



# MESSENGER



**For the Benefice of  
Lockington, Lund and Scorsborough with Leconfield**

**SAVE THE DATE**

## Blackberry Fair at Lockington

Please hold the date of  
**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**  
for the Blackberry Fair at Lockington.

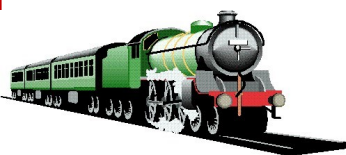


We look forward to a day of games, stalls and activities,  
including welly wanging.

Could there be anything more exciting than parachuting Teddy Bears?!!!  
Well, this year we hope to have Teddy Bears on a Zipwire  
from the top of the church tower!!

## Lockington Railway Evenings

The famous Railway Evening in Lockington organised by Allen Ferguson  
had its last meeting for this season on June 24<sup>th</sup>.  
It restarts again on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**.



As a very recent recruit to the enjoyment of steam railways  
I have found it a wonderful relaxing evening  
with great camaraderie and lots of new things  
to learn about our industrial and social heritage.

The members (well over 50 at the last meeting) are incredibly generous in their  
donations and book buying and a goodly amount of money each month is a very  
welcome donation to the **church roof fund**.

Thank you very much to Allen and everyone who helps and attends.  
Try going in September!

*Andrea Parr*

## Friends of Saint Catherine's Church (FoSCC)



There will be a **FREE** talk on the work of the  
**Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC)**

There will also be a commemoration marking  
the 80th anniversary of **Victory in Japan**.

Date: **15th August 2025**.

Time: **19:00**.

Location: **St Catherines Church, Leconfield**.

Light refreshments available.

Donations for CWGC and FoSSC welcome.



## Quiet Day at Wydale Hall

Friday October 17th  
led by Rev. Maggie Jeavons

Price for the day £37 per person.  
(There is a bursary available to help towards the cost)

Please contact Sarah Gaydon for details of the day and bursary application  
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## **"An unsafe and unworkable bill"**

Bishop Sarah urged MPs to say no to assisted suicide

The Bishop of London, Sarah Mullally, recently urged MPs to halt the passage of a bill to legalise assisted suicide in England and Wales.

Bishop Sarah – the former Chief Nursing Officer and the Church's Lead Bishop for Health and Social Care – called instead on parliamentarians to ask themselves some searching questions "about the kind of society we want to live in", before the Third Reading vote in the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill in the Commons took place.

She said: "MPs have the power to stop the passage of this Bill, in the face of serious concerns from the medical profession, palliative care specialists, and those facing the end of life.

"If enacted, this Bill would arrive amidst hugely inequitable access to palliative care and an NHS on life support. The potential for abuse and uninformed or coerced decisions is enormous.

"This is not about so-called progressivism v conservatism, or atheism v religion. This is about the kind of society we want to live in.

"The vision that this Bill presents is one in which the disabled and vulnerable are made to feel like they are a burden, as if their lives are worth less.

"This is, and has always been, an unsafe and unworkable bill. The promise that Committee stage would 'iron out' major concerns with the Bill has not been forthcoming. Instead, it has presented more unanswered questions, left more doubts, and seen so-called protections crumble away before even coming into law.

"I implore every Member of Parliament to ask themselves whether they truly believe assisted suicide is right for the society in which we want to live."

## **New data shows 'sheer scale' of child poverty** – Bishop of Leicester

The End Child Poverty Coalition, together with the Centre for Research in Social Policy at Loughborough University, has published data on the number of children living in poverty in each Westminster constituency and local authority across the UK.

The Bishop of Leicester, Martyn Snow, who is the Church of England's lead bishop on poverty, has issued the following response:

"These statistics remind us of the sheer scale of child poverty. Churches are doing all they can to offer hope, but we know from the struggles of many people in our congregations, and the demand we see for our projects every day, that there is much work to do to turn the tide on poverty.

"I pray that the Government's child poverty strategy will rise to the challenge we face, addressing the two-child limit and other policies which drive poverty and harm the health, wellbeing and life chances of our children."

*The General Synod of the Church of England backed a call last year for an end to the two-child benefit limit. The limit means families can only claim child tax credit and universal credit for their first two children, if they were born after April 2017.*

### **Bacon Butties at Lund**

Thank you to all those who have supported Bacon Butties at All Saints Lund over the last year.



**We will now be having  
a summer break.**



Bacon Butties will begin again on  
**Saturday 21st September**  
between 9-30 and 11-30am

### **Coffee Mornings**

**10.30-11.30am**

**Wednesdays**

**at St. Catherine's Church,  
Leconfield**

**Thursdays**

**at Lockington Village Hall**

*All are welcome*





## August 2025 Services

**Please note that during the Interregnum  
all Services are subject to change**

	St. Mary's Lockington	All Saints Lund	St. Leonard's Scorbrough	St. Catherine's Leconfield
Sunday 3rd August <b>Trinity 7 Proper 13</b>	11.00a.m. Morning Worship		9.30a.m. Holy Communion	
Midweek Services				
Sunday 10th August <b>Trinity 8 Proper 14</b>		11.00a.m. Morning Worship		9.30a.m. Holy Communion
Midweek Services	<b>Wed. 6th Aug. 9.30a.m.</b> Midweek Service with healing prayers			
Sunday 17th August <b>Trinity 9 Proper 15</b>	9.30a.m. Holy Communion			
Midweek Services				<b>Wed. 20th Aug. 9.30a.m.</b> Midweek healing prayers
Sunday 24th August <b>Trinity 10 Proper 16</b>	11.00a.m. Contemporary Worship	9.30a.m. Holy Communion		<b>NO SERVICE</b>
Midweek Services				<b>Thurs. 28th Aug. 7.00p.m.</b> Celtic Prayers
Sunday 31st August <b>Trinity 11 Proper 17</b>	<b>10.00a.m.</b> <b>Benefice Holy Communion</b> <b>All Saints', Lund</b>			

### Miscellaneous observations on life

Golf balls are like eggs. They are both white, sold by the dozen, and a week later you have to go out and buy more.

You know you're getting older when you begin to realize that your parents were right, after all.

You can learn many things from children. Like, how much patience you have.

The most fattening thing you can put in an ice cream sundae is a spoon.

**COPY DATE for articles and events - Friday 22nd August**

## Who's Who & Contact Details

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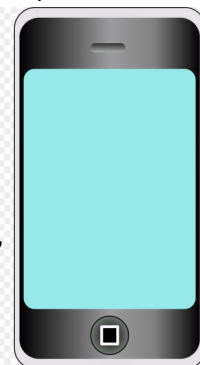
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**Other Useful Websites:**

[www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com)

[www.dioceseofyork.org.uk](http://www.dioceseofyork.org.uk)

[www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org)



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### When young children begin to pray...

"Lead a snot into temptation."

"And forgive us our trash baskets, as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

"Give us this day our jelly bread."

"Our Father, who art in heaven, how didja know my name?"

### Church Notices that didn't come out quite right...

This evening at 7 pm there will be a hymn-sing in the park across from the church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the church hall on Friday afternoon.

The Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. All proceeds will be used to cripple children.