

### CHURCH CLEANING ROTA

October S.Buckle. P.Buckley

November...L Glancy.J Robinson

If anyone would like to support the church and help keep it clean especially now we will have kitchen facilities, please contact a member of the PCC so a new rota can be started for 2019 .

### CHURCH FLOWERS

Oct.7th... — Oct.14th...Wedding Oct.21st...— Oct. 28th ...H Haydock

Nov.4th.....P Bailey Nov. 11th..... Armistice Nov. 18th....M.Horseman Nov.25th —

As you can see there are gaps in the flower rota, if anyone would like to volunteer to do an arrangement and keep our church looking beautiful, please put your name on the rota in the church where there is a gap or contact Anne Ramsden.

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### BUILDING WORK AT ST PETER'S

To comply with Public safety regulations and the insurer's conditions, the entire churchyard including the permissive path to the riverbank is Closed to the public until all the work is complete.

Failure by any individual to comply with this closure could put them and their animals at risk.

Services will not be affected as entrance to the Church will be via the South (main) entrance only.

Access to the riverbank can only be made using the permissive footpath on the opposite side of the A167 road from the church and going down by the bridge.

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### Taken place in St. Peter's

#### Baptism

Eric McLeod Cameron.....1st September

#### Marriages

Robert Creighton to Natalie Lawson.....1st September

Craig Bourne to Sharon Braithwaite.....7th September

Robert Asquith to Suzanne Blewitt.....8th September

### **To arrange:-**

A Wedding first contact, Alison Kennedy at -

alisonmkennedy777@gmail.com

A Funeral or Baptism contact Rev. Jenni Lane Tel 01325 377918

**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

## OCTOBER 2018

**St Peter's Church, Croft on Tees**

**St Mary's Church, Eryholme**

Rector. The Reverend Jenni Lane. Tel. 377918

Licensed Reader. Mrs Viv Waugh. Tel 720489



### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Friday 5th October at 10-12 noon in Croft Village Hall.

Cakes stall, raffles and much more.

Coffee and Tea available.

Any donations for this cause gratefully received

Please come and support us.

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### GIN AND CHEESE FESTIVAL FOR THE FAMILY

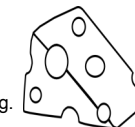
St Peters Church Friday 12th October 6-8pm

Mason's Gin and Shepherds Purse Cheeses..... Children's Activities.

Tickets £10 (to include 3 different Gins or 2 alternative drinks plus cheese sampling.

Children under 16 years of age Free.

Raffle tickets and entry tickets available from Viv Waugh, Sandra Veerman, Anne Norris or PCC members. Proceeds towards new toilet and kitchen block.



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### ALL SOULS SERVICE WEDNESDAY 31ST OCTOBER.

Middleton Tyas Church at 6pm..

A service for all those we have loved and lost. Everyone welcome.

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**Rt. Rev. Dr. Helen-Ann Hartley Bishop of Ripon**, was guest speaker at the 5th Anniversary Celebration of the Village seeds project in St Peter's on the 30th September. The project is a C of E/ Methodist initiative to support the work of the Church in local village schools.

*Pupils from local schools were involved in the service.*

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## Charlie's Column: a view from the life of the Rectory saluki.

I wish I had the faith that the innocence of the young seem to have. Dodger (Eve's jack Russell terrier who can do no wrong in her eyes) now believes that he has a direct hotline to the divine, following an incident with a roast chicken. Said chicken apparently 'flew down' from the kitchen sideboard whilst only he and Samson (Jenni's greyhound who can do no wrong in her eyes) were watching. It was purely down to the fact that things seemed ominously quiet for a few minutes that Jenni, aka the biscuit-buyer actually found the result of the apparent miracle. Dodger spent a good two days looking as if he'd swallowed the chicken whole (which, in essence he had).

Anyway, my point is, that since this incident, Dodger has turned into some kind of born again Jack Russell. He now believes that the power of prayer results in such miracles, and I regularly find him meditating in the garden, whilst considering the squirrel, in an attempt to 'pray' it down from the top of the tree.

'Silly dog', I muttered from my chair, whilst watching Dodger sitting in the rain. 'He's got as much sense as that squirrel, if you ask me. Neither of them have the intelligence to work out that whilst the other one sits there, neither will move.' 'Now, now Charlie, that's a little harsh', came the all too familiar voice of the biscuit-buyer. 'Huh!' I replied, 'Dodger thinks he's within divine favour. He thinks that all his prayers will be answered at the click of a paw! How ridiculous!' 'Charlie', the biscuit-buyer replied. 'When was it you last sat down to pray?' 'Well..... I pray that Bach will lose his voice, and that Dodger will lose his squeaky toy, and that they'll both lose their dog biscuits in my direction.' 'Charlie, when did you last sit down and pray for someone other than yourself?' Well that had me stumped. 'But Dodger isn't praying for anyone but himself', I replied. 'Just that chickens will fly into his mouth bringing squirrels with them'. 'Never mind Dodger' said the biscuit-buyer, 'I'm talking about you.'

I sensed that this was not the end of the matter. I was right. 'Charlie, prayer is a powerful thing. Maybe Dodger hasn't got things quite right with his conversation with God, but at least he's having one, and whilst he's sitting out there in the rain, who knows what God might be saying to Dodger in between the pleas for falling squirrels. It's important to talk to God, and even more important to listen. And we need to remember to thank God for the good things and the gifts we've been given – I bet Dodger remembered to say thank you when he'd finished scoffing chicken. And anyway, look on the positive side, whilst Dodger sits in the rain praying, we've all been granted a little peace and quiet. Wouldn't you say that that's a miracle in itself?

## Charlie

**September Church Draw** this month was won by:-

£100 Ian Bagshaw  
£75 Harry and Margaret Brown  
£50 Albert and Jean Walker

**Have you bought your "Brick"?**

Coming soon a Lego Church!!

## October Church Services.

Venue	<u>7th</u>	<u>14th</u>	<u>21st</u>	<u>28th</u>	
Croft	8am Holy Communion	11am Harvest	11am Holy Communion	11am Morning Prayer	
Ery-holme	11am Holy Communion		6pm Evening Prayer		

### **Other Services.**

Cleasby.. Harvest 5th October 7pm

Middleton Tyas...Harvest 7th October 9.30 am

Manfield..Harvest 21st October 4pm

Barton...Harvest 12th October 6pm

***If anyone would like to help decorate St Peter's for the Harvest service on the 14th please contact Anne Ramsden for details.***

**Armistice Day** Sunday 11th November

**Service in St Peter's Croft starts at 10.50am ... followed by a service at the Airman's Memorial in Dalton on Tees at 12 noon.**

**Later, on Dalton on Tees village green, a beacon will be lit at 7pm to signify the end of the First World War. (this is a Nation Wide event)**

### **St Peter's Pastoral Care Lunches**

**Next Lunch** ...November 15th ...Croft Village Hall 12noon.

**Future Dates** December 13th-Christmas Lunch. **(please note date.)**

We then start Monthly lunches for the winter.

17th January 2019.....21st February 2019...21st March 2019

**Then we return to alternate months.**

Please come and join us, home made soup and lots of delicious puds. If you can help the team in any way please contact Viv Waugh.

**£300 has been donated to St Peter's church from monies raised at the lunches.**