

THE EDGE

Welcome to the June edition of The Edge, the Newsletter for the Benefice of Easington with Skeffling, Keyingham, Ottringham, Patrington, Welwick and Winestead parishes.

If you have anything that you would like to share with us all through the newsletter, then please get in touch with any of the Church contacts or let Alisdair know about it.

Thoughts from Alisdair

Ascension is done, the Queen's Platinum Jubilee is upon us, and Pentecost reminds us that we are also called to serve, with faithfulness and hope.

Trinity Sunday is on 12 June, and then we begin that long trek through the green summer weeks of 'Sundays after Trinity'. It can be quite comforting—a kind of pause to draw breath, reflect and prepare.

During this time of 'Sundays after Trinity' decisions will be being made by Deaneries across the Diocese of York about how we work as local churches for at least the next ten years: what kinds of worship services we need and can sustain across 23 congregations; what kind of input we need from lay and ordained, and how we can support them; how many clergy we need, can support financially, and in what capacity (full-time, part-time, house-for-duty, self-supporting, etc.); what are our real priorities as 'followers of Christ'; and, how can we best be witnesses of Christ to those who are searching, to enable them to join in and learn about the way of Christ?

South Holderness Deanery is already used to facing up to changes in 'how things are done', and changes are going to continue into coming generations. There is a very strong case to be made that belonging to 'the Body of Christ' is all about belonging to something that is dynamic, growing and always adapting to changing needs and circumstances.

The 'Holy Spirit' is almost always described in terms that speak of vitality and action, and also of holiness.

May we each know God's peace with us through these weeks of Summer, and at the same time may we allow God's Spirit to guide us and be the spirit that brings us together as servants and witnesses to the love of God and the call of Christ.

In Christ's love, Alisdair.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

All Saints Easington will hold a service of thanksgiving for the reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. This service, on Sunday 5th June at 4 pm, will be a short, informal service in the form of a tea party, with a champagne/pink lemonade toast. No booking required, unless a table is needed to sit with friends – call 01964 650535

Welwick will be holding a Street Party & Cabaret Night on Saturday 4th June.

St Nicholas' Church in Keyingham celebrations include a four day flower festival, a thanksgiving service and The Eden Project Big Lunch. The church will be open for viewing on Thursday Friday and Saturday 2nd 3rd and 4th June, 11am to 3pm with tea and cake available. On Sunday 5th June at 11.30am there is a thanksgiving service followed at 1.00pm by the big lunch – a bring and share picnic to be held in the church grounds. There will be games for the children, a quiz and all the displays to view. Everyone welcome.

CHURCH SERVICES IN JUNE

Please check your church notice board, the South Holderness Deanery Facebook page & newsletters, etc. for other services and updates

St. Nicholas, Keyingham

Sunday 5th – 11.30 – Pentecost and the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Thanksgiving service

Sunday 26th – 10:30 – Family/Messy church incorporating children's crafts

St. Patrick, Patrington

Sunday 5th – 10.30 – Pentecost Holy Communion

Sunday 19th – 10.30 – Morning Prayer

Sunday 26th – 10.30 – Morning Prayer

All Saints, Easington

Sunday 5th – 4pm – The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Thanksgiving service

Sunday 12th – 9.30 – Holy Communion

St. Wilfrid, Ottringham

Sunday 19th – 10:30 – Holy Communion

St. Mary, Welwick

Sunday 26th – 10:30 – Holy Communion

St. Germain, Winestead

Sunday 26th – 6pm – Midsummer Evensong with the Deanery Choir

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS FROM AROUND THE BENEFICE

St Patrick's Church are hosting an exhibition of Art Works organised by Larry Malkin, local marine, landscape and wildlife artist. Open Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th June from 10am - 4pm, entry is free with morning coffee and afternoon cream teas served at modest rates. Don't miss the opportunity to visit this stunning display of artwork.

All Saints, Easington – FareShare shop from 11am onwards every Friday (except the Jubilee weekend) food is available in the church, at reduced prices. There is also a hospitality facility in the chancel, where anyone can eat with others in a friendly environment at no cost. Small donations are appreciated but these are entirely discretionary.

Wednesday group - this group currently meets in the conservatory at 5 South Churchside at 9.30am. Everyone welcome, to ask what it means to be a Christian, to explore a simple Bible reading, to find a structure that works for group prayer, and to sing a couple of songs. Babies and toddlers welcome. Snacks, juice and coffee.

Welwick pop-in – every Thursday in the village hall from 10:00 til 12:00

Ottringham Community Lunch – first Wednesday of each month at 1pm in the Watts Arms.

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