

# ROUNDABOUT

March 2026

**St. Peter's Church. Croft on Tees**

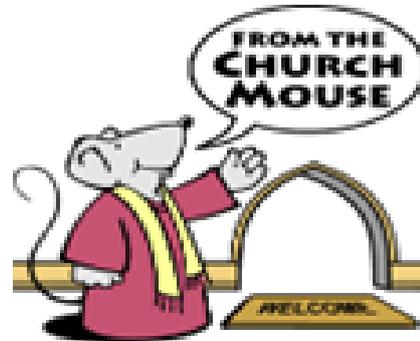
**St. Mary's Church. Eryholme**

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## **LETTER FROM THE RECTOR**

As we head hopefully out of the "Wet Season" and into Spring, we have plenty to look forward to in March as we journey through Lent. To help us think about Lent, we have our Lent group sessions starting (why not give them a go...very informal and relaxed); we have Teesside Apollo Winter Concert on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm; we'll celebrate Mothering Sunday when we'll be joined by some children from Croft Primary school, and we'll come together as a Benefice on Palm Sunday (29<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am) in Manfield Church for Holy Communion as we begin Holy Week. We'll be joined by Archdeacon James for this service. This will be a good opportunity to meet him again. All these and more (like our pastoral lunch and coffee morning) give us opportunities to come together to worship, to enjoy friendship and fellowship and to look ahead to the joy of Easter (which will be celebrated as a Benefice on Easter Day at Croft at 10.30am) Finally Bishop Anna will be coming to our Benefice for the Confirmation Service on Pentecost Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May. If you, adult or child (anyone aged Yr.6 and above in school) would like to be confirmed, please speak to Viv or Rev'd Gillian as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if there is anything it would be helpful to talk about, if you would like a chat over a cup of coffee, or if you would like a prayer for anything. I'm more than happy to catch up. Wishing you every blessing as we journey through Lent.

Gillian

## **LENT GROUP**

*Will be held on Tuesdays, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> 2-3.30pm in Barton Village Hall (downstairs).*

*Easy Access. We will be looking at Women of Holy Week by Paula Gooder and 1 session of Art and Lent Taken by Rev'd Helen Rawlings, retired Deacon living in Middleton Tyas. These will be friendly, informal accessible sessions with refreshments. **Everyone welcome***

***St Peter's will be doing a collection for the food bank in Darlington and the boxes will be out in church from Mothering Sunday until Easter Sunday. All dry or long-life foods most welcome. Thank You***



## **The Teesside Apollo Male Voice Choir**

will be giving a concert on March 20<sup>th</sup> 7pm. in St. Peter's. Tickets are £10 to include refreshments. Proceeds in aid of church and choir funds. Tickets available from St Peter's Church 01325 720878 and Teesside Apollo MVC 07729 626449



## **Coffee Mornings**

The next **coffee morning** is 6<sup>th</sup> March in the Village Hall at 10am. Continuing the first Friday of each month.

## **Pastoral Lunches**

**The next lunch is 19<sup>th</sup> March 12 noon.**

**Please do not arrive before noon.**

After a committee discussion, we now request a minimum donation of £5 for each meal. All homemade soups and puddings. Please come and join us. If anyone is willing to make a soup or pudding: ***Please contact us on the St Peter's email address.***

## **St Mary's Eryholme**

Is holding a fundraising event on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June at **Neasham Hall**. There will be a lunch in the walled garden at 1pm followed by a tour of Neasham Hall gardens. There will also be a raffle, tickets on sale before the event.

## **Confirmation Classes**

**Will be held in St. Peter's Croft on March 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. Then, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> all Wednesdays at 6.30pm. ....**

Bishop Anna will be conducting the Confirmation service on 24<sup>th</sup> May at Middleton Tyas..

## SERVICES

<u>Venue</u>	March 1st 2 Lent	March 8th 3 Lent	March 15th Mothering Sunday	March 22nd Passion	March 29th Palm
Croft		11am Family Service	11am Holy Communion	11am Morning Prayer	<b>Joint Communion at Manfield 10.30am</b>
Eryholme	11am Holy Communion				<b>With The Venerable James Theodosius</b>

### Notable Church dates.

Maundy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. H.C. 6.30pm. M.Tyas.  
Good Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Meditation. 2pm. Barton.  
Easter Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April. H.C. 10.30am. Croft.

The Benefice of East Dere Street is looking to start a Benefice newsletter called "Link". This will include services and events throughout the Benefice. The first one will be sent out in April and will be a quarterly event. Initially it will be sent out by email with some paper copies available in each church.

If you wish to receive this electronically you will be required to sign up and consent for your email to be kept securely on the Benefice database. You can withdraw consent at any time.

### St. Peter's Church Draw results.

**January**  
1<sup>st</sup> £100 Joanne Leggott... Barry & Diane Chapman  
2<sup>nd</sup> £50 Anne Wrightson... Carol Holden  
3<sup>rd</sup> £30 Will & Georgina Porter... Pip Rayner  
*If you wish to join, please contact Sue Dent or Pauline Bailey through the church email address.*

### February

## NEWS FROM THE PARISH

### Those we have loved and lost

Arthur Leah ...Died 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025

### Baptism

Arthur Boyd Allison-Griffiths...15<sup>th</sup> February.  
Ida Beatrix Allison-Griffiths...15<sup>th</sup> February.

### Church Wardens

#### St Peter's

Pam Dunn... 01325 722798  
Alison Kennedy... 01325720320  
Edward Cooper...07767886358

#### Vacancy...

#### St Mary's.

Ruth Gibbon...07904840744  
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 and a Treasurer. If this is something you would be interested in helping with. Please get in touch. and contact a church warden or Rev. Gillian.



## St. Peter's

### Sidesman

2nd Sunday.... Pam Dunn. 3rd Sunday...Pam Dunn.  
4th Sunday...Pauline Bailey and Sue Dent



If you would like to join the church cleaning team, we would love to hear from you. Just contact us on the dedicated St. Peter's email address.



### 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

scan the QR code and follow the link to make a card donation.

donations can be Gift aided



### 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*