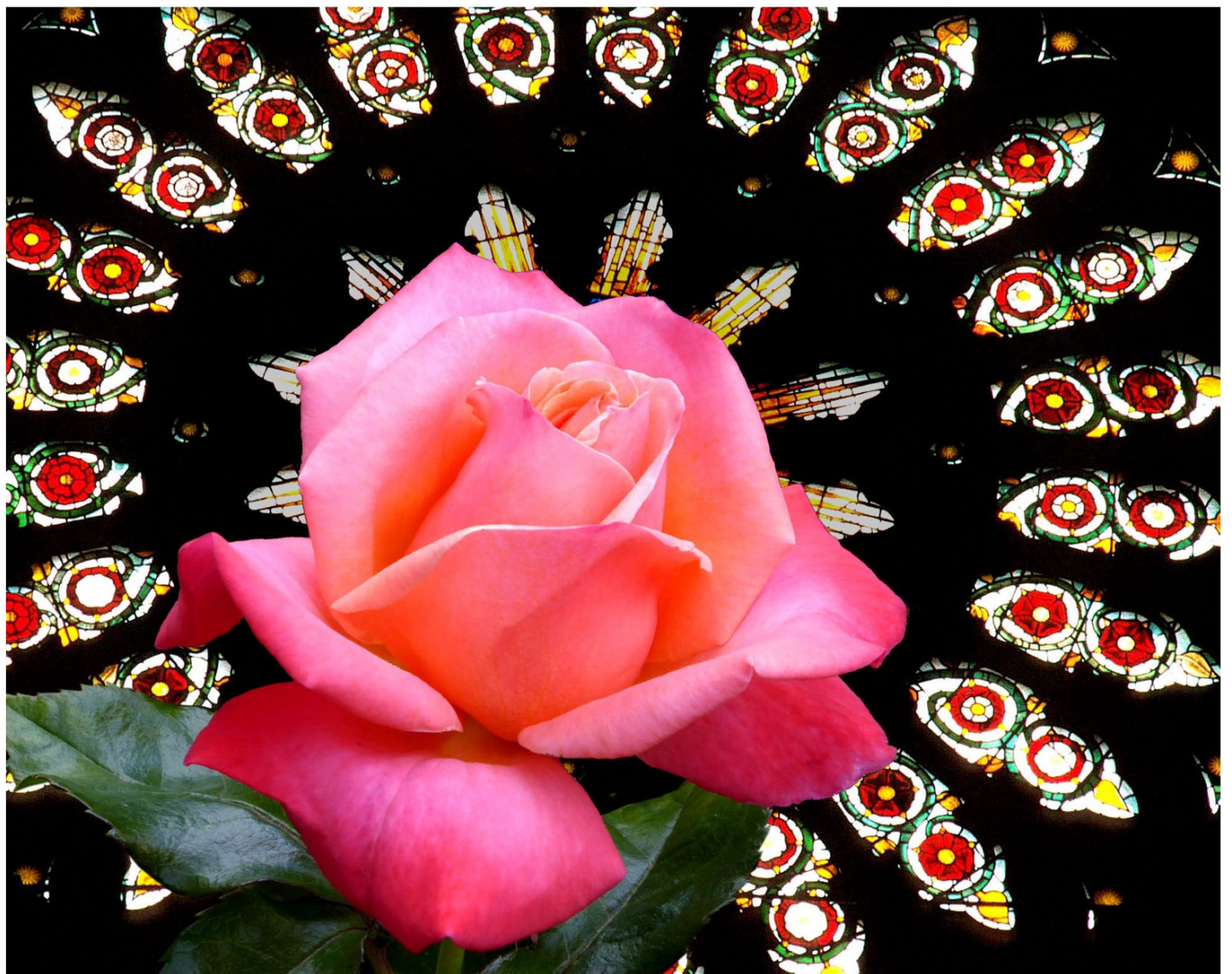


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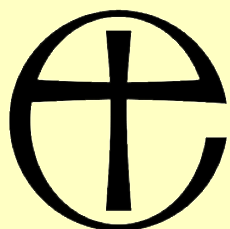
*Who alone brings growth to your Church.
We give you thanks and praise for the signs of
new growth that we see in this Church and
community.*

*Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our
planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to
our witness.*

*Help us to grow in numbers, in spiritual
commitment to you and in service to our local
community.*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



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From the Vicar . . .



There is a saying that goes, “How do you make God laugh?” with the response being, “Tell Him your plans.”

I am sure that the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is celebrated in August, did not have in her plans to be the mother of the Son of God. She was a young lady who probably didn’t have a care in the world. Her world was turned upside down because of her faith and commitment to God. God can change our lives in a variety of ways and often when we least expect it.

Mary’s plans to marry Joseph were initially called off. Her parents’ plans for her to have a normal family life went out of the window. Joseph’s plans to have his first -born son named after him were changed.

Mary was wonderful in the way that she accepted God’s plans as her own. She embraced a new life that she was probably unable to really comprehend was happening. Any parent who has their first child doesn’t really know what they have taken on until about 20 years later when the child moves on, only to return with even bigger problems. Mary didn’t realise that she would raise a son who she would watch being crucified. She must have realised that things would not have been easy; unmarried and pregnant! What would Joseph say? Would her parents support her if Joseph wouldn’t?

Mary’s faith enabled her to do things that other people would struggle with. Her trust in God meant that she accepted the incredible challenge that He had given her. Her faith and trust meant that God was glorified.

All of us face challenges from time to time, some of them feel huge. We may not know what challenges we will have in the future or how we are going to cope with the challenges we are facing at the present. Our aim is to ensure that God is glorified by our thoughts and our actions.

Mary is a wonderful inspiration and role model for us all. The world would have been very different if she had said no to the challenge that she received from God.

Every blessing for August,

Margaret

HYMNS 'N' PIMM'S!

There was an afternoon service with a difference at Easingwold Parish Church on Sunday 7th July, introduced by vicar Revd Margaret Young, who invited us to sample a glass of Pimm's, while hoping we were in good voice! People had been asked to choose a favourite hymn, then say a few words about it, before we all joined in singing it.



The choices included the well-known, such as: "Rock of Ages" and "Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer", as well as other less familiar pieces which held personal memories for those who chose them. The hymns were by turns inspiring, thought-provoking and rousing, each with an interesting story attached. The more able singers among us were pleased to have the opportunity to sing in 'parts', like alto, tenor etc.

There was more Pimm's at the interval; there is no truth in the rumour that the singing improved afterwards, though it may have been louder! And there was still some left at the end, to soothe all the parched throats!

It was a most enjoyable and different occasion, giving us more insight into those hymns that we sing on Sundays. We all look forward to repeating the event.

MW



What is mission?

When we meet and have fellowship together, when we love and help one another, when we lift one another up in prayer and walk alongside each other in difficult times, we are living in the Kingdom of God and partnering with God in His mission.

We are all commissioned and sent by Jesus, as He says in Matthew 28:16-19 “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit”.

We have been called by God to work with Him in the fulfilment of His purposes for humanity. With Christ's victory on the cross we can all come directly into God's presence but we also have the responsibility of bringing others to Him. When we become united with Christ we become members of His body, we join in His priestly work of reconciling man with God. God has created each one of us and given us individual gifts which, when used as a whole, build up the church of Christ.

Looking at Jesus' teaching on evangelism in Luke 10:5, 8 and 9 as He sends His disciples out, He advises them to speak peace into people's lives, if the person receives that peace, He then says spend time in fellowship with them, after that the disciples are encouraged to meet the needs of their hosts, then they are to proclaim the Good News and bringing them in to their own personal relationship with Jesus.

How do we, as a church, engage with the local community? Building up relationships is a really important first step for us and hospitality is one of our strengths.

Last year, we had some very successful events; for example, the quiz night, the talent competition, the curry night and Allan Green's picture night.

It is also really important to have a culture of invitation, every time we have an event we must be encouraged to invite someone who doesn't regularly come to our church.

I strongly believe that, in order to engage in mission outreach, we cover our endeavours with prayer; before we even start to consider any new outreach, the first thing is to pray, to listen and to seek God's heart on whatever we are planning to do. Offering it to Him and asking for His blessing—please use the prayer on the inside front cover of the magazine.

If you have any ideas for events, please let me know.

Rev'd Lottie Cranfield

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

What is it?

It is a prayerful way of touching the lives of others as a tangible symbol of God's unconditional love. Individuals or groups receive instructions and supplies to make prayer shawls and scarves which are then blessed at the Sunday morning service. The completed shawls are distributed to bring comfort to the sick or bereft and wherever there is a need to show love and support.

If you are male or female between the ages of 8 and 108 and you can knit, crochet or sew or would like to learn then please consider joining St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Individuals can craft on their own or, if there are enough who are interested, as part of a Prayer Shawl Group which could meet monthly.

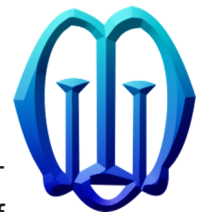
This idea has been brought to us by Liz and Alan Burroughs from their previous parish.

I am interested in getting it going in our church.

Please contact me if you would like to be involved.

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Mary Sumner



On August 9th, Mothers' Union members celebrate the life of the founder of their organisation. Mary Sumner was inspired to form a group of women after the birth of her first grandchild. Remembering her own difficulties when she was a mother, she felt that by bringing women together they could support one another.

Mary died in 1921 at the age of 92 and is buried with her husband in the grounds of Winchester Cathedral. The inscription on their tomb is from Revelations 14:13 and reads:



*I heard a voice from Heaven saying unto me
Write Blessed are the dead which died in the Lord from henceforth.
Here, saith the Spirit, they may rest from their labours,
And their works do follow them*

The Mothers' Union is now a global movement within the Anglican Church and the current Worldwide President is Sheran Harper who lives in Guyana.



SERVICES AND EVENTS:

August 2019

To contact the Revd Margaret Young

Tel: 01347 821394 or email: vicar@easingwoldraskelfanglican.org

The Vicar's day off is Monday

Children are welcome at all our services

Thurs 1st	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri 2nd	11-2pm	Bootshop 25th Anniversary at the Galtres Centre
	3.00pm	Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre
Sunday 4th	Trinity 7	
	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.10am	Raskelf Eucharist
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist (No Church Mice)
	6.30pm	Celtic Service at Raskelf
Mon 5th	4.00pm	Choir Practice— all welcome
	6.00pm	No JAM at the Cozie Centre (Jesus and Me)
Wed 7th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	12 noon	Lite Bite lunch at The Old Black Bull, Raskelf
Thurs 8th	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri 9th	3.00pm	Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre
Sat 10th	3.00pm	Mothers' Union afternoon tea at the Parish Church (<i>Note change of venue from that shown in printed copy</i>)
Sunday 11th	Trinity 8	
	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Raskelf Family Service
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist (No Church Mice)
	12.30pm	Baptism of Felix Davis at Raskelf
	6.30pm	No Evensong

Mon 12th	4.00pm	No choir practice
	6.00pm	No JAM at the Cozie Centre (Jesus and Me)
Tues 13th	10.00am	Bible conversation at Whiteoak Avenue—all welcome
	3.00pm	Springhill Court—Holy Communion
Wed 14th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Memorial service for Christine Chittock
Thurs 15th	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri 16th	3.00pm	Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre
Sat 17th	3.00pm	Marriage of Shane Marwood and Rebecca Reynolds

Sunday 18th The Blessed Virgin Mary

	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.10am	Raskelf Eucharist
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist (No Church Mice)
	6.30pm	Evensong
Mon 19th	4.00pm	Choir practice—all welcome
	6.00pm	No JAM at the Cozie Centre (Jesus and Me)
Wed 21st	9.00am	Holy Communion
Thurs 22nd	10.00am	Mothers' Union Communion and coffee—all welcome
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri 23rd	3.00pm	Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre

Sunday 25th Trinity 10

	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Family Eucharist
	6.30pm	No Evensong
Mon 26th	4.00pm	No choir practice (<i>Updated from printed copy—Bank Holiday</i>)
	6.00pm	No JAM at the Cozie Centre (Jesus and Me)
Wed 28th	9.00am	Holy Communion
Thurs 29th	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri 30th	3.00pm	Christian Meditation led by Marko at the Galtres Centre

Readings

4th August Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14; 2:18-23 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21	Trinity 7	Celtic Service at Raskelf
11th August Genesis 15:1-6 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Luke 12:32-40	Trinity 8	No Evensong
18th August Isaiah 61:10-11 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 1:46-55	The Blessed Virgin Mary	Evensong Song of Solomon 2:1-7 Acts 1:1-6
25th August Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17	Trinity 10	No Evensong

From the Registers

Baptisms — 21st July: Grace Walker, Daisy Burton

Marriages — None

Funerals

5th July: Valerie Taylor

18th July: Edna Brown

24th July: Jacqueline Marwood



The Church
Mice



Children are very welcome on any Sunday

You are invited to our Sunday School for ages 3-11,
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ST MARY'S CHURCH, RASKELF

Sunday 4th August	9:10am	Eucharist
	6.30pm	Celtic service
Wednesday 7th August	12 noon	Lite Bite Lunch, Old Black Bull
Sunday 11th August	10.30am	Family service
	12.30pm	Baptism of Felix Davis
Sunday 18th August	9.10am	Eucharist



Mothers' Union

Afternoon Tea

at the Parish Church

Saturday 10th August, 3pm

In aid of the MU Summer of Hope Appeal

*Please note change of venue—the afternoon tea will now take place in the Parish Church,
NOT the Parish Church Rooms as shown in the printed copy of this magazine*



Communion and Coffee

Thursday 22nd August, 10am at the Parish Church

All welcome

PRAYER CORNER

Prayer is at the heart of what the church is about and the prayer corner in St John's continues to be used regularly. Please write the names of people you would like to be remembered in the book there. We also have a prayer chain, where a number of people pray for those in special need. If you would like prayers for yourself or another, in church or on our confidential Prayer Circle, please contact Deacon Lottie Cranfield on 824399.

Please include in your prayers this month:

1. All who live and work to either side of Thirsk Road, Raskelf Road, Alne Road
2. Easingwold County Primary School – staff, pupils and parents; the Live Wires out of school club
3. The Parish Church; its worship and outreach; the Dialysis Unit in Tanpit Lane
4. The farming communities around Raskelf and Easingwold

Shoe Boxes 2019

It's that time of year again when we are beginning to think about filling shoe boxes for Samaritan's Purse. These boxes are so appreciated by the children who receive them and we send them to a variety of countries overseas.



- ♦ The supplied boxes (and information leaflets) will be available next month from the back of church, or you can cover an ordinary shoe box with Christmas paper if you prefer.
- ♦ There are five categories of gifts that can be included in your box – to wear (e.g. hats and gloves); to eat (sweets must have a far ahead best before date; no chocolate as it melts!); toiletries (e.g. soap, toothpaste); anything educational (e.g. pens, paper, colouring books); and something for fun (e.g. small toy, hair clips). Please look at the back of church for items given by others to be used to help fill your box – especially knitteds from the Knit and Natter Group and friends of the church.
- ♦ Please read the leaflet carefully as there are some items which cannot be included e.g. liquids of any kind, stuffed hand-knitted toys and war toys.

There will be no charge for the empty box but if you are able to include the suggested donation for transport that would be helpful. HOWEVER, if that is too much to ask when you are providing the contents of your box don't worry, still fill your box.

Deanery News

'The Flourish of Liberty'

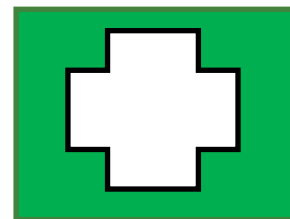
Exhibition of works by 102 artists/writers/composers who were invited to respond to the idea of 'Liberty', as visually represented in Tristram Shandy.

The exhibition at Shandy Hall, Coxwold is open 11am-4.30pm every day except Saturday until 31st August.

Entrance is free

All works are for sale by auction online (flourishofliberty17.wordpress.com) or in the gallery. All proceeds support the Laurence Sterne Trust.

<https://www.laurencesternetrust.org.uk/exhibition.php?id=233>



There is still time to book a place on the

First Aid Course

Monday 2nd September 2019

6.30—9pm

in the Parish Rooms

This course is free of charge for anyone who wishes to attend.

For further information contact:

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Online Donations



Visitors to our website easingwoldraskelfanglican.org will now see the option to make donations to the Parish via the secure payments portal **give.net**. We have registered with Stewardship, an organisation that has been providing advice, guidance, inspiration and practical tools to churches, secular and Christian charities since 1906.

This is a new venture for us that could provide an additional stream of income. Donations between £1 and £1,000,000 can be made although the higher amount is perhaps a little too optimistic! Give.net will collect the donation, for a small fee of 3%, claim the Gift Aid automatically and transfer the monies to the church's bank account. The Church of England has been promoting a "digital conversion" with cashless donations being available in parishes. Some churches are now allowing contactless card payments due to the declining numbers of people carrying cash. One step at a time!

Tim Young

BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP NOTES

We are all encouraged to read the Bible to help us in our spiritual journey. Where do we start? It is quite daunting. This is where the Bible Reading Fellowship can help us. 'New Daylight' is a daily reading of a short section from the Bible with an explanation of the reading. This helps the reader to understand it, and it makes life easier for us because we don't have to find it in the Bible ourselves.

Please contact Gina Smith, either in Church or by phone. (01347 823843). She can show you examples, and, if you decide you would like to try it, she will order it for you and deliver it. It only costs £13.80 a year for 365 daily readings – less than 4p a day.

OASIS Café

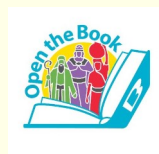
at the Methodist Church on Chapel Street

Please note, the Oasis Café will not be open in August.

It will resume on Friday 27th September.

Open The Book at Easingwold Primary School

will resume in September—watch this space for dates



Parish Passes for York Minster

A reminder that passes are available for anyone from the parish who wishes to visit York Minster free of charge.

The passes are available on request from the Clergy, Church Wardens or the PCC Secretary. We would be grateful if people who borrow them, do return them promptly after use so that they are available for others to use.

Recycle more plastic

The Deanery Environment Group would like to encourage more recycling. An outlet has been found for crisp packets, biscuit wrappers and plastic pens via St Nicholas Field in York.

A box is available in the Parish Church in which to deposit these items for recycling.

They will be taken to St Nicks (St Nicholas Fields) an Environmental Charity in York where they will be sent on for recycling to Teracycle.



This helps to raise funds for St Nicks charity, as well as reducing the waste in your bin.

We need your milk bottle tops



**Members of J.A.M.
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