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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

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Please remember the Middlesbrough Foodbank.

Lovely as holidays are an absence of school meals does present a problem for a good many families.



MIDDLESBROUGH FOODBANK

HELPING LOCAL PEOPLE IN CRISIS

Donations may be left at the back of Holy Cross Church.



41%

of children in Middlesbrough live below the poverty line

Urgently needed items

- Long life juice
- Tinned fruit
- UHT milk
- Tinned custard

For cash donations to Middlesbrough Foodbank go to: middlesbrough.foodbank.org.uk/give-.help/donate-money.



Forthcoming Events



Sunday 10th **August:** Join us for **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.

Sunday 10th August: Enjoy **Village Teas** in **Carlton Village Hall 3-5pm** with more mouth-watering delights.

Friday 15th August: Village Lunch in Swainby Church Hall at 12:30pm

Monday 18th **August:** We look forward to welcoming a coach load of families from North Ormesby for this year's **Adventure Day**. We hope the weather will be kind once again and we will have much fun on the river and in the church garden.

Saturday 30th August: Stalls by the Walls 10:00am-12:00noon Stalls including cakes, preserves, bric-a-brac, and plants.

Regular Events

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

Thursdays: Table Tennis in Swainby Church Hall at 7pm. For more information contact 07799 372405.



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.

From The Archive

2005 -- What was going on in the parish twenty years ago?

The church spire was shrouded with scaffolding following a lightning strike which removed the cross from the top of the spire. Some very good photos of the village were taken from the top of the scaffolding and, as well as repairing the damage, there was much maintenance done to the stonework. All a sizeable expense for the PCC.

There was an Attic Auction on 6th August, one of the many fundraising events for the recently set up New Church Hall Development Fund.

The announcement of Revd. Linda Shipp's appointment had been made in June and there was an air of excitement. We knew the date of her Licensing in September and that Linda and Peter would move into the Vicarage on 15th August. We were told to leave them in peace until September!

Back again!!

Memorial

The **Memorial Service** for **Hylda Minnie Smith** took place in Holy Cross Church on Wednesday 16th July. There was a large congregation and we were so pleased to see a good many of Hylda's descendants process up the aisle in single file preceded by the youngest, proudly marching along.

Hylda was born in Wallsend, a former parish of our Rector David, and they both enjoyed sharing recollections of the place, though it was not long before Hylda moved to Heaton, which could be called moving on.

With a certain amount of effort from her mother she got into the Grammar School and from there into Manchester University where she read History, and met Rupert. Rupert became part of ICI in its most successful era. They moved around the world, taking Hylda's 92-year old mother to Pakistan with them, where she was the life and soul of many parties.

In Scotland, they lived in Troon with golf courses on both sides of the house, and her love of golf continued for a great many years.

When they settled in Swainby, Hylda became one of the keystones of Holy Cross Church, with her positive approach, her interest and her abilities. She was an important part of the Church Hall Development team, and always upbeat. She celebrated her 100th birthday in January of this year, which greatly pleased her. We were so pleased that she came back here for her burial, and delighted to give her a good send off.



VILLAGE LUNCH



IN SWAINBY CHURCH HALL

Proceeds in aid of the International Rescue Committee Friday 15th August at 12.30pm

All are welcome

Please enter your name on the list at the back of Church or at 'the GAP' on Wednesdays

100+ Club July Draw

1: David Muckle (13) £50

2: David and Carol Rossiter (65) £30

3: Peter and Jane Hutchinson (1) £10

4: Mr and Mrs G W Cloughton (10) £10

We are pleased to report that the new Vicar of Great Ayton, Rev. Sarah Cliff, will be collated on 7th October. She and her husband, Garry, will live in the new vicarage at 118 Newton Road. They are familiar with Great Ayton. We wish them well.

From the Parish Registers

| Baptism | |
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12 July Thomas Harper Holy Cross

We welcome him into the family of the church.

Burials

16 July

Hylda Minnie Smith

We give thanks for her life and offer our sympathy to her family & friends.

Holy Cross

Services in Whorlton Benefice

Sunday 3rd August 7th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Hutton Rudby Parish Eucharist 9.30am Swainby Parish Eucharist 11.00am Crathorne Parish Eucharist

Sunday 10th August 8th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Hutton Rudby Parish Eucharist

10.30am Swainby Café Church (in Church Hall)

11.00am Faceby Parish Eucharist

Sunday 17th August 9th Sunday after Trinity

9.30amHutton RudbyMorning Prayer9.30amSwainbyParish Eucharist9.30amCarltonParish Eucharist11.00amCrathorneParish Eucharist

Sunday 24th August 10th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Potto Parish Eucharist (BCP)

9.30am Hutton Rudby Parish Eucharist9.30am Swainby Morning Prayer

Sunday 31st August St. Aidan

10.30am Middleton Benefice Eucharist

Mid-Week Services

Tuesdays at 10.00am Hutton Rudby Church House

Thursdays at 9.15am Swainby Church Hall

For further details see www.whorltonbenefice.org.uk

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