



MESSENGER



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

New Year's Day Bacon Butties at Lockington

Thank you to all those who helped make for a wonderful New Year's Day!

We served almost 50 bacon butties and had more than 60 people in the village hall enjoying fellowship and good conversation. The quiz was well supported and the winner, with 25 points, won a bottle of Prosecco.

Sincere thanks to all those who helped on the day and to everybody who attended – a good time was had by all!

St Mary's Church, Lockington



ASH WEDNESDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

18th February at 7pm

Begin Lent by joining us for a contemplative service of hymns, imposition of ashes and holy communion.

All are welcome.

The Friends of St. Catherine's, Leconfield invite you to a

Scottish Evening

Stories about
The Great Highland Bagpipes
including
Scottish food & drink tasting

Friday 30th January

7.00–9.00p.m.



For Tickets £7.00
contact Anna 07510 671573

Friends of St. Catherine's Church

invite you to

A Talk and pictures
about the conservation work on
Dumble Farm, Arram



Showing visits to the Highland Cattle
and Cow Cuddling

With Cheese and wine

To be held in
St. Catherine's Church

Friday 27th February
7.00p.m.

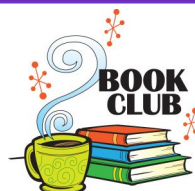
Tickets £7.00



Celtic Book Club

with Bible Application at
St Catherine's Church, Leconfield

Next meeting—Wednesday February 11th 2.45pm for 3pm start.



Bacon Butties at All Saints, Lund



Please join us on

Saturday 21st February

from 9-30 until 11-30am
for bacon butties!

Coffee Mornings

10.30-11.30am

Wednesdays

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

Thursdays

at Lockington Village Hall

All are welcome



COPY DATE for articles and events - Friday 13th February

Wing Commander (Retd) John Millard Brown OBE. RIP

It is with sadness that I inform you of the recent death of Wing Commander (Retd) **John Millard Brown** OBE at the age of 92. John and my late sister Patricia were married in **Leconfield Church** in November 1974. A bequest from my sister funded the RAF memorial in the south aisle of the church. Throughout their married life, John and Pat maintained an interest in the church, visiting when they were on holiday in Yorkshire and exchanging letters and cards with the minister or churchwarden. John continued these contacts after Pat's death: for about ten years, he visited almost every year; he made donations (I believe) to the upkeep of the church; and he remained in touch with a minister (Liz?) and a churchwarden (Ken?).

It is possible that nobody among the current church personnel and congregation will remember Pat and John, but that the above information may be of interest to someone.

David Wilson

People are coming to faith amidst the 'darkness' of crises around the world

So says several Church of England bishops. They believe that increasing numbers of people have been turning to the Christian faith.

The Bishop of Rochester, Jonathan Gibbs said: "Something is going on. Or rather, God Himself seems to be up to something – way beyond what we as Christians have been doing to share the message of the gospel with the people around us.

"Humanly speaking, I believe this is happening because people have begun to realise that the things in which they had placed their hopes – things like ever-increasing prosperity or the ability of science and technology to solve all our problems – have started to crumble in the face of economic crises, global pandemics and climate change."

The Bishop of Gloucester, Rachel Treweek said: "As I have listened to the voices of children, young people and adults across this diocese; the voices in Westminster, and indeed in prisons; I believe there is a yearning for certainty amid the turbulence, anxiety and uncertainty, and the endless messaging of crises."

The Bishop of Chichester, Martin Warner, speaks of joyful celebrations of baptisms and confirmations in his Diocese and new congregation members at Chichester Cathedral.

"A new generation attending Chichester Cathedral have shifted the atmosphere," he said. "Buggies now take their place alongside the Zimmer frames, to the delight of everyone."

The C of E agrees to spend £12.4 million on social and racial justice programmes

Back last summer, when the C of E announced its three-year national spending plans, the Triennium Funding Working Group (TFWG) included an allocation of £12 million for the areas of social and racial justice in the 2026-2028 triennium.

The precise allocation of that £12 million was a matter for the Archbishops' Council to determine. It has now agreed that £7 million will be spent on racial justice programmes over a three-year period, from 2026-2028. An additional £200,000 will also be carried forward from 2023-2025 and spent on racial justice.

A further £5 million will be spent in support of disability programmes. This money will aim to help the C of E become more diverse and inclusive, dismantling barriers from worship, participation and leadership in the Church.



February 2026 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 1st February Presentation of Christ in the Temple	11.00a.m. Morning Worship		9.30a.m. Holy Communion	
Midweek Services	Wed. 4th Feb. 9.30a.m. Midweek Service with healing prayers			
Sunday 8th February 2 before LENT	9.30a.m. Holy Communion	11.00a.m. Morning Worship		NO SERVICE
Midweek Services				
Sunday 15th February Sunday next before LENT	9.30a.m. Holy Communion			
Midweek Services	Wed. 18th Feb. 7.00p.m. Ash Wednesday Communion			Wed. 18th Feb. 9.30a.m. Midweek healing prayers
Sunday 22nd February LENT 1	11.00a.m. Contemporary Worship	9.30a.m. Holy Communion		NO SERVICE
Midweek Services				Thurs. 26th Feb. 7.00p.m. Celtic Communion



Interfaith Group

Next meeting is Monday 9th February 7.00p.m.
in the home of Brian Fellows,
Maple Cottage, Arram Road, Leconfield HU17 7NP
(01964 550410 for more information)



Do please come and join us to explore how other religions and faiths look at the world.

Everyone is welcome

With Valentine's Day coming....

Marriage requires falling in love many times – always with the same person.- Anon

Life has taught us that love does not consist in gazing at each other but in looking outward together in the same direction. – Antoine De Saint-Exupery

Who's Who & Contact Details

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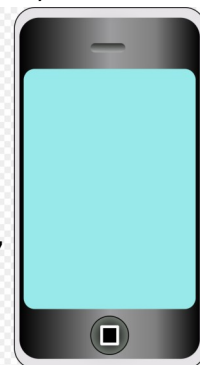
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With Valentine's Day and romance in mind....

The Rules of Marriage Here are the real-life answers from a group of children:

Question: How do you decide who to marry?

You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like, if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports, and she should keep the chips and dip coming. – Alan, age 10

Question: How can a stranger tell if two people are married?

You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids. – Derrick, age 8

Question: What do you think your Mum and Dad have in common?

Both don't want any more kids. – Lori, age 8

Question: How would you make a marriage work?

Always tell your wife that she looks pretty, even if she looks like a train wreck – Ricky, age 10