

bring along a book they have enjoyed and can recommend.

Wed. June 14th KF Village Hall AGM 7.30pm in the Library. The Management Committee is always looking for volunteers to help in the running and maintenance of our lovely village hall. If you can help in any way – no matter how small – it would be very welcome! Come along to the AGM or contact Sheila Minto (748066).

Thurs. June 29th Lunch Bunch – 11.45 for 12.00 noon – Quiche, salad & new potatoes, strawberries & meringues. Tickets (£5.00 for 2 courses & tea / coffee) from KF Village Shop.

SCRUTON

There are no coffee mornings in June or July

Saturday, June 17th 1.30—4.30 pm **SCRUTON FETE** on the Playing Fields all the usual stalls, cream teas, exhibitions, displays and grand raffle See flyer for more details

Saturday, June 17th in the Coore Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm **Domino Drive** £2.00 at the door

LANGTON

Friday, 30th June at 6.00 pm **concert in St Wilfrid's Church**

The concert is to be held celebrate and give thanks for the flowers in the church. Local people are kindly joining in to make an enjoyable evening free entry raffle and donations accepted!

Saturday, 1st (10.30 am –4.00 pm) and Sunday 2nd (11.00-5.00pm) in St Wilfrid's:- **Festival of Flowers**—hymns and songs through the ages

The festival of flowers will celebrate baptisms, weddings and lives of past parishioners who are buried the church yard. We will have on display local history of the area. All welcome, especially if you or your family have, or have had connections with the church, we would like to talk to you. Drinks and biscuits provided. A programme listing the arrangements will be sold at £2.00 also a history of the church at £2.00. A raffle will be held and drawn on each day.

Funds raised will go towards the roof restoration fund.

If you have any notices for the newsletter, please contact Katherine Lawther (748287), or on rjlawther@btinternet.com - I usually start typing during the third week of the month

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NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE 2017

SERVICES

JUNE 4th (Pentecost) Red

10.00 am SCRUTON United Holy Communion *Mr and Mrs Clarke*

JUNE 11th (Trinity Sunday)

9.30 am SCRUTON Holy Communion *Dr and Mrs Ewart*

11.00 am KIRKBY FLEETHAM Holy Communion *Mr Peirson*

6.30 pm AINDERBY STEEPLE Benefice Evensong

JUNE 18th Trinity 1 (Green)

9.30 am SCRUTON Holy Communion *Mrs Crampton and Mrs Green*

9.30 am FENCOTE Holy Communion *Mrs Garner*

11.00 am LANGTON Holy Communion

JUNE 25th Trinity 2 (Green)

9.30 am SCRUTON Morning Prayer *Mrs Elmer and Mrs Lawther*

11.00 am KIRKBY FLEETHAM Holy Communion *Mrs Kettlewell*

JULY 2nd Trinity 3 (Green)

10.00 am LANGTON United Holy Communion *This service is part of the 'Festival of Flowers' which celebrates the life and history of Langton.*

FROM THE REGISTERS

Wedding at Kirkby Fleetham

19th May :-**Robert Nemes and Zoe Nockels**

FROM THE RECTORY (01609 773346)

Mission and Ministry and its place in our communities!

Mission and Ministry should be at the forefront of our thinking as we come to the end of this Easter Season and begin to look forward to the long season of growth within the church which takes us from the feast of Pentecost right through to Advent.

It is fitting that we recognise the gift of the Holy Spirit of God sent to us through and in Jesus on 4th June, at this service we recognise the beginning of the formation of the Christian Community of which we are now a part. The role of Mission from the very first feast of Pentecost was one of great expectations. Those within the Church were so filled with the presence of God's power that they were to become willing Ambassadors for Jesus and go forth to make new followers to add to their number.

Today that self- same power resides within us, but we seem to have lost some of its drive and vibrancy. Perhaps it's because so many of us within the Church are growing older and are at times a little battle weary! Yet in reality that should be acting as the catalyst for greater action rather than being seen as an excuse to give up and do nothing. Mission is not just about being an example to others in the hope that they will seek to be like us and as a result come to Church like us, it is far greater than that.

Mission is about being so filled with the power of the Spirit that we create the atmosphere needed in our very visual and technological age to be able to take others with us into something which is different and engaging, which is filled with the love of the Lord Jesus, which speaks powerfully to the World of an alternative way in which to live. This action, this vibrancy, this love of the Lord Jesus is what we need to show forth to others that they will be queuing at the doors desperate to be a part of something which is so powerful and filled with life and love.

Mission therefore goes hand in hand with Ministry, and that Ministry of the Church is a call to every Disciple of Jesus today! Ministry has often been seen to be that which is done for us by Clerics of the Church. Priests have always been and will remain those who are called upon to pray for and lead the spiritual life of the community. Discipleship however is not the Priestly Role today, rather that is every member's responsibility. That is why I am about to re-start the Mission and Ministry Forum meetings at the Rectory. **Are you fired up for Jesus! Well if you are not you should be!**

Come and join us to develop our Mission and Ministry Strategy and to seek to grow our Churches both spiritually and numerically.

The next meeting will be at the Rectory in Ainderby on Monday 5th June, 7.30pm – 9pm

This is the day after the feast of Pentecost, so come to Church on the Sunday be fired up by Jesus then come to our meeting to find new ways to move forward so that our Church may grow and continue to flourish.

With my every blessing

Clive

NOTICES

KIRKBY FLEETHAM

The coffee morning in April raised £121.00 for church funds

The plant sale and teas event raised a combined total of £320.00 for St Mary's church and the KF Garden Group. Well done to everyone and thank you to all who supplied cakes and plants etc and helped in any way. A new name board has been erected at St Mary's Church - a big thank you goes to Denis and Yvonne Peirson for holding an Italian Supper last year to raise funds for this.

Sat. June 3rd: 10—11.30 am in the village Hall **Coffee Morning in aid of BRIGHT RED-** a charity established to improve the lives and treatment of people in the north who are dealing with blood cancer.

Their Fundraising Manager, Lisa Saxton, will be our guest. Several people in our community have been affected by blood cancer, so please come along to support **BRIGHT RED.**

Saturday June 10, 10am - 4pm, Wirework artist Carol Sterritt will be back with a workshop in Kirkby Fleetham village hall, making a hedgehog from galvanised chicken wire. To book a place, call Margaret Wilson on 748730, or email mwilson1952@live.co.uk. The cost for the day is £50, to include all wire and materials, coffee, tea and home made refreshments, but please bring your own lunch.

Thursday 15th June, 7.15 pm in the Village Hall **WI meeting** Shibby-Mac, (Singer)

Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall Events:

Sat. June 3rd: Dominoes at 7.0pm £2.00 to include light refreshments.

Tues. June 6th: Booklovers' Group at 7.00pm: Everyone welcome to