

PEW NEWS

BEDALE BURRILL LEEMING THORNTON WATLASS

11 February –Sunday before Lent

A special welcome to those joining us for worship today. Do spend time after the service talking with people and helping us get to know you either as we take coffee at the back of church or adjourn to Chantry Hall.

Our prayers are asked for Sid Blanchard, Lesley Hall, John Hall, Tom Horner, Anthony Ellis, Margaret Gant, Dora Johnson, Ruby Peacock, Malcolm Peacock, Barbara Pearce, Rebecca Winlo.

R.I.P. Mark Nattrass

Services this week

Bedale Monday 8.30 am Holy Communion – Rev I Robinson

Wednesday 6.30 pm Ash Wednesday Service – Rev I Robinson/Rev S Hanscombe

Thursday 10.00 am Holy Communion – Rev S Hanscombe

Services next Sunday 18 February – Lent 1

Bedale 9.30 am Parish Communion – Rev I Robinson

6.30 pm Evensong with Healing – Rev I Robinson

Thornton Watlass 10.30 am Parish Communion – Rev S Hanscombe

Leeming 11.00 am Morning Prayer – D Collingwood/Linda Collingwood

Visitors If you are visiting and if you are a tax payer, may we invite you to place your donation in a yellow Gift Aid envelope which you will find in each pew or at the back of church.

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Family Work

Michelle thanks everyone for their contributions of materials of all types, the response has been overwhelming and wonderful. They have already come in useful at the new afternoon school club that has been established in Bedale Primary School.

Confirmation Group

Confirmation preparation groups take place at 2:00 on Sunday afternoon in the Rectory. The next meeting will be today.

Tour of Yorkshire

Not long now until 5th May when the Tour of Yorkshire passes through Bedale. We want to make this a very special day and one where the church is at the heart of activities in and around town, offering support and hospitality to everyone. We are hoping to make a fleet of plywood bicycles to mount on the roof for the day, visible both from the park and the air. If you can help with this please speak to Ian or John Pickard. We already have a template and several large sheets of marine plywood.

Message in the Movies

Look at the notice boards for the next two “Message in the Movies” events taking place at St Matthew’s, Leyburn. This is an opportunity to watch a well-known film together with others who are interested in considering how the movies and our faith interact. The next event is on Feb 15th at 7:00 pm.

APCM

The APCM season is rapidly approaching. These will be particularly important for the churches and the benefice as Churchwardens and PCC’s are elected. The churches need to be fully represented as the benefice moves into a time of vacancy as the needs and desires of the benefice are considered for the selection of a new incumbent. The Bedale APCM will now be held on **16th April in Church at 7:00pm** to allow those going on

Andrew's Adventure to join us.

Pilgrim Group

The lunchtime Pilgrim group considering "I turn to Christ" is now meeting at 1:00 pm in the Rectory. The first group will recommence on 13th Feb at 6:00 pm in the Rectory looking at the Bible. It's not too late to come and join a group.

Wensley Deanery Vision 2030

Open Meeting – Saturday 24 February 2018

Newton-le-Willows Village Hall, Station Road, Newton-le-Willows.

Book Club

Our next study book is to be "God Soaked Life, Discovering a Kingdom Spirituality" published in 2017 and written by Chris Webb. We will meet together to discuss this book and explore the themes within it on Thursday February 22nd at 11:00 in the Rectory.

Spring Harvest

Spring Harvest in Harrogate has now announced the release of Day tickets for this exciting Christian event, held for the first time in our area. This is an opportunity to share worship and teaching with hundreds of other believers, a real chance to strengthen and develop your faith. Linda

Lay Conference

The Diocese is organizing a conference for 1700 lay church participants on Saturday June 9th at Harrogate Convention Centre. The aim is to help pursue the vision of *Confident Christians, Growing Churches, Transforming Communities*. All of this within an environment of *Living, Loving and Learning* together as we grow as disciples both Lay and Ordained. Details of what it means to be a delegate will be posted on noticeboards and we are expected to send 4 delegates from Bedale and 2 each from Leeming and Thornton Watlass.

If you think this might be of interest to you then please speak with Ian so that places can be reserved before the end of April.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

St Gregory's Mothers' Union meets tomorrow at 2pm in the Chantry Hall. The speaker will be the Rev. Robin Brown. The subject of his talk is Ash Wednesday. Visitors are very welcome to come and join us.

Shrove Tuesday Tuesday 13th February

The Mothers' Union are conducting their traditional pancake get-together at the Rectory 10 am - 12 noon. Come down and enjoy fellowship friendship and pancakes of your choice. This is open to everyone in the

church. There will be a plate for donations towards the MU, funds suggested at £2.

The annual pancake race behind the Co-op will also be taking place around 10:30 am

Coffee & Chat

The next Saturday morning coffee and chat will be taking place in the lower area of Costa Coffee on Saturday 17th Feb at 10:30 am

Third Monday Group

The 3rd Monday Group meet regularly at 2.00pm at 11 Emgate for bible study, reflection and prayer and we have had many interesting and diverse discussions about scripture. There is room for a few more people to come and share the time with us so if you are interested please do come along to the next meeting which will be on the 19th February, or contact either Margaret Witty or Steve Madsen.

Foodbank News

Hi everyone, this week's list of shortages are: Sugar (small packets), Jellies, Rice, Pudding, Male/Female Deodorant Plus – always in need of strong carrier bags.

We still have plenty of: PASTA, SOUP, BEANS, CEREALS – so none of these please at present

We are in need of more volunteers who would be available on Tuesday mornings, either every week or on a rota basis.

This is at our store in Northallerton and involves sorting into date order new stock and making up some food parcels as standbys.

Please pass the word around and contact us if you or anyone you know is interested.

Many thanks.

Linda and Mike

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