## St Brandon's Church, Brancepeth Newsletter: November 2020



Also online at: www.stbrandon.org.uk/newsletter

## Introducing our two new ordinands.

Matt and Grace will be joining St Brandon's on placement until Easter 2021



#### Matt Gaze

Hello, I'm Matt, I'm a 1st year ordinand training at Cranmer Hall in Durham. Originally I'm from sunny Norfolk however I was sent here to train by Suffolk diocese. I've already had the pleasure of talking to some of you and now I'm really excited to be serving with all of you at St Brandon's in the coming months. Particularly though I am looking forward to helping and serving with leading the service and preaching but also helping with prayer and even the tech.

## **Grace Hart**

Hello! I'm Grace and I was born in Wigan. We moved around a fair bit when I was younger (my siblings and I were all born in different parts of the country!) whilst my dad was training to be a vicar, until we settled near Chester where I spent most of my childhood and teenage years. I'm so thrilled to be joining your church and already have a sense of the strong faith you have just from visiting last Sunday. And what a beautiful building too!



#### **Parochial Church Council**

Priest in Charge Rev'd Anna Brooker (3780578) or

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rev.sabine@durham.anglican.org

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Richard Gooding, Alison Hobbs (ex officio), Tom Hobbs, Martin

Peacock, Sally Scott-Biggs.

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Steve Hodgson, Robert Scott-Biggs, Edward Staines.

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**December** Newsletter entries – no later than <u>November 18th</u> Please send to Sue Morgan – sueatpeppermires@gmail.com

#### **Hello Everyone!**

Sometimes I wish I was a Hindu goddess, the kind with four or more arms: it would give so much more scope when I'm trying to work out which hand I use for what. Working out how not to cross-contaminate on the simplest manoeuvres is hard work; I can't imagine how front line workers manage. But how people cope, and what effect Covid is having on them varies hugely. People in seemingly similar situations experience life very differently: how good or bad life is for any individual person is not readily predictable from their circumstances, as far as I can see. I have no proof that it is linked to their outlook on life but I suspect that comes into it, and I've only a little proof that it might be linked to an active faith in God but I'm certain that contributes to resilience and well-being. So, apart from the handy multi-hands, I'm really glad to be a Christian, particularly in these present times.

A phrase that's been much in my head recently is 'God goes before'. You might picture that like a tug boat that helps the tanker get to harbour, sometime it feels like that. The main way I'm experiencing it is one of finding the miscellany of things I've learnt, or acquired, or achieved become the required ingredients for some new plan or opportunity, as if these unrelated episodes were actually a big jigsaw puzzle that God knew he was building and I suddenly get a glimpse of the picture, or at least, one completed corner.

I've continued to now in something of a self-imposed lockdown, it does feel safer for a CEV category person but it's been no hardship because there has been so much activity at the castle the last few months. Because of the work we put in to get a Heritage England (HE) grant in 2017, and because we had gone ahead with a pre-Covid roofing job as soon as we could re-start in June, we found we were in one of those rare and fortunate positions of having everything stacked in our favour for being awarded another substantial grant from HE's Heritage Stimulus Fund (part of government's Cultural Recovery Fund) for further roofing work this winter. This is aimed at renovating and securing the roof and huge lantern skylight over the Grand Staircase and Reception Hall (aka Ballroom) for the next hundred plus years - many of you will be able to picture this area from craft fairs and events.

Do you know the story of the prophet Jeremiah buying a field in the doomed city, under siege by the sword, famine and plague? (*Chapter 32*) The point being that it was a seemingly stupid time to invest and sow, but it became a beacon of confidence in God's promise of rebuilding and renewal, saying, "I will never stop doing good to them". So it is in that mode that Ulli invests in her cafe seamstress business in the Gatehouse, opening in the face of closures. And the Archives Group look to invest energy and commitment – but I'll let them tell their own story. And the former basement Bakehouse gets lit up for the first time in fifty years ready for renovation and re-purposing as a community Arts space – more of that anon.

I tell you of these things not to blow our own trumpet but to bring another perspective: Covid is not good but having to do things differently is not necessarily bad, and looking for God in all of it is definitely good: Good News is alive and well!

## St Brandon's November 2020 - readings

**All morning services are 'blended':** you can join in via Zoom or come to church. In all cases, everyone is welcome!

In addition to the services below, each day Monday – Friday,

Morning Prayer is shared in church and online at 8.15am

and there is a Midday Eucharist from Brancepeth Castle at 12noon.

Thursday Evening Prayer continues fortnightly online services.

Online service invitations are sent via NAVIGATOR, St Brandon's email link.

Please phone or email for further details

Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Nov All Saints Parish Eucharist 10.15am

Readings: First: Peter Cook Revelation 7: 9-end

Gospel: Robert Scott-Biggs Matthew 5: 1-2

Edward Staines Intercessions

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov All Souls Evening Service 7.00pm

8<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Sunday Eucharist 10.15am

Readings: First: Richard Devonshire 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Gospel: James Morgan Matthew 25: 1-13

Alison Moore Intercessions

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Online evening Prayer 7.30pm

Sun 15<sup>th</sup> 2 before Advent Parish Eucharist 10.15am

Readings: First: Ulli Hobbs 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Gospel: Hester Higton Matthew 25: 14-30

Sally Scott-Biggs Intercessions

Messy Church, online via Zoom, 4pm

Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Christ the King Parish Eucharist 10.15am

Readings: First: Mike Higton Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24

Gospel: Wilfred Foxe Matthew 25: 31-end

Geoff Moore Intercessions

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Online evening Prayer 7.30pm

Sun 29th Advent Sunday Parish Eucharist 10.15am

Readings: First: Janette Foxe Isaiah 64: 1-9

Gospel: Anne Allen Mark 13: 24-end

Wilfred Foxe Intercessions

Sun 6th Dec Advent 2

Readings: First: Ken Howe Isaiah 40: 1-11

Gospel: Caroline Middleditch Mark 1: 1-8

Richard Gooding Intercessions

Please DO NOT attend if you or anyone in your household is unwell, has COVID-19 symptoms or is self-isolating.

Please DO wear a face covering when attending services in the church building.

THANK YOU

<u>Sidesperso</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	
Nov 1 <sup>st</sup>	Fiona & David Eltringham & Joan Nesbitt	Sue Knight
Nov 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sally & Robert Scott-Biggs & Bonny Bainbridge	Nick Brooker
Nov 15 <sup>th</sup>	Joan Nesbitt, Nick Brooker & Jane Stout	Geraldine Jennings
Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Fiona & David Eltringham & Sue Morgan	Lynne Hastie
Nov 29 <sup>th</sup>	Peter & Jayne Cook & Caroline Middleditch	Guild (Advent Greening)
Dec 6 <sup>th</sup>	Sally & Robert Scott-Biggs & Bonny Bainbridge	Advent 2

Do you know anyone who, for any reason, would appreciate a prayer or a friendly chat?

Please tell Alison Moore of the Prayer Team 0191 373 5674/07890 733757.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** Please text to this dedicated number: 07598 600571 and your prayer requests will be included in our regular Friday morning service. Normally we would have been inviting you to leave a prayer on the altar, so this is the safe alternative!

## The Children's Society Boxes

I am now opening the boxes so if you have one please would you contact me re collection. Thank you.

Fiona Eltringham 01388 74605

### Remembrance Sunday 8th November

Remembrance Sunday will be especially significant this year, and different in many ways. The Church of England has been working closely with the government to provide guidelines about what will be possible. At the time of writing, we expect to be able to hold our usual Remembrance Sunday service at 10.15am, with the Act of Remembrance at 11am and the celebration of Holy Communion after this. For children, there will be a specially prepared session making poppies.



What will be different is that only those laying wreaths are permitted to gather at the Memorial Cross in the churchyard: everyone else will stay in the church, but be able to watch the wreath-laying on the screen. The two minutes' silence will be observed both at the Cross and inside, then we will conclude the Act of Remembrance together, inside church.

Those attending St Brandon's will have the opportunity to pay their respects at the Cross as they leave, whilst maintaining 2m distancing, and the whole service will be blended as usual so that all who are joining via Zoom can take part at home. Zoom details are available via St Brandon's NAVIGATOR email: please contact us to receive this if you do not already do so.

### **Christmas is Coming!**

We're busy praying and planning for how to celebrate Christmas 2020. There will be a Carol Service, an online Christingle and the usual Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services, but they will look a bit different.

Thanks to all we have learned this year about using technology in worship, much will be possible, but sadly some of our dearly-held traditions may have to be set aside this year if health guidelines at the time dictate. Watch this space!



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' in the Castle Chapel and/or on zoom as Covid regulations permit.

Tuesdays 3 & 17 Nov 2020 at 11:00 Tuesdays 1 & 15 Dec 2020 at 11:00

For more information, and the zoom link, please email <u>alison@brancepethcastle.org.uk</u>

#### PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING DIARY NOVEMBER 2020

You are invited to use this diary to share in our daily prayers 'Human words may inspire but only God's Word can feed us' Anon

- 1 ALL SAINTS May we pause, reflect and thank God for the Holy men and women both past and present who have inspired so many
- **2** ALL SOULS As we mourn the loss of loved ones, we hold on to the assurance of God's eternal kingdom
- 3 Oakenshaw Road area
- 4 Scripton, Peppermires, Holywell and East Parks areas
- 5 Pray for the strength to be forgiving and the patience to be understanding
- 6 Pray and give thanks for the efforts of those researching a Covid vaccine
- 7 The Rectory, Thornberry Garth, Hoppy Acres, Rectory Cottages and Constable Meadows
- 8 REMEMBRANCE We recall the stark realities of war, giving thanks for the freedom we enjoy but never forgetting the cost to so many
- 9 Foxes Row, Russell Close and North Field View
- **10** Pray and give thanks for all working in healthcare and offering such selfless dedication
- 11 Church members outside the parish
- 12 Pray for those worried about future employment and financial concerns
- 13 May we come to God with empty hands but an open heart
- 14 Goodwell Lea
- 15 2<sup>nd</sup> BEFORE ADVENT Pray for God's blessing and empowering on all preaching or leading worship today
- 16 Quarry Hill, the Cottages and Goodwell Field area
- 17 Pray and give thanks for those in our police and security forces
- **18** Littlewhite Farm, the Cottages and Morley Farm
- 19 Pray for all responsible for the momentous decisions concerning this Nation's future
- **20** Give thanks and pray for Barnabas Aid who support and educate displaced Christians worldwide
- **21** The Village North, Station House and Railway Cottages
- 22 CHRIST THE KING Give thanks for the King of Glory who reigns supreme in a kingdom of justice, love and lasting peace
- 23 Durham Road and The Forge
- **24** Pray for those suffering illness, their carers, families and friends
- 25 Wooley Grange, High Wooley, Spring Farm, Weather Hill, South Brandon, Brawns Den
- **26** Pray for church leaders in China in the midst of government hostility towards Christians
- 27 Pray for all fearful of the future in circumstances beyond their control
- **28** Village South, Castle and Lodge, The Bothy, Golf Club, Park Lodge, Nursery and Garden Houses
- 29 ADVENT May we gain a fresh sense of expectation and focus on what is central to this season
- **30** Stockley Grove, Tanglewood, Bridge Road, Whitworth Lane and Black House For December entries please contact Alison Moore 0191 373 5674

## **All Souls Day Service**

There will be a service for commemoration of the departed in **church** at 7pm on Monday  $2^{nd}$  November with the reading of names and lighting of candles. All are welcome. (*Please wear a mask*)

There will also be an online **Zoom** service at the same time, hosted from the castle chapel. Names will be read and candle lit.

Meeting ID: 750 448 9089

Passcode: 123456789 (Facility to telephone in)

#### A link will be included in the Navigator

If you would like a name read please let Deborah Hodge know:

By text 07791 241 608

By email deborah.hodge@hotmail.com

By phone 01388 745455

## A Retirement thank you from Jean Hodgson

I'm writing to thank Anna, the members of the PCC and the wider church congregation for the very kind and thoughtful gifts you gave me to mark my retirement from the roles of sacristan and events organiser at St.Brandon's. However, in some ways the gifts are superfluous as I feel I should be thanking you for the opportunities they have provided. It has been an honour and a privilege for me to have been able to work in God's service in this way. In the 25 years I have been sacristan, from the days before the fire, through the years of using the village hall, and then following the joyful days of returning to the church, I consider myself to have been so lucky to be part of an amazing team of dedicated and committed people who were always so supportive and ready to help each other - and share a laugh together!



....And when I retired from full time work in 2009 and offered to take on the role of events organiser, little did I know how much pleasure it would bring me. Meeting so many interesting people: talented musicians, harmonious choirs, faithful people from so many different churches - people on planning days, quiet days, retreats, PCC away days and pilgrimages - history groups, organ groups and even people wanting to use the quiet space for recordings. I have always felt that to give a warm welcome to anyone coming into the church was a vital part of what we were offering, and it was an easy task with the very beautiful facilities we offer. Once again to be fortunate to have a team around who were happy to help in the preparations, help on the day and do the clearing up jollied things along perfectly!

Thank you so much....and best wishes – Jean.

## Brancepeth Youth Club

#### November-December 2020

We're going to continue meeting weekly by Zoom for the time being, 6.00-7.30pm on Sundays. All young people in the Village (and beyond, and their friends) are warmly welcome. The age range is from 11 to 17 years inclusive.

If you haven't yet joined one of the Zoom meetings and would like to, then please phone or email Geoff for details.

Leaders

Geoff Moore 373 5674 <u>durmoores@btinternet.com</u>

Martin Peacock 07503 242074

Jonny Dobson, Sabine Tenge-Heslop, Tom Hobbs and Alison Hobbs will also be helping to lead.

## **Sunday School**

Sunday School meets every week in the Neville Chapel (with suitable Covid Safe measures in Place)

Nov 1st	Martin Peacock and Jeanette Metcalfe	
Nov 8 <sup>th</sup>	Martin and Carol Beeby	
Nov 15 <sup>th</sup>	Martin and Sabine Tenge- Heslop	
Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Martin and Alison Moore	
Nov 29 <sup>th</sup>	Martin and Jeanette	



Messy Church online 4pm Sunday 15th November

Theme: 'Jesus brings Life'

The session will be held via Zoom and advertised in the Navigator and on the church Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/StBrandons/">https://www.facebook.com/StBrandons/</a>

Details will be sent by email to regular attenders

## St Brandon's needs your help

St Brandon's runs entirely on generosity.

Everything we do is made possible by the generosity of a large family of volunteers. They give their time, their skills, and their love to our services on Sundays and on special occasions, all the other events we put on, the care and support we offer around the community, the venue we provide for community events, the production of this newsletter, and more.

It also takes money to keep all this going.

- It costs more than £1,000 a week to keep St Brandon's open, and sustain our life together.
- We depend entirely upon donations, and on the money we raise ourselves.
- We don't get any financial support from the diocese, the national church, or the government.

We are currently running at a substantial loss – and have been doing for some time. If things don't change, we will run out of money completely in three or four years.

We are doing everything we can to resolve this. We have examined every line of our expenditure, and cut costs wherever we can. We have received generous pledges of support from members of the community. Despite some of our normal sources of income drying up during the pandemic, we have cut our deficit in half since the beginning of the year.

There is, however, further to go.

## Please consider giving generously.

There are three main ways you can give.

- (1) You can set up a **regular payment** by standing order.
- (2) You can make a **one-off donation** online.
- (3) Or you can **raise money for us for free!** You can sign up for the 'easyfundraising' service, so that when you shop online, the companies you buy from will donate to St Brandon's *at no extra cost to you*.

Details of all of these are available on our website at <a href="http://www.stbrandon.org.uk/give/">http://www.stbrandon.org.uk/give/</a>

Or, for more information, contact the church treasurer, Mike Higton, on mike.higton@durham.ac.uk or 0191 597 4675.

## BRANCEPETH ARCHIVES AND HISTORY GROUP

Like so many other groups and activities in the village, the Archives are missing the social contact with friends and are rather frustrated about having to postpone plans for events, talks and exhibitions. However, despite all the current restrictions, we are still working on plans for the Archive Room in the Castle, have purchased a computer to be based there, and are acquiring basic furniture to compliment the 19<sup>th</sup> century Boyne bookcases that Tom Hobbs has been lovingly restoring over the past few months.

We haven't been totally idle in that we have one new publication

### **BROWNEY POINTS**

---- the way
to Maurice Chevalier's success



The story of the fascinating links between the First World War, the village of Browney Colliery, a schoolteacher and an international mega-star.

Researched and written by Tom Fox.

available. This recalls life in Browney
Colliery during World War One, and the
link between a schoolteacher at Browney
School and the world famous entertainer,
Maurice Chevalier. It's available from the
Archives (ring Vivienne Lowe on 378 0974)
priced at £2.00.

If anyone is thinking as far ahead as Christmas (what a dreadful thought!),please remember that the Archives has a selection of village Christmas cards for sale, as well as a range of publications that make useful Christmas gifts that can be

posted quite easily. Most of these can be seen on the Community Association website brancepethcommunityassociation.btck.co.uk Scroll down to "About us, hall user groups and past events" and you will find the Archives and History Group information and publications. All of these are available from Vivienne Lowe.

## Brancepeth Community Association

## presents

## Christmas Show 2020



## .....save the date - Saturday 5th December 6.30pm

Whilst we wont be treading the boards at The Village Hall this year we definitely wont be missing out on a fun evening.

We are having a live Zoom Christmas Show

There will be a few new sketches to watch and Peter Burdess is kindly compiling footage from previous village shows for us to enjoy - so we want your requests of favourite acts from previous years.

We will have a live raffle of a splendid Christmas Hamper - and you can create your own interval snacks at home

Please submit any requests to me by 20th November (and if possible the year it took place) and we will dig into the archives which we will do our best to show

Rosemary Monument

mwmonument@gmail.com. tel. 0191 378 0456

#### FRIENDS OF THE FIELD

We have come together out of a shared concern to keep the Field (off Wolsingham Road in Brancepeth and previously known as the Cricket Field) open for all residents in the village to enjoy. It is the only site in the village where children, dog walkers and people of all ages can play, walk, run, converse or congregate safely.

Those who witnessed the fun many had during the extended school holidays will have realised what a valuable asset it is to us all. Keep fit, badminton and ball games were played to the full and remind us that the village is starting to become "younger" again. As such it is a precious resource and one that should be passed on to our children, grandchildren and those who have still to come to live in the village after us. In the best Brancepeth traditions, therefore, we propose to form a group called **Friends of the Field** the main purpose of which will be to ensure security of the area now and to create new ideas of how it can be maintained and more widely used.

If you would like to join the group, please complete the form overleaf. We plan to call a meeting – probably it will have to be a Zoom meeting, given the virus – in the near future to discuss forming the group and possible futures for the Field.

Personal details will be held securely, will only be used for this purpose and will not be shared with any third party.

With all good wishes

Arnab Basu and Beatrijs Muylaert Frank and Mary Coffield Richard Jackson Mark and Rosemary Monument Sheena and Jim Murray

#### **FRIENDS OF THE FIELD**

I would like to become a member of Friends of the Field and I am willing to be contacted about this group.
Signed:
Full name (please print):
Address:
Email address:
Phone number:
Suggestions concerning the present or future use of the Field:
How would you like to participate in this venture: (eg organising events, raising funds, delivering leaflets, general support etc.)
Once you have completed the form, please put in through the letter box of any of the householders named overleaf, whichever is most convenient.



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You are warmly welcome to come down to my German style café in the castle gatehouse, I am offering takeaway only at the moment due to restrictions. (There is some seating outside available for those resting legs after a long walk.) Serving a range from German cakes to warming seasonal soup with fresh bread. We are excited to offer locally roasted speciality beans from Durham Coffee. Alongside I am running my tailoring shop, if you have any clothes that require alterations or you fancy something bespoke look no further. So pop your head in to a quiet local for a muffled natter and see what catches your fancy through steamed glasses! Ulli

### **Book Club**

The book to read in November is, 'Where the Crawdads Sing' by Delia Owens. Set in the swamp lands of the American south east coast, it's a coming of age / crime story with a strong environmental message.

The meeting will be on Friday November 20th most probably on Zoom but, if possible, in the Village Hall.

Our December date is Friday 18th December when we will be discussing

'The Help Line' by Katherine Collette. All welcome. Val Gibbons

### Cinema Club

Due to current COVID-19 Tier 2 restrictions we are unable to go ahead with Cinema Club until further notice. Any changes will be published in the newsletter but please call Joan 0191 378 3630 if you have any queries.

Joan Taylor

## **Dates for the Diary:-**

Nov	15 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	Messy Church, 4.00pm, Zoom
Nov	20 <sup>th</sup>	Fri	Book Club, 7.30pm, Zoom or Village Hall
Dec	18th	Fri	Book Club, 7.30pm, Zoom or Village Hall

#### **Photos**

Front cover ©Elizabeth Metcalfe – War Memorial

Inside front cover © Matt Gaze and Grace Hart – Introducing our new ordinands

Back cover - ©Ella Kenna-Dawe- Churchyard gate into the Castle grounds.

Ella (age 11) has caption for this picture – 'A very little key will open a very heavy door.'

Inside back cover - © Pippa Hobbs – Advertisement for Pippa's new business

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## **Brancepeth Community Association - Management Committee**

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Coffee & Cinema Club

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Badminton Peter Hodge, (01388 745455)

Brancepeth Allotment Sue Morgan, Carole Reed & Liz Burdess

& Leisure Gardeners' Club baacommittee3@gmail.com

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Flower Guild Jessie Brown (3782748)
Garden Club Barry Dickinson (3782398)
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**Parish Council** 

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Ian Stoker (3784986)

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www.brancepeth-parish-council.org

# Pippa Hobbs Art

Hi everyone,

Most of you probably remember me as that girl who ran around in a tiger costume. Well it's been a long time since then and I'm still thinking of you all. As some of you might know I have always been passionate about art and I have finally taken the first steps and opened my own small business.

Most of my art is inspired by story books and animals I've tried to put together a collection that would appeal to people of all ages and I'm always working to add more.

I'd really appreciate it if you could check out my store online at:

https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/PippaHobbsArt, if you just want to take a look at my art you can find me on Facebook and Instagram by searching 'Pippa Hobbs Art.'

Thank you for all the love and support and I look forward to seeing you all again as soon as possible,

Pippa Hobbs.





