

# THE GRAPEVINE



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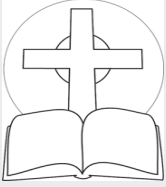
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## PARISH MAGAZINE

serving the Parishes of  
**Dunnington, Stockton on the Forest  
Warthill & Holtby**

From your LLM (Reader)

## Readings for April 2024

### Sunday 5th May

Acts 10:44-end; John 15:9-17

### Sunday 12th May

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; John 17:6-19

### Sunday 19th May

Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

### Sunday 26th May

Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17



## From the Registers

Dunnington, Holtby,  
Warthill, & Stockton  
on the Forest

### Funerals:

*We commit into God's loving  
care:*

Derek White

Honeybourne Church  
22nd March

Patricia Mary (Pat) Atkinson  
St Nicholas Church  
8th April

Roger Howard Wood  
St Nicholas Church  
10th April

I had this poem sent to me and thought I would share it with you this month.

Plant three rows of peas:

Peace of mind

Peace of heart

Peace of soul

Plant four rows of squash:

Squash unkindness

Squash rudeness

Squash unhelpfulness

Squash selfishness

Plant four rows of lettuce:

Lettuce be faithful

Lettuce be kind

Lettuce be obedient

Lettuce really love one another

No garden should be without turnips:

Turn up for meetings

Turn up to lend a hand

Turn up to help one another

Turn up and make a difference

Water freely with patience and cultivate with love

There is much fruit for your garden

Because you reap what you sow.

To conclude our garden

We must have thyme:

Thyme for God

Thyme for ourselves

Thyme for prayer

Thyme for each other

Thyme for friends.

Happy Gardening!

*Judith M. Hewitt*

### MY LIFE HAS JUST BEGUN

My life has just begun  
I've reached the age of fun  
My ears don't work  
My eyes don't work  
And my legs no longer run

But my brain says "does it matter?  
Go out and have a natter  
Put on your coat  
And spend a groat\*  
Let your heart go pitter-patter"

The housework – that can wait  
A cream cake on a plate  
Gives more delight  
I know I'm right  
Don't leave it all too late

For me is now being made  
The beloved hearing aid  
And the cataracts I've got  
If you're following the plot  
Will be dealt with – all unpaid

So don't worry about me  
For as you all can see  
I've reached that age of fun  
And my life has just begun  
I'll enjoy it with much glee

\*Very old money that's even older than me but it rhymes!

June Rickell

## From your Rector

### Retreat - Going back to go forward

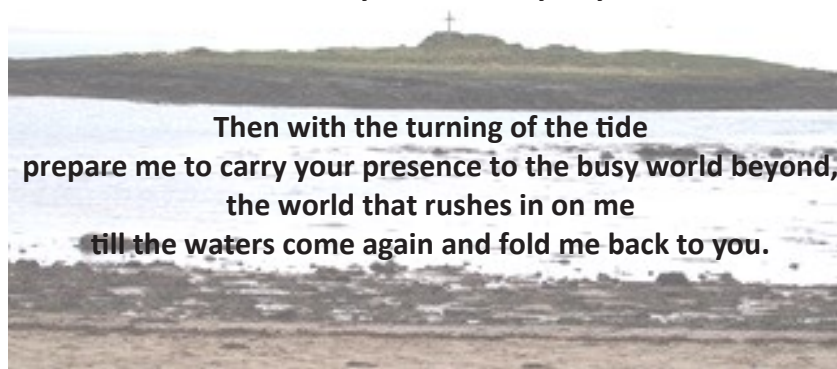
I've recently been on a retreat with the Northumbria Community near Alnwick, so I thought I'd explain what retreating is and a little about Celtic spirituality. Retreat in a military operation is a drawing back while maintaining contact with the enemy, and can be done to relieve the pressure on troops or to lure the enemy into a different position before attacking again - and both of these ideas have connection with spiritual retreat. Christian leaders are encouraged to take times of retreat when they come away from their ministry, and usually away from home too, to rest, pray and take stock. Being in a third space that is not work or home allows for more objectivity on situations and time that is less structured to enable prayer, meditation, Bible study and other reading. Retreatants often return refreshed, with a new sense of vision and readiness for ministry again.

My retreat was guided, which means that there were structured times of worship, learning and discussion with others as well as individual unstructured time. We explored 'the footsteps of St Cuthbert', visiting some of the places where Cuthbert lived and worshiped, and we prayed together using the Celtic liturgy. Modern Celtic spirituality looks back to the saints of the 'Dark Ages' for inspiration, drawing on simplicity, community and connection to nature and location in its prayers and reflections. Cuthbert in particular was someone who spent much time alone with God, living at times on the remote Inner Farne island; yet he was also consulted by kings and was for a time the Bishop at Lindisfarne.

This pattern of togetherness and aloneness was something we contemplated on the retreat, and indeed mirrors retreat itself: taking a step back from daily duties and relationships gives perspective and the opportunity to seek God's guidance for our personal lives and in our ministry with others. I certainly recommend taking a retreat, and hope you too can create that time and space to step back, in order to move forward.

*Rev. Kath McBride*

**Leave me alone with God as much as may be.  
As the tide draws the waters close in upon the shore,  
Make me an island, set apart,  
alone with you, God, holy to you.**



**Then with the turning of the tide  
prepare me to carry your presence to the busy world beyond,  
the world that rushes in on me  
till the waters come again and fold me back to you.**

*The prayer of St Aidan*

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# CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

Date	Time	Parish	Service
(1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday) Week commencing 5 <sup>th</sup> May			
<i>Sunday</i>	9.00	Holtby	BCP Holy Communion
5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Dunnington	Holy Communion Traditional
	10.30	Stockton	Morning Worship
	7.00	Dunnington	Sunday @ 7
<i>Wednesday</i>	9.00	Dunnington	Holy Communion
8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Stockton	BCP Holy Communion
<i>Thursday 9th</i>	7.30	Wheldrake	Deanery Ascension Service
(2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday) Week commencing 12 <sup>th</sup> May			
<i>Sunday</i>	8.00	Dunnington	BCP Holy Communion
12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Stockton	Holy Communion
	10.30	Dunnington	Morning Worship
<i>Wednesday</i>	9.00	Dunnington	Holy Communion
15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Stockton	BCP Holy Communion
(3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday) Week commencing 19 <sup>th</sup> May: Pentecost			
<i>Sunday</i>	10.30	Stockton	Holy Communion
19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Dunnington	Holy Communion Contemporary
	7.00	Dunnington	Sunday @7
<i>Wednesday</i>	9.00	Dunnington	Holy Communion
22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00	Stockton	BCP Holy Communion
(4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday) Week commencing 26 <sup>th</sup> May: Trinity Sunday			
<i>Sunday</i>	8.00	Dunnington	BCP Holy Communion
26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Warhill	Holy Communion All Age
	6.00	Holtby	Evensong
<i>Wednesday</i>	9.00	Dunnington	Holy Communion
29 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00	Stockton	BCP Holy Communion



For children and their grown ups...

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024

3-5pm

St Nicholas Church, Dunnington

lego games  
**PLAY**  
toddler toys



Pentecost wreath  
**MAKE**  
drinks mat  
playdoh

**STORY CORNER**  
act out the Pentecost story

Children of all ages are welcome and must be accompanied by an adult.  
There is no need to book a place.

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES DISCOVER .....2024

It has been lovely to see more children and their families in our churches this year. Children of any age are always welcome and we are trying to make sure that some of our activities are especially child friendly. You will find that the 10.30am services at St Nicholas, Dunnington on a 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday and St Mary's, Warhill on a 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday are more interactive. Little People, for carers and pre-school children, meets on a Tuesday afternoon in term time at St Nicholas, Dunnington. There is information in the church notices and activities are posted on the St Nicholas Church Dunnington, facebook page. Our next Discover session is in half-term when we will discover Pentecost – see poster below.

Discover sessions dates for your diaries – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May 3-5pm, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August 10-12, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August 10-12.

**Coffee @ St Nicholas: Come and meet others over coffee or a cup of tea!**

**Wednesday Coffee Time:** 9.45 to 11.00am every Wednesday following the 9:00am Communion Service

**Community Café:** 10.00 to 11.30am every Saturday—Why not come and join us to hear about future day trips and short breaks holidays with Glenn Coaches? All pick up and drop offs in the village.

## CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

### Christian Meditation Group

Every fourth Wednesday  
St Nicholas Church  
7.30 pm

This month the meeting will be on  
22nd May 2024

The group helps members explore silent,  
Christian, contemplative prayer.

Christian Meditation is an ancient form of  
prayer.

It has been practised throughout the ages  
in the Christian tradition.

It is a prayer of silence, stillness and focus  
on the present moment.

It is sometimes called the prayer of the  
heart.

We open our hearts to the presence of God  
in the silence.

If this way of praying is of interest to you  
please contact the Revd Peter Moorhouse,  
01904 481055.

### Online Services

Every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on video, which can be found here: [dioceseofyork.org.uk/running-your-church/communications/sunday-reflections/](https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/running-your-church/communications/sunday-reflections/)

We hold compline via [Zoom](#) at 7pm on Wednesday evenings. If you would like the link for this please email [grapevine.rey@gmail.com](mailto:grapevine.rey@gmail.com).

On the 4th Monday each month, we join Deanery Prayers on Zoom. The login details will be in the weekly newsletter. In May, Deanery Prayers are on 27th at 7.00pm

### Benefice Prayer meeting

The Benefice Prayer meeting continues to meet monthly at Fair View, Warthill YO19 5XW at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to come and join us as we pray for the many needs of our Benefice. You can find the meeting dates advertised in the Weekly Newsletter.

### Light a Candle Café

Last Wednesday of the month

9:45-11:15am

Tower Room, St Nicholas Church



A space to...

Talk about loss, bereavement and hope

Remember loved ones

Connect with others

Free refreshments, all welcome!

**Wednesday 24th April and 29th May**



*If you are unable to attend the 'Light A Candle Café' for whatever reason, but feel you would benefit from talking to someone about loss and bereavement, then please get in touch with one of the ministry team and we would only too pleased to spend time with you.*

*Judith Hewitt (Reader) 488331*

## Little People

### Play and Praise

Term-time Tuesday afternoons 1.45 – 3pm

For pre-school children and their carer.  
Come along for play, craft, singing and Bible story time.

Hot drinks are available for carers and cold drinks for our Little People.

No need to book!

The Tower Room, St Nicholas Church,  
Dunnington  
£1 per session

## CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS



Salvador Dali

### ASCENSION DAY

Thursday, 9 May at 7.30pm St Helen's Wheldrake

! Come and join with us!

*If you are unable to be with us join our live-stream on YouTube for Derwent Ings Benefice - the service appears under the 'live' tab*

### Morning Worship for Christian Aid Week

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May

10.30am

St Nicholas Church.



### Christian Aid Week

12<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> May

Envelopes for you to make your donation to Christian Aid will be falling through your letter box, with instructions on where to take your donation.

Donations can be left at 7 Water Lane, 12 Greenside, Dunnington Rectory or taken to a Church Service or Community Café on 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> May.

Spare envelopes will also be in the Tower Room

### Discover...Pentecost

For children and their grown ups...

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024

3-5pm

St Nicholas Church, Dunnington



## Tower Room Roof Celebration with the Bishop of Selby

Saturday 18th May at 2.30pm

A short service of thanksgiving for the Tower Room and the completion of the new roof followed by refreshments. Weather permitting we'll be outside.

Everyone from the village is welcome to come and see our space, and to say farewell to Bishop John before his retirement in July.

### Parish Lunch

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May

1.00pm

The list, to sign, is now in the Tower Room, if you would like to join us.

Priority will be given to those who couldn't come to the last lunch.

There will be no lunch on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June as there will be a D-Day Service followed by refreshments.



### Beer 'n' Hymns 'n' Pimms



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024, 7.30 pm in the Tower Room, St Nicholas Church  
Come along and enjoy an evening singing some favourite hymns whilst enjoying a glass of Beer or Pimms.

Alcohol-free "Pimms" or fruit juice also available. Numbers limited.

Tickets £6 Under 18's £1

Available from:

Judith Hewitt 48833, Joan Verrier 481626 or Eve Scoreby 07746 765274

## Thai Evening

Saturday 22nd June 2024, 7.00 pm in the Tower Room, Dunnington

A talk about his ministry in Thailand by the Revd Tim Eady  
plus savour a taste of Thai Cuisine

Bring your own drink

Tickets £7.50 – contact Judith Hewitt 488331, Joan Verrier 481626 or  
Eve Scoreby 07746 765274

### Save the Date!

**Christians at Pride in York** Saturday 1st June - parade through the city centre from 12 and stall on the Knavesmire til 4pm

**St Nicholas service of Remembrance & Commemoration for 80th Anniversary of D Day** Sunday 9th June 10.30am

**St Nicholas Contemporary worship for Father's Day** Sunday 16th June 10.30

**Discover sessions** Monday 5th August 10-12, Thursday 29th August 10- 12.

## STOCKTON ON THE FOREST

YOU are invited to

### SILVER SERVICE

*Afternoon Tea*

An afternoon of tea/ coffee,  
scones & cakes & fun.

At Holy Trinity Church, Stockton  
Come and natter with old friends and  
new.

On Tuesday 21st May  
from 2.30pm till 4pm

*Lifts available from Arnie 400364  
And Bobby 400188*

## Next Coffee Morning

Saturday 11th May

Holy Trinity Church  
Stockton-on-the-Forest

10 am to 12 noon

Come along and have a natter,  
a cuppa and a scone with friends

BOOKS • RAFFLE • CAKES  
THE 100 CLUB DRAW

Everyone very welcome

APCM Stockton postponed until May. Date TBA.

### THE STOCKTON FORESTERS

You'll have heard of the story "Three Men in a Boat",

A humorous tale Jerome K. Jerome wrote.

Well our tale is different: it is four men not three,  
And they're out of the boat, not in it, you see.

'Cos Neville navigated using astrology

Instead of a map showing local geology.

When it collided with rocks the boat upset

And our four lads got soaking wet

Bully boy Gordon is in a funk

'Cos his back pack is completely sunk,

Which puts him in a murderous mood

'Cos it's the one that contained all of their food.

Angus, effete, but while efficient at work,

All practical jobs he prefers to shirk.

Though Neville, a grown up boy- scout, tries to cope

Camp fires and distress flags are beyond his scope

And Rory's neurosis makes them want to scream

As he quietly melts down like defrosted ice cream.

How can an innocent, recreational day out

Develop into this deadly rout

This was meant to be an office bonding exercise

But is looking more like "Lord of the Flies".

Will they be rescued before chaos breaks out?

To discover that, contact our ticket tout:

We're presenting this truly gripping play,

"Neville's Island" for three nights in May. *Pat Jennings*

The Stockton Foresters are presenting  
"Neville's Island" by Tim Firth on Thursday 16th,  
Friday 17th and Saturday 18th May in the  
Village Hall, Stockton on the Forest, at 7.30pm.  
Tickets at £9 can be bought from  
<https://thelittleboxoffice.com/stocktonforesters>  
or from the Village Shop, at the door or from  
any member of the cast. There will as usual be a  
bar and grand raffle.



# STOCKTON ON THE FOREST

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN STOCKTON

For church services please see the benefice diary on page 4.

In the village hall:

Monday weekly 14.00 - 16.00 **Social Ballroom and Sequence dancing** Bill Laverick  
07717 756431

**Greenfingers Gardening Club** Valerie Crossley 01904 400601

*Monday 13th May when the speaker will be Rose Horsepool with a talk on 'Gertrude Jekyll' one of the foremost garden designers of the 19th/20th century so it should be an absorbing talk. 7.30pm in the Long Room, the Village Hall. Everybody very welcome.*

Tuesday weekly - **Foresters Drama Group** 19.00 - 22.00 Karen Ilsley 07795 056361

Wednesday weekly - **Yoga with Nestor** 10.00 - 11.30 Nestor Portnoy 07503 157356

**Women's Institute** Ann Proctor 01904 489386

"Would you like a Trip on the Mississippi?"

*Wednesday 8th May at 7.30pm in the Long Room in the Village Hall when the speaker will be Ken Robertshaw talking on his trip down the Mississippi River.*

*Everybody most welcome.*

Wednesday - 4th each month - **Parish Council Meeting** 19.00 - 22.00 Fiona Hill 01904  
468773

Thursday weekly during term time - **Toddler Group** 9.30 - 11.30 Liz Tillyard 07814  
412064

Thursday - 2nd every month - **Organ Society**, different organist each month - 19.00 -  
22.00 Keith Jackson 07929 191210

**Petanque** - Outside Wednesdays Robert Palmer 01904 400386

In addition, there is a regular Wednesday evening quiz at the Fox Inn. And the Yorkshire Fish & Chip van that parks outside the village hall every Thursday evening 4.00-7.00pm. And of course the Scout Group details at <https://www.sotfscouts.org/>

More information can be found out about all the village groups via the Stockton on the Forest website and the Stockton of the Forest Facebook group. Links below.

<https://www.stocktonontheforest.org.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/293928448265094/>

# WARTHILL

## Services in St Mary Church



Do join us at St Mary as we worship together.  
 We hold a morning prayer service on Tuesdays at 9am.  
 Details of all our other services can be found on page 4 of the magazine.  
 All welcome!

**Warthill 100: The winner of the March 100 club was Claire Curry, No.8.**

### Warthill C of E Primary School

We had a very busy spring term at Warthill and we are looking forward to seeing more Spring Sunshine as we moved into the final term for the school year!

Our Easter Service was enjoyed by many and our children shared dramas, poems and prayers related to Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday, the Resurrection.

In fact we have been celebrating new life in a variety of different ways. Our younger children have been fascinated by the lifecycle of a butterfly from tiny caterpillars to releasing our beautiful butterflies. Mrs Waite also brought frog spawn and we looked at a life cycle of a very different sort.

While Easter is about New Beginnings, our children also associate it with chocolate and so what better way to remember this than a visit to York's Chocolate Story. We were fortunate to have this paid for for our children by Friends of Warthill School. We are also benefitting from the purchase of a number of VOXBLOCKS. These are devices for screen free audiobooks. We can't wait to receive these. thank you FOWS!

We do hope to be able to bring you pictures from the SEASIDE, when we head out onto the beach later in the summer term. Oh we do love to be beside the seaside!

Please look out for information on the school notice board for school based events such as a coffee morning and a summer fair. We would really love to see you there.

With every best wish,

Beverley Pawson and the Staff and Children of Warthill C of E Primary School

**Help Wanted:** We need to store five pews from St Mary's Church for about 18 months. Do you have an outhouse or garage where they could be stored securely, in a waterproof and pest damage-proof environment? Get in touch with Rev Kath if you might be able to help. Thank you!

# HOLTBY/HOLTBY TRADER QUIZ

## Health Walks

Meet at **Holtby Church** on the first Tuesday of the month at 10.30, and at **Dunnington Cross Keys** at the same time every other Tuesday.

The walks are of about 3.5 miles, and take about one and a half hours. All are welcome.



### Why walk?

*Now that Spring is here, turn your thoughts to enjoying the open air with all its benefits. How many of these will you be experiencing?*

*Any others?*

- Maintain a healthy weight
- Discover new places
- Find new friends
- Improve sleep



## Holtby Village Hall - Events in May

Saturday May 4th. Holtby Trader, 10am to 12 noon. Cake, jam, book stalls etc., tea and coffee, all are welcome!

Friday May 10th. Village Quiz Night - 7.30 pm, £2 per person, max 6 per team. Snacks and drinks provided, all are welcome!

**For all church services please see page 4**

## Holtby Trader International Quiz

### Moments in time

What significant world event took place in...

.04	.1605	.1825	.1963
.71	.1620	.1859	.1966
.570	.1688	.1901	.1989
.1066	.1775	.1918	.2001
.1215	.1789	.1936	
.1455	.1805	.1953	
.1588	.1815	.1957	

*Flesh out these clues*

American Revolution  
 Armada  
 Birth of Christ  
 Birth of Mohammed  
 Common Market  
 French Revolution  
 Kennedy  
 Magna Carta  
 Mayflower  
 Plot  
 Printing press  
 Romans in York

Battle of Hastings  
 Berlin Wall



**FAIRTRADE**

# GIFT AID/HOLTBY TRADER ANSWERS

## GIFT AID MYTH BUSTERS

By: Robert Woolley - Gift Aid and Planned Giving Officer, St Nicholas Church, Dunnington

The Gift Aid Scheme and Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme are very important components of the general income for the churches in the Benefice of Rural East York, so a “Big Thank You” to those who already gift aid their offerings and donations.

Gift Aid recovery is a totally free gift, a present, from the Government.....now who doesn't like a free gift/present??? The churches receive 25p for every £1 you give with Gift Aid – **at no cost to you!!**

There are a number of myths surrounding Gift Aid which make some people reluctant to gift aid their donations, but don't let them get in the way of you signing up!

Here are some “**Gift Aid Myth Busters**”

*I'M A PENSIONER, GIFT AID DOESN'T APPLY TO ME*

Not true. Many pensioners have income streams which are taxable, or pay capital gains taxes on investments – these tax payments qualify for Gift Aid, up to the amount of tax paid.

*THE TAXMAN (HMRC) WILL SELECT ME FOR AN AUDIT OR REVIEW PAST TAX RETURNS*

No. Gift Aid filings do not trigger anything in HMRC's database, but are solely to ascertain if you're a taxpayer on record. No connection to your past tax returns or an audit will result.

*MY INFORMATION WILL BE SOLD OR USED BY OTHER CHARITIES*

No. Your details are protected by law, only to be used by the charity to which you donate.

*I'M A HIGHER RATE TAXPAYER; I'M NOT ELIGIBLE*

Yes, you are! If you Gift Aid your donations, the churches can claim an extra 25p for every £1 that you give, and *you* can reclaim the difference between the basic and higher rate of tax for yourself when you complete your tax return.

*I'LL HAVE TO KEEP TRACK & DO MORE PAPERWORK*

All you need to do is complete **one** Gift Aid Declaration form, which can cover all your donations to the church – and that's it! You don't have to complete an annual tax return. The church can provide you with a statement of all your donations annually if you wish.

*MY TAXES WILL GO UP IF I CLAIM GIFT AID*

No. Gift Aid is retrospective and has nothing to do with future taxes; it's for tax already paid.

So, if you do not already gift aid your offerings or donations and think that you may be eligible, then please prayerfully consider your position and complete a Gift Aid Declaration form, which can be obtained from your church treasurer or gift aid officer. Please pass the completed form to the relevant person in your church.

If you are still unsure about your position then your treasurer or gift aid officer will be happy to have a **confidential** chat with you to assess your situation.

04 Christ's birth	1455 Printing press	1775 American Revolution	1859 American Civil War	1957 Common Market
71 Romans in York	1588 Armada	1789 French Revolution	1901 Victoria dies	1963 Kennedy shot
570 Birth of Mohammed	1605 Gunpowder plot	1805 Trafalgar	1918 1 <sup>st</sup> WW	1966 World Cup
1066 Battle of Hastings	1620 Mayflower	1815 Waterloo	1936 Spanish Civil war	1989 Berlin Wall down
1215 Magna Carta	1688 Glorious Revolution	1825 Stockton Darlington railway	1953 Coronation	2001 9/11

## Dunnington GIG Springs into Action!

Dunnington GIG has been springing into action this Spring. Since every food chain starts with a plant, we're focusing on encouraging and enabling folk to grow more in '24!

Our village's pollinators will be delighted that so many wildlife-friendly residents will be sowing GIG's Freebies for Free Bees – 130 packs of seeds gone before the end of March! The Pollinator Plants Pop-Up at the church's Community Cafes followed; with sunflower and marigold seedlings offered on a 'give as you feel' basis to raise funds for more eco-friendly heating at the church.

GIG helped Dunnington Primary School to apply for free fancy fruit trees through the Tree Council's Orchards for Schools scheme. They were gifted five fantastic maidens (apple, pear and plum) which were planted just before the end of the tree planting season. Given the heavy, wet clay, a team effort was required with class representatives within the School Council and parent volunteers giving a much needed helping hand. Thank you to everyone involved.

Then, for the Easter hols, GIG joined forces with the dream team at the library for a fun event with a very pleasing turnout. The children enjoyed crafting pollinators; beautiful butterfly sun-catchers and Marmalade Hoverflies. They also planted seeds for easy-to-grow, long-flowering, pollinator-friendly Pot Marigold. This One Pot Wonder also has edible petals and can be grown as a 'companion plant' for pest control, able to attract greenfly-munching hoverflies. Again, a thank you to the volunteers who made the event such a success.

Lastly, a note on weedkillers. You may be aware of increasing concerns about the impact of these toxins upon biodiversity; research suggests herbicides harm bees, earthworms, and songbirds. There are concerns about their impact upon human health too. For example, the WHO has listed glyphosate (common weed-killer) as 'probably carcinogenic' and the EU Commission has recommended minimising its use in public areas such as parks and playgrounds. So, for everyone's sake, let's put the spray away.

Juliet Pearce  
 Dunnington GIG  
<https://www.facebook.com/DunningtonGIG>



## DUNNINGTON WI

### DUNNINGTON WI

At our April meeting 51 members and 5 visitors were educated by Chris Bridge, a former headmaster, who is a long-term volunteer and current trustee at Yorkshire Arboretum.

He began his talk with a brief history of trees, which have been in existence on Earth for over 450 million years. His presentation contained stunning images of some of the trees growing in the Arboretum and covered many fascinating aspects, including the development of increasingly sophisticated reproductive methods and the use of pheromones to deter predators and to communicate to other trees.

Chris then spoke about the creation of the enclosure at the Arboretum, built entirely by staff and volunteers, and the subsequent introduction into that enclosure of red squirrels, 2 female and 1 male. Against expectations, the squirrels have bred in their first year in residence, producing 12 young. Images of the babies brought 'oohs' and 'aahs' from the audience.

Chris will confirm dates when he is leading the free Thursday morning tour so that a trip can be organised.

The competition, 'A wooden ornament' produced 31 entries, the most anyone could remember. It was won by May Arnett with a small statue of a bear, beautifully carved to show the grain of the wood.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7.15pm when our speaker is Melanie Fox from York Women's Refuge, which is run by the charity IDAS (Independent Domestic Abuse Services)

The competition is 'Personal Protection'.

There will also be a Food Bank collection at this meeting.

Don't forget on May 21<sup>st</sup> it is our Full Afternoon Tea between 2-4, come along with your friends and family for delicious food and a warm welcome.

Let's hope for more sunshine and less rain this month, but you won't feel wet or miserable at any of our WI events. Come and see for yourself.

Chris Bayne

President



## DUNNINGTON WI



### Full Afternoon Tea

### 21st May 2—4pm

At the Reading Rooms, Dunnington

*Everyone is welcome*



# DUNNINGTON IN BLOOM/NOTICE OF EVENT/TULIP PRAYER

## From the 'In Bloom' team:

A big thank you to all the residents who responded to our flyer with donations. Your generosity will help us fund our work for another year.

We are also grateful to have had some response to our plea for more volunteers particularly for our grass cutting team. This means we will be able to continue with our weekly grass cutting programme during the growing season.

If you are interested in joining us please contact Douglas Holliday on 01904 488733 or at [holliday@dmholliday1.plus.com](mailto:holliday@dmholliday1.plus.com)

## Dunnington In Bloom Coffee Morning

The Reading Room

Saturday 11th May

10am till 12am

£1 Entry Fee (children Free)

Includes Tea / Coffee with Homemade Biscuits

BOOKS

GIFTS

CAKES

BEDDING PLANTS

LARGE RAFFLE

CARDS

CANCER SHOP STALLS

## Notice Of An Event Local To You

Please note that Team Sober will be having our annual club camping weekend, with live bands, at Kay's Barn Dunnington on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

Noise levels will be kept to a minimum, all our guests are strictly pre booked and the event is not open to the public.

We will have a member of our club available on 07387 853 791 if there are any issues arising.

## Tulip prayer

Thank you for these tulips we've grown together.

These deep pink cerise ones,  
they shine like ballerinas' skirts.

And the delicate Spring Greens,  
stripy lime and cream

with secret purple stamens.



An afternoon's effort in November,  
checking pots in the garage over winter....

Then, each spring, anticipation  
the surprise, the wonder all over again.

This clear May morning Father,  
as I finish my coffee,

Thank you, that these flowers in the sunlight  
bring such delight.

Pamela White

## 2nd Tuesday Cycle Rides

A small group of cyclists go out on the 2nd Tuesday of the month leaving The Cross Keys at 10.30am for a ride of between 15 & 30 miles, sometimes on rough tracks but there is usually an alternative road route.

All rides subject to change on the day depending on weather conditions. Helmets and bright clothing are recommended, please bring a spare inner tube in case of puncture, e bikes riders welcome. Any queries to Margaret Eastwood 07791 599661 or Tony Hudson 07979 793066

## Friends of Hagg Wood

May is a wonderful time to visit the wood and also see the continuing improvements that reward the efforts of so many people who volunteer for our work parties or financially support our group. To walk through on a sunny spring day and see the wood anemones and primrose in bloom and the sight of a bumper bluebell display really lifts the spirits.

One of the most joyful experiences in Hagg Wood in May is the dawn chorus, although it has been building up over a longer period. If you get a bright sunny morning in late January, you might hear the Song Thrush or Great Tit warming up for the big show, joining Robins who sing all year. Like many species, they need time to get into their rhythm, with their song building in quality and intensity as Spring fully kicks in. By mid-March lots of our resident birds are in full song and in mid-April, the riot of sound is in full effect as millions of migrant birds pour back in from Africa to their summer homes. In early May the chorus is at its peak, but it can be heard in some form into early summer.

Why do so many birds sing at dawn? Birdsong has been shown to carry 20 times further at dawn, making all that effort to attract a mate much more worthwhile. For the males, it is also a reminder to their rivals that they have survived the night and are in fine fettle, with the strength, skills and stamina to sing. Many summer visitors arrive at night, increasing the competition, so the birds already here sing their hearts out first thing to let the new arrivals know who's boss.

Our next conservation working parties are on Saturdays 4th May, 22nd June and 6th July from 10am to 1pm. On Thursday 30th May at 3pm in the Reading Room, Ewan Downey will give an illustrated presentation on "The White Rose Forest project and Rewilding". Details of our AGM in May, which is only open to FHW members, will also be sent to our members.

On Saturday June 1st there will be a party at Dunnington Sports Club from 2.30-4.30 pm with the Dunnington Community Choir and a local folk group to celebrate the public right of way re-opening. Further details are available on our website [www.fohw.org.uk](http://www.fohw.org.uk).

### DATE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

All items for the **JUNE 2024** edition of the magazine must be received by the Editor no later than

**WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY**

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# SHOP/BUS TIMETABLE

## DUNNINGTON CANCER SUPPORT GROUP-SUPPORTING YORK AGAINST CANCER

A big thank you to everyone who came and supported us at our Coffee Morning on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April. We raised an amazing amount of £1198.93

Our next event is our popular Quiz event on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May from 2pm till 5pm. Tickets now on Sale. £5 per person from the Charity Shop. Tables of 6. Please feel free to bring your own Drinks. There will be a Raffle.

### PHOTOGRAPHS

Recently we had some Photographs handed in with some Coloured Envelopes. We would love to reunite them to their Owner. Please call in the Shop if they are yours or you know who they belong to. Thanking you in advance

### Book Sales

Weather permitting, we are starting our Book Sale's again outside the Reading Rooms on alternate Saturday mornings

### Shop Takings for March

Monday	£57.20
Tuesday	£162.58
Thursday	£45.00
Saturday	£196.65
<b>Total</b>	<b>£461.43</b>
Jumble Sale	£265.83
Vinted Internet Sales	£184.00
Internet Book Sales	£52.70
Joan Williamson Recycled Cards	£100.00
Auction Sales	£96.80 + £10.00
Donation from Chris Carr	£3.59
Cots for Tots	£89.25
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£1263.60</b>

### SHOP OPENING TIMES

Monday 9-30am - 12 noon  
 Tuesday 9-30am - 12 noon. 1.30pm - 4pm  
 Thursday 9.30am-12 noon  
 Saturday 9.30am - 12 noon

Jumble sale 2nd Wednesday of the month 10-11am in the Reading Rooms

*Please do **NOT** leave bags outside the shop when it is closed. Thank you.*

## Number 10 Bus Timetable

### Buses between Dunnington & York - From 24 September 2023

Buses depart Dunnington Cross for York at:									Buses depart York for Dunnington at:																	
Monday to Friday			Saturdays			Sun & Bank Hols			Monday to Friday				Saturdays				Sundays & Bank Holidays									
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## GAMES NIGHT/ DUNNINGTON VILLAGE SHOW

### GAMES NIGHT

The regular Games Night has restarted on the second Tuesday in the month at the Cross Keys in Dunnington at 7.15pm.

Come and test your skills and enjoy yourself with a variety of games from which to choose. Scrabble, Up-words, Bananagrams, Mapominoes, Uno, Whist, Rummy, Backgammon, Rummikub or any other game you care to bring and share.

Friendly, casual social evening for all. Just turn up.

### Dunnington Village Show Saturday 10th August 2024 - Volunteers Required

We are still looking for volunteers to join our committee or to help out on the day. In order for Dunnington Village Show to be a resounding success it will be subject to sufficient volunteers being available.

Dunnington Village Show will be held in the Reading Rooms where exhibits will be laid out in the large hall with refreshments provided by the WI in the small hall. There will also be activities on the village green on the same side as Julie's Garden but at the opposite end. As the event progresses it is hoped that other venues in the village will participate. There will be an opportunity for local voluntary and charity groups to have a stall to promote their causes. We are particularly keen to get children participating in classes aimed specifically for them.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Parish Clerk: Jessica Bedford, Tel: 07562 333508 or Email: [parish.clerk@dunningtonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:parish.clerk@dunningtonparishcouncil.gov.uk)

#### STOP PRESS

On the evening of the village show Saturday 10th August 2024 we delighted to announce that Snake Davis and his Group will be playing at the Dunnington and Grimston Sports and Social Club.

Snake Davis brings his 4 piece band, with guitar, bass guitar and drums. Something for everybody, from floaty to dance-able, from soul, Northern Soul, through pop to jazz and world, original material and classic sax pieces such as 'Baker Street' and 'Night Train'.

He is one of the most in-demand saxophone players in the world, widely known for his solos on tracks such as Lisa Stansfield's "Change", M-People's "Search For A Hero" and "Moving On Up", Klingande's 'Jubel' and Take That's "A Million Love Songs". He has played and recorded with artists ranging from James Brown to Tina Turner to Paul McCartney, The

Eurythmics to Amy Winehouse. As a session player to the stars he plays arenas and stadiums, recent clients include Olly Murs and Shania Twain. His greatest love is to play intimate venues as himself, his own music choice with his favourite musicians.

Playing the saxophone family as well as flutes, whistles and the ancient Japanese wind instrument, the Shakuhachi, and vocals, it is his total passion and commitment to every note that draws people in.

"A virtuoso saxophonist" DAILY TELEGRAPH

"Snake Davis has one of the most passionate sax styles and simple bluesy approaches a-la-Sanborn heard in these isles for a while" TIME OUT

"Snake is a joy to work alongside. His musical skills have no limit, in fact he is as free as a bird" DAVE STEWART (Eurythmics)

"Snake has been friend and inspiration for many years because of his exceptional talent, dedication and sheer joy of making music. Long may it continue." HEATHER SMALL

"He doesn't mess about" THE GUARDIAN

Tickets are £20 and all profits from ticket sales will go to Dunnington Community Projects. Further information will be released in the May's Grapevine and posters will be put up a round the village with details of performance time and where to buy your tickets.

This is not an event you can afford to miss as tickets are sure to sell quickly.

# OCAY/MOBILE LIBRARY/END OF DIAL & RIDE/ YORK WHEELS





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## YORK WHEELS LTD. TO END DIAL AND RIDE SERVICE

York Charity 'York Wheels Ltd.' ended on 31st December 2023.

The Dial and Ride bus service provided travel options for York residents who are elderly or disabled and have no other means of travelling. It offered a door-to-door service where drivers assist passengers with their shopping. Buses were equipped for people who have difficulty walking and for those who use wheelchairs.

**Rob Atkinson, Chair of the York Wheels Ltd.'s Trustee Board** said,

“It is a matter of deep regret that the Dial and Ride service has become unsustainable in recent months. Put simply, we have reached the point at which as a result of problems with maintenance and third-party suppliers, our fleet is not up to the standards required to maintain the quality or reliability of the service, despite a helpful grant from City of York Council earlier this year.

We recognise that this will be distressing for some customers, but we'd like to reassure them that we will maintain our volunteer car driver scheme where customers can book a car in advance to collect them and take them to their destination. We encourage all our customers to make use of that alternative help. The charge for that service depends on the distance travelled. To book ring 01904 630080.”

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# DUNNINGTON SPORTS CLUB/DUNNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Dunnington Playing Fields and Sports Club

### **The Playing Fields need a new Chair.**

Josette has been Chair for over 10 years and will be standing down at the AGM in August. Please email [dunningtonplayingfields@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:dunningtonplayingfields@yahoo.co.uk) or ring 01904 488322 for further information.

**New manager.** The Sports Club are looking for an enthusiastic Manager or Management Couple to run the Community Sports Club. The position includes a 2 bedroomed apartment. If you are interested please contact John Farmer on 488322.

We are also looking for casual workers for general assistance when functions take place Monday to Friday during the day. Contact John Farmer on 488322

### **DIAMOND CLUB LUNCH**

The first Wednesday every month 12 for 12.30. Two course lunch and bingo £9 per head. To book ring 01904 481039.

### **LIVE MUSIC**

Our regular bands play the last Wednesday of every month. Free entry. Check our Facebook page for what is happening at the Club.

### **QUIZ NIGHT**

Every Thursday at 9pm.  
Lots of live sport taking place on the big screen – we have Sky and BT Sports showing all major sporting events. OR come and support Dunnington football and cricket teams (if it stops raining!)

If you would like to book the function room for an event email [manager@dunningtonsportsclub.co.uk](mailto:manager@dunningtonsportsclub.co.uk) or ring 481039. Your call will be answered within 24 hours.

## Dunnington Parish Council

The Parish Council meets on the 2nd Monday of each month (excluding August) usually in the Tower Room of St Nicholas Church at 7.30pm.

Meetings are open to the public and a period of 15 minutes is set aside at the beginning of each meeting to allow members of the public to speak on any matter that appears on the agenda. Whilst the meeting is officially "closed" for public question time and the names of members of the public not reported, there is a requirement for the council to minute the proceedings.

If a member of the public wishes to speak on a matter that is not tabled in the agenda it will proceed on the approval of the Chairman or referred to the clerk for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting.

Details of upcoming meetings and of previous meetings can be found on the Dunnington Parish Council website.

### **Dates for your Diary:**

Dunnington Parish Council Meeting Dates 2024  
13th May 2024  
Annual Parish Council Meeting: 13th May 2024  
10th June 2024  
8th July 2024  
9th September 2024  
14th October 2024  
11th November 2024  
9th December 2024

### **Other news:**

Please note on page 15 the notice regarding a private event that is happening in July, on page 18 is information about the village show and on page 22 you will find a notice regarding D-Day celebrations.

*Gill Shaw, Chairman Dunnington Parish Council*

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Finally we are enjoying warmer weather, and the longer, lighter evenings mean even more time to keep up with your hobbies and more reading time! Check out our range of books on gardening and hobbies and if you can't find them in the local library, we can help you to reserve items from other York libraries (which can be delivered to Dunnington). We are here for you to borrow books and audio books, request toys from our toy library, or purchase a York Card. Plenty of magazines are also available to borrow (or bring magazines you have read to donate to the library stack). And don't forget that our volunteers can help you locate a book or suggest alternatives if you are looking to find something on a particular subject.

Our current Library book club is full but a reminder that there is scope to start a second group if you are interested in joining a book club – great for improving your range of reading matter and for making new friends. Meetings of the current group are held in the Reading Rooms during our monthly coffee mornings. Please contact the library if you are interested in being part of a second library book club.

## **The Friends of Dunnington Library :**

### **Regular Events**

- Coffee Mornings take place on the second Monday of every month 10am-12.00pm Come along for coffee, cake and a chat with friends.

- Paperback books are on sale at Coffee Mornings and on alternate Saturdays (weather permitting). Books cost only 30p each or 4 for £1! (Next planned dates are 27th April, 11th & 25th May.)

Story Time for the Under 5s takes place every Monday morning from 10.30-11am. It is led by a group of enthusiastic volunteers who select various themes for the sessions. No need to sign up – just come along and join in.

### **Past events—Looking back:**

The committee, ably supported by our wonderful volunteers, have been busy with fund- raising and community events over the past few months. These include coffee mornings, the AGM, our sold out quiz night, children's crafts and our chocolate paper quiz.

### **Future events - Looking Forward:**

MAY 13th : Coffee morning and book sale (and on the second Monday of every following month)

MAY: Adult crafts: Handmade Floral Crafts: On May 16 th come and join us to make beautiful paper or button floral crafts. The event will run from 2.30 to 4pm in the Small Hall. It would be helpful if you could let Wai, the Library Manager, know if you are going to join us. There will be a small £2 charge to cover the cost of materials and refreshments.

MAY: Children's Crafts Half term: We are planning a Children's crafts session during half term. Check in the Library for details.

JULY/AUGUST: Summer Reading Challenge – watch out for details of events linked to the Summer Reading Challenge.

JULY/AUGUST: Village Trail: Encourage your children to join the Village Trail with maps (and prizes) to be available from the library.

NOVEMBER : Christmas Craft Fair, Saturday November 9 th : Following the popularity of last year's event, we will again be holding a Christmas Craft Fair. The fair is your opportunity to showcase and sell your home made crafts and is a really enjoyable day, so even if you haven't participated before, please contact the library to reserve your stall if you are interested. And if you participated as a stall holder last year, we will be contacting you shortly and hope to see you again this year. For attendees—this is a great pre-Christmas opportunity to buy beautiful Christmas gifts for family and friends. Refreshments and Tombola will be part of the fun on the day.

## KNITTING/D DAY/READING ROOM TRUSTEE

### NEW KNITTING GROUP

Thank you to everyone that responded to my various notices regarding a proposed new knitting and crochet group based in the village. The demand was clearly there and as a result we had our first meeting just after Easter, this was well attended and I appreciate the support.

Future meetings will take place on the first Wednesday of the month and will be held at Dunnington Sports Club commencing at 7pm. The Club has kindly granted us exclusive use of one of their rooms, free of charge, for which I am very grateful. The next meeting will therefore be held on Wednesday 1st May. New members are always welcome and if you need any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Judith Pemberton

Email: [knitting@btinternet.com](mailto:knitting@btinternet.com)

### D-Day 80th Anniversary 6th June 2024

The UK will commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Normandy Landings on 6 June 1944 with a series of major commemorations and events across the UK and in France. Also known as D-Day, the historic operation saw the Allied Forces mount a large-scale invasion of Nazi-occupied France that ultimately tipped the course of the Second World War in the Allies' favour.

We were looking in the archives held in the Reading Rooms for photographs or articles of Dunnington during the second world war. I am sad to say that there aren't any. It would be nice to have an exhibition of Dunnington during the war. So I am putting out an appeal for any photographs or literature that you may have. Please contact the Parish Clerk Jessica Bedford, Tel: 07562 333508 or Email: [parish.clerk@dunningtonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:parish.clerk@dunningtonparishcouncil.gov.uk)

We're also hoping to find in Dunnington those with living memories of D Day, or those with relatives that they know were there - if that's you, please contact Rev Kath McBride [revkmcbride@gmail.com](mailto:revkmcbride@gmail.com)

### Dunnington Reading Room Requires a new Trustee-Can you Help?

Dunnington Reading Room is held on trust with the Charity Commission (Charity No. 506542) for the purposes of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Dunnington.

The Charity is run on a day to day basis by the Management Trustees who are mainly representatives of key groups within the village eg the Church, WI, Dunnington Playing Fields Assoc. Etc.

In addition to the Management Trustees there are also Property Trustees (PT's) who have no responsibility for the day to day running of the Charity but are the custodians of the property on behalf of the village. The PT's are responsible for communicating with the Charity Commissioner in the event that the Management Committee cannot form a working Committee to continue to be responsible for the day to day working of the charity. At that stage they will have the right to act on behalf the village until such time as a new Management Committee can be formed or otherwise.

There are currently three Property Trustees and due to the retirement of a long standing Property Trustee an opportunity exists to take on the role.

There are four Committee meetings each year including an AGM where the Management Trustees vote for a Chairperson, Treasurer, Booking Secretary and Maintenance Manager. The PT's are welcome to attend the Committee meetings and can take part in discussion but cannot take part in any of the decision making votes.

The power of appointing a new Property Trustee rests with the Management Trustees.

## Parishes Of Dunnington, Stockton on the Forest, Holtby & Warthill and Dunnington Local Ecumenical Partnership

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To produce this next generation the female bird must first lay eggs, a process which requires a lot of energy. Taking a Blue Tit as an example, the female, typically weighing around 20g, will lay about 10 eggs, each weighing a gram or so. That's half her body weight in eggs over a period of a few days. She must be in top condition and find enough food to provide the energy for this process.

Protecting the egg is about half a gram of shell, for which the calcium must also come from her food. Laying females are known to stop their normal feeding bouts to find a calcium resource just prior to roosting as they cannot store calcium. This will often be snail shells, though some invertebrates do contain more calcium than others.

The female Blue Tit does most, if not all the incubation, which takes about a fortnight. So, whilst energy consumption might be lower, feeding opportunities are fewer,

and if it is cold or wet, the amount of energy consumed keeping herself and her brood warm will be significant.

The next stage is also energy demanding, this time for both parents. Growing chicks can eat as many as 100 caterpillars a day which, for a brood of ten, approaches 1,000 caterpillars, almost one a minute during much of a 16-hour day. This continues for around three weeks. If one parent is lost, maybe due to a cat or a Sparrowhawk, the chances of survival for the brood are very low – even in good times only about a third of chicks will survive their first year.

Dietary requirements are paramount: nestlings need a high protein diet if they are to grow quickly enough to fledge within three weeks, and this comes mainly from caterpillars, which contain about 50% protein on a dry weight basis. Supplementary food can be very useful at this point, as it helps sustain the adults during their frantic search for food more suitable for their ever-hungry young.

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For 'our' Blue Tits, it's then time to recover from this vital and energy rich period, and prepare for the onset of winter.

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