

The Parishes of Aldbrough Mappleton & Goxhill with Great Hatfield & Witherwick

September 2021



From the Vicar

Dear All

Sunday 5th September is being designated Climate Sunday, ahead of the UN's climate change conference, COP26, in Glasgow during November. As Christians we are very aware that we are to be stewards of God's wonderful creation. Whether intentionally or not we cannot deny that we have damaged this world and impacted people, created in His image. The burning of oil or gas and cutting down forests is increasing the concentration of greenhouse gases

like carbon dioxide that trap heat in the Earth's atmosphere. The global average temperature could increase by 1.5°C in 2030, resulting in significant damage to our planet. Already, increasing temperatures are melting ice caps, raising sea-levels, changing rainfall patterns and creating extreme climate events. It's the 70% of the world's poorest population who are being impacted most!

Climate change and farming are very often talked about at the same time. Food production is said to be responsible for over one quarter of harmful greenhouse gas emissions - a direct driver of climate change. Recently, a United Nations report said the amount of dairy and meat that people are consuming is fuelling global warming. While research varies, it is thought that cows, sheep and goats are responsible for up to 14% of all greenhouse emissions. But aside from the impact that the farming industry has on the environment, more extreme weather events have a direct impact on farmers too. Last year, there were record high temperatures in June, July and August which caused widespread drought and crop failures.

An invitation to respond: Simple everyday actions can help to sustain our planet, including recycling of waste, energy saving and changes in our lifestyle and diet to help the planet. We need to pray for our world and for our world leaders, gathering in Glasgow, asking that they may reach a good agreement for the future of our world.

We also have a chance to spend time together, outside, on Saturday **11th September** as we reflect, not just on climate change, but our local farming communities. Last year Mr John Hepworth invited us to his woodland for our 'pop up Harvest'. We were greeted with a very simple but effective Harvest Table, we walked, we listened to the sounds around us, we said prayers and sang hymns. What a way to celebrate God's creation! So please do join us this year – same place (Braemar Farm, Rolston)– same time (10.30)



With every blessing
Revd Anne

SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

Every Wednesday 10.00 Holy Communion at Aldbrough

September 5th Trinity 14: 10.30am Parish Communion at Aldbrough
September 11th (SATURDAY) – Pop Up Harvest at Braemar Farm, Rolston 10.30
September 12th Trinity 15: 10.30am Parish Communion at Witherwick
September 19th Trinity 16: 10.30am Parish Communion at Aldbrough
September 26th Trinity 17: 10.30am Parish Communion at Mappleton
October 3rd Harvest Festival: 10.30am Parish Communion at Aldbrough

DATES FOR YOUR DIAIRIES

September	Clothes Collection	Witherwick
September 25th	Garden Party	Cowden Parva
December 4th	Christmas Street Event	Aldbrough Village
December 11th	Christmas Fair	Witherwick Church

FROM THE REGISTERS



WEDDINGS

14th August: John and Kerry Griffiths (Withernwick)



BAPTISM

25th July: Lola-Mo Smith (Withernwick)



FUNERALS

22nd July: Clive Longhorn (Aldbrough)

4th August: Alan 'Pip' Gibbon (Withernwick)

9th August: Daryll Carr (Withernwick)

Methodist Church.

Services for september at 10-45 am.

SEP 5th---Preacher Deacon Jackie FOWLER.

..... 12th--Preacher Dr Peter NELSON.

..... 19th --Service led by Worship LEADERS.

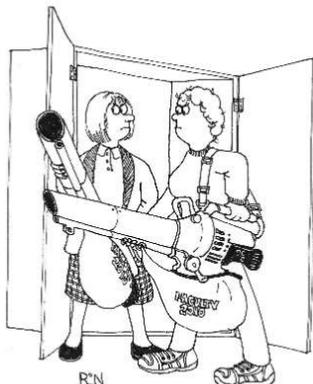
..... 26th ---Preacher Mrs Val WALKER.

Everyone Welcome at all Services.

THE CRAFT CLUB are to open on Wednesday SEPTEMBER 8th at 1-00 PM.

Christmas Story in a Box

Yes, it is early to be thinking about Christmas! However, instead of Christmas Trees in Aldbrough Church, this year we are inviting people to create (using any medium) the Christmas Story. You might like to take one element of the story or more than one. The only stipulation is that it must fit inside a shoe box which will be used as the backdrop. Please do be as creative as possible – there will be a prize for the best one – judging will be on the night of the Christmas Event (December 4th) Have fun and do join in!



Shifting the cobwebs in the North aisle
required a faculty

**Dedicated to all our wonderful church cleaners
who are fighting a losing battle with the cobwebs!!**

September Prayer (From Parish Pump)

Dear Lord,

September – the month of new beginnings for many, as summer fades and school and college terms start.

After such a strange time of restrictions, hopes of freedom, with warnings to be cautious, it is hard to know what to expect this September.

We can't know what lies ahead, Lord, but we *can* trust you to see us through whatever it turns out to be.

Thank you for your promise, *I will never leave you or forsake you...* (Hebrews 13:5)

Help us to hold fast to that promise, to keep trusting you – and to be thankful for each September day.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

Items for next newsletter to Paul soltydog@yahoo.com by 20th September please