St Brandon's Church

Brancepeth



Newsletter: July / August 2022

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Choral Evensong

at St Brandon's



St Brandon's Church Brancepeth Durham Diocese

Sunday 24th July, 5pm

tea served from 4:15pm

This is a Come and Sing event – everyone is welcome to join the Choir!



Rehearsal for singers begins 1pm in church All are invited – no previous experience needed

> More details from Richard Gooding: richard@courante-music.com

Parochial Church Council

| Parochial Church Counc | | | |
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| Priest in Charge | Rev'd Anna Brooker (3780578) or | | |
| | <u>rector@stbrandon.org.uk</u> or <u>anna.brooker@durham</u> .ac.uk | | |
| Associate Minister | Rev'd. Alison Hobbs (3789670) <u>alison@brancepethcastle.org.uk</u> | | |
| Lay Reader | Geoff Moore – co-opted member of P.C.C. (3735674) | | |
| Church Wardens: | David Eltringham (07779938611) | | |
| | James Morgan (4476520) | | |
| Secretary | Carol Beeby (3847431), (07592 975002) | | |
| Treasurer | Mike Higton – co-opted member of P.C.C. (5974675) | | |
| Deanery Synod | Caroline Middleditch (378 1400) | | |
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| Other members:- | | | |
| Janette Fox | (e) (07587 225 200) Steve Hodgson (3780289) | | |
| Tom Hobbs | (07857437860) Ken Howe (07710098705, 0191-3840589) | | |
| Jean Hodgs | son (3780289) Sue Morgan (3781172) | | |
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| Prayer Team | Amy Gooding (07753606115), Alison Hobbs (378 9670), Deborah | | |
| | Hodge (01388 745455), Sue Hope, Alison Moore (373 5674), | | |
| | Myrleen Stewart (378 0862). | | |
| Sunday School | Martin Peacock (07503242074) | | |
| Messy Church | Rev'd Anna Brooker | | |
| Organist | Richard Hird | | |
| Music Co-ordinator | Richard Gooding | | |
| Sacristans | Carol Beeby (3847431), | | |
| | Valeria Dietz, Lucy Hodge (07891867181). | | |
| Safeguarding Officer | Geoff Moore (3735674) | | |
| Events coordinator | Janette Foxe <u>events@stbrandon.org.uk</u> . | | |
| Flower Guild | Lynne Hastie (3781871) | | |
| Churchyard | Edward Staines (3780858) | | |
| Youth Club | Geoff Moore (3735674), Martin Peacock (07503242074) | | |
| Worship Team | Rev'd Anna Brooker, Janette Foxe, Richard Gooding, Hester Higton, | | |
| | Rev'd Alison Hobbs, Geoff Moore, Sue Morgan. | | |
| SMD Team: | Anna Brooker (ex-officio), Carys Funnell, | | |
| | Richard Gooding, Alison Hobbs (ex officio), Tom Hobbs, Martin | | |
| | Peacock. | | |
| Fabric: | James Morgan (chair), Alison Hobbs, Tom Hobbs, | | |
| | Steve Hodgson, Edward Staines. | | |
| Website ` | www.stbrandon.org.uk | | |
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Newsletter entries no later than August 18th please.

Please send to Sue Morgan – <u>sueatpeppermires@gmail.com</u>

The scaffolding recently erected around the east end of St Brandon's heralds our long-awaited stonework project, repairing damage to ancient walls to ensure they last for more centuries to come. We are very grateful for the grants which will pay for much of this work, along with a significant portion funded by the church itself. In November we plan a Jazz Evening which will help towards this, as well as celebrating a notable birthday, so please save the date, 5th November,

and look out for ticket details in future editions.

It's often said that 'the church' is the people, not the building: true, but here at St Brandon's I think it is both! We take seriously our duty to care for the beautiful fabric of St Brandon's, not in the way one would look after a historic monument, but for the benefit of all who come here - to a place of peace and refreshment open for visitors 365 days a year, to an inspiring space for music and creative displays, to the centre for worship on Sundays and other seasonal occasions.

It is *also* our responsibility is to care for all the people of this parish, young and old, long-term residents or newly arrived, whether or not they attend church services, and whatever links them to the church.

The apostle Peter wrote in one of his letters that Christians are 'living stones' built into a 'living temple', our lives held and joined together by God. Human being thrive best in community, when the mortar of God's love bonds those stones, when neighbours look out for each other, strangers become friends, no one is overlooked or isolated.

As we watch the stonework being repaired this summer, may we also pay attention to our community and relationships, allowing God's love to hold us together and build us up.

With all good wishes *Anna* Anna Brooker Priest in Charge, St Brandon's Church.

St Brandon's July- August 2022– Services and readings

Sunday services are at 10:15am every week. If you are unable to join in person, you are welcome to join online, or to view the recording later, at <u>https://www.facebook.com/StBrandons</u>

In addition to the services below, each day Monday – Friday, **Morning Prayer** is shared online at **8.15am** and there is a **Midday Eucharist** from Brancepeth Castle at **12noon**. **Evening Prayer is held fortnightly in July on Thursdays at 7:30pm** via Zoom. Everyone is welcome, please contact Geoff Moore or Anna

| July 3 rd | Trinity 4 | Parish Eucharist 10.15am | |
|-----------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Readings: | First: Gospel: Psalm 66: 1-8 | David Eltringham Jean Hodgson | Galatians 6:1-16 Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20 |
| | | Geoff Moore | Intercessions |
| Thurs 7 th | Thurs 7 th Evening Prayer via Zoom 7.30pm | | |
| July 10 th | Trinity 5 | Parish Eucharist 10.15am | |
| Readings: | First: Gospel: Psalm 25: 1-10 | Nick Brooker Jean Merrington | Deuteronomy 30: 9-14 Luke 10: 25-37 |
| | 1 30111 23. 1 10 | Richard Gooding | Intercessions |
| | | Messy Church 3-5pm | |
| July 17 th | Trinity 6 | Parish Eucharist 10.15a | m |
| Readings: | First: Gospel: Psalm 15 | Grace Aciro Richard Gooding | Genesis 18: 1-10a Luke 10: 38-end |
| | | Doris Dobson | Intercessions |

| | r via Zoom 7.30pm | |
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| Trinity 7 | Morning worship with I | Baptism of Hallie Reed 10.15am |
| (one reading only) Gospel: | Sue Morgan Grace Aciro | Luke 11: 1-3 Intercessions |
| | Evensong 5pm with ten Readings and readers t | 2 |
| Trinity 8 | Parish Eucharist 10.15a | ım |
| First: Gospel: Psalm 49: 1-12 | Edward Staines Tom Hobbs Carys Funnell | Colossians 3: 1-11 Luke 12: 13-21 Intercessions |
| Trinity 9 | Parish Eucharist 10.15a | ım |
| First: Gospel: Psalm 33: 12-end | Alison Moore James Morgan Caroline Middleditch | Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16 Luke 12: 32-40 Intercessions |
| 1 | Trinity 10 Parish E | ucharist 10.15am |
| First: Gospel: Psalm 82 | Hester Higton Wilfred Foxe Richard & Amy Gooding | Hebrews 11: 29 12: 2 Luke 12: 49-56 Intercessions |
| | (one reading only) Gospel: Trinity 8 First: Gospel: Psalm 49: 1-12 Trinity 9 First: Gospel: Psalm 33: 12-end | (one reading only) Gospel: Sue Morgan Grace Aciro Evensong 5pm with te Readings and readers to First: Edward Staines Gospel: Tom Hobbs Psalm 49: 1-12 Carys Funnell First: Alison Moore James Morgan Psalm 33: 12-end First: Alison Moore James Morgan Psalm 33: 12-end First: Hester Higton Gospel: Hester Higton Some Some Some Some Some Some Some Some |

August 21st Trinity 11 Parish Eucharist 10.15am

| Readings: | First: Gospel: Psalm 103: 1-8 | Mike Higton Janette Foxe | | Hebrews 12: 18-end Luke 13: 10-17 |
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| | | Geoff Moore | | Intercessions |
| August 28 th | 1 | Trinity 12 | Parish Eu | charist 10.15am |
| Readings: | First: Gospel: Psalm 112 | Ken Howe Caroline Middl | editch | Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16 Luke 14: 1, 7-14 |
| | | Wilfred Foxe | | Intercessions |
| September | 4 th | Trinity 13 | Parish Eu | charist 10.15am |
| Readings: | First: Gospel: Psalm 1 | Carys Funnell David Eltringha | am | Deuteronomy 30: 15-end Luke 14: 25-33 |
| | | Nick Brooker | | Intercessions |

| <u>Sidespersons</u> | <u>Flowers</u> |
|---|-----------------|
| Jul 3 rd Jane Stout & Josie Armstrong | Christine Dodd |
| Jul 10 th Iris Waggott & Annette Johnson | Nick Brooker |
| Jul 17 th Pat Sharples & Bonny Bainbridge | Gerry Jennings |
| Jul 24 th David & Fiona Eltringham | Lynne Hastie |
| Jul 31 st Sue Morgan & Nick Brooker | Hillary Moss |
| Aug 7 th Caroline Middleditch & Pat Sharples | June Robson |
| Aug 14 th Jean Hodgson & Jane Stout | Eileen Crawford |
| Aug 21 th Josie Armstrong & Iris Waggott | Lynne Hastie |
| Aug 28 th Annette Johnson & Sue Morgan | Sheena Murray |
| Sept 4 th David & Fiona Eltringham | Gerry Jennings |

<u>Coffee</u>

| Jul 3 rd | Annette Johnson |
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| Jul 10 th | Catrin Morgan |
| Jul 17 th | Hillary Moss |
| Jul 24 th | Geraldine Jennings |
| Jul 31 st | Jean Hodgson |
| Aug 7 th | Sue Morgan |
| Aug14 th | Jeanette Metcalfe |
| Aug 21 st | Jane Stout |
| Aug 28 th | Alison Moore |
| Sept 4 th | Catrin Morgan |

<u>Tech Rota</u>

Geoff & Alison Moore David & Fiona Eltringham Caroline Middleditch Mike & Hester Higton David & Fiona Eltringham Geoff & Alison Moore Bridget & Tom Higton Caroline Middleditch Mike & Hester Higton

Church Cleaning

July – Team C Carol Beeby, Vicki Jackson, Sarah Nicholson, Nick Brooker August – Team A Alison Moore, Anne Elliott, Jane Stout, Sue Hope September – Team B Sue Morgan, Fiona Eltringham, Annette Johnson, Hillary Moss

NB Please bring your own vacuum cleaner, the church vacuum is being repaired.

St. Brandon's Church – Grass Cutting Rota 2022

| 27th June – 10 th July | Simon Elliot, David Jackson |
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| 11 ^{th -} 24 th July | Dave Armstrong, David Eltringham |
| 25 th July – 7 th Aug | Mark Gazzard, Doug Lamb |
| 8th - 21st Aug | Barry Dickinson, Michael Stephenson |
| 22 nd Aug – 4 th Sept | David Wilkes, James Morgan |

Church Events Notices

Owing to a concert, the church will be unavailable on the evening of Friday 1 July and all day on 2 July. Also, on 7 September a Deanery Chapter Meeting is taking place in church between 12:30 and 3:00pm. Our apologies for any for inconvenience this may cause. The Events Tea

Brancepeth Youth Club June to July 2022

All young people in the Village (and beyond, and their friends) are warmly welcome. The age range is from 11 to 17 years inclusive.

We meet fortnightly in the Village Hall on Sundays 6-8pm. During the summer months we'll go outside for the first hour, weather permitting, so please ensure appropriate clothing is worn. The dates are:

June 26

July 10*

*This will be the BBQ in the Castle Courtyard. Friends are particularly welcome. Cost is £2 per head. Further details nearer the time.

Leaders

Geoff Moore Martin Peacock 373 5674 <u>durmoores@btinternet.com</u> 07503 242074

July Messy Church is a Summer Celebration!



Sunday 10th July 3-5pm



at church outside if possible!

ALL WELCOME - do invite friends too

FUTURE MESSY CHURCH DATES THIS YEAR: 18 Sept; 16 Oct; 13 Nov; 11 Dec (Christingle)



Come and join the fun. Activities and stories from the Bible. Every Sunday

We get together after the first hymn and re-join the service for communion

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.

Tuesdays 5 & 19 July 2022 at 11:00 Tuesdays 2 & 16 & 30 Aug 2022, 11:00



For more information, please email alison@brancepethcastle.org.uk

Rev. Alison, St Brandon's Church

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!

PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING DIARY July 2022

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

- 1 Pray and give thanks for those leading Christian summer camps this month
- 2 Oakenshaw Road area
- 3 Pray and give thanks for all who sustain and nourish our faith
- 4 Scripton, Peppermires, Nafferton Farm, Tudhoe Lodge, Holywell and East Parks
- 5 Pray for those who campaign for justice and strive to relieve poverty
- 6 The Rectory, Thornberry Garth, Hoppy Acres, Constable Meadows, Bridleway and Rectory Cottages
- 7 Give thanks for God's faithfulness and the constancy of His love
- 8 Pray for listening hearts and discerning spirits
- 9 Foxes Row, Russell Close and North Field View

10 Pray and give thanks for all entrusted in positions of leadership in the Church

- 11 Church members outside the village
- 12 Pray to treat nature and the environment with increased care and respect
- 13 Goodwell Lea
- 14 Human words may inspire but only God's Word can feed us
- 15 Pray and give thanks for organisations committed to aid deprived countries
- 16 Quarry Hill, The Cottages, Goodwell Field area

17 Pray and give thanks for all hospital chaplains

- 18 The Village North, Station House and Railway Cottages
- 19 Pray and give thanks for all in the medical profession
- 20 Durham Road and The Forge
- 21 Give thanks for friendships which enrich our lives
- 22 Pray for successful diplomacy amongst world leaders
- 23 Wooley Grange, Spring Farm, High Wooley, Weather Hill, South Brandon Farm and Brawn's Den
- 24 Pray for protection for those who travel to remote places to teach and promote the Christian faith
- 25 The Village South, The Castle and Lodge, Golf Club, Park Lodge, Nursery and Garden Houses
- 26 Pray and give thanks for our community and all who serve its varied interests
- 27 Stockley Grove, Tanglewood, Bridge Lane, Whitworth Lane and Black House
- 28 Pray that we may be observant to the needs of others, with hearts that respond
- 29 Pray for wisdom in all whose decisions will help shape the future of this world
- 30 Littlewhite Farm, the cottages and Morley Farm

31 Pray for God's guidance, strength and grace on the journey ahead

If you would like something included in the Prayer Diary please contact Alison Moore durmoores@btinternet.com

AUGUST THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER DIARY

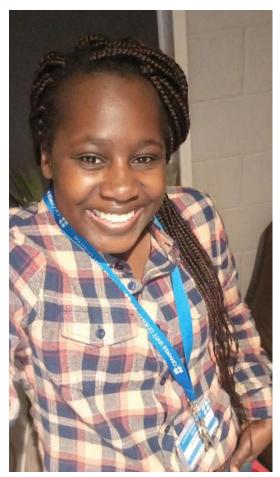
'And he taught them always to pray and never to lose heart' Luke 18:1 **You are invited to use this diary to share in the prayers offered daily**

- 1 For teachers, school support staff, children and young people who are on holiday
- 2 For Ukraine, its leaders and its people
- 3 Stockley Lane
- 4 For those who look after our communities, bin men, road cleaners, lighting engineers...
- 5 Wooley Grange, Springwell Farm, High Wooley, Weather Hill, South Brandon Farm and Brawns Den
- 6 Goodwell Lea
- 7 Trinity 8 'By faith, Abraham...set out, not knowing where he was going.' Hebrews 11:8
- 8 Quarry Hill and cottages, Morley Farm, Littlewhite Farm and Goodwell Field
- 9 For all who are seeking God's way forward in their lives
- 10 The Rectory, Rectory Cottages, Bridleway, Constable Meadows, Hoppy Acres and Thornberry Garth
- 11 For those who mourn the loss of a loved one and face a subsequently uncertain future
- 12 Whitworth Lane and Black House
- 13 The Castle and Lodge
- 14 Trinity 9 'Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us...' Hebrews 12:1
- 15 For our family members
- 16 Village North, Station House and Cottages
- 17 Foxes Row, Russell Close and North Field View
- 18 For those who worship at St Brandon's but live outside the parish
- 19 Bridge Road and Tanglewood
- 20 For perseverance for those who are struggling with personal issues
- 21 Trinity 10 'Therefore, since we are receiving a Kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks' Hebrews 12:28
- 22 The Village South
- 23 That we may be rooted and grounded in the love of God and be thankful
- 24 For all who seek refuge in our nation, and for those who work to welcome them
- 25 Durham Road and the Forge
- 26 Park Lodge, Garden House, Nursery House, East Bothy, Scripton Lodge, Scripton Farm
- 27 Peppermires, Tudhoe Lodge, Nafferton Farm, Holywell and East Parks
- 28 Trinity 11 'Be content with what you have, for He has said, I will never leave you nor forsake you' Hebrews 15:5
- 29 On the Bank Holiday for rest, relaxation and reflection on 'what really matters'

- 30 Stockley Grove
- 31 For those anxiously facing financial pressures

If you would like something included in the Prayer Diary, please contact Alison Moore, <u>durmoores@btinternet.com</u>

'We send our Love and Condolences to Bev Stoker at The Lodge House on the recent death of her Mother'



Welcome to Grace, who will be in Brancepeth on placement for 4 weeks in July. She writes:

Hello, my name is Grace Aciro. I am an ordinand at Durham University, St. Johns College, Cranmer Hall, training for ordained ministry in the Church of England. Before coming to Cranmer, I worked as a Children and Families Worker for a Church and alongside that as a support worker for a housing charity for young women aged 16-30. It has been an exciting, challenging time at Cranmer, I felt God molding and forming me in preparation for serving him wherever he would send me. I am looking forward to serving and learning from you all at St. Brandon's and growing together in God's love.

Ordination 5pm 2nd July Durham Cathedral

As you may know, I am going to be ordained priest at Durham Cathedral on 2nd July. I would like to say a big thank you to the people of the parish of Brancepeth and the congregation of St Brandon's for all your friendship and support over the years I have lived in this lovely place and especially during my journey to the priesthood.

If you would like to come to the ordination service it would be great to see you. With love

Deborah Hodge

We send Deborah our love and prayers remembering with gratitude the kindness and service she has given to this Parish for so many years.

Three thank yous!

Thank you from the Children's Society

Thank you to all who have given me their Children's Society boxes for our annual box collection and even more so for the contents. I am delighted to say the sum has come to just over £700. As the box sticker says 'You are helping to transform the lives of disadvantaged children'.

Fiona Eltringham

Thank you from Christian Aid

Thank you for your contributions to Christian Aid Week. Brancepeth has a deserved reputation for generosity and, even in these straitened times, it was evident that this generous spirit is alive and well.

Thank you also to all who gave their time and shoe leather to deliver and collect envelopes. Our total has yet to be finalised and there is time to drop in any outstanding envelopes either to St Brandon's church or The Rectory. Thank you to everyone who gave online too; it all makes such a difference to those struggling to make ends meet across the ever-shrinking globe.

Many thanks again.

Nick Brooker



COFFEE MORNING ROTA

| 6th July | Vivienne Lowe & Janiece Spence | | |
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| 13th July | Margot Harrison & Christine Jones | | |
| 20th July | Rosemary Monument & Sheena Murray | | |
| 27th July | Joan Taylor & Val Gibbons | | |
| 3rd Aug | Vivienne Lowe & Janiece Spence | | |
| 10th Aug | Martyn & Christine Jones | | |
| 17th Aug | Margot Harrison & Val Gibbons | | |
| 24th Aug | Christine Jones & Sheena Murray | | |
| 31st Aug | Joan Taylor & Linda Larnach | | |
| 7th Sept | Vivienne Lowe & Janiece Spence | | |
| 14th Sept | Martyn Jones & Christine Jones | | |
| 21st Sept | Margot Harrison & Val Gibbons | | |
| 28th Sept | Sheena Murray & Linda Larnach | | |
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Please if any of these dates you are not available, please contact Martyn or Christine Jones on 0191 3789297.

If anyone else would like to volunteer to take a turn on the rota please contact Martyn or Christine.

Many thanks.

| Book Club | |
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| 8 July - at Dick and Audrey Dumbleton's house, 19 St Monica Grove DH1 4AS. Perhaps a couple of us could driveI'm happy to be a driver. July's book is "The Girl with the Louding voice" by Abi Dare | 5 |
| 2 September - at Fiona Eltringham's house, 5 Stockley House Farm. The book to read is 'Now we shall be entirely free" by Andrew Miller. All dates are Fridays and usual time of 7.30 p.m. | |
| The October date will be Friday 7th Oct at the home of Dawn & Nick Ellis, 24 Goodwell Lea ideas for a good book welcome! | ۱, |
| All welcome. Val Gibbons | |
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Just a reminder that the following activities take place in the Village Hall – many of them continuing through the summer holiday months. Please refer to the back page for contact details:

| Group/Activity | <u>Day</u> | <u>Time</u> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Art Group | Tuesday | 7-9pm |
| Badminton | Thursday | 7:30-9:30pm |
| Coffee Morning | Wednesday | 10:30-11:30am |
| Knit & Natter | Monday (fortnightly) | 2-4pm |
| Snooker | Monday | 7-10pm |
| Tai Chi | Wednesday | 9:30-10:30am |
| Yoga | Monday | 7:30-9pm |
| St Brandon's Church Youth Group | Sunday (fortnightly) | 6-8pm |

You can use the hall to play **casual snooker, badminton, soft tennis and table tennis** (£3.50 per hour for members). Please contact: <u>brancepethca@gmail.com</u> or 07876 624626.

Churchyard tidy up Day

Major gardening work is taking place around the Nesfield tomb under the expert guidance of Alison Young.



Garden Club

Village Walkabout and Dinner: 22nd of July

Meet at castle gates: 6.30 pm

Dinner in Parish Hall: 8.15 pm

Cost for Dinner: £15 to member; £16 to non-members

Payment by 17th of July; please remember to include names of people attending

Cash payment in Community Hall deposit box or if you prefer bank transfer, please contact Bea on <u>be_arnab@ymail.com</u> who will confirm bank details and can be contacted with any further queries.

Please contact Geraldine Jennings (<u>gerryjennings5@googlemail.com</u> or 01913781583) if you are willing to help with the catering.

Annual Show: 17th of September

We are hoping to correspond with members via email in the future so if you have not provided an email address in the past, if you could email Bea that would be appreciated. We will of course provide printed copies of correspondence for people who prefer this.

New members welcome at any time!

SAVE THE DATE !!

SATURDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

AN EVENING OF JAZZ AT ST BRANDON'S

FEATURING

THE STEVE TAYLOR BAND & RACHEL LUNNEY

DETAILS IN NEXT NEWSLETTER



Parish Council News

Here is a brief update on the activities of the Parish Council.

First, we have had to change the date of the next PC meeting to Monday 27th June.

Second, we can report that progress is being made on the draft Neighbourhood Plan and several key stakeholder groups in the parish have now been consulted about their input.

Third, mindful of avoiding any Jackie Weaver-style incidents (!), we are looking to update our Standing Orders and they will soon be published.

Fourth, we are seeking some County Council funding for new flower planters for the village boundaries, and will be grateful for all offers of help with their stocking and maintenance.

Fifth, we are still pursuing the renewal of leases for the cricket field and allotments via Castle Estates.

Finally, the PC has obtained permission to 'plant a tree for the jubilee' on the cricket field and we hope to organise a small event to mark this occasion in the early autumn. Details in September newsletter.

Mary Coffield & Nick Ellis

Hairstyling in your home

Catherine, a mobile hairstylist (formerly of Toni & Guy) from the village, is offering hair appointments Monday to Friday.

Services include:

Cut and blow dry: £25

Wet cut: £16

Blow dry: £16 - £20

Please telephone 07974279869 for more details.

Catherine Kenna



Dates for the Diary:-

| Jul/Aug Jul/Aug Jul/Aug Jul/Aug Jul/Aug Jul/Aug | Mondays - Snooker, 7.30pm, Village hall Mondays - Yoga, 7.30pm, Village Hall Mondays - Knit and Natter 9th & 23rd, Village Hall 2 - 4 pm. Tuesdays - Art Group, 7.00 - 9.00pm, Village Hall Wednesdays - Tai Chi 9.30 -10.30, Village Hall Wednesdays - Coffee Mornings in the Village Hall, 10.30-11.30am |
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| Jul/Aug | Thursdays - Badminton, 7.30pm, Village Hall |
| Jun | 27th Mon Parish Council, 7.30pm, Village Hall |
| Jul | 10th Sun - Youth Club, 6.00pm -8.00pm, Castle Courtyard, BBQ |
| Jun | 12th Sun Messy Church, 3.00pm-5.00pm, Church |
| Jun | 18th Sat Litter Picking, 9.30am, Castle Gate |
| Jul | 2nd Sat Durham Singers, 7.30pm, Church |
| Jul | 8th Fri Book Club, 7.30pm, 19 St Monica Grove |
| Jul | 24th Sun Come & Sing Choral Evensong, 4.15 tea, service 5.00pm, Church |
| Sept | 2nd Fri Book Club, 7.30pm, 5 Stockley House Farm |
| Sept | 25th Sun Harvest Festival, 10.15am, Church |
| Oct | 7th Fri Book Club, 7.30pm, 24 Goodwell Lea |

Photos

Front cover - © Sue Morgan – The wild flower meadow with the scaffolding round the east of the church. Major stone restoration and drainage work will be in progress throughout the summer. Please be vigilant during this time.

Inside front cover – © Anna Brooker- Come and Sing poster.

Inside back cover – ©AHRC Project – Radical Dragons.

Back cover – © Arnab Bassu, Josie Armstrong – Images of the Jubilee.

Cake, Conviviality and Country dancing.

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Please send to Sue Morgan at sueatpeppermires@gmail.com

Brancepeth Community Association - Management Committee

| Martyn Jones | Chairman | Val Gibbons | Subscriptions |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | Vice chairman | Geraldine Jennings | Garden Club |
| Jo Dalton | Secretary, Website | | Social Secretary |
| | & Bookings | Jean Merrington | |
| lan Stoker | Treasurer | Anna Brooker | Church Representative |
| http://brancepethcommunityassociation.btck.co.uk/ Tel: 0191 3783952 | | | |

Parish Activities

| Chairman B.C.A. | Martyn Jones, 32 Goodwell Lea (3789297) |
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| Secretary | Jo Dalton, 1 Rectory Cottages (3780771) |
| Treasurer | Ian Stoker, Castle Lodge (3784986) |
| Membership | Val Gibbons, 3 The Forge (3784200) |
| Hall Bookings | Jo Dalton, 1 Rectory Cottages (3780771) |
| Archives & History | Vivienne Lowe, 17 The Village (3780974) |
| Art Group | Jeanette Metcalfe, (0191 3781646) |
| Badminton | Peter Hodge, (01388 745455) |
| Brancepeth Allotment | Sue Morgan, Carole Reed & Liz Burdess |
| & Leisure Gardeners' Club baacommittee3@gmail.com | |
| Book Club | Val Gibbons (3784200) |
| Drama | Martin Peacock (07503242074) |
| Flower Guild | Jessie Brown (3782748) |
| Garden Club | Barry Dickinson (3782398) |
| Snooker Bookings | Jo Dalton, 1 Rectory Cottages (3780771) |
| Wednesday Coffee | Christine Jones (3789297) |
| Yoga | Lynne Hastie (3781871) |
| Youth Club | Geoff Moore (3735674) |

Parish Council

Hassall Balshen – Chair (tel: 3781295; email: <u>hassall.balshen@gmail.com</u>)
Mary Coffield – Deputy chair (tel: 3780024; email: <u>mary.coffield@googlemail.com</u>)
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Thomas Hobbs, Email: <u>tom.rhobbs@hotmail.co.uk</u>
Michael Stephenson, Email: <u>stephenson15@me.com</u>
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The Durham Singers

A Platinum Celebration

Music by Purcell, Handel, Parry, Britten and Howells



Music Director: Tom Edney

Saturday 2 July 2022 at 7.30 pm

St Brandon's Church, Brancepeth

Tickets: £15 available from choir members, Durham Music Shop (0191 378 9144) or https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/durhamsingers



Branespath

FEARSOME BEASTS AND THE MAKING OF THE NORTH EAST

The Exhibition: 20th June – 17th July 2022

Come and observe, reader, the legends of the battles between Worm and Man! Encounter rebellious spirits and abominable monsters which prowl the medieval halls of Brancepeth Castle.

Join our journey through time as we reveal the rich traditions of dragons and worms in North East England, from the Early Middle Ages to the modern day. In this exhibition you'll meet the heroes who dared grapple with these fearsome beasts, their powers over us, and the way their stories have fed into the (sometimes radical) history of the region.

Witness traditional crafts, hear about the heroic dragon legends of the North East, and help us to design our new theatrical monstrosities!

But beware the Brancepeth dragon in residence...

Our dragon sleeps, drowsing in plain sight, but with a clash of the Conyers faichion he may awaken to unleash his foul stench, and dribble upon your head!

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