

NOTICES

The Deanery Lent course has had to be cancelled due to the illness of Bishop Noel Jones. Instead there will be a shared course with the Methodist Church in Malton. The theme is **'JESUS: WHO IS THIS MAN?':** *through the eyes of those who knew Him.* Tues. 3rd March **The Pharisees** The Revd Graham Maskery; Thurs. 12th March. **Mary the Mother of Jesus** The Revd Beverley Barclay; Thurs. 19th March **Judas** The Revd Keith Himsworth; Mon. 23rd March **The Crowds** The Revd Peter Bowes; Tues. 31st March **Peter** The Revd Quentin Wilson. 1st 2nd & 5th weeks at Bethel Methodist, Norton, 3rd week at Saville Street Methodist, Malton, 4th at St Michael's Malton. **All Welcome**

Play & Praise, Slingsby Methodist Church, Tuesdays from 1.30 to 3.00pm. Coffee and play time followed by Bible story, singing & instruments and craft. Mums, Dads and carers welcome to bring pre-school babies & children. £1 per family. Details from Louise on 628064.

Term Time Thursdays, 6-7pm, Adventure Club in the Slingsby Chapel Schoolroom, for 4-11 year olds. Drama, role play, Bible stories, singing, games, craft etc. Contact Rachel Prest on 628277.

Youth Adventure Zone, 7.15 to 8.15pm, alternate Thursdays in Slingsby Chapel. For young people in school years 6 to 9. Call Linda or Ruth on 691068.

Nature Notes: The very cold weather at the beginning of February, including snow, brought with it an influx of a variety of winter visiting birds, such as fieldfares, bramblings, siskins, lesser redpoles, golden plovers, waxwings and redwings. Four redwings were seen in the Rev. John Richardson's Coneysthorpe garden in an apple tree; these Northern European thrushes over winter in Britain. A waxwing explosion has occurred in eastern Britain this year, including the Vale of Pickering, when food shortages have occurred in their Arctic habitat. MT 8.2.09. (628620)

Amotherby Parish Planners would like to thank everyone who completed the questionnaire. We had a magnificent response rate, and are now working on the statistics and production of the Plan.

Hovingham Open Gardens 2009. While the gardens are sleeping now - though aconites and snowdrops have already made an appearance - plans for this event this year are starting to come together. The date has been fixed for Sunday, 12th July and we would be grateful to hear from gardeners willing to add their gardens to this year's event. All funds raised will go to the maintenance of our historic village Church. There was considerable expenditure in 2008 but a long list of work remains to be done over the next few years. If you feel you would like to help in any way to support this event and cause please contact Stella or Paul Hobkinson on 628723.

Scackleton Church Lottery: The prize winners for January were: 1st prize: 19; 2nd prize: 5. February winners were: 1st prize: 20; 2nd prize: 5.

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Four parishes	Seven churches	One benefice
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From the Rectory.

Dear Friends,

At a recent Benefice Council meeting, we agreed to carry out a review of our Benefice and its seven churches. A small group will look at such things as attendance figures, income etc, then discuss how our buildings could be better used, and how we might plan our worship and other activities in the future. I'm not sure if the exercise could be described as a 'Lenten discipline', but I trust we will keep Christ at the centre of our deliberations and all we do, remembering that the Church is not ours, but His.

May I also commend to you our shared Lent course starting on 2 March.

With my love and prayers, Beryl

CHURCH SERVICES IN MARCH

Date	Week	Time	Church	Service
01-Mar Lent 1	1	9.00am	Barton	Eucharist
		10.30am	Amotherby	Family Service
		10.30am	Hovingham	Morning Prayer BCP
		10.30am	Slingsby	Morning Prayer BCP
08-Mar Lent 2	2	6.00pm	Coneysthorpe	Evening Prayer
		9.00am	Amotherby	Eucharist
		10.30am	Hovingham	Eucharist BCP
		10.30am	Slingsby Chapel	Family Service
		3.00pm	Scackleton	Eucharist
15-Mar	3	8.00am	Barton	Eucharist

Lent 3		9.00am	Amotherby	Morning Worship
		10.30am	Hovingham	Family Service
		10.30am	Slingsby	Eucharist
22-Mar	4	9.00am	Coneysthorpe	Eucharist
Mothering		10.30am	Amotherby	Mothering Sunday Service
		10.30am	Hov'ham Chapel	Mothering Sunday Service
		10.30am	Slingsby Church	Utd. Mothering Sun. Service
		3.00pm	Scackleton	Evening Prayer
29-Mar	5	10.30am	Slingsby	Benefice Eucharist
Lent 5				

Every Wed at 9.30am Eucharist at All Saints Slingsby and every Thurs at 9.30am Morning Prayer at All Saints Hovingham (following School service in term times at 9.15am - all welcome to this too).

Roman Catholic Mass at 6.30pm Sat & 9.30am Sun at St Leonard's, Malton

Methodist Worship in March

Slingsby		Hovingham	
1 Mar 10.30am	G Sellars S	1 Mar 10.30am	L Stannard T
8 Mar 10.30am	Team F	8 Mar 10.30am	R. King
15 Mar 10.30am	Corner/Taylor	15 Mar 10.30am	F Allison
22 Mar 10.30am	UF @ PC	22 Mar 10.30am	G Sellars U
29 Mar 10.30am	Circuit F	29 Mar 10.30am	Circuit F

Hovingham Sidesmen's Rota:

1 Mar:Mr R Wainwright, Miss E Thompson. **8 Mar:**Mrs D Davies, Mrs M Ross.

15 Mar:Mrs M Lucas, Miss A Goodman.

What's happening in the Street Parishes this month?

23 Feb -8 March. Fair Trade Fortnight. Supporting Fair Trade at home and abroad.

1 March, 10.30am Family Service at Amotherby. The speaker will be the Bishop of Selby, the Rt. Revd. Martin Wallace. Please join us!

3 March, Hovingham Women's Fellowship wishes to extend an open invitation to all those interested in the work of "New Futures in Nepal" to a meeting at 7.30pm. The meeting will take place in the Community Room in the Village Hall. Mr Colin Culley, a trustee of the organisation and former Headteacher of Malton Primary School, will show slides and talk about the work. Charge for visitors is 50p.

3 March, 2.00pm, Slingsby Methodist Church Women's Fellowship meeting at the home of Mrs Dennis. The speakers will be Judith & David Shaw.

6 March, 2.00pm, Interdenominational Women's World Day of Prayer service at St George the Martyr Church, Scackleton. Any person requiring a lift

from Hovingham, please meet outside the Village Hall at 1.35pm. This year's worldwide service has been arranged by Christian Women of Papua, New Guinea. The invited speaker is the Rev Ruth Duck from Easingwold.

10 March, 7.15pm, in the Slingsby Methodist School Room. AGM of the Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association.

12 March, 7.30pm Deanery Synod at the Old Malton Pastoral Centre.

15 March, 7.00pm Churches Together in S. Ryedale, Lenten Meditation: Stations of the Cross at St Leonard's RC Church, Malton. All welcome.

17 March, 2.00pm, Slingsby Methodist Church Women's Fellowship meeting at the home of Mrs Ware. The speaker will be Mrs Veronica Piercy.

18 March, 7.30pm All Saints' Slingsby AGM at Slingsby Village Hall.

23 March, Mon, Parish Hall AGM, 7.30pm at the Parish Hall, Amotherby.

Anyone from Appleton-le-Street, Amotherby, Swinton & Broughton would be very welcome to attend. Plans for refurbishment of the Hall will be on show.

25 March, 7.15pm Amotherby with Appleton AGM at St Helens' Church, Amotherby.

29 March, Sun, & 13 April, Easter Monday - From 9am -Table Top & Car Boot Sales at Parish Hall, Amotherby in aid of Swinton & District Horticultural Society & Hall funds. To book tables (£5 payable on the day) ring Steads (01653 694663),

29 March, Fauré's Requiem 6.30pm at St Michael's Malton. All singers welcome to join a United Choir. Weekly rehearsals begin on Thursday **26 Feb,** 8-9pm in church. Contact Janet Patten 01653 694466 if you intend to sing, or want further details.

31 March, 2.00pm, Slingsby Methodist Church Women's Fellowship meeting at the home of Mrs Dennis. 'Flowers for Easter' with Mrs Honor Prest.

ADVANCE NOTICES

1 April, 7.00pm Barton with Coneysthorpe AGM at Barton Village Hall.

3 April, Fri, 7.30pm - an evening of "Stories, fun & laughter" with local author Andy Seed (Amotherby's answer to Gervaise Phinn) at the Parish Hall, Amotherby. Suitable for all ages. Tickets, £4, from Malton Tourist Information or 01653 690287, or on the door on the night. All proceeds to Hall Restoration fund.

10 April, Good Friday. 9.45 -11.45am. **Children's Activity Morning** at St Helen's Amotherby. Easter Garden-making, crafts, cake-decorating, Egg-hunt, singing and a short service. Adult helpers very welcome.

<p>Street Lent Course shared with local Methodists. This will run for 5 weeks on Monday evenings from 2 March, 7.30pm at Hovingham Village Hall Community Room, and we plan to follow the new 'York' Course, 'Faith, Hope and Love'. The sessions will be repeated on Wednesdays after the 9.30am Communion at Slingsby for those who prefer a day-time meeting.</p>
