

## The 11th Week after TRINITY – NEWSLETTER

11th – 17th August 2024

### Greetings from Eileen

I've been reflecting on the chaos around us. **The Olympics** is on, its opening ceremony mired in controversy as if a mirror to the world's disarray; but heroic lives unveiled from amongst unlikely winners have raised triumphant the human story. Here's just one, an unbowed survivor and refugee child.

A bolt shot through a summer's day: children happily beginning their holidays are senselessly killed, triggering violent **unrest across towns** and cities of the North including nearby Darlington, Shildon, and St Helens, spreading southwards. Even tourists are warned: the UK is a dangerous place for minority and foreign people; countered by the praiseworthy mass response for peace and welcome that has since confronted violence with peace.



Rather apt is the prayer chandelier of peace doves in Durham Cathedral. Here is an image of **peace doves and a prayer** for the victims of violence, the fearful and afflicted, and for peace to prevail.

Following the unrest and violence across towns and cities in the United Kingdom in recent days,  
We pray for all the communities affected;  
For all those left injured, traumatised or afraid;  
For the police and all at national and local level seeking to restore public order and bring perpetrators to justice;  
For places of worship in the affected areas;  
And all people of faith and goodwill seeking to promote peace and respect in the face of violence and hatred.  
Teach us, O Lord, the way of your statutes;  
and lead us in the path of your commandments.  
Keep our nation under your care;  
and guide us in justice and truth.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



PLEASE HELP US SAVE OUR  
VILLAGE CHURCH FROM  
CLOSURE

RECENT NECESSARY REPAIRS COST OVER £10,000 AND TO REMAIN OPEN

WE URGENTLY NEED TO REPLACE THOSE FUNDS.

Are you able to make a donation towards keeping the church open

for this and future generations? Do you have any ideas for fundraising?

WE NEED



Locally, I've returned to find our parish teams actively serving our churches.

**Ingleton St John's PCC appeal for help** in the Teesdale Mercury has been met with generosity, with the church already receiving more than £1,200 in response. We are most grateful. (*See page 2 for generosity towards Staindrop St Mary*)

### Services on the 11th Sunday after TRINITY 4th August 2024

9.15am	Holy Communion	Staindrop St Mary	Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop
9.30am	Holy Communion	Winston St Andrew	Rev'd David Spokes
10.45am	Holy Communion	Gainford St Mary	Rev'd David Spokes
11am	Holy Communion	Ingleton St John	Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop

*The Father, whose glory fills the heavens, cleanse you by his holiness, and send you to proclaim his word.*

*Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop*

## STAINDROP'S COMMUNITY ROCKED AND ROLLED FOR THEIR PARISH CHURCH!

Jesus said: "I came that they may have life, and have it to the full" (John 10:10).



Missioner and PCC member Sarah Fells accepted the **unsolicited generous offer from Staindrop resident Harley McLoughlin Ivey** to organise and host a dance in the Scarth Hall for church funds.

In a sold-out evening, dressed in 50s attire everyone rocked and rolled to their hearts content in support for their parish church! Thank you, Harley.

## NOTICES



**Our Assistant Organist at Gainford St Mary JOSHUA GREENWELL** and organ scholar of Ripon Cathedral is playing at **CHORAL EVENSONG** joined by choristers of the cathedral **in St Romald, Romaldkirk on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 5.30pm. All are welcome** to be enveloped in this deeply moving choral tradition comprising: Introit - My Beloved Spake by Hadley; Ayleward Responses; Psalm 135; Canticles - Collegium Regale by Howells; and the Anthem - Greater Love Hath No Man by Ireland.



**GATHER is LITTER PICKING in INGLETON Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2pm. Come along – invite others – all welcome. Meet at The Black Horse.**

**Summer Holiday Club:** We are inviting Primary-aged children and youth to a great day of fun at our Youth Saints and Messy Church HOLIDAY CLUB on **THURSDAY 29<sup>th</sup> August** – meeting at St Mary's Church, Gainford for outdoor and indoor activities. **Contact our Missioner Sarah Fells using the email address:** **StMary's@gainfordwinston.church**



**COLLECT for 11<sup>th</sup> after TRINITY**

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**READINGS****Ephesians 4:25-5:2**

<sup>25</sup> So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup> Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup> Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup> and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. **5** <sup>1</sup> Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup> and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

**John 6:35, 41-51**

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

<sup>41</sup> Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' <sup>42</sup> They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' <sup>43</sup> Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup> No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup> It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup> Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup> Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup> I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup> Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup> This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'