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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 with local events

Swainby and Potto Harvest Thanksgiving

9.30am Sunday 28th September

at Morning Prayer in Holy Cross Church.



**Gifts for the Middlesbrough Foodbank
would be most welcome.**

There will be another popular

Fashion Show

**at 7.30pm on Wednesday 22nd October
in Swainby Church hall.**

*Fashion, handbags and accessories
by Complete Clothing Co.*

Tickets £10 to include posh nibbles and a glass of wine
from Sue (01642 700491) and Anne (01642 701166).

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Forthcoming Events

Sunday 12th October: 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.

Friday 17th October: Village Lunch in Swainby Church Hall at 12:30pm

Saturday 1st November: All Souls Service in Holy Cross Church at 5:00pm



Regular Events

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

Thursdays: Table Tennis in Swainby Church Hall at 7pm.

For information contact 07799 37240

Reports

Elsie Clark writes: Once again we had a successful **Macmillan Coffee Morning** on Friday 19th September where we raised the splendid amount of over £1500. Thank you everyone for your wonderful support.

The September **Village Lunch** raised money for the Red Cross Gaza Appeal and made the wonderful sum of £451.46 Your generosity is much appreciated.

The **Stalls by the Walls** in August was well attended. It was a pleasant day and made the very welcome sum of £518.48. Thanks to all who supported us.

Sponsorship



We have almost come to the end of our current sponsorship for the printing of the Church News. If you would like to contribute, the cost of printing an issue is around £20 but any sum, of course, would be gratefully received. Please contact Pauline Kynge (01642 700212 or pkynge@gmail.com) or our Treasurer, Geoff Brown (geoff_brown@hotmail.com)

Hymn Books

The time has come to replace our current hymn books which have been in use for around 40 years. The PCC decided to buy the Revised English Hymnal which was published in 2024. These are just now available and may well last even longer than 40 years. To buy a full set of books and music books will cost about £600.

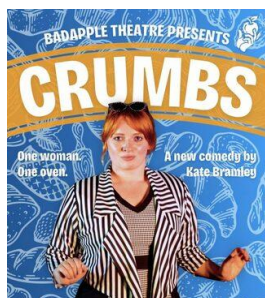
If anyone would like to donate towards this purchase please contact Pauline Kynge or Sue Crombie for more information. Should you wish, you could dedicate books in memory of loved ones, or simply mark your gift on the inside front cover. We will buy 40 word books (£13 each) and 10 melody and word copies (£24) and one full music copy. Would you let Sue or Pauline know fairly soon if you are interested

100+ Club September Draw

1: Jeff Robinson (141)	£25
2: Maureen Stonehouse (8)	£15
3: Geoff Simpson (28)	£10
4: Jeff Nelson (128)	£10

Change of Rector's email Address

The Rector's email has changed.
Fr. David can now be contacted at
rectorofwhorlton@gmail.com



Bad Apple Theatre presents **Crumbs**
on Friday 3rd October at 7.00 for 7.30pm, bar and raffle.

Crumbs follows the life and times of the heroine and ex-TV baking host who has recently been “let go” under dubious circumstances. We follow her hilarious slips and trips.

Tickets: £12 (U16: £6) from pottovillagehall.org or 07956 126983.

Friday 31st October: Halloween Pub Night

Halloween cocktails and nibbles – halloween dress – anything goes!

Possible **Charity Quiz night** in November.

Most Sunday nights - Quiz 7.30 - 10.30pm - just turn up -we'd love to see you!

TOGETHER MIDDLESBROUGH & CLEVELAND

Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland has been undergoing a lengthy change of circumstances, but their new arrangements are now almost completed.

Feast of Fun operated over the summer months, providing holiday time meals and activities at various venues.

The statistics on poverty and child poverty in the North East remain among the highest in the country. The government's published data shows that, in the three years to 2023/24, in our region 31% (170,000) of all babies, children and young people were living below the poverty line. A report on the National Child Poverty plan shows that the situation continues to get worse.

TMC has never been more needed – volunteering, fundraising, and information sharing are vital. The merger with Middlesbrough Voluntary Development Agency (MVDA) is almost complete.

If you would like to know more of this essential work, or if you have any suggestions to make, contact Mark Sutcliffe (wallace.sutcliffe@btinternet.com) or John Hinman (jnhinman@googlemail.com)



Services in Whorlton Benefice

Sunday 5th October

9.30am Hutton Rudby
9.30am Swainby
11.00am Crathorne

16th Sunday after Trinity

Parish Communion
Parish Communion
Parish Communion

Sunday 12th October

9.30am Hutton Rudby
10.30am Swainby
11.00am Faceby

17th Sunday after Trinity

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

Sunday 19th October

9.30am Hutton Rudby
9.30am Swainby
10.30am Carlton
11.00am Crathorne

18th Sunday after Trinity

Morning Prayer
Parish Communion
Parish Communion
Parish Communion

Sunday 26th October

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

Last 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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