

entry by ticket only- £5 to include tea/coffee and a walk around the garden. Tickets from Val or Rosemary.

### SCRUTON

It is our **Harvest Thanksgiving Service on September 17th** and instead of fresh produce that we would like people to bring food suitable for the Hambleton Food Bank. They like to have tins, jars, dried food, UHT milk, bottles of squash and household goods eg toilet paper, deodorant, toothpaste, shower gel and shampoo. More details are available on their website [hambletonfoodshare.org.uk](http://hambletonfoodshare.org.uk) and we will also put more information on Network Scruton. People are still welcome to decorate the church with fresh produce but we would ask that they take it back afterwards as unfortunately we no longer have anywhere we can take it

Friday, 15th September 7.00 for 7.30 pm **Scruton's Harvest Supper** in the Coore Memorial Hall. Tickets, £7 ( to include a glass of wine) from John (748617) or Elizabeth (748664)

Saturday, 16th September **Church Coffee Morning** 10 –12 for Scruton Station

Saturday, 16th September in the Coore Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm **Domino Drive** £2.00 at the door

### LANGTON

**Langton Garden Fete was a great success** and £1,291.25 was raised, the weather obliged and we would like to thank all who helped in any way and those who attended.

### **FOR YOUR DIARIES**

Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm at Acre House **PCC meeting**  
Sunday, October 22nd **KIRKBY FLEETHAM PARISH LUNCH**

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

# THE BENEFICE OF THE LOWER SWALE

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United Parish of Kirkby Fleetham  
with Langton on Swale and Scruton

## NEWSLETTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2017

### SERVICES

#### SEPTEMBER 3rd Trinity 12 (green)

10.00 am KIRKBY FLEETHAM United Holy Communion *Mr Garner*

#### SEPTEMBER 10th Trinity 13 (green)

9.30 am SCRUTON Holy Communion *Mrs Lawther and Mr Wood*

11.00 KIRKBY FLEETHAM Holy Communion *Mr Peirson*

#### 6.00 pm LANGTON Benefice Evensong

#### SEPTEMBER 17th Trinity 14 (green)

9.30 am SCRUTON Harvest Thanksgiving *Mr and Mrs Exelby*

11.00 am KIRKBY FLEETHAM Holy Communion *Mr Perkins*

#### SEPTEMBER 24th Harvest

9.30 am SCRUTON Holy Communion *Mrs Calder and Mrs Elmer*

11.00 am KIRKBY FLEETHAM Harvest Thanksgiving *Mrs Kettlewell*

4.30 pm LANGTON Harvest Thanksgiving

#### OCTOBER 1st Trinity 16 (green)

10.00 am SCRUTON United Holy Communion *Dr and Mrs Ewart*

### FROM THE REGISTERS

Wedding on 12th August in Kirkby Fleetham;  
**Eleanor Grace Maughan to Alexander James Douglas**

## FROM THE RECTORY (01609 773346)

### Parabolic Growth!

Wow what a delight it has been to see so many promising initiatives being undertaken as a response to the Parable of the Talents Scheme! People from our local communities as well as Church Members have begun to ask the treasurers for their £20, in order to use their talents given to them by God. We have already had hugely successful Open Garden Days, we have coffee mornings and evenings planned, local history and handicrafts being put on display and local produce is being turned into countless jams and marmalades with beautifully rich fruit cakes being promised. Local church members are opening up their homes and people generally are thinking creatively about what they can do to build up their talents in response to the Lord's Call. In the Rectory we are taking a two pronged approach.

I have used my £20 as an entry to a local cycle sportive. I shall soon be having fun using my cycling skills to compete in an 82 mile cycling event around the Yorkshire Dales. This will be a challenge for me as I have not done more than 60 miles in a day before and I am hoping to complete it in around 5 hours or so. This is a personal challenge so I am sponsoring myself for each mile completed which hopefully will bring a good return on my £20, whilst building up my own skill and strength on the bike. Carolyne and I together are also holding a Garage Sale! There will be tea and coffee available as you browse through tables of antiques, collectables and a variety of items from boxes we have had in the loft for ages, including various pieces of Porcelain and antique blue and white crockery, Maling and Crown Devon and other items which will hopefully be just the thing you have been looking for, there will also be some simpler items and loads of CD Films which are now taking up too much space on our shelves.

Due to Weddings and other commitments the first Saturday we have free to do this is not until 7<sup>th</sup> October from 2pm until 4.30pm. Hopefully the sun will still be shining! We would like to pop up a gazebo on the front lawn of the Rectory in case of a wet October Day so if you have one we could borrow for the day please give us a ring, that would be a great help!

Here's hoping that we can all enjoy doing something we love and use our talents creatively in order to build up our God given gifts, whilst also building up much needed financial help for the various Churches within the Benefice.

With my every blessing,

*Clive*

## NOTICES

### KIRKBY FLEETHAM

*The Church bric-a-brac stall at the Feast raised £232.00. for church funds - Many thanks to all concerned*

Saturday 2nd September the **Coffee Morning** 10.00. - 11.15. is to raise funds for the Yorkshire Air Ambulance

Thursday, 14th September at 7.15pm in the Village Hall; **Kirkby Fleetham WI** when the speakers will be Jane and Rebecca on Victorian Clothing

**There is a further opportunity to join a workshop with wirework artist Carol Sterritt on Saturday September 16th, 10-4pm in Kirkby Fleetham village hall.** This time the project will be a frog and a small gecko. If you would like to have a go, contact Margaret Wilson on 748730 or [mwilson1952@live.co.uk](mailto:mwilson1952@live.co.uk) to reserve your place. The cost will be £50, payable on the day and will include tea, coffee and home made refreshments, but please bring your own lunch. Carol also suggests that you wear closed toe shoes and jeans and that you might like to bring a pair of gloves to protect your hands during part of the making process. There will be a maximum of 10 in the class. All wire and necessary tools will be provided. Examples of her work, including the frog and gecko can be seen on her website [www.wireworkgardensculpture.co.uk](http://www.wireworkgardensculpture.co.uk)

### **The Parable of the talents -**

**Saturday 30th September** between noon and 2.00.p.m. Val Mitchell and Rosemary Garner are serving a Soup and Scone Lunch at Moorhills -