**CROSS TALK – the Benefice Magazine**

Dear Friends

# 'Come and See' Mission

The Northern Bishops' Mission to the Diocese of York,

12-15 March 2020

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, ‘Look, here is the Lamb of God!’ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’ They said to him, ‘Rabbi’ (which translated means Teacher), ‘where are you staying?’

He said to them, ‘Come and see.’ *John 1:35-39*

 **‘Come and See’** is an opportunity for us to unite in local mission and evangelism: we pray, we invite, we celebrate and we offer hospitality, all in the power of the Holy Spirit, telling the Good News of Jesus Christ. Archbishop Sentamu, together with the Bishops of the Northern Province and their teams, will be working in our Diocese from Thursday to Sunday, 12-15 March 2020. We anticipate being joined by about 30 Bishops each with a small team of lay people, children and youth workers and clergy. Each Bishop will be allocated to a deanery. In our Deanery of Mowbray, we will be joined by Bishop Paul Bayes (of Liverpool) and Bishop John Flack and their teams.

So what is on offer?

There is a wide variety of things on offer throughout the Deanery. Please see the website comeandsee.uk/events for the full list. Here in our own benefice we have the following *(please note, some of the times are slightly different to what was advertised in the last magazine):*

**Lent Lunch** at Topcliffe Village Hall on Friday 13th from 12.15noon-1.15pm



**Charlie Chuck’s “Guide to the Universe”** at Baldersby St James church

on Friday 13th at 7.30pm

**Open Church** at Skipton-on-Swale church on Saturday 14th March, 10.00-12.00noon



**Messy Church** at Baldersby St James church on Saturday 14th March, 2.00-4.00pm

**Messy Church** at Dalton church on Sunday 15th March, 2.00-4.00pm

There’s something for everyone here. The idea is that these are events that we can *invite people to,* so that together in the name of Christ we can build community and make Christ known in the world; and at the end of each event, that there is an opportunity to invite people to ‘come and hear the next part of the story’.

**What about you? Will you ‘come and see’ for yourself?**

**Will you invite someone to join you and ‘come and see’?**

It is a very heartfelt invitation that I hope you will feel able to respond to.

**With all good wishes, and every blessing,**

**Susanne**

**The Rev’d Susanne Jukes, Vicar (contact details on back page)**

**Don’t forget, details of the parishes, services and events can be found**

**on the various Church websites. Search the internet for**

**‘A Church near you’**

From the Parish Registers

**Baptism**

**1st March Dalton Kathryn Michelle Mitchard-Goodall**

*We are children of the same heavenly Father: we welcome you.*

**Wedding**

*Those whom God has joined together, let no-one put asunder.*

**Funeral**

7th FebruaryBaldersby St James **John Chapman Calvert**

19th February Topcliffe  **Joanne Lawson aged 49**

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace.*

**Service Times and Details**

**Services during March 2020**

**Churches:**

**Topcliffe** – St Columba’s Church, Church Street, Topcliffe YO7 3PA

**BSJ** – St James’ Church, Wide Howe Lane, Baldersby St James YO7 4PU

**Rainton** – Mission Room, Sleights Lane, Rainton YO7 3PH

**Dalton** – St John the Evangelist Church, Dalton YO7 3JA (follow signs to Sessay)

**Skipton** – St John’s Church, just off the A61 by the post-box, Skipton-on-Swale (Skipton Bridge) YO7 4SB

*Page numbers refer to the blue Common Worship Lectionary; we are now in Year A of the three-year cycle of readings. This month we move into Lent, the time of penitence in preparation for Easter. The church wears purple.*

*Order of Service: ‘for Lent’*

**1st March** **Lent 1**

 9.15am Dalton Holy Communion

10.45am BSJ Holy Communion

 6.30pm Topcliffe Evensong for Epiphany (Book of Common Prayer)

***Readings***: *Page 87 Purple*

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 Psalm 32 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11

**3rd March** Tuesday

 7.30pm Skipton Compline

**5th March** Thursday

11.00am Topcliffe Mid-week Communion

**8th March** **Lent 2**

 9.30am **Queen Mary’s School, Baldersby Park**

**Benefice Service of Holy Communion** *no other services this day*

***Readings***: *Page 90 Purple*

Genesis 12:1-4a Psalm 121 Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 John 3:1-17

**10th March** Tuesday

 7.30pm BSJ Compline

**12th March** Thursday

11.00am Topcliffe Mid-week Communion

**15th March Lent 3**

 9.15am BSJ Prayer Breakfast, Rainton

10.45am Topcliffe Holy Communion

 6.30pm Dalton Evensong (Book of Common Prayer)

***Readings***: *Page 93 Purple*

Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 95 Romans 5:1-11 John 4:5-42

**17th March** Tuesday

 7.30pm Topcliffe Compline

**19th March** Thursday

11.00am Topcliffe Mid-week Communion

**22nd March** **Mothering Sunday (Lent 4)**

 9.15am Skipton Holy Communion

10.45am BSJ Holy Communion

10.45am Topcliffe Matins (Book of Common Prayer)

***Readings***: *Page 102 Purple*

1 Samuel 1:20-28 Psalm 127:1-5 Colossians 3:12-17 John 19:25b-27

**24th March** Tuesday

 7.30pm Dalton Compline

**26th March** Thursday

11.00am Topcliffe Mid-week Communion

**29th March Lent 5 (Passion Sunday)**

**10.00am 5th Sunday Benefice Service at Baldersby St James**

***Readings***: *Page 49 Purple*

Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalm 130 Romans 8:6-11 John 11:1-45

**31st March** Tuesday

 7.30pm BSJ Compline

**Services during April 2020**

**Churches:**

**Topcliffe** – St Columba’s Church, Church Street, Topcliffe YO7 3PA

**BSJ** – St James’ Church, Wide Howe Lane, Baldersby St James YO7 4PU

**Rainton** – Mission Room, Sleights Lane, Rainton YO7 3PH

**Dalton** – St John the Evangelist Church, Dalton YO7 3JA (follow signs to Sessay)

**Skipton** – St John’s Church, just off the A61 by the post-box, Skipton-on-Swale (Skipton Bridge) YO7 4SB

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*Order of Service: on Palm Sunday – the one ‘for Lent’*

 *On Easter Day and thereafter – the one for ‘between Easter and Pentecost’*

 **1st April Wednesday**

 2.30pm BSJ Baldersby St James Academy’s Easter Service

 **2nd April** **Thursday**

 9.15am Topcliffe Topcliffe Academy’s Easter Service

11.00am Topcliffe Mid-week Communion

**3rd April** **Friday**

1.15pm BSJ Dishforth School’s Easter Service

**5th April** **PALM SUNDAY *Holy Week begins***

 9.15am Dalton Holy Communion

10.45am BSJ Holy Communion

 6.30pm Topcliffe Evensong for Palm Sunday (Book of Common Prayer)

***Readings***: *Page 110 red*

Liturgy of the Passion: Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11

Passion Narrative according to Matthew

 **9th April MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**11.00am Topcliffe Mid-week Communion**

 **7.30pm Dalton Eucharist of the Last Supper**

**10th April GOOD FRIDAY**

 **2.00pm BSJ An Hour at the Foot of the Cross**

**11th April HOLY SATURDAY**

**7.30pm Topcliffe Easter Vigil**

**12th April** **EASTER DAY**

 **6.00am Dalton Dawn Service of Holy Communion**

 **9.15am Skipton Easter Communion**

**10.45am BSJ Easter Communion**

10.45am Topcliffe Easter Morning Worship *– subject to confirmation*

***Readings***: *Page 164 white*

Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:14-24 Colossians 3:1-4 Matthew 28:1-10

NB *there must always be a reading from the Acts of the Apostles during the Easter season*

**16th April** Thursday

11.00am Topcliffe *no* Mid-week Communion *this week*

**19th April Easter 2**

 9.15am BSJ Prayer Breakfast, Rainton

10.45am Topcliffe Holy Communion *(Susanne’s last service)*

 6.30pm Dalton Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) *(Susanne’s last service)*

***Readings***: *Page 169 white*

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

NB *there must always be a reading from the Acts of the Apostles during the Easter season*

**23rd April** Thursday

10.00am Dalton Consecration of Dalton Churchyard extension *– details subject to confirmation*

11.00am Topcliffe Mid-week Communion

**26th April** **Easter 3**

 9.15am Skipton Holy Communion *(Susanne’s last service)*

10.45am BSJ Holy Communion *(Susanne’s last last service)*

10.45am Topcliffe Matins (Book of Common Prayer)

***Readings***: *Page 173 white*

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-7 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

NB *there must always be a reading from the Acts of the Apostles during the Easter season*

**30th April** Thursday

11.00am Topcliffe Mid-week Service

Compline (Night Prayer)

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*Half an hour of peace and quiet*

*Time to rest in God : Time to reflect*

**7.30pm on Tuesdays during Lent**

 3rd March Skipton church

10th March Baldersby church

 17th March Topcliffe church

24th March Dalton church

31st March Baldersby church

 7th April Skipton church

*All welcome*

**Women’s Faith Group**

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up.’ 1 Thess. 5 v. 11*

In February we reflected on what we could learn about God from Psalm 139. Together we discovered that He knows us completely, knows our past, present and future. God is everywhere, He is creator, He is sovereign and He immeasurable. We talked about the idea that God understands us and we can talk to him anywhere about anything. How amazing is that!

Our next meeting is at

2pm on Thursday 5th March

16 Willow Bridge Lane, Dalton.

*All are welcome.*

Jill Bailey

*For more information, contact Jill on 01845 595925*

LENT LUNCHES

arranged by St Columba’s Church



(Soup, bread, cakes, tea, coffee, etc)

TOPCLIFFE VILLAGE HALL

12.15pm – 1.15pm

Wednesday 4th March, Friday 13th March

Wednesday 18th March, Wednesday 25th March,

Wednesday 1st April

FREE LUNCH

(but donations to the Christian Aid would be welcome, and

we are also collecting dried/tinned foods and toiletries for Thirsk Clock)

*Everyone is welcome to the Lunches*

*Friendly and efficient service by the children of*

*Topcliffe Church of England Primary School*

**Annual Parochial Church Meetings**

These are the annual meetings that each parish has, to elect Church Wardens, hear a report of the last year, and to elect members of the Parochial Church Council for the year ahead. The meetings for elections are then followed by the first meeting of the newly-elected PCC. (They are three separate meetings, but each one is short and they run one after the other.)

Anyone who lives in the parish is eligible to vote for Churchwardens; anyone who is on the Electoral Roll is eligible to stand for election to the PCC and to vote for members of the PCC.

The dates of the meetings this year are:

Dalton Wednesday 18th March 7.00pm in Church

Topcliffe Monday 23rd March 7.30pm in Church

Skipton on Swale Monday 30th March 7.00pm in Church

Baldersby with Dishforth Wednesday 1st April 7.00pm in Church

Those who make reports at the Meeting (Church Wardens, Treasurer, Electoral Roll Officer, Safeguarding Representative, Foundation Governor, Deanery Synod representative) are asked to prepare a short succinct written report on the last year, to be tabled at the Meeting.

Formal notice of the Meetings and Nomination Papers (to be completed and sent to the Vicar *before* the Meeting) will be available shortly via the PCC Secretary or at the back of Church. Please contact me directly if necessary.

Everyone is invited to these meetings. Please do come. The Wardens and PCC Members will have significant opportunity to shape the future of the Benefice in this coming year.

*Susanne Jukes,* Vicar

Mums and Tots

Meeting every Friday 9.30am – 11.00am

Dalton Village Hall

A warm welcome to all – just come along

**Thank you,**

**to Mrs Cameron**

**and the Queen Mary’s School Community**

for hosting us for our

**Benefice Service on 8th March.**

It was lovely to be able to get together for worship, fellowship round the breakfast table, and a walk.

**Thank you**, too, to the **Rev’d Pauline Percy,**

Chaplain at Queen Mary’s, for preaching.