



1st to 5th
After Trinity

The Benefice of Upper Wensleydale

'Church in the Home'

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From the Vicarage:

In our last edition, Samantha Amsden shared some thoughts on what it might mean for us to be a **'Living Sacrifice'**^{Rom.12:1} and our attitudes towards our giving towards the mission of the Church. We will share more information about this in the months ahead as it is designed to help everyone of us to give financially in a more convenient and efficient way. This will help manage and simplify your financial giving to your church as well as enabling your treasurer to manage the finances much more effectively.

June is often seen as a 'pivot' month as Spring gives way to Summer and the longest day arrives. I love it! In many ways it is a pivotal month for the Church in Upper Wensleydale as well as some key moments take place in our lives together.

The long awaited and very essential preservation work on the **tower** of St Oswald's in Askrigg gets underway. The scaffolding has been erected over the last week and the site is now prepared and ready for the skilled work of our team of stone masons to begin. Thank you for your prayer support over this project as we have encountered significant hostility and opposition along the way. The team from St Oswald's have been incredibly diligent over the last 10 years as they have sought out the very latest and the very best professional advice regarding the best intervention required. I am so very grateful for all of their hard work and determination to bring this day into reality. Prayers now please for the safety of everyone who will be working on site and often at a great height.

Work on the replacement of the **boiler** in St Margaret's starts this month with Asbestos material being removed and the electrical supply prepared and upgraded. Two new boilers will be installed in July along with a new oil tank.

We celebrated **Pentecost** together as a Benefice in St Margaret's and were able to display for the first time, a lovely set of banners that have been prepared over the last 3 years by Pat Whitehead and a very willing team of ladies, many of whom have never done any work like this before. Thank You! They are a wonderful reminder of the fruits of the Holy Spirit as detailed by Paul in his letter to the Church in Galatia.^{Gal.5:22f}

June 6th will see the 80th commemoration of the **D Day Landings** that were instrumental in bringing an end to the second World War in Europe. Our schools will be visiting our buildings to pray for peace, light a candle and tie a symbolic white ribbon in memory of those who gave their lives. You are welcome to come and do the same.

June 13th sees our **Warden's** renew their vows of service at a special licensing event in St Matthew's Church, Leyburn. We are blessed indeed by our very able team of Church Wardens who work tirelessly on your behalf to enable the smooth operation of worship in our four buildings. They are a particular source of encouragement and support to me. Thank you.

Our Benefice Communion Service will be looking at our Christian responsibilities as we approach a **General Election**. God speaking through the prophet Jeremiah calls the people to pray for the City (the Nation) *"Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper."*^{Jer.29:7} It's good to learn, encourage and grow together as the Church in the Upper Dale. We hope to see you and welcome you there.

Rev Dave



The next 'Gathering' will be on **Sunday 2nd June**
10:30am at St Oswald's in Askrigg

Vote or No Vote? A Christian Response to the General Election

We look forward to welcoming you there!
Be a Blessing – Be Encouraged – Be Church

Car Parking available on the cobbles, at the Village Hall & at the former Carrs Billington site.

Home Groups – Explore faith together

Don't forget there are two Home Groups running across the Benefice:

Wednesdays 7.30pm in Hawes

and

Wednesdays at 7pm in Askrigg

Contact the office for further information

An Exhibition of the Talents Quaker Meeting House, Bainbridge Weekend of June 15th/16th

You are invited to exhibit anything that you have made, in any medium. Do you sculpt, whittle, draw, sew, knit, pot, write, paint, take photos, colour in, upcycle, quilt, tat, lace, weld or create in any way?

We are so looking forward to receiving your exhibit - bring them along on **Thursday 13th pm or Friday 14th AM**

Wensleydale Filling Station



Why not come along and join us? Be encouraged in worship and in what the Lord is doing across the UK. If you need a lift just let us know and we can arrange transport for you

Thornborough Hall, Leyburn

Friday 14th June

Speaker: Chris Bennet
Hemel Hempstead



Chris has been a pastor of three different churches for a total of 38 years. In addition, he lectured in subjects such as New Testament, Greek, Hebrew and homiletics for many years at London Seminary. He is married to Esther and they have three grown up children. Presently he is the minister of Alexandra Road Congregational Church in Hemel Hempstead.

He says that he likes playing the violin and walking in the Lake District.

PUBLIC MEETING FOR HAWES COMMUNITY

Wednesday June 12th

6:30pm Market House

*The Reality and the Future of
St Margaret's Church*

Please come along:

Your support is important.

**YOUR CHURCH BUILDING
NEEDS YOU!**

'Rev Dave from Wensleydale'

Apple or Spotify Podcasts & on the
website



Listen in or Listen again

Join us for Evening Prayer on a Sunday afternoon!

For some time now we have been offering the opportunity of sharing Afternoon/Evening Prayer by telephone in your own home. It is very simple to join in.

Follow the instructions below to join us at 4pm every Sunday afternoon

As 4pm approaches, call **03330164757**. You will be asked to enter the room number **893 277 00#** and the PIN **2772#**. Then you are in!

Say hello and sit quietly and join in with the short service of prayer and reflection

MINISTRY WITH CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE Training Course

with
the Diocese of Leeds
Children, Young People
and Families Team

Tuesday 18th June 2024
2pm - 5pm

St Matthew's Leyburn

To book your free place, email
childrenyouth@leeds.anglican.org



Ripon Cathedral Rural Ministry Forum Thursday 27th June 2024

at St John's Bondgate, Ripon HG4 1QE

Refreshments from 10.00am for 10.30am start

**"Sustaining rural ministry, ourselves,
and our churches"**

Keynote speaker: Revd Canon Caroline Pinchbeck, Rural Life Adviser, Diocese of York, also Area Dean of South Wold and Rector of Weighton Wold group

Panel contributions from practitioners across the Diocese sharing reflections on the joys, sadness, developments and blocks they have encountered in effecting leadership in their contexts

Lunch provided

Opportunities for workshops and discussion

Day concludes with a Eucharist in Ripon Cathedral with a homily from the Bishop of Ripon, the Rt Revd Anna Eltringham

RSVP GovernanceOfficer@riponcathedral.org.uk by 13th June with details of any special dietary requirements

The funeral service for

Mary Sumner

who died aged 100 will take place at 11am on
Saturday June 8th at St Margaret's Church

Beautiful Banners at St Margaret's



The banners are the work of:

Pat Whitehead
Margaret Taylor
Mary Pratt
Kathleen Martin
Marjorie Waluda
Kathleen McIntosh
Margaret Thwaite
Shirley Watkinson
Val Ward
Irene Bergerud
Irene Whaley
Doreen Ford
Lorraine Nugent



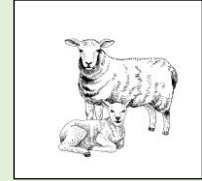
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Well done ladies



Upper Wensleydale Benefice Services

June 2024



	St Mary & St John's, Hardraw 9.00am	St Margaret's, Hawes 10.30am	St Oswald's, Askrigg 10.30am	St Matthew's, Stalling Busk 2.30pm	Evening Prayer 4pm
2 June	The Gathering Benefice Family Communion St Oswald's Church, Askrigg at 10.30am				Evening prayer by telephone
6 June	80th Anniversary of the D Day Landings Day of Prayer Please call in to your local Church Building and pray for Peace in the World. White Ribbon prayer available at St Margaret's and St Oswald's				
7 June	Sycamore Hall – Communion Service in the Activity Lounge – 10am				
9 June	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Café Style	12.30 Soup followed by Communion	Evening prayer by telephone
16 June	Holy Communion	Family Service	Morning Prayer		Evening prayer by telephone
23 June	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Afternoon Prayer & Pathfinders	Evening prayer by telephone
30 June	Songs of Praise	Holy Communion At 8.30	Forest Church with Baptism		No Evening prayer

Been away and missed some of Dave's sermons?

Listen to the podcasts for May 5: **Resurrection Power for You and Me**, May 12th **Binary Choices**, May 19 **Leaky Buckets Need Filling**, May 26 **Lopsided Christians**

Search 'Rev Dave from Wensleydale' on your podcast platform

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