

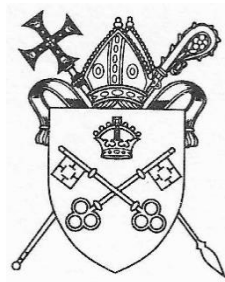
June 2026

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

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The Ordination of Priests

Revd. Donneta Thomas

Sunday 28th June 2026
at 4 pm

by the Rt.Revd. Barry Hill
Bishop of Whitby

Holy Cross Church, Swainby

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

Forthcoming Events

Thursday 4th June (then fortnightly):

Morning Get-Together in **Swainby Village Hall** from **10:30am to 1pm**
Table top games, crafts & socializing. Tea, coffee & biscuits included.

Friday 5th June:

China Night in **Faceby Village Hall** at **7pm**. Tickets **£15** from **07766 304380**
Quiz, Games, Food and Drinks – supporting Daisy Chain Charity. (see page 7)

Friday 12th June:

Horse Race Night in **Swainby Village Hall** - Doors **7pm**. Tickets **£8**
Cash prizes, licensed bar, finger food and lots of excitement. (see page 7)

Sunday 14th June:

Café Church 10.30am in **Swainby Church Hall** *All ages welcome.*
Informal worship, discussion, prayer and songs with tea or coffee and cake.

Summer Teas in **Carlton Village Hall** from **3pm to 5pm**
Teas, cakes, scones, sandwiches and more.

Monday 15th June:

Village Lunch 12.30pm in **Swainby Church Hall** *All are welcome.*
supporting Hambleton Foodshare. Lists at back of church & Gap. (see page 5)

Saturday 20th June:

Summer Solstice Pub Night in **Potto Village Hall** from **6pm**
Proper Pizzas 6-8pm – Order food before 14th June. (see page 6)

Sunday 5th July:

Summer Teas in **Carlton Village Hall** from **3pm to 5pm**
Teas, cakes, scones, sandwiches and more.

Regular Events

Wednesdays:

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

Thursdays:

Table Tennis in **Swainby Church Hall** at **7pm**. Info: 07799 372405

Second Wednesday:

Swainby & Potto WI meet in **Swainby Village Hall** at **7.30pm**



Café Church



in Swainby Church Hall

Sunday 14th May at 10.30am

Join us for informal worship,
discussion, prayer and song
as well as tea or coffee and cake.

Thank You



CONGRATULATIONS
Pauline & Michael

Mike and Pauline Akester thank all those kind people who sent so many messages and cards with good wishes after their wonderful wedding last month.

We are beginning to come down to earth!

100+ Club April Draw

1: Mary Potts (44)	£25
2: Geoff & Nova Brown (58)	£15
3: Andy & Sue Lawton (26)	£10
4: Valerie Mayhew (2)	£10

100+ Club May Draw

1: Liz Emmerson (69)	£25
2: Gillian Benstead (101)	£15
3: Lorna Kessell (54)	£10
4: Sue & Rob Lemmon (97)	£10

The Gap

Come and join us for a Barista coffee
and homemade cakes, teacakes and bacon buns,
every **Wednesday** morning **10am-1pm.**

in **Swainby Village Hall**

If you would like to support The Gap by occasionally volunteering to help or baking a cake, please contact one of the Village Hall committee members.

New volunteers are always welcome.

Ordination

Members of the Whorlton Group Benefice congregation and friends are warmly invited to support our Curate, Donneta, when she is ordained priest by Bishop Barry in Holy Cross Church on Sunday 28th June. Donneta writes



My earliest memory of Swainby comes from a childhood church day out. I have an idyllic memory of sitting by the stream in the sun, eating a picnic, watching the ducklings swim by. Little did I know then that I'd be returning, decades later, to be part of the church and community that welcomed me, let alone to be ordained Priest at the Church of

the Holy Cross. Married with two wonderful adult sons, I've been blessed by my family's unwavering support, especially as my call to priesthood has taken me completely by surprise.

My background is in education where I worked with children from 3 - 16 years. My passion for supporting the inclusion of all children, regardless of ability or individual needs, then took me from the classrooms of Teesside into the church and community of Northallerton as Children and Families Minister.

I love nothing more than the beauty of the countryside and connecting with people; sitting with a cuppa and having a chat. So, if you see me out and about or sat on the bench by the stream, please do say "Hello" and maybe even stop for a chat.

You are also very welcome to join me on Sunday 28th June at 4pm at our Benefice Communion and Ordination service.

Praying for children and young people

Each Tuesday at 1pm we are invited to join a short twenty-minute Zoom prayer meeting, to pray for children, young people and their families. If you would like to join in prayer please register your interest at <https://bit.ly/42O7kDO>

For those who prefer to pray in their own time, this prayer is available.

Loving God,

We bring to you the children, young people and families of our nation.

We pray for those who already know they are your children.

Please protect them, bless them and keep them firm in their faith.

We pray for those who would like to find out more about you.

Please provide ways for them to do that and help us all to play our part.

We pray for those who know little or nothing about Christian faith.

Please stir up curiosity in them to find out more and, in your mercy, give them encounters with you that transform their lives.

Please give us courage, faith and hope as we continue to pray.

In the name of Jesus Christ,

Amen.

Village Lunch

IN SWAINBY CHURCH HALL

Monday 15th June

at 12.30pm

All are welcome



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

The Potto



Pub @ **POTTO** VILLAGE HALL

Summer Solstice

**Pub Night at Potto Village Hall
on Saturday 20th June from 6pm.**



*Proper Pizzas
will be here!*

Food served 6pm to 8pm.

**Why not order your Saturday Night Treat and eat
it alongside your drinks or just take it home!**

Menus & ordering information will be on the Village Hall website &
facebook page, Potto Patter and Village Noticeboard.

Order Deadline: 14th June. Order with and pay Proper Pizzas.

*! Bar open with Barrel on! Free Nibbles!
Outside seating if weather OK!*

Keep up to date on [Facebook.com/pottovillagehall](https://www.facebook.com/pottovillagehall) & www.pottovillagehall.org

SWAINBY VILLAGE HALL

RACE NIGHT

FRIDAY 12th June 2026
Doors 7:00pm first race 7:30pm

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Tickets £8
Bar, Cash Prizes,
Includes Finger Food



China-themed Quiz, Games, Food and Drinks

Friday 5th June 7pm in Faceby Village Hall

Tickets £15 from Sharon Lane (07766 304380)

Licensed cash bar (no BYOB)

Raffle tickets from Julie Taylor (07752 202861) £5/strip of tickets

First prize: 'A Taste of China – Good Fortune Hamper'
and other themed prizes to be won.

Faceby resident Sharon Lane is embarking on a challenge to hike 50km of a remote and historic part of the Great Wall of China. With eleven others from Teesside, she will travel to Beijing on 11th October and undertake the hike over 5 days. The group's challenge, as well as training for the steep climbs, is each to raise £5,000 in sponsorship to fundraise for the charity Daisy Chain



Daisy Chain (in Norton) supports over 8,000 families and neurodiverse individuals each year through specialist, person-centred services, including social clubs, respite care, wellbeing support, independent

living skills, employability programmes and animal therapy. Their mission is to empower autistic and neurodivergent individuals while promoting understanding, wellbeing and acceptance across the region and nationwide. For more information go to: www.daisychainproject.co.uk/

Services in Whorlton Benefice

Thursday 4th June

10.00am Faceby

Corpus Christi

Benefice Communion

Sunday 7th June

9.30am Hutton Rudby

9.30am Swainby

11.00am Crathorne

Trinity 1

Parish Communion

Parish Communion

Parish Communion

Sunday 14th June

9.30am Hutton Rudby

10.30am Swainby

11.00am Middleton

Trinity 2

Parish Communion

Café Church (*in Church Hall*)

Parish Communion

Sunday 21st June

9.30am Hutton Rudby

9.30am Swainby

9.30am Carlton

11.00am Crathorne

Trinity 3

Morning Prayer

Parish Communion

Parish Communion

Parish Communion

Sunday 28th June

4.00pm Swainby

Vigil of Saints Peter & Paul

Benefice Communion & Ordination

*of the Revd Donneta Thomas to the Holy Order of the Priesthood
by The Rt Revd Barry Hill, Bishop of Whitby*

Monday 29th June

7.00pm Hutton Rudby

Saints Peter & Paul

Benefice Communion

First Mass of the Revd Donneta Thomas

Mid-Week Services

Tuesdays at 10.00am

Thursdays at 9.15am

Hutton Rudby Church House

Swainby Church Hall

For further details see www.achurchnearyou.com/benefice/43-402C/



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