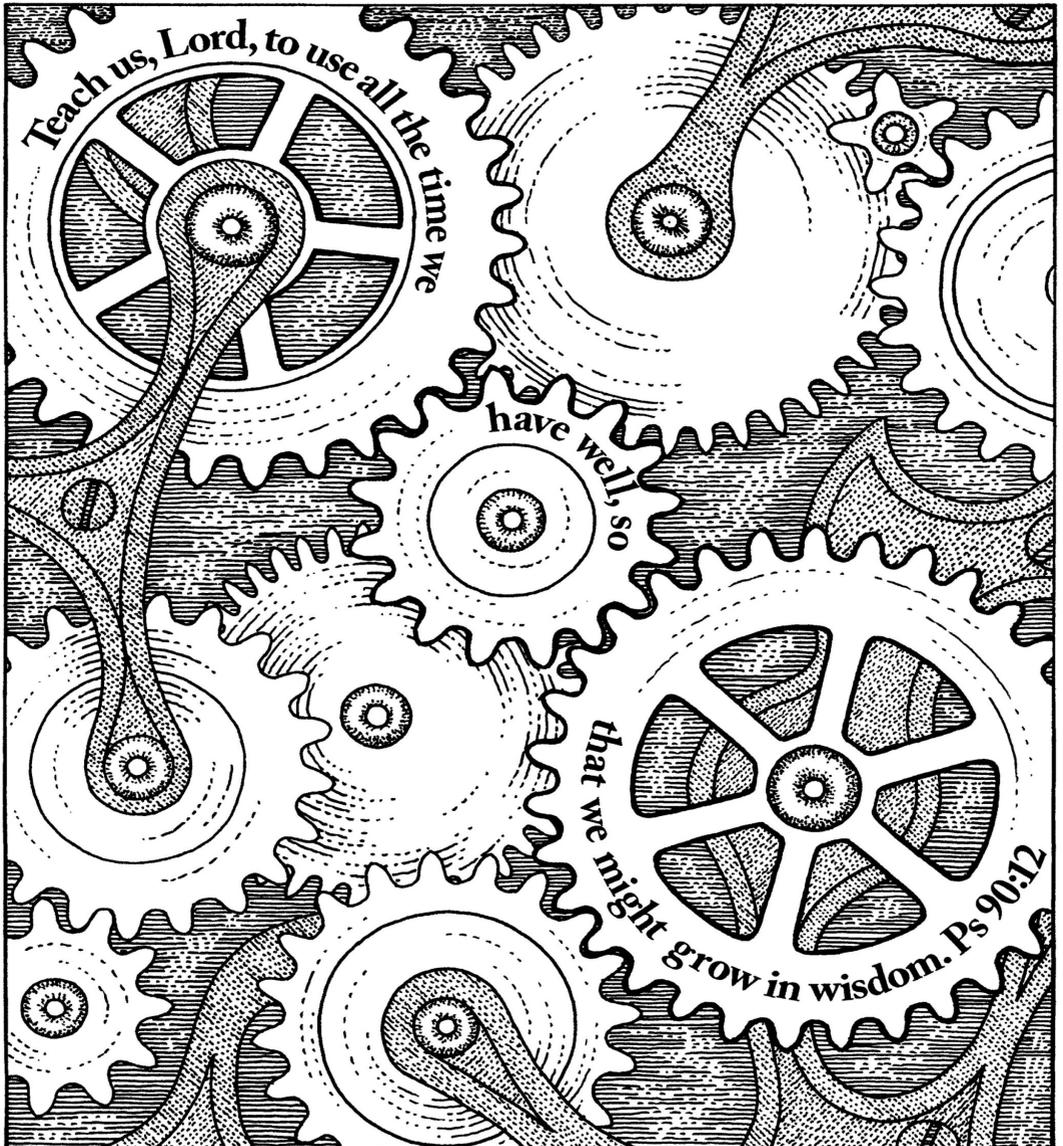


THE RIVERSIDE PARISHES

All Saints Hurworth Newsletter September 2021

All Saints Hurworth, St John the Baptist Low Dinsdale and All Saints Girsby,
working with St George and St Lawrence, Middleton St George



Thoughts for the Month

This summer while taking a few short breaks I have been lucky enough to see some beautiful countryside, awe inspiring scenery and wonderful views.

Often a landscape can mirror where we are physically, mentally, and emotionally. Different landscapes will speak to you at different times of your life. Where are you right now?

Do you feel you are on a fast-flowing river moving too quickly, never stopping, never slowing, being carried along at times out of your depth?

Or are you trying to find your way through a dark forest, looking for a path, but feeling lost and going round in circles.

Perhaps you are standing on the seashore, the tide on the turn and you are looking out over a vast ocean , full of possibilities.

Are you climbing a mountain? Are your feet sore from the sheer effort of trying to reach the top?

Do you feel dry like the desert, empty and alone, wandering aimlessly through the unchanging sands?

Look carefully. There is beauty and hope in each of these landscapes, beauty and hope which comes from God.

The river has a bank on either side where you can rest awhile as the water flows by.

The sun finds its way through the branches of the trees and lights up the path that leads out of the forest.

Every day the shore is washed by the tide, leaving no trace on the sand of what happened yesterday, ready to start afresh today.

From the top of the mountain, you can discover new strengths, see a wider world, the sight of which might change you forever.

There is an oasis in the desert, rains fall and flowers bloom again.

Wherever you are in your spiritual landscape ,wander awhile and allow God to wander with you. Let Him show you how to look at your landscape in a new way, to face the challenges and to embrace the future.

Jill Bramwell

TWO THIRDS OF CHURCHES IN UK PLAN TO KEEP STREAMING ONLINE

Throughout the Pandemic All Saints Church has streamed its services every Sunday via Zoom and plans to continue doing so in response to the growing demand from friends and family from far and wide.

Almost two thirds of UK churches plan to carry on streaming online, even after restrictions lift.

According to a recent survey by the insurance group Ecclesiastical and The Bible Society, 93 per cent of churches have used new ways to keep in touch with their congregation and over two in five churches (43 per cent) saw an increase in attendance as a result.

Live streaming has undoubtedly helped churches keep their services going during the pandemic, but this research suggests most, 62 per cent, would like the new habit to stay.

In the survey, 93 per cent said that they had used the video platform Zoom since March 2020, while others used Facebook (60 per cent), YouTube (5 per cent) and Microsoft Teams (1 per cent) to stream to their congregation.

Over two in five of the churches who had used these new channels said that they had seen an increase in attendance against their usual numbers, leading most to say they will carry on streaming after lockdown ends.

As one vicar said "By using social media we've been able to reach many more people than ever came through the actual church door each week, so it's definitely something we're looking to continue offering. There is certainly more hope now than there was this time last year and we look forward to the Lord leading us from this difficult time into freedom and new beginnings."

Details and joining instructions for Sunday worship at All Saints can be obtained on request by e-mail to denispinnegar@aol.com

From the Parish Records

Weddings

8th July – Michael Sidney Bland and Rebecca Louise Verity

17th July – Harry Pilling and Claire Bennett

30th July – Adam Robinson and Rosie Parks

6th Aug – Michael Christopher Parry and Hannah Louise Robinson

Holy Baptism

4th July – Florence Leigh

8th Aug – Arthur Hugo Johnson

Funerals

18th June – John l'Anson Gent (aged 95 years)



WHAT'S ON OFFER FOR OUR YOUNGSTERS?

Until the current Coronavirus restriction are lifted it is not possible to say when the following youth activities in the village will begin again:

All Saints Church Creche—cancelled until further notice

Hurworth Friday Hangout—cancelled until further notice

Friday Night Drop In—cancelled until further notice





Church Services in Hurworth,



Middleton St George, Low Dinsdale and Girsby

September 2021

Thurs 2 nd	Hurworth	8.00AM	Morning Prayer
Sunday 5 th	Hurworth	10.30AM	Holy Communion by Extension
	MSG (St George's Church)	10.00AM	Service of the Word
Thurs 9 th	Hurworth	8.00AM	Morning Prayer
Sunday 12 th	Hurworth	8.00AM	Communion by Extension
	Hurworth	10.30AM	Morning Worship
	MSG	10.00AM	Holy Communion
Thurs 16 th	Hurworth	8.00AM	Morning Prayer
Sunday 19 th	Hurworth	8.00AM	Communion by Extension
	Hurworth	10.30AM	Morning Worship
	MSG	10.00AM	Service of the Word
	Dinsdale	11.00AM	Morning Prayer
Thurs 23 rd	Hurworth	8.00AM	Morning Prayer
Sunday 26 th	Hurworth	8.00AM	Communion by Extension
	Hurworth	10.30AM	Harvest Festival
	MSG	10.00AM	Service of the Word
Thurs 30 th	Hurworth	8.00AM	Morning Prayer

Hurworth Sunday Services are in church and are also streamed live on Zoom

Link details are available on request from the editor

Middleton St George (MSG) services held at St Georges Academy

Where Sinners Go

A Christian man was having a conversation with a person who didn't have much good to say about the Christian faith, and knew that if he were to sound "religious" he would be ridiculed. So, in the middle of their discussions, he asked, "Say, Bob, do you know where sinners go?"

"That's easy," the person replied. "You're going to tell me they go to the hell"

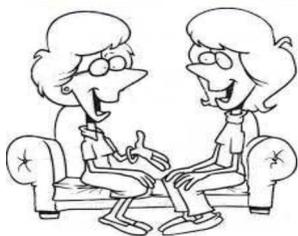
"No," the man responded. "They go to church!!"

Time for a Smile

- From a church report on renovations at a Youth Centre in Northants: 'The lift and the new windows are installed and the non-alcoholic bar is already plastered.'
- From a church notice sheet: PLEASE NOTE: 'From this Sunday the evening service will begin at 8pm. This will continue until October.'
- Men don't want to see what's on television. They want to see WHAT ELSE is on television.



...er Vicar, it's about that flower Mrs Brindle's brought back from her foreign holiday...



CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

2.15pm Tuesday 14th Sept.

CATCH UP SOCIAL AND GET TOGETHER

*We look forward to seeing you soon,
everyone welcome.*



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Mrs Milly Stoney, 2 West End, Hurworth on Tees

E mail - milly.stoney@outlook.com

Hurworth Country Fair 2021

Hurworth Grange,
Saturday, 18th September, 11:00am to 4:00pm

This is Hurworth's Tenth Country Fair, and there is a full day of entertainment planned to bring fun and pleasure to the community. We were not able to hold the event last year, so make sure that you and all your family attend this year.

This year's highlights include:-

For Your entertainment

- **On stage** – continuous entertainment – consult the programme times
- Arena One – **Equestrian and dogs** displays
- Arena Two – Visit the **Viking encampment** & watch their displays
- Arena Three – Enter your dog in the **Fun Dog Show**
- Arena Four – **Mr Twister** will entertain the family
- Arena Five – Visit the **owls**
- Arena Six – try out your **Archery Skills**

On site activities

- A **Touch of France** – Boule knockout championship
- Children's **Treasure Hunt** (Free entry)
- **Donkey rides** for the young ones – visit Ark Therapy
- **Tree Climbing** Demonstrations
- Brass band **concerts** – take a seat
- **Karate** demonstrations – keep your hand in (if you're brave)
- **Football challenge** – who will be the Hurworth Champion
- **Live music** at the Coffee Stop – featuring Serenity Duo.

Visit:-

Over 20 trade stalls
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Entry fee £3 - children free - car parking free.

We wish to thank all our sponsors for their generous contributions and support, without which this event could not have been staged.

Hurworth Parish Walk Dates for 2021

Sunday 19 Sept 21 Hurworth Circle -
Meet on the Village Green at 3pm

Note: If this date needs to be postponed due to bad weather the walk will be taken on the following Sunday

Hurworth Village Diary

All Clubs and Societies held in Hurworth Grange and the Village Hall have re commenced - visit the appropriate web sites for further details

Sun 5th Sept	Afternoon Cinema	Village Hall
Fri 10th Sept	Village Hall Quiz	Village Hall
Sat 18th Sept	Hurworth Country Fair	Hurworth Grange
Sun 26th Sept	Harvest Festival	All Saints Church
Sun 3rd Oct	Afternoon Cinema	Village Hall
Sat 30th Oct	Murder at the Masked Ball	Village Hall

LINK TO HOPE SHOEBOX APPEAL

We will launch our Shoe Box Appeal 2021 at the Country Fair at Hurworth Grange on Saturday 18th September . Every year our shoe boxes bring hope, love and a smile to struggling families and the elderly in Eastern Europe.

Our Shoe Boxes will be collected from church after the Remembrance Service November 14th. Please support us as we support those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Thank You

Contact Jill Bramwell 07818418499 for details.



BECOMING UNMASKED

With contemporary music, a loving welcoming atmosphere, and life application messages, you are invited to one or all of the following family services at Hurworth Methodist Church in September:

September 5th at 10am: Becoming Unmasked: Living well in anxious times

September 12th at 10am: Becoming Unmasked: Parenting in a pandemic

September 19th at 10am: Becoming Unmasked: Connecting with Community for support

September 26th at 10am: God's Unmasked Love and Embrace

For more information please contact Brian on 01325 252185



QUOTES OF THE MONTH

“The budget should be balanced, the Treasury should be refilled, public debt should be reduced, the arrogance of officialdom should be tempered and controlled, and the assistance to foreign lands should be curtailed, lest Rome becomes bankrupt. People must learn to work instead of living on public assistance”

Cicero, 55BC

So, evidently we've learnt little in the past 2,076 years!

Local churches are to be thought of not as churches of individuals, but, primarily, churches of families.

Paul Helm

A church is a hospital for sinners, not a museum for saints.

A cold church, like cold butter, never spreads well.

The most effective way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once...

Government expert: one who complicates simple things.

Kind: someone who could tell you all about his operation – but doesn't.



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“Where there is only one set of footprints, that is where I have carried you”.

