Prayer
Parish Communion

Mid-Week Services

Tuesdays at 10.00am
Thursdays at 9.15am

Hutton Rudby Church House
Swainby Church Hall

For further details see www.whorltonbenefice.org.uk



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