

ST. BRANDON'S CHURCH

BRANCEPETH



NEWSLETTER: February 2018

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Sue Morgan.

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March Newsletter entries - no later than February 20th

Please send to Sue Morgan - sueatpeppermires@gmail.com

Dear Friends,

This month's introductory letter takes a slightly different format, because we're taking the opportunity to tell you a little about the process for the appointment of a new vicar for St Brandon's (technically, a new 'incumbent') and about how things will be organised in the parish during the vacancy.

As many of you will know, Rick's position with us was part time, and was combined with a teaching post that had him working with newly trained clergy both in Durham diocese and in the Diocese of Newcastle. The senior staff of the two dioceses have decided that they probably won't be able to carry on with this arrangement, so they're looking instead at what is called a 'house for duty' arrangement. 'House for duty' means that, instead of having a vicar paid in the normal way, a member of the clergy is provided with free housing in the rectory in return for fulfilling the duties of the incumbent – which normally means Sunday duties and an average of one additional day per week. That's roughly the same as the proportion of Rick's time that was dedicated to St Brandon's. 'House for duty' posts can sometimes be filled by retired clergy, but they are as often occupied by people who have a part-time job elsewhere (perhaps in the diocese, perhaps in a church education role, or perhaps something else entirely). The net effect could therefore be very similar to Rick's post – someone who combines the parish role with another role – even if the way it is funded is very different. We don't yet know for certain what the arrangement will be, but we will keep you informed as plans develop.

Since the beginning of November, a small group from the congregation have been working to put together a parish profile. This tells prospective applicants something about what the parish is like – not just the church and its worship, but also the local community and our links with the wider area. The profile draft has been approved by the PCC and a copy is now available on the noticeboard in the church, for anybody who would like to read it. It has also been submitted to our Archdeacon for his comment. Once it is put up on the diocesan website with details of the vacancy, we will include a copy on our own website.

There isn't a set timetable for church appointments, so we don't yet know how long it will be until we have a new incumbent in post. In the meantime, services will continue to be led by Alison Hobbs, Fiona Eltringham and Geoff Moore, and we are enormously grateful for their commitment when the additional burden will be extensive. We expect that they will, from time to time, be supported by other clergy from within the diocese.

Steve Hodgson is the Lay Chair of the PCC, so will be responsible for all PCC meetings during the vacancy, as well as the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Questions about baptisms, weddings, funerals and interment of ashes, and any matters relating to churchyard monuments should be addressed to Alison Hobbs (3789670). Church bookings are the responsibility of Jean Hodgson (3780289). All other enquiries should be directed to me (5974675) in the first instance, and I will do my best to follow them up accordingly.

In our last PCC meeting, Rick reminded us how St Paul told the Corinthians that different human leaders may come and plant a seed or water it, but it is God who makes that seed grow. So we look forward to a new year where growth may come in unexpected ways, but we trust God that it will nevertheless come.

Best wishes,

Hester (on behalf of the church wardens and the PCC)

Church enquiries

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For church bookings, please contact Jean Hodgson (3780289)

For all other enquiries, please contact Hester Higton (5974675)

Rick and Rachel's Farewell(s) – Thank You

Dear Friends,

We would like to thank you all so much for the amazing weekend of farewells that we were treated to on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th January.

We turned up at the Village Hall on Saturday evening having simply been told to come at 7.15 and be dressed smart-casual. We had no idea that the hall had been prepared for a full sit-down three-course meal, with a live band! We walked into a room crammed with friends from village and church, younger and older, some of whom had come a long way for the occasion, and we were really quite overwhelmed. We know that many people made this happen, but that it was masterminded by Josie Armstrong, with Jo Dalton as her right-hand woman; that Jill Dickinson catered; and that Jim and Jean Merrington provided sparkling wine. George Gibbons compered warmly, while Barry Dickinson spoke in his own inimitable style, and said outrageously nice things about us (the cheque's in the post, Barry); Martin Peacock performed a poem with a very moving message. We are aware that many others helped prepare, set up and clear up – thank you, *all*, very much.

As for the entertainment, I could not have enjoyed anything more than a Beatles tribute band (I'm a sad, sad man, with a full boxed set of every single Beatles album – on vinyl, of *course* ...), and everyone did us proud by joining us on the dance floor. We had a great night.

Sunday morning found us in church, as usual ... except it was unusual too: many people made a particular point of coming, so we were a large congregation. I found preaching about our shared calling to follow Christ – as our paths in doing that now part – an emotional rollercoaster, but I just about made it through to the privilege of leading us in renewing our baptismal promises. A number of the church's leaders and young people then prayed a beautiful blessing for us; it was especially moving to have the young people involved in that.

After the service, Geoff Moore spoke to us both with such kindness, and the choir sang us a somewhat re-written hymn, about ... us! Hester

Higton – on behalf of the congregation – then showered lovely gifts on us. We'd assumed that the previous night's party had been the gift, but we were handed numerous generous presents as well, including vouchers for Ronnie Scott's jazz club in London, a beautiful large-scale photo of the church, elegant candle-sticks, and a cheque also; thank you, very much, to all who contributed. And after that there was a lunch, provided by everyone there, with time to talk and say our farewells. It was a great occasion, and we left feeling so, so thankful, and again rather overwhelmed by everyone's kindness and generosity ...

... but we were back at 3.00 p.m. for our last Messy Church! This was – as ever – a great time. But even *here* we were given a moving send-off, with a multi-page card with messages from MC members (in their bestest hand-writing, bless them), and of a beautiful framed picture incorporating the finger-prints of all our young Messy Church friends, around a Bible-verse in a heart shape. The children go with us in our hearts too as we move on.

Leaving Brancepeth and St Brandon's was always going to be very hard indeed for us. As we tried to say at each of these occasions, we have been made so welcome in the village and the church, have loved being part of everything here, have made such good friends, and had so much fun – we are just hugely thankful. Leaving seems a very silly idea indeed ... except that we came here as part of the journey that God has led us on, as we have tried to follow Christ – aren't we lucky (or perhaps blessed; perhaps both) that he brought us *here*? – and now we leave for the same reason, as we feel called on to a new challenge. But still, leaving here is, indeed, very hard: thank you so much to all involved for the wonderful farewell weekend that has brought us so much happiness alongside the sadness of leaving, and has given us even more precious memories of Brancepeth and St Brandon's.

We'll look forward to all the times our paths will cross in the future: we'll see you around, and you'll be in our prayers; please hold us in yours.

For now, with our thanks, love and very best wishes,

Rick and Rachel

**Rick's Installation as Archdeacon of Auckland,
3.30 pm, 11th February, Durham Cathedral**

My installation as Archdeacon of Auckland will take place in a service on February 11th. I'm never sure about the idea of being "installed"; it does make one sound rather like a dishwasher. However, that really is what it's called ... so please do come to it anyway!

The service is taking place within Choral Evensong in the Cathedral on Sunday 11th February, at 3.30 pm. Anyone who would like to come is most welcome, and please do. (At this stage I'm not sure if I'm going to be able to organise refreshments afterwards – it's a little complicated, partly because some other people are being installed into Cathedral canonries at the same service. If this does prove possible, I'll let you know in due course. If not, my apologies in advance!)

The Cathedral have reserved a block of seats for all parishioners who've signed up in advance but you can still just turn up on the day. The Cathedral won't run out of seats but you might just be a bit further back.

Rick Simpson

CAROL SINGING RAISED £593.70

There is a long-standing tradition in Brancepeth village that a carol-singing band goes round the village on the two evenings before Christmas, with donations being made to a nominated charity or charities. This year it was decided to collect jointly for our local Salvation Army mission and for Durham City of Sanctuary; each charity received £296.87. Congratulations to all who sang, gave, and refreshed the carol singers, it is much appreciated.

Lieutenant Lorna White, Corps Officer for The Salvation Army, Langley Moor Corps writes:

Thank you so much for your support again this year, it is appreciated so much.

The kind generosity of you all makes such a huge difference to the families in this area.

Can you please pass our thanks to all involved.

Wishing you all the best for 2018.

God bless

Lorna

St. Brandon's February 2018 – services and readings

4th Feb. 2nd before Lent Parish Eucharist - 10.15

Readings: First:	John Roberts	Proverbs 8. 1, 22-31
Second:	Tom Hobbs	Colossians 1: 15-20
Gospel:		John 1. 1-14
	Wilfred Foxe	Intercessions

11th Feb., Sun. before Lent Parish Eucharist – 10.15

Readings: First:	Ulrike Hobbs	2 Kings 2: 1–12
Second:	James Morgan	2 Corinthians 4: 3–6
Gospel:		Mark 9. 2–9
	Geoff Moore	Intercessions

Wed. 14th Feb. Ash Wednesday Eucharist – 7.30 pm

Readings: First:	Hester Higton	Joel 2:1–2, 12–17
Gospel:		Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

18th Feb., Lent 1 Parish Eucharist – 10.15

Readings: First:	Mike Higton	Genesis 9. 8–17
Second:	Wilfred Foxe	1 Peter 3. 18–end
Gospel:		Mark 1. 9–15
	Ulli Hobbs	Intercessions

25th Feb., Lent 2 Parish Eucharist – 10.15

Readings: First:	Martin Peacock	Genesis 17. 1–7, 15–16
Second:	Janette Foxe	Romans 4:13–end
Gospel:		Mark 8:31–end
	Geoff Knott	Intercessions

4th March, Lent 3 Parish Eucharist – 10.15

Readings: First:	Carolyn Knott	Exodus 20:1–17
Second:	David Eltringham	1 Corinthians 1:18–25
Gospel:		John 2:13–22

	<u>Sidespersons</u>	<u>Servers</u>
Feb 4 th	Jean Merrington & Hester Higton	Jonny
Feb 11 th	Maud Oliver & Iris Waggott	Tom Higton
Feb 14 th	Steve Hodgson	Martin
(Ash Wednesday)		
Feb 18 th	Sally & Robert Scott-Biggs	Bridget
Feb 25 th	Pat Sharples & David Eltringham	Jonny
Mar 4 th	Bianca Allen & Myrleen Stewart	Tom Hobbs

	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Coffee</u>
Jan 7 th	Denise Jackson	Alison Moore
Jan 14 th	Sarah Nicholson	Evelyn Aitken
Jan 21 st	Iris Waggott	Norma Taylor
Jan 28 th	Lynne Hastie	Sue Morgan
Feb 4 th	Christine Dodd	Jeanette Metcalfe
Feb 11 th	Jean Hodgson	Alison Moore
Feb 18 th	1 st Lent	Evelyn Aitken
Feb 25 th	2 nd Lent	Norma Taylor
Mar 4 th	3 rd Lent	Sue Morgan

Church Cleaning

February: *Carol Beeby*, Jenny Marr, Jean Robinson.

Sarah Nicholson, Norma Taylor.

March: *Bill Curry*, Anne Elliott, Isabel Rae,
Martin Peacock.

VESTRY REPORT: funerals; baptisms and weddings

31st December 2017, the baptism of Zac Jamie Routledge, son of Geoffrey and Kate Routledge.

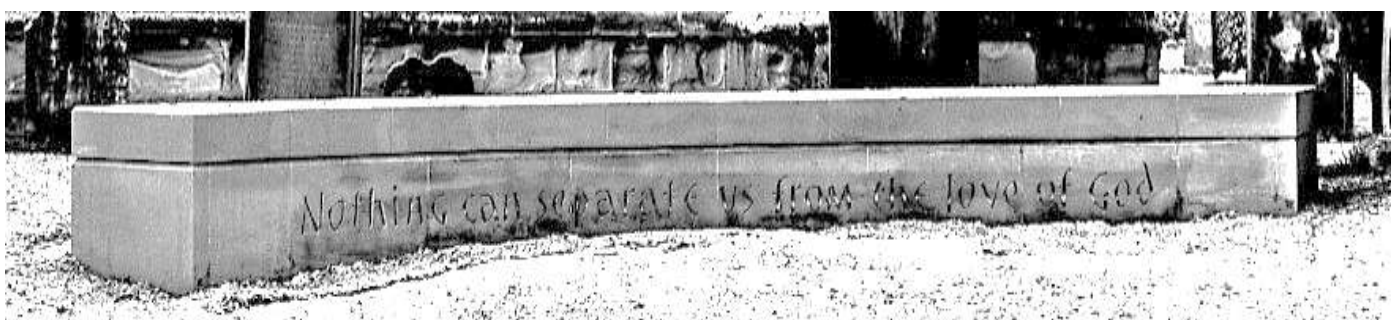
Circle of Remembrance, St Brandon's Churchyard - update

As we wrote in the September newsletter, the churchyard's facilities had reached capacity, and in order to continue to be able to inter ashes in Brancepeth, the church has constructed a Circle of Remembrance in the churchyard, beyond the East Window of the church. The work was completed in late 2017 and the Circle of Remembrance was dedicated at a special service on 7 January so it is now available for use. We hope that this will provide a suitable place for all those who live in the village or who have a connection to Brancepeth to pay their respects to those no longer with us.

Thanks to the generosity of several donors, we are well on the way to being able to fund this project, and we would like to thank those who have given funds already. However, we are still looking to raise the final £7,000 to cover the balance of the costs associated with the stonework, carving and installation. If you would like to contribute towards this, please complete the sheet inserted in the newsletter and return it to Geoff Knott, the church treasurer (and if you are able to Gift Aid your donation, please complete the details on the back of the sheet).

For any further information about the project or about burials at St Brandon's please contact our Associate Minister, Alison Hobbs, our Authorised Pastoral Assistant, Deborah Hodge or either of the Churchwardens, Hester Higton and James Morgan.

James Morgan; on behalf of the PCC.



PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING DIARY February 2018

You are invited to use this diary and share in the prayers offered daily in church.

- 1 Bring to God the unspoken words of our hearts.
- 2 Candlemas – Pray that God's Light may shine increasingly in this dark world.
- 3 Scipton, Peppermires, Holywell and East Parks area.
- 4 Give thanks that despite our failings God's love remains steadfast.**
- 5 Goodwell Lea.
- 6 Give thanks and pray for our Queen on the 66th anniversary of her accession.
- 7 Pray for members of our community who are ill, or feel neglected at this time.
- 8 The Rectory, Thornberry Garth, Hoppy Acres, Rectory Cottages and Constable Meadows.
- 9 Pray for our vision to be broadened, our insight deepened, and our perception sharpened.
- 10 Foxes Row and Russell Close.
- 11 We hold Rick in our prayers today on his installation as Archdeacon of Auckland.**
- 12 Church members outside the parish.
- 13 Quarry Hill, the Cottages and the Goodwell Field area.
- 14 Ash Wednesday – May we have a meaningful Lent, matched by renewed commitment to God's service.
- 15 Littlewhite Farm, the Cottages and Morley Farm.
- 16 May our faith be woven into our everyday living.
- 17 Oakenshaw Road area.
- 18 1st Sunday of Lent – Amid the demands of our daily duties, teach us Lord to make time for you.**
- 19 Village north of crossroads, Station House and Railway Cottages.

- 20 Pray for those who are victimised because of their faith.
- 21 Durham Road and the Forge.
- 22 Pray for children damaged or abused by those they once trusted.
- 23 Pray to do more of God's will and less of our own.
- 24 Wooley Grange, High Wooley, Weather Hill, South Brandon and Brawns Den.

25 2nd Sunday of Lent – May we fasten our thoughts on Jesus, so we can stand firm in faith whatever temptations we may face.

- 26 Village South, the Castle, and Lodge. The Bothy, Golf Club, Park Lodge, Nursery and Garden houses.

- 27 May we prayerfully and humbly examine ourselves this Lent.

- 28 Stockley Grove, Bridge Lane and Whitworth Lane.

For March requests please contact Alison Moore (0191 373 5674).

***Do you know anyone who, for any reason, would appreciate prayer,
a visit, or perhaps to receive communion at home
Please tell Deborah Hodge, Authorised Pastoral Assistant, and she
will get in touch. 01388 745455***

If you would welcome a short time of Christian worship with friends and neighbours, we would love to see you.

You are invited to join us for a small and friendly home Eucharist service at 5 Russell Close

Tuesday 13th Feb 2018 at 11:00am

Tuesday 6th Mar 2018 at 11:00am

Tuesday 3rd April 2018 at 11:00am





DH7 LENT COURSE

‘On the Third Day’

The DH7 Lent Course ‘On the Third Day’ will be running at St Andrews Brandon for five sessions

Friday 23 February 2pm – 3pm

Friday 2 March 2pm – 3pm

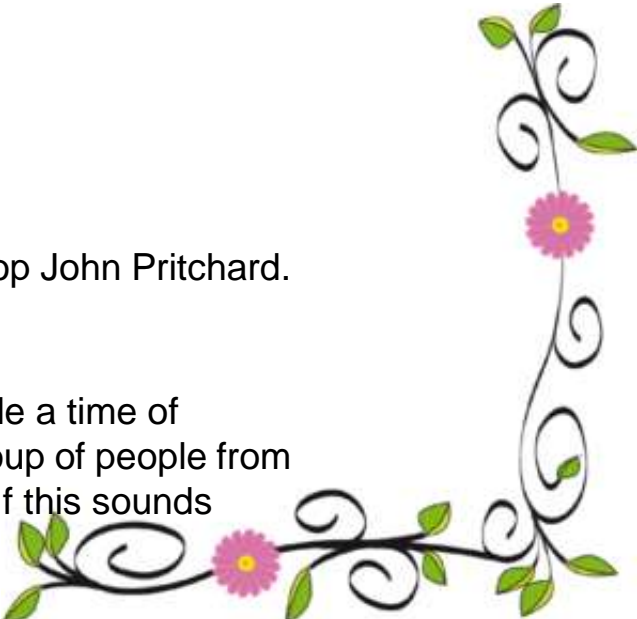
Friday 9 March 2pm - 3pm

Friday 16 March 2pm – 3pm

Friday 23 March 2pm - 3pm

The course has been written by Bishop John Pritchard.

Each week a different leader will guide a time of informal discussion with a friendly group of people from different churches around our area. If this sounds appealing please give it a try!



For more information contact Myrleen Stewart 0191 378 0862



February 25th
‘Gratitude’

3-5pm
IN CHURCH.

All ages welcome

**We love to see new faces & guarantee you a warm and friendly
welcome & tons of fun!**

Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult

<http://www.messychurch.org.uk/church/st-brandons-messy-church>



Sunday mornings

10.15am

St. Brandon's Church

During Eucharist Service

Every Sunday throughout February (including half term)

Suitable for school age children

Bible stories, crafts, games

Leaders fully DBS checked.

Opportunity for children to worship informally with or without their grown ups, then re-join for the end of the Eucharist service.

Wriggly church area in Neville Chapel available for pre-schoolers to enjoy with their grown-ups.

Speaker relay to overhear Eucharist Service

Wednesday Coffee Morning Village Hall 10.30 – 11.45

All are very welcome – plus family & friends, any age!

Feb	7 th	Jean & Jim Merrington
Feb	14 th	Joan Taylor & Janiece Spence
Feb	21 st	Christine Jones & Rob Waggott
Feb	28 th	Sheena Murray & Linda Larnach
Mar	7 th	Evelyn Aitken & Bill Currie
Mar	14 th	Deborah & Bob Chapman
Mar	21 st	Pat Allatt & Joan Taylor
Mar	28 th	Jean & Jim Merrington
April	4 th	Joan Taylor & Janiece Spence

If your turn is unsuitable please swap with someone else. Josie Armstrong, or Pat Allatt may be able to help. Please let your partner know: -

Pat Allatt 3780454

Linda Larnach 375 7554.

Stewart Allen 3780871

Rob Waggott 3783592

Evelyn Aitken 3789908

Vivienne Lowe 3780974

Josie Armstrong 01388 748902

Jean Merrington 3780952

Deborah Chapman 3781409

Sheena Murray 378 1097

Bill Currie 3783414

Janiece Spence 4356357

Christine Jones 3789297

Joan Taylor 3783630

Brancepeth Youth Club

Sunday club nights are from 6.00 – 8.00pm in the Village Hall

All young people in the Village (and beyond, and their friends) are warmly welcome.

The age range is from 11 to 17 years inclusive.

February – March 2018

Dates for this term are:

4th February

4th March

18th February

18th March

Leaders

Geoff Moore

373 5674

Martin Peacock

07503242074

Sam Wilkes, Jonny Dobson, Tom and Alison Hobbs will also be helping to lead.



BCA Cinema Club

We now have a DVD library in the village hall for the use of members, this is located in the committee room cabinet. There are no limits on loans but members are asked to note dates of loan in the book provided and to return the DVDs to the cabinet.

“Lawrence of Arabia” was enjoyed by 20 members in January. The Tuesday matinee proved not to be popular as only 2 members turned up so for February and March we will stay with WEDNESDAY film night.

February 7th 7.30pm “Les Miserables”

March 7th 7.30pm “Lost in Translation”



St Brandon's Church Flower Guild - AGM

**The Annual General Meeting will take place on Friday 9th February, 2pm at the Golf Club.
New members welcome.**

GARDEN CLUB

Future events for 2018.

Spring Show and AGM Wed. 18 April.

Walkabout Friday 29 June

Annual Show 22 September

Visit to Hall's of Heddon – postponed from 2017, 5 October.

Further events in later newsletters.



**BRANCEPETH ARCHIVES AND HISTORY
GROUP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
WILL BE HELD ON
TUESDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2018
IN BRANCEPETH VILLAGE HALL
at 7.00 p.m.**

The Meeting is open to members (who will be entitled to vote) and to those interested in joining. Membership for the year is £5.00 per person and is due for renewal at this time.

The AGM will be followed by the Archives Annual Social evening. Party food and drinks will be available.

The DVD of the St. Brandon Flower Festival and the film of the fire at St. Brandon's Church in September 1998 and the rebuilding of the church over the following few years will be showing during the evening.

Some items from the Archives records will also be on display.

NEW YEAR'S DAY, CHEESE & CHAT at the Castle was as enjoyable as ever, though an unusually small gathering. Nonetheless, it raised £155 for the Children's Society and £28 for Send A Cow. Thank you for all who joined us.

Alison Hobbs

Book Club

The next book club meeting will be Friday 2 March at Rosemary and Mark Monument's home, 7 Goodwell Lea, usual time 7.30 p.m. The book for discussion is The Keeper of Lost things by Ruth Hogan. Hope to see you there.

Val Gibbons



Lads' Curry & Games Night
Friday 9th February 2018, 7pm

Village Hall

Main course plus sides...(bring own drinks)

Tickets £10

Contact Peter Aitken: 0191 378 9908
(first come first served basis - limited to 12 –
surplus proceeds to BCA)

Brancepeth Community Association (BCA)

NOTICE of Annual General Meeting

Thursday 22nd March 2018, 7.30pm Village
Hall

To receive the Chair's report of the year. To receive the annual financial accounts. To elect officers of Brancepeth Community Association. (nominations will be taken up to the start of the meeting for Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Chair of Social Committee.) Any resolutions must be with the Secretary one week beforehand.

'100 Club' Aug 2017 to July 2018

There are still a few people who have not paid for their numbers. Please pop through letter box at 2 Foxes Row with your name on the envelope (cheques to be made out to Brancepeth Community Association

December Draw

£20...No. 51...L.Cotton £10... No. 81...E Staines £5...No.24...L. Larnach
Christmas Bonus....No.74... D. Chapman

January Draw

£20...No 95 – Gillian Rae £10...No94 – D. Leigh-Jones £5...No 49 – J Wilkes

Harrogate Spring Flower Show

Thursday, 26th April

Will anyone interested in going please give names to Allee Longstaff - 3780707 or Peter Aitken – 3789908. Cost will be about £35 as the tickets are included at a reduced price. If there are sufficient numbers there can be a further reduction and also, if it is the same as previous years, anyone unable to go can reclaim the ticket cost. Names are needed by the end of February and money by the end of March. Cheques to be made out to Mrs W A Longstaff.

'What Marie Antoinette Wore to the Guillotine.....'

Do you remember the 'Tudor Fashion Show'? Julia will be back to give us her new show so please put it in your diaries.

Village Hall, Friday evening, 18th May

BRANCEPETH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME IS HERE AGAIN!

Subscriptions for 2018 are due from 1 January. ***Rates remain the same for the 10th year running!***

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	£15
ADULTS	£ 7.50
IN RECEIPT OF STATE PENSION	£5.00

Collectors will be calling to issue cards and take subscriptions but if you prefer, or think you may have been missed, please contact Joan Taylor at 5 The Village or 378 3630 who will be happy to take your money and issue cards.

Annual subscriptions are a significant part of Community Association income. Your membership helps to ensure that the village hall is maintained as an attractive centre for the village activities for which Brancepeth is well known. Subscriptions also support the social, recreational and educational events organised by the committee and various clubs in the village. Additionally members enjoy reduced admission charges to many events and are able to hire items of equipment from the hall.

If you pay income tax and have previously signed a **Gift Aid** form, thank you. You don't need to complete another one. If you are a new member, or have not previously completed a form and would like the association to be able to reclaim the tax on your subscription, please ask your collector for a form. Please return completed forms to Joan Taylor at 5 The Village. Forms can also be collected from Joan. Thank you.

GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP

CINEMA CLUB MEMBERSHIP

As in previous years, collectors will also have membership cards for the Garden and Cinema Clubs. If you wish to renew your membership of, or to join either or both, please pay your collector who will issue cards.

Annual subscriptions also remain the same as last year.

GARDEN CLUB £2.50
Child £1

CINEMA CLUB Adult £3

Thank you. If you have any suggestions or questions relating to the BCA or associated clubs please contact any committee member listed in the newsletter.

Dates for the Diary:-

Feb	5 th	12 th	19 th	26 th	Monday	Snooker Club
Feb	5 th	12 th	19 th	26 th	Monday	Yoga
Feb	6 th	20 th			Tuesday	Knit & Natter
Feb	<i>Check dates with Jean</i>				Tuesday	Choir
Feb	7 th	14 th	21 st	28 th	Wed	Exercise Class
Feb	7 th	14 th	21 st	28 th	Wed	Coffee Morning
Feb	7 th	14 th	21 st	28 th	Wed	Art Class
Feb	1 st	8 th	15 th	22 nd	Thursday	Badminton
Feb	4 th	18 th			Sunday	Youth Club

Please confirm dates with leaders

Feb	6 th	Tue	AGM Brancepeth Archives & History Group. 7.00pm VH
Feb	7 th	Wed	Cinema Club, 'Les Miserables'. 7.30pm – Village Hall
Feb	9 th	Fri	Lad's Curry & Games Night, 7.00pm – Village Hall
Feb	11 th	Sun	Installation of the Rev'd Rick Simpson as Archdeacon of Auckland at Durham Cathedral Evensong – 3.30pm
Feb	25 th	Sun	Messy Church. 3pm-5pm, Church
March	2 nd	Fri	Book Club, 7.30pm -7 Goodwell Lea.
March	7 th	Wed	Cinema Club, 'Lost in Translation'. 7.30pm – V H
March	22 nd	Thurs	BCA, AGM. 7.30pm – Village Hall
April	18 th	Wed	Garden Club AGM & Spring Show
April	26 th	Thurs	Harrogate Spring Flower Show Trip
May	18 th	Fri	Fashion Show – Village Hall
June	29 th	Fri	Garden Club Walkabout
Sept	22 nd	Sat	Garden Club Annual Show
Oct	5 th	Fri	Garden Club visit to Hall's of Heddon

Village Hall: please contact Geraldine Jennings –

gerryjennings5@googlemail.com or tel. 3781583

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Back cover ©Mike Higton– Rick & Rachel receiving leaving gifts at their last service in church on January 14th 2018

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Brancepeth Community Association - Management Committee

George Gibbons	<i>Chairman</i>	Phil Davison	<i>Building coordinator</i>
John Morgan	<i>Vice chairman</i>	Alison Hobbs	<i>Church</i>
Peter Aitken	<i>Secretary</i>	Geraldine Jennings	<i>Bookings</i>
Margot Harrison	<i>Treasurer</i>	Joan Taylor	<i>Subscription</i>
Jo Dalton	<i>Social Events</i>	Rosemary Monument	<i>Choir</i>
James Dalton	<i>IT</i>	Joan Taylor	<i>Wednesday Coffee</i>

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Treasurer	Margot Harrison, Downsgarth (3784813)
Membership	Vivienne Lowe, 17 The Village (3780974)
Hall Bookings	Geraldine Jennings, 5 Goodwell Lea (3781583)
Archives & History	Vivienne Lowe, 17 The Village (3780974)
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Book Club	Val Gibbons (3784200)
Choir	Jean Merrington (3780952)
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Flower Guild	Jessie Brown (3782748)
Garden Club	Barry Dickinson (3782398)
Snooker Bookings	Geraldine Jennings (3781583)
Wednesday Coffee	Joan Taylor (3783630)
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