

# NEWSLETTER



## Sunday 9 May : Easter 6

Acts 10.44-end; John 15.9-17

### Today

- 8.00am Holy Communion : St Nicks, Dunnington  
10.30am Holy Communion : Holy Trinity, Stockton\*  
Any time [Benefice Worship Service](#) (youtube)  
with a homily from Judith Hewitt



No internet access? You can listen to our Sunday services anytime by phone for the cost of a local call. Just dial 899433.

### This week

#### Monday 10 May

9.00am [Morning Prayer \(zoom\)](#)

#### Tuesday 11 May

9.00am Morning Prayer : St Mary, Warthill

#### Wednesday 12 May

9.00am Holy Communion : St Nicholas, Dunnington

10.00am Holy Communion : Holy Trinity, Stockton

7.00pm [Compline \(zoom\)](#)

#### Thursday 13 May

9.00am [Morning Prayer \(zoom\)](#)

## Sunday 16 May : Easter 7

Acts 1.15-17, 21-end; John 17.6-19

- 8.00am Holy Communion : St Nicks, Dunnington  
10.30am Holy Communion : Holy Trinity, Stockton\*  
Any time [Benefice Worship Service](#) (youtube)  
with a homily from Revd Mark Poole  
3.00pm St Nicholas Church ACPM : via Zoom

\* places must be reserved via the churchwarden Ennis Twedde ([ennisjacksonuk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ennisjacksonuk@yahoo.co.uk) or 400364).

## Reflection on the Dunnington Scarecrow Trail

by Judith Hewitt

Firstly, I need to say a heartfelt thank you to all who supported the Trail in anyway; without your help, and the Scarecrows, there would not have been such a lovely atmosphere in Dunnington. It was so obvious people were ready to 'do something' and to celebrate, which was exactly what we wanted to happen.

I was particularly delighted that the residents of Grimston Court wanted to be involved this time. Their Scarecrow, which was in Church, celebrating the joy at being able to give a loved one a cuddle, was particularly poignant at this time, for it is something we have all missed.

Jesus spent much of His life with others who were in need and there were many occasions when he had to take himself away from the crowds because they wanted to touch him, like the woman who touched Jesus, knowing she would be healed. There was also the cry from an untouchable leper prompting Jesus to reach out and touch him for healing. We read of many occasions when that healing touch of Jesus changed so many lives.

We continue to miss that touch of others, as we miss their company and their smile (from behind the masks), but we are all hopeful that soon we will be celebrating that touch of our love ones.

Many will say 'nothing is the same as that touch of love'.

Judith



## Giving to your church

Thank you so much to all of you who support your church with regular giving.

The church locally and nationally has been hit hard by coronavirus, in a similar way to the rest of the country, and there is a concern that the repercussions of this will be very significant unless we can meet the issue with generosity and steadfast commitment. You are invited to be part of our response. Do speak with your churchwarden if you are able to increase your regular giving, or make a one-off donation.

For St Nicholas church, details of how you can give, either to the general fund or specifically towards the current Fabric Appeal, are also available at [stnicholasdunnington.org.uk/outreach/giving](http://stnicholasdunnington.org.uk/outreach/giving).



## Community Support Group — we are still here to help

If you would like someone to collect your shopping, or walk your dog, or if you'd like a friendly chat on the phone, please get in touch. Contact Rev Nick Bird 01904 489349 or [revnickbird@gmail.com](mailto:revnickbird@gmail.com) and he will put you in touch with your local contact.

## Parish Churches News & Events

### Dunnington Scarecrow Trail

Thank you. We raised £1,400 over the Scarecrow Weekend which will go into the fund to re-place the Tower Room roof so the room is dry for all the activities we are looking forward to starting as soon as we can.



### Christian Aid Week.

If you would like to donate to Christian Aid, please use the envelope which should be coming through your Dunnington letter box this week. Donations can be delivered to 12 Greenside, 7 Water Lane or to The Rectory.



### Children's Society House Boxes – Dunnington.

I have now been given the go ahead by the Society to open and count boxes. If you have one please can you drop off to me at 1 Greenside Walk or alternatively I can collect if you contact me on 07746 765274, 489008 or [eve\\_scoreby@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:eve_scoreby@hotmail.co.uk). New box holders very welcome – contact me for more information. Thank you. Eve Scoreby, Box Co-ordinator, Dunnington.



**Benefice Weekend at Wydale.** It is now time to book your place for the weekend, 17th to 19th September. Booking forms are available on the [St Nicholas Church website](#), from Benefice Churches when they are open, or from Judith Hewitt.

### St Nicholas' Annual Meetings – Vacancies.

At the APCM on Sunday 16th May at 3.00 pm (via Zoom), there will be four vacancies for PCC members to serve for up to 3 years. The meeting for election of Churchwardens for the next year will take place at the same time. There are two vacancies to be filled (Carole White is eligible for re-election). A volunteer is also wanted to take over the role of PCC secretary. If you would like to discuss any of the above please speak to Nick, Eve or Carole. Forms available from Eve Scoreby (PCC Secretary) tel. 489008 or 07746 765274 or email [eve\\_scoreby@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:eve_scoreby@hotmail.co.uk)

The [Agenda and Report for the ACPM](#) are available online and there are some printed copies available in the church (which can be collected at times when it is open or by contacting Judith on 488331). If anyone would like a copy of the full financial accounts document for 2020 there are a few copies of this as well in church or via Judith.

## Dunnington Methodist Church

Dear Friends. The next service at the chapel will take place on **23rd May** at 10.00 am when John Schofield will be leading us in worship. Please leave a message with one of the stewards if you are intending to come by Monday 17th May. We will only contact you and reply if there are no spaces left. Unless there are any unforeseen circumstances, guidelines remain the same as those for the Church Council meeting i.e. please arrive no earlier than 9.55am. Be prepared to wear a face covering in the building, maintain social distancing, and use hand sanitizer on entry and exit. Be aware that doors will be left open during the meeting so dress for the weather. The toilets will be available, but we will not be using the kitchen so bring a drink or refreshments from home if you wish. We look forward to seeing you then.

If there is anything else we might be able to help you with, do

not hesitate to call one of the stewards: Anne Castle 01904 481656, Diane Conway 01904 489495 or Chris Spedding 01904 481867.

## News from the Methodist Circuit this week

**Worship.** Online worship produced by the Circuit can be found on the [Circuit YouTube channel](#) and a [list of online worship services around the Circuit](#) is available.

**Dial a sermon.** For those unable to access the circuit YouTube service online, an audio recording of the most recent readings and sermon is now available by telephone. Dial 01904 948409 and, after a short delay (20 seconds), the audio file will play (usually around 10-15 minutes long). You will be charged as for a local call according to your current phone package.



**Christian Aid Week.** Next week is Christian Aid week. Have a look at the [Christian Aid website](#) or other resources and find out more about the projects they run. Pray for them, and if you can, make a donation. Thank you to all those who are helping with envelope deliveries in the village next week.

**Join us for Quizian Aid!** The Children, Youth & Families team, and some of their crew, have put together a quiz to be launched live on Youtube on Friday 21st May at 7pm to raise money for Christian Aid. There's a section on General Knowledge, Sports, Arts and Music, 2020 and another mystery round! If any young people want to contribute a question, please contact [Lorraine](#). Answers will be revealed at the end of May. The Quiz will be loaded on the [Haxby and Wigginton Methodist Church YouTube Channel](#) the day before. Donate via the group's [just giving page](#).

**Save the date!** Sunday 11th July at 3pm will be our Circuit Celebration service. This will be held at Acomb and we hope some people will be able to join us in person; the service will also be livestreamed. Watch out for more information in the coming weeks!

**Run to the Philippines for Christian Aid!** A group of HWMC church park runners and friends are planning to run from York to the Philippines (virtually!) during the month of May, a distance of 6550 miles/10541 km, to raise money for Christian Aid. Do look at their [Just Giving Page](#) to read more about the challenge and donate. Also, we would love it if you would like to join in and add some kms of your own! Please email [localpastor@hwmc](mailto:localpastor@hwmc) for details of how to add in your distances. Many thanks, Liz Spain

**Recycling storage.** Our Syrian friend is an accomplished carpenter and has been making storage for recycling containers. These are made to a high standard from treated wood, and cost £95. If you'd be interested in purchasing one, or in another bespoke wooden product, please contact [Steph and Rob Cooper](#) 07762 103082 and we will put you in touch.

**Praying for our Circuit.** The church on the Circuit Prayer Rota for 9th May is **Bishopthorpe**. Let us thank God for the work of God in that place, and pray for the church as they consider how best to respond to God's call at this time.

## Lectionary Corner

13 May: Ascension Day

14 May: Matthias the Apostle

[This week's full lectionary info.](#)

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Next newsletter on **Sunday 16 May**. [Email items to grapevine.rey@gmail.com](mailto:grapevine.rey@gmail.com) by **9.00 am on 13 May**