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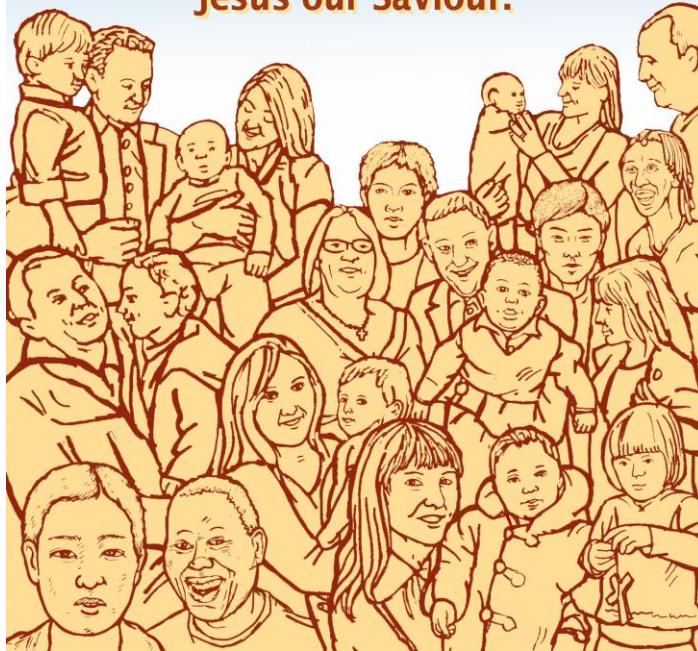
Magazine for The Benefice of The Wiske

Great Smeaton, Appleton Wiske, Danby Wiske,

Birkby, East Cowton and North Cowton

JULY AND AUGUST 2022

Father God,
as you made us in your image,
may we see you in all those we meet
and serve you in all that we do,
in the power of the Holy Spirit
and in the name of
Jesus our Saviour.



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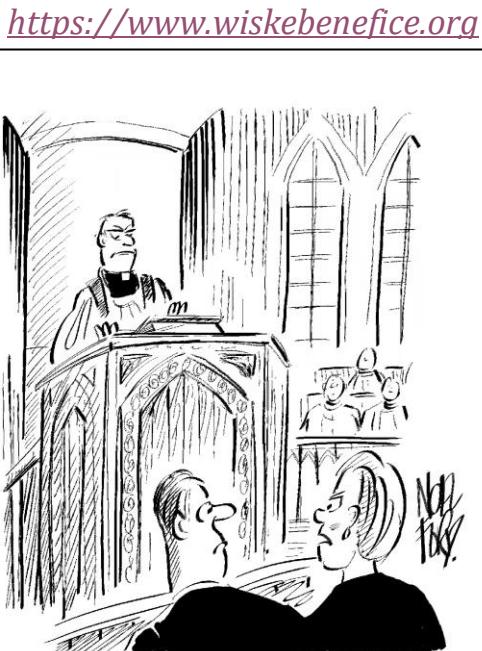
JULY

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It was bad enough your mobile ringing half-way through his sermon, without the ring-tone being the 'Christians Awake' tune!

Important questions of our time...

Why does a round pizza come in a square box?

What disease did cured ham actually have??

Why do we press harder on a remote-control button when we know the batteries are dying?

Do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, twinkle little star have the same tune? Why did you just try singing both songs?

Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?

Parish Letter - Confession time, I really enjoy the Sewing Bee on TV especially where they transform old clothes into something new, creative, and beautiful. As someone who is not good at sewing, I admire both the skill and the imagination. What we wear often says a lot about us, our role, our attitude, our age, something we take great care over.



Summer is a time for fashion but also block buster films, often with a cheesy plot line and caricatures rather than characters. Enjoyable and as unbelievable as they are, the characters do have recognizable traits if a little bit exaggerated. The timid one, the hero, the selfish one, the loner, the coward, the fool, and the foolish one, the one learns they can do it, the one who is ill, or too old. The one who sacrifices themselves for the others.

Our reaction under stress and pressure often tells a lot about who we are. Paul's letter to the Colossian's (Ch 3v14-15) invites us to see our values and actions like choosing our clothes. There is a difference between a reflex reaction and a response. Over the past few years of the pandemic it has probably felt like we are in a disaster movie, full of stress and anxiety and "Just when you thought it was safe to go back into the water", and things might return to something like normal, then the invasion of Ukraine, the fuel shortages and price rises and new variant's (and we can't forget that global warming hasn't gone away) we are find ourselves called to adapt and cope with new pressures and difficulties, with fresh challenges.

Growing up means I get choose my own clothes, but I still need to choose the right place to get our garments from. The invitation from Paul is to let God provide the right clothing for a good response amid the troubles we face. Choosing to be the ones who respond with kindness, compassion, gentleness, humility, and patience.



As we choose God's way it's a bit like the transformation challenge in sewing bee; In Jesus we are transformed into something amazing, beautiful, and full of potential for new things, that's not always a comfortable process but God's promise is that it is done in his love and held together with love. And it helps us through the stresses of life.

I Hope you have a lovely summer, not a disaster movie. Blessings, David

Praying for our communities this year

You are invited to pray on a regular basis for the life of our villages and their churches. The following prayer is available in a card at the back of each Church, and I will use it daily as part of my own rhythm of prayer.

Loving Lord

Bless this place (name your village/community in this prayer)
Let your love be here, Fill it with your peace
Let your joy be here, Fill it with your grace
Let your light be here, Fill it with your power
Let your hope be here, Fill it with your living water
In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

Christian Fellowship at Great Smeaton

Meets fortnightly on Monday afternoons, 2.00pm, 4th & 18th July.

We will be using the booklet “Good and Evil”, always topical subjects, now more than ever.

Contact Mary Elliott 881 411 for more information.



Bible Study Group, East Cowton

Meets on Thursday mornings on 14th & 28th July.

Continuing to look at St Luke’s Gospel using a study guide to help us.

All welcome, details from Christine, 01325 378481 or

email christinembj@hotmail.com. We meet at 10.15 for a 10.30 start at All Saints’ Annexe.

Do come along to either or both of these sociable, friendly meetings. Tea, coffee, biscuits and conversation freely available.

When a man opens a car door for his wife, it's either a new car or a new wife. (Prince Phillip)

Home cooking. Where many a man thinks his wife is.
(Jimmy Durante)

Part of the Prayer for Peace of Pope Francis, 2022

At this hour, we stand with you beneath the cross, entrusting to you the people of Ukraine and Russia. Mother of God and our mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves, the church and all humanity, especially the people of Russia and Ukraine.

Accept this act that we carry out with confidence and love.

Grant that war may end and peace spread throughout the world. We trust that, through your Immaculate heart, peace will dawn once more. To you we consecrate the future of the whole human family, the needs and expectations of every people, the anxieties and hopes of the world.

Through your intercession, may God's mercy be poured out on the earth and the gentle rhythm of peace return to mark our days.

Amen.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF YORK

The Archbishop of York has encouraged cathedrals to continue to ask the 'hard missional questions' about how to transmit the good news of Jesus Christ in a world suffering from confusion and uncertainty.

He praised the 'precious and important' contribution of the cathedrals, emphasising their role of service and teaching to their communities.

He said cathedrals had a mission to show the 'heart of Jesus' in world of "so much hurt and so much confusion and so much uncertainty." The heart of Christian teaching and mission is to open the heart of Jesus to everyone, and to continue asking the 'hard missional questions' about how to transmit the Christian faith in a changing world.

Up to £3 million to boost diocesan discretionary funds

The Church of England is to make extra funding available to dioceses for grants to help clergy and lay workers struggling with the cost-of-living crisis.

Up to £3 million will be distributed to diocesan boards of finance or nominated local discretionary funds. The grants are aimed, in particular, towards helping those with rising energy bills.

FROM THE REGISTERS

14th June - Keith Parkinson - Service at All Saints', followed by cremation.

15th June - Dorothy Goddard - Service at All Saints', followed by cremation.

14 May – Baptism Harry George David Merredy.

PRAYING WITH A LABYRINTH

At this time of year labyrinths pop up all over the place, cut into grass or crops, or permanently in holiday destinations. The labyrinth symbolises the Christian journey – we are called to journey inward in prayer and then sent out, in the power of the Spirit, into the world. As you trace the path, you will notice that there are times when you approach very near to the centre, and times when you feel that you will never get there. It seems as if the path is leading you further and further away from your destination. Have faith – as long as you stay on the path you will reach the centre. Trace the path towards the centre slowly and gently. Don't worry about finding the right way, there are no choices, no decisions to be made. If you faithfully follow the path, you won't go astray.

A Labyrinth Meditation -
Living Lord,
Today I go on pilgrimage.
I journey with you,
I journey to you.
I journey in your protection.
Make me alert to your guiding
And open to your love.



(Labyrinths can easily be downloaded from the internet and printed off for your use, or bought in wooden or ceramic forms)

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Tsem Tulku Rinpoche

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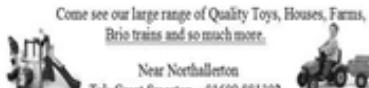
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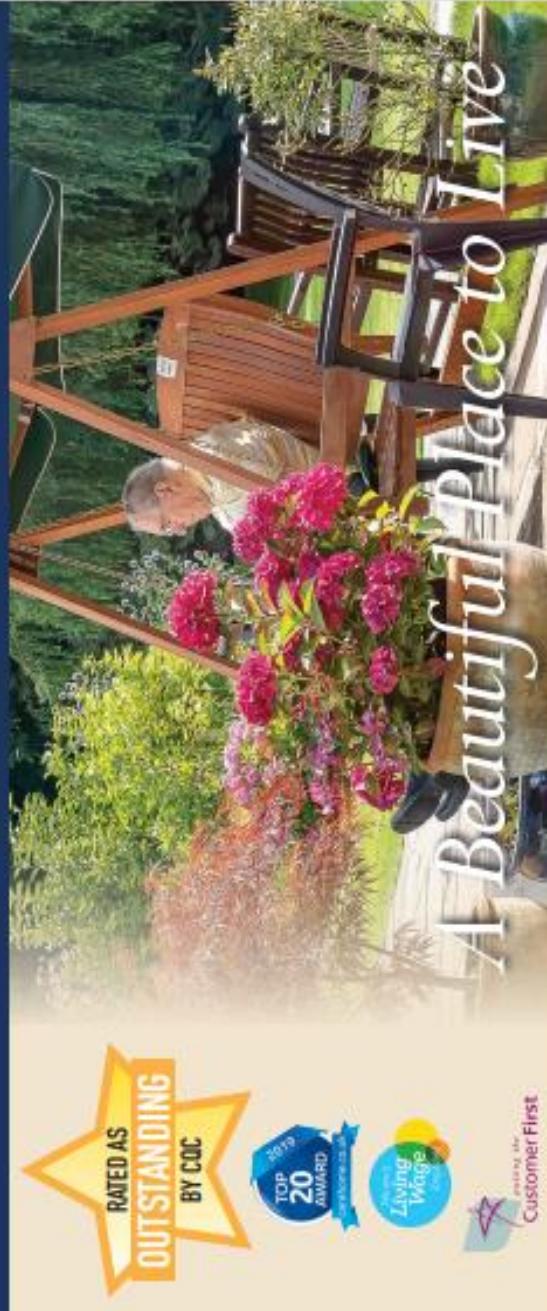
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News in the Villages

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www.wiskebenefice.org (all Anvil adverts are now also on this website)

Diary Dates for JULY at a glance

2 nd /3 rd July	12-5.00	Great Smeaton Open Gardens
Wed 6 th	2-4.00pm	Pop-up café in Gt. Smeaton Village Hall
Mon 11 th	7.00pm	Benefice Survey Meeting, location t.b.c.
Fri 15 th		Big Fish Bash at Lord Nelson, Appleton Wiske
Sat 16 th	7.30pm	'Colours of Summer' concert at St. Peter's, Birkby
16 th / 17 th	11-4.00	Appleton Wiske Open Gardens
Wed 20 th	2-4.00pm	Pop-up café in Gt. Smeaton Village Hall
Thurs 21st	7.00pm	Archdeacon's Visitation at East Cowton
Mon 25 th	7.00pm	Gt. Smeaton & Appleton PCC at St. Eloy's
Wed 27 th	2-4.00pm	Craft afternoon in Gt. Smeaton Village Hall

APPLETON WISKE and GREAT SMEATON

The Village Shop is taking food orders Contact Jackie on 07823 333075.
Iain and Diane at the Lord Nelson are offering a takeaway service from 6-8.00pm for Fri & Sat evenings, please ring 881351 to order. Sunday lunch as normal.

The minibus leaves every Wednesday morning at 9.15am from the village bus shelter and returns from Applegarth carpark at 11.30am.

Open Gardens Appleton Wiske 16th and 17th July, 11am to 4pm.

Tickets £5 adults, children under 16 free.

There will be teas in the village hall and a plant stall outside the village post office and shop, raising funds for their relocation.

St. Mary's Flowers-

10th July Jane Richardson, Linda Breckon
24th July Linda Thompson, Megan Patterson
14th Aug Angela Sellers, Ann Pringle
28th Aug Angela Carlin, Michelle Street

FISH FRIDAY - The Annual Fish Supper to support the work of the Fishermen's Mission has resumed! It will be held in the Lord Nelson from 6.30 pm on Friday 15th July. Please book with Iain and Diane if you would like to join in. There will be a Raffle and a Quiz.

METHODIST SERVICES IN JULY, APPLETON WISKE

All services are 30 minutes and start 10.15am except in bold.
It would be helpful to know if you intend coming along. Thank you.
Karen Portsmouth (serving as steward) 07890 478533

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| 3 rd | Communion - Rev Arthur Harbottle |
| 10 th | June Anderson |
| 17 th | Breakfast & Messy Church - for all ages & stages
<i>(Coffee from 9.30am, service 10.15 – 10.45)</i>
Local arrangement |
| 24 th | Rev Michael Webster |
| 31 st | Circuit Worship Team |

Followed by tea, coffee and social. All are welcome!

PLATINUM JUBILEE - Many Thanks to everyone who contributed in so many ways to the success of the Celebrations to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It was a memorable weekend and brought so many of the village community together in different venues and on different occasions.

We will have many happy memories for years to come!

THANK YOU ! - Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Collection in Appleton Wiske for Christian Aid that raised over £300 for the work of the Charity.

THE HOG ROAST - St Mary's Hog Roast will take place on the Village Green outside the Lord Nelson from 2.00 pm on Bank Holiday Monday the 29th August. Tickets will be available from the Post Office. PLEASE BRING picnic chairs, tables, rugs etc as usual!

GREAT SMEATON

The recent Christian Aid Week collection in the Village produced £332.10, with Gift Aid agreed on 85% of the donations. A huge "Thank you" to everyone who contributed to this result in any way.

OPEN GARDENS Great Smeaton and Hornby, Saturday and Sunday the 2nd and 3rd of July 12 noon till 5 pm.

LOVESOME HILL

Bridge Group - A very friendly and social group meets every Monday evening in Lovesome Hill Village Hall.

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NEWS FOR AUGUST 2022

Aug 3rd Pop-up café Gt. Smeaton Village Hall 2-4.00pm

Aug 17th Pop-up café Gt. Smeaton Village Hall 2-4.00pm

Aug 29th Appleton Wiske Village Hog Roast

Sep 8th Appleton Wiske Panto rehearsals resume

Methodist Services Appleton Wiske August

7 th	Communion - Rev Arthur Harbottle
14 th	Breakfast & Messy Church - for all ages & stages <i>(Coffee from 9.30am, service 10.15 – 10.45)</i>
	Kathryn Walker
21 st	Rev Helena Harbottle
28 th	Local arrangement

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE OF THE WISKE AUGUST 2022

	Appleton Wiske	Birkby	Danby Wiske	East Cowton	Great Smeaton
Sun 7 th			Morning Worship 11.00am		Holy Communion 9.00am
Sun 14 th	Holy Communion 9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) 9.00am		Morning Worship 11.00am	
Sun 21 st			Holy Communion 11.00am		Morning Worship 9.00am
Sun 28 th	Holy Communion 9.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP) 9.00am		Holy Communion 11.00am	
Sept 4 th			Holy Communion 11.00am		Morning Worship 9.00am



NEWS ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT



In Prince William's eco message to the Platinum Jubilee Party at the Buckingham Palace concert in June, he emphasised that, "The pressing need to protect our planet has never been more urgent," part of a passionate address calling for more action to "restore our planet".

Kintsugi -



Meaning "joining with gold", this centuries-old art is more than an aesthetic. For the Japanese, it's part of a broader philosophy of embracing the beauty of human flaws.

Most people don't purposefully shatter their cherished pieces of pottery, but that isn't always the case in Japanese culture.

Adorning broken ceramics with a lacquer mixed with powdered gold is part of a more than 500-year-old Japanese tradition that highlights imperfections rather than hiding them. This not only teaches calm when a cherished piece of pottery breaks; it is a reminder of the beauty of human fragility as well.

In a world that so often prizes youth, perfection and excess, embracing the old and battered may seem strange. But the 15th-Century practice of *kintsugi*, meaning "to join with gold", is a reminder to stay optimistic when things fall apart and to celebrate the flaws and missteps of life. (bbc.co.uk/travel)

Could this be an answer for our times?

Can our active prayers be like visible golden stitches to help heal our Mother Earth?

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE OF THE WISKE JULY 2022

	Appleton Wiske	Birkby	Danby Wiske	East Cowton	Great Smeaton	Readings
26 th June Trinity 2	Holy Communion 9.00	Morning Prayer (BCP) 9.00		Holy Communion 11.00		1 Kings 19.15-16,19- 21; Psalm 16; Galatians 5.1,13- 25; Luke 9.51-62
3 rd July Trinity 3 (St Thomas)			Morning Worship 11.00		Holy Communion 9.00	Isaiah 66.10-14; Psalm 66. Galatians 6.1- 16; Luke 10.1-20
10 th July Trinity 4	Holy Communion 9.00	Holy Communion (BCP) 9.00		Morning Worship 11.00		Deuteronomy 30.9- 14; Psalm 25; Colossians 1.1- 14; Luke 10.25-37
17 th July Trinity 5			Holy Communion 11.00		Morning Worship 9.00	Genesis 18.1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1.15- 28; Luke 10.38-42
24 th July Trinity 6	Holy Communion 9.00	Morning Prayer (BCP) 9.00		Holy Communion 11.00		Genesis 18.20-32; Psalm 138; Colossians 2.6- 19; Luke 11.1-13