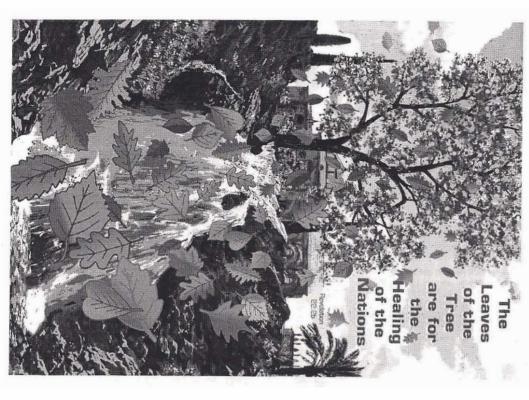
The Parishes of Aldbrough,

Mappleton & Goxhill with Great

Hatfield & Withernwick

August 2015



From the Vicar August 2015

'There is no Planet B' the General Synod of the Church of England were told at their recent meeting in York. 'Battle to save vital road link from the sea' was the headline in the Hornsea Gazette on 16th July, the same day that 2 extremely large explosions were heard as far away as Bridlington as bombs were detonated on Mappleton beach. All as a result of climate change?

A secular report on climate change said that developing a sustainable relationship with nature required 'moral leadership from religious institutions!' Perhaps this is why at General Synod more time was devoted to the issue than any other.

We in this beautiful part of East Yorkshire have every reason to be worried. The trouble is that although we know that climate change is an issue, we have a range of uncertainties for no-one can really predict how the climate will develop. This uncertainty though shouldn't mean that we sit back and do nothing. We are custodians of God's wonderful creation and therefore have a responsibility to act accordingly, by ensuring that we don't overfill the kettle, or that we remember to turn off appliances at night, walk more, use energy efficient light bulbs and only eat produce that is in season. Small steps maybe but these can make a difference.

The Bible does not address global climate change directly. But it does suggest that if we love and serve God and respect his creation he will bless us with 'the early and late rains' so that harvest will be good, while if we turn aside and worship other gods (like cars and status) the land will 'yield not her fruit' (Deut. 11.13-17). This is particularly poignant since August 1st is of course Yorkshire Day but it is also known as Lammas Day (Anglo-Saxon hlaf-mas, "loaf-mass"), the festival of the wheat harvest, and is the first harvest festival of the year. On this day it was customary to bring to church a loaf made from the new crop, which began to be harvested at Lammastide- now there's an idea we could re-introduce!!

The illustration on the front cover this month is a quotation from the book of Revelation and for me it's a reminder that life without trees would be impossible. But it's also a reminder that particularly in this 'holiday' season we need to take time out to rest beneath their shade and to be still in the presence of the Lord. Norma Murrain (a jeweller) wrote this: The blue sky says; "Always Look Up", the Sun says; "Shine," the birds say; "Sing", the

trees say; "be fruitful", the flowers say; "consider the Lilies", The open road ahead says; "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel" The gentle rustle of the wind in the trees says; "Though you can't see My face, you can hear Me, see reflections of Me, feel Me, touch Me and know me though all I create, if you just take the time to be still!"

So whatever you're doing this August may it be one of 'rest in' and 'awareness of' God's wonderful world.

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Have you ever considered the abbreviation A.S.A.P.? Generally, it brings even more hurry and stress into our lives (As Soon As Possible). Yet there is another way to think of A.S.A.P, a way which might help us deal with those difficult times in our daily lives.

When there's work to do, and deadlines to meet, and your colleagues are rushing around, here's what you can do to help: A.S.A.P. – Always Say a Prayer. When your worries mount up and you don't know how you are ever going to cope with what is coming at you: A.S.A.P. – Always Say a Prayer.

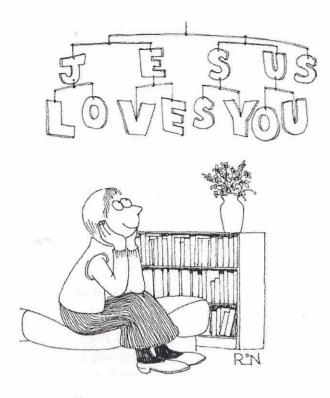
God knows how stressful our lives can be, and He wants to ease our cares. In the Bible He promises to respond to our calls for help. So – call Him! A.S.A.P.!

God can use everything we give him

The story is told of a man in charge of building a great church, who was pestered by an apprentice who wanted to design the glass for one of the windows. Finally, he agreed that the apprentice should be given one very small window. BUT – the apprentice would have to provide all the materials himself.

Undaunted, the apprentice carefully swept up all the stray bits of coloured glass that had been discarded, and set to work. Slowly, and with great care, he pieced together a window of rare beauty. When the church was finally opened, many people stopped to stare in wonder at his small, but so beautiful, iridescent window.

Our lives can be like that - no matter how small we may feel, or that we have only scraps to offer to God, He can still help us to use every bit of time and energy and love we do have, to build a life that is beautiful, and which will reflect the glory of God to others.



Wendy checked the message on her mobile

Prayer to believe and trust

Faithful, loving Father,

Sometimes we lose sight of who you are and what you ask of us. Help us to come back to basics, to see clearly that being in a right relationship with you has nothing to do with our doing good works, and everything to do with receiving the benefits of the good work Jesus has done for us on the Cross. Help us to believe in Him and to put our trust in His perfect, life-saving good work, already completed for our sakes. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

By Daphne Kitching

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

EVENT

DATE

WHERE

Afternoon Tea

Anchorage, Rolston Road, Hornsea 8th August

(home of Mr and Mrs Rhodes)

Gift Day

22nd August Aldbrough Church

Hatfield Fete

29th August Great Hatfield

Salvation Army Band 13th September

Goxhill

Peter Naylor & supper 10th October

Aldbrough Youth Club

Coffee Morning

17th October Hornsea Parish Rooms (Mapp.)

Bird News From Joihn Witty -

I was told there are otters in Hornsea mere by a wildlife friend of mine. Also this year i don't think there are as many house martin and swallows about, but we had a good brood at bempton this year, they left the nest the other day, but kept coming back for a day or two & on Saturday they were all gone. On the cliffs, the puffin are about to go back to sea, there's loads about in big groups so it must be about time for them. Time goes by so quickly now.

I was talking to a gamekeeper at Rise and they have buzzards nesting in the woods. They do no harm at all to the game birds they rear, but might take a weak one or two. A good chap, he likes to see them & will write about something new to do with the birds of prey.

God bless Rev Anne and all who read this regards John

Services in the Benefice for August 2015:

EVERY Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion followed by Coffee: Aldbrough

Sunday August 2nd: Trinity 9

10.30 Parish Communion and Baptisms: Aldbrough Followed by Joint PCC's Meeting

Sunday August 9th: Trinity 10 10.30 Parish Communion: Mappleton

<u>HEALING COMMUNION: Tuesday August 11th</u> 10.30 for 11.00 at 4 Mill Lane, Withernwick

Sunday August 16th: Trinity 11
10.30am Parish Communion: Withernwick

Sunday August 23rd: St Bartholomew/Trinity 12 10.30am Patronal Festival/Parish Communion: Aldbrough

Sunday August 30th: St Giles/Trinity 13

10.30 Patronal Festival/Parish Communion: Goxhill

Sunday September 6th: Trinity 14 10.30 Parish Communion: Aldbrough

President: Revd Sidney Fox

Some miscellaneous, but notable, quotations....

"I'm sorry we're late, we misread the timetables. But there – nobody's infallible." Geoffrey Fisher to Pope John XXIII, Dec 1960, at the first meeting for 500 years between a Pope and an Archbishop of Canterbury.

The longest journey is the journey within. Dag Hammarskjold

Love is the child of freedom, never that of domination. Erich Fromm

It's strange how you can hear a rattle in your car easier than one your head.

The person who never worries may not be smart enough to know what is going on.

Middle Age: when you know your way around, but don't feel like going.

FROM THE REGISTERS:

19th July Aldbrough: Luke Greenhough

Priest in charge Revd Anne White 01964 527230

Churchwardens:

St Bartholomew, Aldbrough

Mrs C. Longstaff (527190)

Mrs K. Moore (527552)

All Saints Mappleton & St Giles Goxhili:

Mr B Rhodes (533954)

Mrs R. Skinner (534580)

St Alban's Withernwick:

Capt. D. Smith (527419)

Mrs Anne Wood (527947)

Recognised Parish Assistant:

Mrs Antoinette Butlin 527438

See your Parish church on the websites;

A Church near you: www.acny.org.uk

Also Diocesan website; www.dioceseofyork.org.uk

Why not try the Aldbrough & Withernwick village websites;

www.withernwickvillage.co.uk www.aldbroughparishcouncil.co.uk

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Items for next Parish News to Paul by 22nd August, please