

Newsletter August 2026 / September 2026

Benefice of the Lower Swale

26th July. Change of Service for the whole parish

Kirkby Fleetham 11.00am BENIFICE Holy Communion Jenni/Stasi/Paul

We say goodbye to our Assistant Curate, Stasi, in July and wish her love and prayers as she takes the next step on her journey. She will be beginning her role as 'Rector of the Benefice of Upper Coquet Dale in Northumberland at Rothbury'. A lovely part of the country.

Services for August

Sunday, 2nd August: 9th after Trinity

Kirby Wiske	9.30am	Holy Communion	Jenni
Kirkby Fleetham	11.00am	Holy Communion	Jenni
Ainderby Steeple	11.00am	Morning Worship	Paul

Sunday, 9th August 2026: 10th Sunday after Trinity

Scruton	9.30am	Morning Worship	Paul
Ainderby Steeple	11.00am	Holy Communion	Jenni
Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall.	4pm	Feast 'Songs of Praise'	Jenni

Wednesday 12th August

Scruton	6pm	Evensong	Jenni
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Sunday, 16th August: 11th Sunday after Trinity

Kirby Wiske	9.30am	Morning Worship	Paul
Scruton	9.30am	Holy Communion	Jenni
Kirkby Fleetham	11.00am	Holy Communion	Jenni

Sunday 23rd August 2026: 12th Sunday after Trinity

Yafforth	9.30am	BCP Morning Prayer	Paul
Scruton	9.30am	Holy Communion	Jenni
Langton	11.00am	Holy Communion	Jenni

Sunday 30th August 13th Sunday after Trinity

Yafforth	10.30 am	Benefice Holy Communion	Jenni
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Youth Groups : September 2026

10/09/26	Little Lambs 2.00 - 3.30pm Busy Bees 3.30 – 5.00pm Groovers and Shakers 6.00 – 8.00pm
17/09/26	Trendy Teens 6.30pm – 8.30pm
24/09/26	Little Lambs 2.00-3.30pm Busy Bees 3.30 – 5.00pm Groovers and Shakers 6.00 – 8.00pm

Please note the new times for Busy Bees and Groovers and Shakers.
Would Groovers and Shakers please not arrive before 6pm as the team must tidy up after Busy Bees and the team need a break for tea.

Morton on Swale News

Craft Fair The next Craft Fair to help raise money for the Village Hall will be on Saturday 26th September – 9.30am until 2.00pm. Refreshments will again be available.

Village Hall Fundraising Event. Thank you to all who supported our coffee morning with book and plant sale which was a fund raising event towards the repair of the village hall floor. The event raised £188.90. Also a big thank you to the villagers who gave donations amounting to £80.00. In total the coffee morning raised £268.90.

Social Afternoon. Thursday 24th September 2.00 – 4.00pm. Tea/ coffee will be served. £2.00 a session.

The Trustees of Morton Village Hall would also like to say a big thank you to the new Morton on Swale Garden Club who have planted up the planters in front of the hall. To help the club, anyone passing the hall if they would like to help could check if the plants need watering: they will find a watering can hanging next to the water butt.

Yafforth News

Yafforth Hub. Saturday 15th August and Saturday 19th September 10.00am until noon. Do join us for a friendly morning, meeting with friends and neighbours

All Saints Summer Garden Party will be held on Sunday 23rd August 2.00pm – 4.00pm.

Parish News

The Minstrels of the Lower Swale 'The Minstrels of The Lower Swale', meet on Mondays once or twice each month to make music and have fun - all instruments and abilities welcome. If you would like The Minstrels of the Lower Swale to provide some background entertainment music to your local event, please contact Chris 07816 931 681

Kirby Wiske News

Coffee and Chat. Saturday 19th September. Just a reminder that our next Coffee and Chat is 10.00am to 12.30pm on Saturday 19th September in the village hall, Kirby Wiske. Any donations as tombola prizes and produce for the various stalls would be very gratefully received at 5.00pm to 6.00pm on Friday evening or from 9.30am on the Saturday morning.

Ainderby Steeple News

Thank you for your help at St Helen's Church. We are grateful to all those people who volunteered and helped to paint the church railings, cleaned the Lychgate and did some gardening on Saturday 20th June.

We had a lovely community day and would like to whole heartedly thank you. Also many thanks for the delicious food provided for us all.

We will let you know when we are able to proceed with the next part of the redecoration.

Services for September 2026

Sunday 6th September 2026 : 14th Sunday after Trinity

Kirby Wiske	9.30am	Holy Communion	Jenni
Scruton	9.30am	Holy Communion	Lesley Ashton
Ainderby Steeple	11.00am	Holy Communion	Jenni

Sunday 13th September 2026 : 15th Sunday after Trinity

Scruton	9.30am	Harvest Morning Worship	Paul
Ainderby Steeple	11.00am	Morning Worship	Paul
Kirkby Fleetham	11.00am	Holy Communion	Lesley Ashton

Sunday 20th September 2026 : 16th Sunday after Trinity

Kirby Wiske	9.30am	Morning Worship	Paul
Scruton	9.30am	Holy Communion	Philip Carrington
Langton	11.00am	Morning Worship	Paul

Wednesday 23th September 2026:

Scruton	6.00pm	Evensong	Paul
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Sunday 27th September 2026 : 17th Sunday after Trinity

Scruton	9.30am	Holy Communion	Jenni
Yafforth	9.30am	BCP Morning Prayer	Paul
Ainderby Steeple	11.00am	Holy Communion	Jenni

Deadline for October / November Newsletter items

Saturday 19th September 2026 Please forward items to Barbara Tweddle
01609 780 161 or ptweddle23@gmail.com

This date indicates the **final day** for items, you are very welcome to send things to be included at least a couple of weeks before this deadline, or even earlier!!!!