

Monthly Church Cleaning Rota St Peter's

Dec.... S. Wrightson, Gemma Cameron.

Please text Sue Dent 07867381518 if you are able to help with cleaning.

Church Flowers

22nd December... Anne Ramsden.

If anyone would like to do a flower arrangement in St Peter's please contact...Anne Ramsden 01325 720892

Sidesmen

1st Dec.....	8th Dec.. Helen Haydock
15th Dec.. Pam Dunn	22nd Dec.. Barbara Leggott
25th Dec..	29th Dec.....

If you are unable to attend on this date please arrange for someone else to do your duty.

Permissive Path through Church Yard to River Bank

As the access on the permissive path through the church yard was prohibited on the 13th November due to some outside work, it will no longer be necessary to close the path in January 2020.

News from the Parish

TO ARRANGE: A Wedding first contact:-

Sue Dent, text..07867381518 or Alison Kennedy at -
alisonmkennedy777@gmail.com or text..07918140952

A Funeral or Baptism Please contact a Church warden .

Deadline for notices - please submit by 11th of the month to be included in next months newsletter space permitting. Email to—
m.horseman711@btinternet.com

Roundabout

DECEMBER 2019

St Peter's Church, Croft on Tees

St Mary's Church, Eryholme

Licensed Reader. Mrs Viv Waugh. Tel 720489



Polam Hall Choir



Polam Hall School will again be visiting St. Peter's for their Advent service. On 1st December at 6pm followed by refreshments in the Church. Donations of mince pies would be most welcome.

St Peter's Pastoral Lunch (Please Note)

Due to the General Election being held on the 12th December it has been necessary to change the date of the Christmas Pastoral Lunch to Tuesday 10th December 12 noon in Croft Village Hall.

All home made soups and puddings.

Please come and join us in the spirit of Christmas.

Coffee Morning

Usual 1st Friday of each month 10 to 12 noon in St. Peter's next one being 6th December will have a Christmas flair and a Christmas Hamper to be won in the raffle. Home made quiches and cakes to buy or have with your coffee. So put it in your diary and..

bring your friends.

Nativity on the Farm

Will take place on Tuesday 10th December 6pm. At Grange Farm, Barton Rd. Children are encouraged to come dressed as character's from the Nativity, a lovely evening for families. Refreshments available to purchase.

Thoughts from Viv.

They say that time flies. Well I can hardly believe that we are once again in Advent, counting down days to the celebration of Christ's birth. What if..... we took Christ out of Christmas???? There would be no need to worry about calendars for the children, presents, turkeys, sprouts or crackers, puddings and cakes. Christmas would not happen if it wasn't for Christ. It is His birth we celebrate, His coming to be the light of the world, His presence among us. While on the build up to December 25th, please take time to remember what it's all about. Put the hurly burly to one side and remember that it's not all about trees and tinsel, gifts and spending. It's a time for sharing and caring and remembering what it is all about.

JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

Have a happy and peaceful Christmas time and a blessed year to come.

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The process has started to find a replacement for Jenni. The seven churches in the Benefice are working closely together to provide information to the Diocese to allow an advert to be issued in mid January. In the meantime we hope to keep as closely as possible to our usual service patterns but please check noticeboards etc. for any changes.

Church Wardens

St Peter's

Helen Haydock...720589

Pauline Bailey...720592

Anne Ashworth...07816182840

Edward Cooper

St Mary's

Ruth Gibbon..720109

Alice Shaw..721440

December Church Services.

Venue	1st	8th	15th	22nd	29th
Croft	Advent Polam Hall 6pm	School Candle service 4pm	11am Communion	11am Morning prayer	
Ery- holme			Carol Service 6pm		



Other Services

20th December St. Peter's Carol Service 7pm

25th December St. Peter's Family Worship 10am

25th December St Mary's 11am. Holy Communion.

29th December Barton 10.30 Joint Benefice Communion.

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The Choir

Will be singing Carols in Middleton Lodge on 19th December 6pm if any one would like to join in please contact Viv Waugh.



Don't Forget To book in your diary 27th March 2020 to listen to the Teesside Apollo Male Voice Choir in St Peter's. Booking details later.

November Church Draw results

1st £100 Pat Clark

2nd £75 Henry Turnbull

3rd £50 Steve & Judith Bass

If anyone would prefer to get their Newsletter by email please let Margaret Horseman know. Thank You