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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



Lent Lunches At Swainby Church Hall

**Mondays
during
Lent
12noon
to
1:30pm**

**Monday 23rd February
Whorlton Old Church and Graveyard**

**Monday 2nd March
Dementia Forward**

**Monday 9th March
Hambleton Foodbank**

**Monday 16th March
Local Scout Groups**

**Monday 23rd March
Rwandan Schools Project**

**Monday 30th March
The Moses Project**

**Please come along and bring
your friends.**

**No charge is made for the
soup, bread and cheese
lunch, although we do ask
for a donation to the
charity.
Thank you**



This month's printing has been kindly sponsored by a member of the Holy Cross congregation.

Forthcoming Events in March

Mondays in Lent: Lent Lunch in **Swainby Church Hall** from 12noon to 1.30pm

Fri 6th: World Day of Prayer Service at 2pm in **Church House, Hutton Rudby**

Sat 7th: Swainby & Potto WI Coffee Morning in **Swainby Village Hall** from 10am to 12noon

Sun 8th: Café Church 10.30am in **Swainby Church Hall** for informal worship. All ages welcome.

Sun 8th: Afternoon Tea in **Carlton Village Hall** from 3pm to 5pm in aid of **St Teresa's Hospice**

Sat 21st: Repair Café in **Swainby Village Hall** from 10am to 12noon

Fix your broken items: Clothes; Electrical Appliances; Toys; Bicycles etc.

Sun 22nd: Attics & Antiques in **Swainby Village Hall** Hire a table to sell all those valuables and unwanted items (£10 a table - call 01642 700569) or just come and buy (pay on the door)

Fri 27th: Bingo Evening in **Swainby Village Hall** Cash prizes, licensed bar, Pie & Peas supper
Tickets £10 swainbyvillagehall@yahoo.com or 01642 700302

Regular Events

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

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

Second Wednesday of month: Swainby & Potto WI meeting in **Swainby Village Hall** at 7.30pm

100+ Club

REMEMBER – YOU MUST BE IN IT TO WIN IT

The new year for the 100+ Club starts on 1st March, but the first draw will not be made until after the 15th March so that all funds can be received and all tickets delivered and active by that date.

Please contact the collector for your area – either Andy and Sue, Robin Cook, or Pauline Kynge, to hand in your slip and pay for your tickets and the ticket for this year will be delivered to you. Wishing all a happy year!

Lent Lunch Charities

Some details of the charities we are supporting this month through the Lent lunches

Dementia Forward

Monday 2nd

Situated in Burton Leonard and supporting people affected by dementia in North Yorkshire. Experienced and established volunteers supporting people with dementia and those who care for them, through a range of services.

- 1) Helpline 0330 578592 – practical and emotional advice.
- 2) U&ME campaign to raise awareness, provide hope and create groundbreaking resource for people in UK with Young Onset Dementia.

Hambleton Foodbank, or Foodshare

Monday 9th

The Old Registry Office, Racecourse Lane, Northallerton 07514 244158.

A volunteer led community partnership, providing food parcels to those in need.

Open: Mon – Friday 10am – 4pm

hambletonfoodshare.org.uk

A helpful website allowing monetary donations, and raising awareness.

Local Scout Groups

Monday 16th

They will be hoping to raise money to support the activities of our Scout Groups, which play such an important role in the development of our young people.

Rwanda School Project

Monday 23rd

Lorna is active in this charity. The focus is on increasing access, improving quality and promoting inclusion in education through infrastructure development, teacher training and specialised supply for vulnerable children by building classrooms and supplying and supporting, with a strong emphasis on girls hygiene facilities and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education.

The Moses Project

Monday 30th

A registered charity providing guidance, mentoring and support to thousands of adult males. Providing hope and a future to Stockton on Tees.

Last year they won an award from the Centre for Social Justice and also the Queen's Award for Voluntary service, especially highlighting volunteers.

The charity operates by creating a safe place built on relationships and trust.

The relationships they build make good things happen.

themosesproject.co.uk Foundation House, Alma St, Stockton on Tees, TS18 2AP.

Swainby & Potto WI



Coffee Morning



Saturday 7th March

10am-12noon

Swainby Village Hall

Refreshments, Tombola, Cakes, Preserves,
Hamper Raffle and Lucky Number

Please come and join us for coffee and a chat.

World Day of Prayer Service

2pm Friday 6th March

Church House, Hutton Rudby

Materials from Nigeria bring us a powerful invitation drawn from Matthew 11:28-30.

At a time when people worldwide are carrying heavy burdens, our Nigerian sisters offer profound insights into finding rest in God!

All are welcome!



POTTO VILLAGE HALL

St. George's Pub Night



Saturday 25th April from 6:30pm

Terry's Fish & Chip Van will be in attendance!

Please use the form on www.pottovillagehall.org,

email pottovillagehall@gmail.com

or text or ring 07956 126983

with how many orders and if you want fish
by latest 19th April 2026.

**Please feel free to dress in St. George's flags
or come as dragons or just yourself!**

Services in Whorlton Benefice

Sunday 1st March

9.30am Hutton Rudby
9.30am Swainby
11.00am Crathorne

Lent 2

Parish Communion
Parish Communion
Parish Communion

Sunday 8th March

9.30am Hutton Rudby
10.30am Swainby
11.00am Faceby

Lent 3

Parish Communion
Café Church *in Church Hall*
Parish Communion

Sunday 15th March

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

Lent 4 / Mothering Sunday

Morning Prayer
Parish Communion
Parish Communion
Parish Communion

Sunday 22nd March

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

Lent 5 / Passion Sunday

Holy Communion (BCP)
Parish Communion
Morning Prayer
Morning Prayer

Sunday 29th March

10.00am Faceby
11.00am Carlton

Palm Sunday

Benefice Procession to Carlton**
Benefice Eucharist

*** If weather is inclement, the entire service will be at Carlton at 11.00am*

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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