

ROUNDABOUT

November 2025

St. Peter's Church. Croft on Tees

St. Mary's Church. Eryholme

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"For it is you who light my lamp; the Lord my God lightens my darkness." - Psalm 18:28

LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

Dear friends,

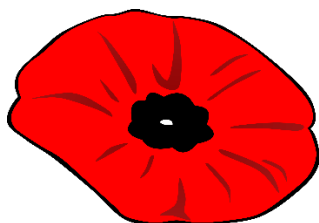
Time seems to be flying, and here we are heading into November - when the days grow darker and chillier. Yet we remain people of hope, remembering that the light shines in the darkness, and that God gently lights up even the shadowed places.

There's plenty happening across our church's, as you'll see from the calendar in this newsletter. Please do share it with friends and neighbours and invite others along. I'm so grateful to everyone who helps make things happen - thank you.

May I especially highlight the two Advent evenings led by Bishop John. He's always gentle, thoughtful, and engaging. The sessions won't be scary, and you're welcome to simply listen - no pressure to speak unless you wish to.

In the meantime, please don't hesitate to get in touch - for a cup of tea, a chat, or prayer. I'm always happy to meet up.

Blessings Gillian.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

A Remembrance Service will take place in St Peter's on Sunday 9th November at **10.50am**
Followed by a short service at the Airman Memorial in Dalton on Tees.



ALL SOULS SERVICE

Sunday 2nd November a Benefice service of light will be held at **6.30pm** in St Peter's. For those with a recent bereavement or wish to remember a loved one.

ADVENT SERVICE

Once again we welcome staff and students from Polam Hall school to Croft church to start the advent season with their singing and carols. Sunday November 30th **6pm**.

All Welcome.

Thank You

A big thank you to Cockerton Silver band for their concert in St. Peter's. It was a brilliant evening good music and some unusual entertainment in the second half. Also, the members who organized and provided the refreshments, set up and cleared up after, need a round of applause and lastly all the people who supported and attended during Storm Amy.

Coffee Mornings

The next coffee morning is 7th November in Croft Village Hall at 10am. Continuing, on the first Friday of each month.

Homemade food for sale and a raffle.

Please come and join us for some company and a chat.
Please note there will be no coffee morning in January '26

Pastoral Lunches

The next lunches are November 20th then December 11th.
12 noon. Please do not arrive before noon. We then have monthly lunches until March next year. Homemade soups and puddings, donated by the Pastoral team.
Please make a note of dates, especially December. Come and join us for some company and a chat. If anyone is willing to make a soup or pudding.

Please contact us on the St Peter's email address.

Bishop Pritchard ...has offered to lead two "Advent look who's coming" sessions. Thursday 20th November 7pm. Called "*Waiting*" and Friday 5th December called "*Hoping*" 7 pm both at the Rectory in Middleton Tyas. These will be accessible gentle evenings.

Let Rev'd. Gillian know if you think you might be interested.

<u>Venue</u>	Nov.2nd 4 th before Advent	Nov.9th 3 rd before Advent	Nov 16th 2 nd before Advent	Nov. 23rd Christ the King	Nov 30th Advent
Croft	6.30pm All Souls	10.50am Remembrance	10.30am Benefice Communion	11am Morning Prayer	6pm Advent Service
Eryholme	11am Holy Communion		At Barton		10.30am Benefice Communion

CONFIRMATION

A Confirmation Service will be led by Bishop Anna, on Pentecost Sunday 24th May in the morning. Details later. If interested, please put your name on the list in church.



Proposed Christmas events.

Subject to confirmation in December Newsletter.

Dec. 4th Nativity and Carols on the farm.

At Croft Christmas Trees. 6pm

Dec 14th Children's Candle service St. Peter's 4pm.

(No morning service.)

Dec.19th Carol Service St Peter's 6.30pm.

Dec 21st Benefice Communion St. Peter's 10.30am.

Dec.21st Carol Service Eryholme 4pm.

Dec.22nd Carol Singing Middleton Lodge Hotel. 5.15pm

Dec 24th "Midnight Mass" 11.30pm Barton.

Dec 25th Family Service St. Peter's 10am.

Dec 25th Benefice Communion, Venue TBC

Dec 28th Benefice Communion, Middleton Tyas.10.30am

St. Peter's

Sidesman

2nd Sunday.... Pam Dunn. 3rd Sunday...Pam Dunn.

4th Sunday...Pauline Bailey and Sue Dent

Church Clean

If you are willing to come onto the cleaning team please let us know. Every few months we do a grand clean but it needs regularly dusting and vacuuming.

The more volunteers we have the better for everyone.



Flowers

Going forward If anyone would like to contribute towards the flowers or dedicate a particular date to a loved one or an anniversary. please contact... Alison Kennedy...01325 720320

Church Draw results.

October

1st £100 Peter and Sally Boddy

2nd £60 Anne Ramsden

3rd £35 Julie Pears

The Permissive Path through the church yard to the riverbank will be closed December 27th 5.30pm to 28th 5.30pm. **The gates will be locked.**

NEWS FROM THE PARISH

Baptism

Albert Richard Montgomery Stringer...19th October

Church Wardens

St Peter's

Pam Dunn... 01325 722798

Alison Kennedy... 01325720320

Edward Cooper...07767886358

Vacancy...

St Mary's.

Ruth Gibbon... 01325720109

Alice Shaw... 01325 721440

To contact wardens from St Peter's please use the dedicated email address.

St Peter's ...has a vacancy for a Church Warden. If you are interested and would like more information a detailed job description is in the church porch or, please contact one of the current wardens or Rev. Gillian.

TO ARRANGE

A Wedding... Contact Liz Ford on

eweandram@btinternet.com

A Funeral...Contact Rev. Gillian Lunn on

gillian.lunn@leeds.anglican.org

A Baptism... Contact Pam Dunn on St Peter's email subject Baptism

Some useful links and email addresses

Paul Dunn is now the church and Benefice web site manager. If needed, please contact him through the dedicated church email address.

For social information and events go to facebook...

St Peters church Croft on Tees

For events and general information go to: -

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church3319>

All enquiries for St. Peter's please use this dedicated email address...stpeterscroft@btinternet.com

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