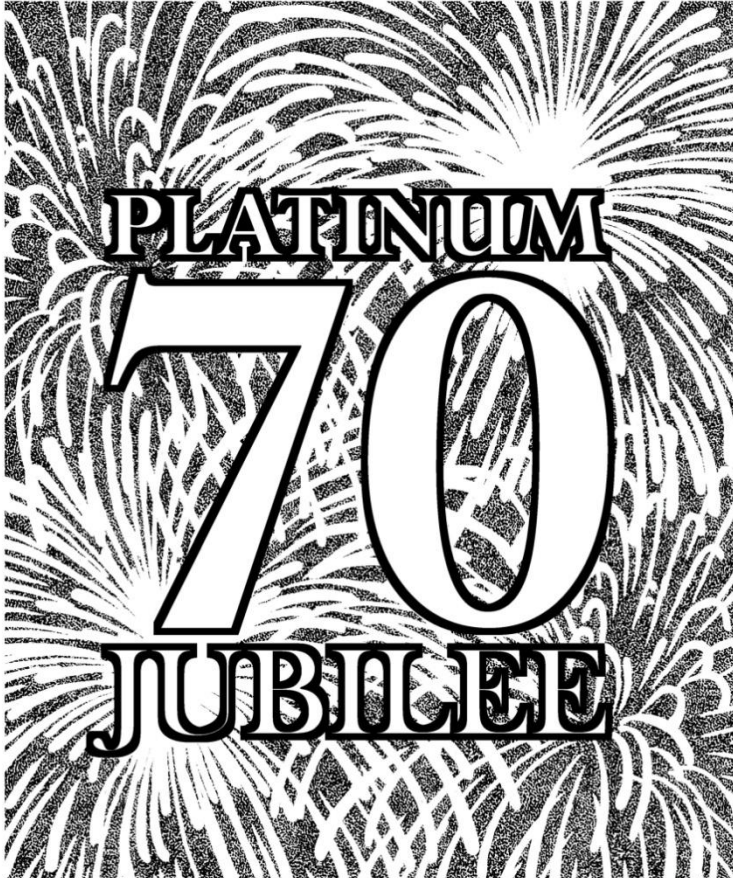


Community Newsletter



June
2022



**Bringing together the
Parishes of Aldbrough, Mappleton & Goxhill with Great Hatfield, &
Withernwick**

From the Benefice

As a nation, in April we celebrated the Queen's 96th birthday. She is the longest reigning monarch in British history (70 years compared with Victoria's 63 years). Up until recently she attended church every week and did a full week's work!

It is her commitment to serving God and the nation which stands out in her life. Even before she became Queen, she made a promise, which she has kept for over 75 years: 'I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service' (21st birthday broadcast, 21 April 1947).

What is the secret of the Queen's consistency of character and service? In 2002 she said this: 'I know just how much I rely on my faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning. I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God.' Here are wise words from somebody who draws her strength from the Christian Faith and inspiration for those of us who want to make our lives count!

The Queen has been an example of joyful, wise, and generous service on behalf of others all her life. Six months before her coronation she asked the nation and commonwealth to 'pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life.' Clearly, God has answered those prayers!!

Prayer for June 2022 by Daphne Kitching

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the beauty of the world you created, so evident in this lovely month of June.

We bring before you, in prayer, those events going on in the world which are so difficult to understand. We pray for all your children who are suffering in any way, especially those affected by war. Please, Lord, comfort them, assure them of your presence - and deliver them from evil.

May we appreciate each day which you have made. Help us to rejoice and be glad in the gift of each new day - and to trust you for all our tomorrows, knowing that in you alone is our security.

In Jesus' name. Amen

John Witty's Notes on Nature

I thought for a while about what I would call my monthly nature report, and then thought what better name could I give it than my predecessor's, who is sadly missed. John and I used to swap notes on all sorts of things, mainly birds and we used to celebrate any "special" appearances, such as the Little Egrets and the Buzzards, together with the occasional sighting of a Red Kite!

This year we have had some really cold nights, which are still persisting, causing all kinds of havoc with birds like Swallows, House Martins and Swifts, none of which has been seen in any sort of number so far in this area. We have had a male Blackcap hanging around, and the Starlings are increasing in numbers, they demolished 5 containers of Flutter Butter in 2 days last week, but having lost them for a few years, we can't begrudge them that!!! We have seen two Jays in the garden this year, very unusual and a first for us. There are plenty of Chaffinches, Tree Sparrows, Blackbirds, Great Tits, Coal Tits and Blue Tits with the odd daily cloud of Long Tailed Tits mixed in. During the past few weeks we've had visits from Greylag Geese, Little Egrets, and a solitary Buzzard being mobbed by the Crows that patrol the patch at the back of our house.

For anyone that fancies something slightly exotic, there is a Black Browed Albatross still in residence at Bempton Cliffs, it was there last year and has turned up again this year. It is reported to be the only one in the Northern Hemisphere.

Cheers for now, Penny.

Time, Past & Hype! By Kaye Treadaway

When the moment is right, and the time is right - All will be clear.

Trust in your thoughts, mind and self, knowing you're doing your best.

When all you want is to scream and shout, smile and nod and all will be clear.

Gaze on in admiration of each other's strength and offer a hand to those around.

We all have history, a past still with us fading and lingering.

Your past is your past, which helps you be you, let go of past, allow it pass.

Feel the brightness enter your life, let the grey be left in the past!

It will be hard, where days feel lost – Those will pass with love and care, someone nearby to share.

Just look and listen, ignore the hype – All have troubles and issues, no matter their front.

So remember – Be kind and polite, offer a hand and listen to the tails being shared.



A (Royal) Dog's Life by Nigel Beeton

We dogs, who live with royal folk
Who feel Her Maj's royal stroke;
We like to hear important talk
Of dinner time, and our next walk.

But lately there's been so much rushing
People bowing, people fussing.
Trumpets blare and soldiers shout
What is all the noise about?

No-one thinks of corgis' needs
Like, where's our bone, and where's our leads?
We're not allowed a doggy romp
'Midst all the pageantry and pomp!

Adding to our canine woes
They all wear their finest clothes,
So we're all stuck behind closed doors
Lest we might smudge them with our paws.

But things will come to settle down.
It's life, when Mistress wears a crown;
Yes, it will pass, you all will see
This business of the Jubilee.

So, we shall wag our doggy tails!
Be happy, like the Prince of Wales!
We think the Boss has done just fine
Being Queen for all this time!

Thoughts for the Month

Live a good honourable life. When you get older and think back, you'll be able to enjoy it a second time.

The best relationship is one which love for each other exceeds your need for each other.

Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.

Anon.

John Akehurst's Quick Quiz...

1. Which sign of the Zodiac represents the twins Castor and Pollux?
2. Who wrote "Pride and Prejudice"?
3. How many strings does a Ukulele have?
4. In which county is the village of Cheddar?
5. What is a sheepshank?
6. Which Turkish town was the birthplace of St. Paul?
7. From which country does Edam cheese originate?
8. What is the largest lake in England?

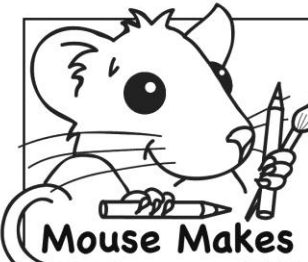
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Answers next month...

Tea Time Chill Out's Kids Corner

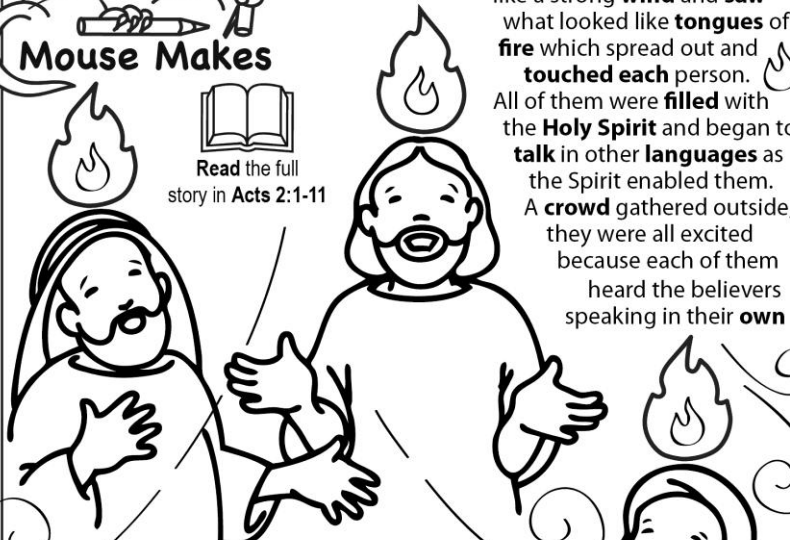


Mouse Makes



Read the full story in Acts 2:1-11

It was the **festival of Pentecost**, **fifty days** since **Passover** and **Jews** from many countries had come to **Jerusalem** to **celebrate**. The **Apostles** and other believers were all **together** in one place when they heard a **sound** like a strong **wind** and **saw** what looked like **tongues of fire** which spread out and **touched each** person. All of them were **filled** with the **Holy Spirit** and began to **talk** in other **languages** as the Spirit enabled them. A **crowd** gathered outside, they were all excited because each of them heard the believers speaking in their **own**



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language about the great things **God** had done. About 3,000 people **heard**, **believed** and were **baptised** that day!

All the words in bold type in the story are in the word search, can you find them?



Teddy Bears Chill Out 12th June 2022 4.00pm

We hope you can join us with the good weather (fingers crossed) and a teddy for a picnic. As always we would welcome any donations of food, drink or volunteers. Hope to see you there.

We need you!

We need your input, this is vital to keep your newsletter going. So if you have a poem, a prayer, a story, a photo, or anything that you feel you could share with the community please do email.

This newsletter connects to many people, so please help.

Thank you.

Articles for the next newsletter to
aldbroughbenefice@gmail.com by 20 June 2022

Or if you wish to advertise, please get in touch to discuss terms.

Services for June

Holy Communion every Wednesday 10am at Aldbrough

5th June 10.30am at Aldbrough: Holy Communion
12th June 10.30am at Withernwick: Service of the Word
19th June 10.30am at Aldbrough: Service of the Word
26th June 10.30am at Mappleton: Holy Communion
26th June 4.00pm Withernwick: Evensong

Dates for the diary

Tea Time Chill Out: 12th June 4.00pm – 5.30pm at Aldbrough
Knit & Natter: 14th June 10.30am – 12.00pm at Withernwick

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