

# St. MARY'S CHURCH

## Sunday Services

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| 6th August  | 9.15 | Eucharist celebrant Jake Belder           |
| 13th August | 6pm  | Evening Prayer led by Brian Snelson       |
| 20th August | 9.15 | All Age Worship led by Bronnie Broadhurst |
| 27th August | 9.15 | Morning Prayer led by Barbara Myerscough  |

Thanks to all who helped organise and attended the **Summer Fair**. The weather wasn't brilliant but kept fine when we needed it to. Over £750 was raised for ongoing improvements to the church. Particular thanks to Diane Cowan for organising the Dog Show. There were a lot of entries and dogs and owners were well behaved *{except for one dog ... ed}*

**Harvest Festival** - Sunday, 24th September.

Tea and cakes from 3pm, service at 4pm.

Please come along and celebrate the season.

If you need to speak to someone about any church matter please contact the Church Office (01759 306045, office@allsaintspock.plus.com) or the Churchwardens Ruth Braithwaite (288422) or Sue Dale (288485)

## CONTACT

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PLEASE send information BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH for the next edition, so that we can produce it promptly.

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# HUGGATE NEWS

## August 2023

### Local Heritage Project

**Monday 7th August 4.30 in church**

Can you help? Do you have **children or teenagers** who enjoy finding things out and solving mysteries? Have they got experiences to share about growing up in Huggate? As part of the arrangements for the National Heritage Lottery Fund sponsorship of the first stage of the St Mary's Church refurbishment project we are conducting four local heritage projects. For two of these we need the help of children and their parents, grandparents or carers. If you may be able help please come along with your children and find out more.

Not a child? Don't worry there will be lots of ways you can join in with this mammoth and exciting project. There will be more opportunities this summer to find out about the project and how you can be part of Preserving this wonderful old building and making it a versatile community and worship space.

### Coffee Morning in church

16th August 10am -12 noon

Please come along for tea /coffee, cake and chat.  
Children welcome - games and crafts available  
or bring your own.

### Tea and Cake

Saturday, 2nd September 2-4 pm

to mark the end of the school holidays.

Games and activities for the children  
and an opportunity to get involved in Heritage projects.

# PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Thank you to Jonathan, Ken and Stewart for building the marquee storage unit. Thank you to all involved in the Summer Fair which was a great success despite the weather and to Di Cowan for organising the dog show. Also our thanks to Claire, Holly, Steve and Moira for adopting the well area.

Don't forget about the **bug hotel** which is situated in the woods to the right of the second pond, if anyone would like to help keep it functioning, it needs more twigs and small branches.

A **new clerk** has been appointed. Penny Hudson is retired and lives in Pocklington. She is completing a handover with Abby over the next month.

We would like to thank Abby for her hard work and professionalism over her time as clerk and wish her all the best for the future. She has been a great asset to the village.

There will be no parish council meeting in August.

We have been approached by Linda from **Hedgehogs R Us**. As hedgehog numbers are in decline she is asking for villages to get involved in their conservation. It involves creating 5 inch gaps in fences to allow them to forage for food and meet mates. Hedgehog shaped fence surrounds made from recycled plastic will be supplied to raise awareness of the plight of hedgehogs. If anyone is interested in taking part please email Penny.

The agenda for the next meeting will be displayed at least 3 days beforehand on the notice board in the bus shelter; minutes and agendas are also on the Huggate Village Website <https://huggatevillage.org/village-meetings>.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 19th September at 7pm in the Juliarnos Room on Mill Lane.

*If anyone has any feedback, suggestions or ideas please contact Penny Hudson, Parish Clerk by emailing [clerk-huggate@outlook.com](mailto:clerk-huggate@outlook.com) or talk to one of the Parish Councillors: Clive Owen (Chair), Claire Myers, Stewart Middleton, Jane Thorpe, Pete Cowan, Vicky Knocker, Kevin Ashurst or Sophia Hobson (contact details are published on the Parish Council notice board in the bus shelter and on the village website).*

## St. Mary's Church Development Project

The final authorisation from York Diocese to start work on phase 1 of St Mary's National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF) project is due very soon. This will see the drainage improved, a water supply to the church, removal of the pews, a new floor being laid and a new heating system installed. Plans for the alterations can be seen during daylight hours on the boards in church. The Victorian Society and Historic England are happy about the re-ordering of your village's church which is described by Historic England as **"particularly special for its 12th century nave and arcades. The remarkable survival of the 12th century decorative, carved stone is the reason for the Grade I listing of the church. This places it in the top 2% of buildings in the country listed for their exceptional historic and architectural interest."**



The next stage once the authorisation is received work will be laying mains water to the church with pipework being installed down Church Lane by Yorkshire Water and from the boundary to the church by an independent contractor.

Clearly this will affect access to the church and nearby properties and the PCC will keep villagers informed on start dates and length of disruption, and aim to minimise the impact of the work.

Following this new drainage will be installed north of the church the heating and floor replaced For this we would appreciate any **help villagers could provide in removing the pews, old floor and tiles** and we will let you know when we need to start the work. These **volunteer' contributions are extremely important to NLHF** when deciding if we can have the grant we applied for, so any help you can offer is significant for providing a facility available to the whole village. **Please contact Sue Dale 288485 or Ruth Braithwaite 07392 832875 if you are able to help with this work** or could be involved with other aspects of the project.

As well as the capital works we are running **four heritage projects** that provide opportunities for villagers of all ages to get involved with preserving the history of the village and church for future generations and learn some new skills. These are important to the NLHF and we will be providing more information on these over the coming months.

While the NLHF is providing 85% of the costs of phase 1, we have spent many thousands on the preparatory work and reports. We are grateful to all who have donated and raised funds to make this possible. As work begins, fundraising and grant applications continue in preparation for Phase 2 which will include the toilet, servery and lighting.