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**April 2015**

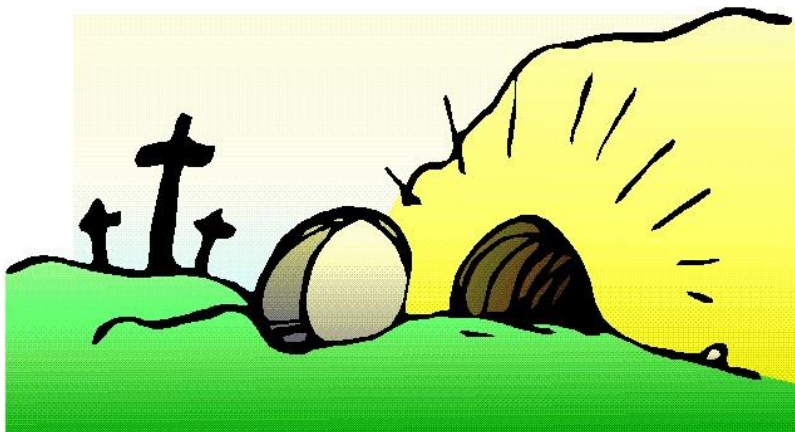
**for the villages of Aldwark, Alne, Flawith,  
Tholthorpe, Tollerton and Youlton**

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*He has Risen!*

*Happy Easter Everyone!*



**Note from the Editor:**

This is your new editor's first edition, so I ask you to please be forgiving. I do want to take this opportunity to show our gratitude to Anne Johnson who has recently stepped down as editor after more than four years at the helm. Thank you for all your hard work.

Copy for May 2015 issue to [news@abchurches.org.uk](mailto:news@abchurches.org.uk) on or before 15 April please. Or by hand or post to The Vicarage, Monk Green House, Main Street Alne, York YO61 1TB.

## **Somewhere over the Rainbow – from despair to elation!**

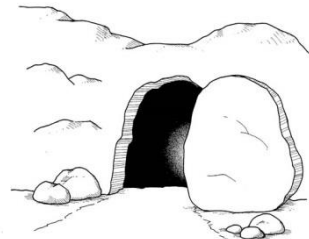
*'Somewhere over the rainbow, skies are blue and the dreams that you dare to dream really do come true'.*

I am sure many of you will be familiar with these words sung by Dorothy in the song from the Wizard of Oz....a song of hope....dreaming of a better world. However, hope is an increasingly scarce commodity today. In our day to day world we are sucked into being more cynical, we are drawn into a dog eat dog battle to survive where looking after number one or our immediate families and friends becomes our priority. *'Life's a ??????? and then you die!'* as one of my colleagues in the sweet factory where I worked before ordination used to say.

The Easter story again is a story of hope – but hope which comes from despair.

On the Friday we see despair - Jesus betrayed by one friend and deserted by the others – tried by a kangaroo court in front of a judge too weak and interested in his own reputation to stand for justice.....On the Saturday there is an emptiness – an overwhelming sense of loss and grief for what might have been.....Then on the Sunday elation – Jesus the crucified one has risen – he has overcome the ultimate enemy of our earthly life – death itself.

If you find yourself becoming over cynical about life remember that the story of Easter is about hope. Hope that the God who created the rainbow, the great creation designer, loves us so much that he decided to live among us as Jesus and show us that the ultimate symptom of despair in this life – death - has been overcome – and that there is another state of living beyond this life, which we call heaven. Despair moves to elation.



Having said this it may be tempting to believe that like the Wizard of Oz, the story of Jesus is fiction – however the story of Easter is true. It is hope and elation discovered by faith. Exercise your faith muscles and have a great Easter!

Rev Chris Park  
Vicar

Join us

**Sunday 26th April**

Meet 4p.m. at

Shipton Community Centre (opposite Shipton Church on A19)

**Family Time**  
**Fun, Faith, Food**

All welcome

Young/Older, married/single, with/without children

*For further information please contact: Rev Anna Lindley 07714 325929*

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# Holy Week



## **Palm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

Walk from Tholthorpe Methodists (10a.m.) to St Mary's Myton (11a.m.) –  
with an All Age Service at Myton

## **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

**7p.m.** – Compline – St Peter's Brafferton

## **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

**9.30a.m.** St Peter's Brafferton - Holy Communion

## **Maundy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

**7p.m.** St Mary's Alne – Foot Washing and Holy Communion

## **Good Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

**10a.m. – 12.00 noon** – Family Workshop – St Peter's Brafferton

**10.30a.m.** St Michael's Tollerton - All Age service

**2p.m.** St Mary's Alne – Final hour at the cross

**2p.m.** St Peter's Brafferton – Final hour at the cross

## **Easter Day 5<sup>th</sup> April**

**9.00 a.m.** St Stephens Aldwark - Holy Communion based on the Book of  
Common Prayer

**10.30 a.m.** St Mary's Alne – Holy Communion

**10.30 a.m.** St Peter's Brafferton – Anglican Holy Communion

**9.00 a.m.** St Mary's Myton – Holy Communion

**10.30 a.m.** St Mary's Thormanby – Holy Communion

**10.30 a.m.** St Michael's Tollerton – All Age Holy Communion

## CONFIRMATION SERVICE

**27<sup>th</sup> September 2015 10.30 a.m.**

We will have a Deanery Confirmation Service at St John's Easingwold on **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2015**. If you have been baptised as a baby and would like to affirm these baptism vows in the confirmation service then please get in touch with Rev Chris Park on 01347 838122 or e-mail [pastaparko@parkfamily.me.uk](mailto:pastaparko@parkfamily.me.uk).

## Youth and Community Bus



The Youth and Community bus is now up and running!! We will be visiting St Peter's School Brafferton on the morning of **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April**. The bus will be open as a place to have a cuppa and a chat after the school drop at 9a.m.-10a.m. We are hoping that this could be a once a month visit, depending on our funding. The bus will also be visiting Myton that evening at 7p.m. for the youth session. If you know of any young people of secondary school age from Myton or surrounding villages, please encourage them to come along to see what we have to offer. There will be games, videos, computer games consoles, tuck shop, etc. so do come and see.

Carmel Gittens

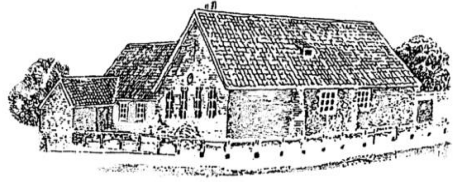
## NEWS FROM ALNE CHURCH

### Coffee Club

Reminder! We continue to hold the Coffee Club at Alne Church on the third Wednesday of each month at 10.30 am. All are welcome to join us!

### Village Hall News and Dates for your Diary:

**AGM April 13<sup>th</sup> at 8p.m.** The village hall is an important community asset looked after by a dedicated group of volunteers. In addition to the ongoing maintenance and running of the hall, we are part way through a major refurbishment project started in 2012. We have many plans and aspirations for the hall but time and money are in short supply. We need more volunteers to help us ensure the hall is there to be enjoyed by present and future generations. Please come along to the AGM to find out how you can help.



*The Village Hall*

**Monthly Coffee Mornings starting Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon.** Come and join us at the first of our new monthly coffee mornings. They will be held in the hall on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday** of each month. Meet some friends, old and new. All welcome.

**Spring Plant Sale. Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 a.m. to 1.00p.m.** This will be a fund raising event for the Village Hall. There will be a good selection of plants to buy supplied by Brown's Nursery. We also hope to sell plants donated by our green fingered friends in the area so please sow a few extra seeds for this excellent cause. Donated plants can be dropped off at the village hall after **3.00p.m. on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May**. Refreshments will be available.

**Ceilidh 26<sup>th</sup> September 2015.** Put the date in your diary now. This ever popular event will be held on **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September**. Don't miss out, tickets will sell like hot cakes. More information will follow shortly. Watch this space and follow us on Facebook.

**Refurbishment Update.** Progress is continuing with the refurbishment of the village hall. We hope to complete major renovation work to the main hall during 2015 - making the Village Hall an even better venue for both community and private events.

We need your help to raise funds for the maintenance and refurbishment of the Village Hall. Please support our fund raising events and let us know what sort of events you would like to attend. Why not organise an event yourself. Send us your ideas at [alnevillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:alnevillagehall@gmail.com) or post an idea on our Facebook page.

Check our webpage on [www.alnevillage.co.uk](http://www.alnevillage.co.uk) for more information on the hall and upcoming events or follow us on Facebook.

## **ALNE WI**

Our February meeting was fun. Pat Huck of Just Hats entertained us with the story of how she became a milliner, the training required and explained the many different techniques employed in hat making. She had brought a gorgeous selection of hats for us to try.

Our March meeting was more serious. Jane Pearce gave an illustrated talk about Denman, the WI college in Oxford. She showed pictures of the lovely Georgian house itself, the modern accommodation blocks, education and craft areas and a state of the art kitchen, with 12 places. She told us of the history of the college from its beginnings when women had so little opportunity to learn, to the present day with dozens of courses on offer. Having whetted our appetites, we then learnt about the different bursaries available - some of us will try this.

There was plenty of news: As part of the centenary celebrations there will be a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace, to which each WI in the country can send one member. The AGM at the Albert Hall will be streamed live to the Galtres Centre. The Picnic in the Park is in July at the Castle Howard arboretum. Our jumble sale is on **April 11<sup>th</sup> 1.30p.m.** in the Village Hall. Our next meeting is on **April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.30p.m.** in the Village Hall, "Cooking outside the Box". If this interests you, why not come as a visitor. Further WI details are on the Village website, or just ask a member!

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## **ALNE WI JUMBLE SALE**

**Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 1.30p.m. onwards**

**In Alne Village Hall**



**Alne Oil Co-operative**  
Founder member of the Lower Swale Syndicate of Oil Co-operatives

In the past year, Tate Fuels of Otley have supplied the members of The Lower Swale Syndicate of Oil Co-operatives with 1.15 million litres of heating oil.

The arrangement is clearly working, so we have agreed a three-year agreement for Tate Fuels to continue as our supplier.

There are improvements to the current arrangements inasmuch as:

- **Improved delivery time:** the order will be delivered within ten working days (emergency next working day deliveries can be made at an additional cost).
- **Shorter Christmas cut-off:** Order any time between 1 January and 30 November — this is to encourage Members to assist Tate Fuels by ordering outside their peak time. Orders placed during December for delivery before the end of the month, will be charged at the prevailing commercial price and delivered according to availability.
- **New service:** Members requiring notification of delivery date can ask to be sent a text message the previous day, so that gates and tanks can be left unlocked.

A minimum delivery of 500 litres is mandated by Weights and Measures legislation. Payment will continue to be made by single Direct Debit payment following delivery.

Finally, the Lower Swale Syndicate has its own domain and Alne Oil Co-operative has a new e-mail address: [alne@swaleoil.org.uk](mailto:alne@swaleoil.org.uk)

Our grateful thanks go to Alne resident, David Mitchell of Forest IT ([www.forestit.co.uk](http://www.forestit.co.uk)), for setting this up for us.

If you live in or around Alne and want to know more about the Alne Heating Oil Co-operative, please e-mail [alne@swaleoil.org.uk](mailto:alne@swaleoil.org.uk) or visit the Alne Village website at: [ww.alnevillage.co.uk/groups\\_oil.html](http://ww.alnevillage.co.uk/groups_oil.html)

Follow us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/AlneOilCooperative](http://www.facebook.com/AlneOilCooperative)





## **Tollerton Children's Outing 2015**

Please note the date for this year's coach outing to Scarborough will take place on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July**.

We have managed to keep the fares the same as in previous years, they are: Tollerton Children Free, Adults £8, Senior Citizens £7, Other Children £4.

Further details can be obtained from Pauline Metcalfe. Tel. 01347 838794.

## **Tollerton Mini Horticultural Show**

Tollerton mini show is recruiting new members to continue the great Tollerton tradition.

After 21 years Sandra has decided to hang up her reigns and we need some new blood to step into the breach. Also Sue will be giving up after several years.

If you have a love of Tollerton Village & want this lovely show to continue with the future generation please volunteer your services to help the mini show blossom.

The money raised stays in the village

- We have a wheelchair for loan.
- Helped with the defibrillator fund.
- Helped to purchase 2 dermatoscopes – these machines help in the early stages to find malignant skin conditions.
- Spirometer.
- Ben Sloper Fund

There will be an extraordinary meeting at the Black Horse, Newton Road, Tollerton, on **8<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at 7.30p.m.** You would be welcome to join us.

## **Tollerton Art Group**

Please come and join this friendly group which meets every Wednesday afternoon 1.30 – 3.30 p.m. in St Michael's Church, Tollerton. Own equipment needed, come along for friendship and encouragement. Please contact Margaret Wray for more details, 01347 838226.

## **Aldwark Race Night**

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2015 saw villagers, neighbours and friends meeting at the Aldwark Arms village pub for an evening of entertainment, social intercourse and great food – all in the cause of fund raising for St Stephen's Church.

The master of ceremonies for the evening was Aldwark Arms' James Wright who did a magnificent job in both crowd control and race management – the former not being an easy task given the adrenalin rush experienced by the crowd!

Aldwark village has welcomed a number of new residents over the last year or so and it was a great opportunity to get to know one another better and promote the already great community spirit – especially when recent newspaper surveys report that, nationwide, only one person in six knows their neighbour's name!

The evening raised a magnificent £662 for St Stephen's church and it makes it all the more gratifying when you consider the competing demands on people's money. The funds will be used primarily to buy a new outdoor bench so that locals and visitors alike can relax and enjoy the serenity of the church grounds and surrounding area.

Thanks to all those who attended and contributed so generously to the good cause. Thanks especially to all at the Aldwark Arms and the Hardisty brothers for hosting the event and for their generous sponsorship. The good food, drink and ambience were a major contribution to the success of the evening. Thanks also to Claire and Andy Follington who made the event happen and coordinated the guests and administration.

## **Opportunities for Prayer**

Every Tuesday at the vicarage in Alne 9.00a.m.

Every Wednesday at Tholthorpe Methodist Chapel 8.45a.m.

## METHODIST SERVICES

The Rev Elizabeth Cushion is the Methodist Minister for the villages around Easingwold. Elizabeth can be contacted on 01347 821460. You are welcome at all of the village services listed below.

Date	Time	Venue	Details
5 Apr	8.00 am 10.30 am	Easingwold Methodist Church	Rev Elizabeth Cushion, Holy Communion
	10.30 am	Huby Methodist Church	Revd Brian Tibbets
	10.30 am	Hustwaite Methodist Church	Mr Ken Hopwood
	3.00 pm	Tholthorpe Methodist Church	Rev Christopher Humble Holy Communion
	6.30 pm	Stillington Methodist Church	Rev Elizabeth Cushion
12 Apr	10.30 am	Raskelf Parish Church	Rev Elizabeth Cushion
	10.30 am	Hustwaite Methodist Church	Revd Graham Haslam
	3.00 pm	Alne Hall	Rev Elizabeth Cushion
	6.30 pm	Stillington Methodist Church	Mrs Lis Johnstone
19 Apr	10.30 am	Brafferton Helperby Church	Mr Ralph Frankland
	10.30 am	Huby Methodist Church	Rev Elizabeth Cushion
	3.00 pm	Tholthorpe Methodist Church	Mr Vic Paylor, Café Worship
	6.30 pm	Stillington Methodist Church	Mr Peter Halls
26 Apr	10.30 am	St Mary's Church Alne	Revd Graham Kidman Holy Communion
	10.30 am	Hustwaite Methodist Church	
	6.30 pm	Stillington Methodist Church	Rev Leslie Newton, Villages Together

**ANGLICAN SERVICES  
APRIL 2015**

**April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Brafferton	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rev Chris Park
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**April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Day**

Aldwark	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rev Chris Park
Alne	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rev Roy Wadsworth
Brafferton	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rev Chris Hawthorn
Myton	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Carmel Gittens
Thormanby	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Carmel Gittens
Tollerton	10.30 a.m.	All Age Communion	Rev Chris Park

**April 12<sup>th</sup>**

Alne	10.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Warden
Brafferton	6.30 p.m.	Compline	Carmel Gittens
Myton	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rev Chris Park
Tollerton	10.30 a.m.	All Age Worship	Rev Chris Park

**April 19<sup>th</sup>**

Aldwark	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Carmel Gittens
Alne	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Carmel Gittens
Brafferton	10.30 a.m.	Methodist HC	R Frankland
Thormanby	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rev Chris Park
Tollerton	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rev Chris Park

**April 26<sup>th</sup>**

Alne	10.30 a.m.	Methodist HC	Rev G Kidman
Brafferton	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Carmel Gittens
Myton	10.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Carmel Gittens
Tollerton	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rev Roy Wadsworth
Tollerton	4.00 p.m.	Family Time	See Notice