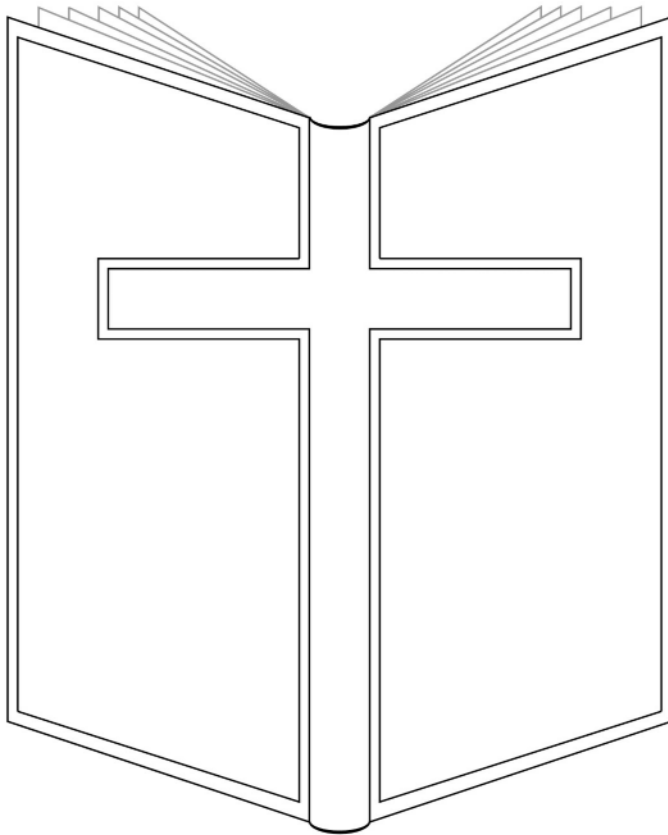


St. Oswald's Church Walkergate



Parish Magazine
February / March 2017

Dear Friends,

I include in this magazine a piece written by Jamie Read from the January edition of the Crosslinks magazine.

Jamie is a former St. Oswald's Crosslinks Mission Partner and has recently been appointed to succeed Alan Purser as the Crosslinks Partnership Promotion Team Leader. I reckon it's a very good and helpful article.

Jamie will be our Cober Hill speaker this June and I hope that reading his comments may whet your appetite to hear more from him this summer.

Why not plan to be with us (*full details on page 7*) for what is invariably a terrifically encouraging weekend.

Ken.

JAMIE READ

hope



Following the national and global shockwaves created by 'Brexit', the summer Olympics and Paralympics in Rio were, for many, the perfect tonic. They dished out in large measure what the country could only scavenge for in the preceding months: respect, tolerance and pride in human achievement.

It's stories like that of Olympic swimmer and Syrian refugee Yusra Mardini, or the sight of triathlete Alistair Brownlee helping his brother Jonny cross the finishing line, that stir hope in humanity.

But true and lasting hope is in short supply and the Church needs to respond. David Jackman identifies how Christian hope 'is certain to connect with one of the deepest seams of personal need, in our culture

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and so in our congregations'. When we offer people Jesus Christ, we are offering hope – a sure and certain hope that never leaves us wanting. That is good news!

Hebrews 6:19 describes hope as '*a sure and steadfast anchor for the soul*'. In the next sentence this hope is understood to have entered God's holy dwelling place. Through Christ, God delivered on his promise to bring broken sinners into fellowship and new life. In short, where Jesus goes, hope follows. When a bridal party hopes for good weather, they live with a degree of uncertainty.

Sunshine would be nice, but it cannot be guaranteed. However the bride's hopes that her fiancé will be waiting for her at the end of the aisle are well founded. On the basis of all that she knows up to this point, she can be confident he will be there waiting. Similarly, Christian hope is a confidence that because of all Christ has done in the past, the future is secure and the present is transformed.

In the New Testament, hope is applied in four key areas:

Mission God's promised Messiah as the hope of the nations

Matthew 12:21

Salvation Hope's twin, saving faith, which against all the odds rest solely on God's promise

Romans 4:18

Suffering The prospect of creation's renewal enabling God's people to endure a broken world

Romans 8:22-25

Discipleship Allowing the certainty of God's future to shape the way we live now

Colossians 1:5

Funerals

We offer our sympathy to the family of :

Beatrice May Clarke

Wives Club

February 20th Northumbria Blood Bikes Nigel Barlow

March 20th Burma Mr & Mrs Gilbert

P.C.C. Monday 6th March 2017 at 7.30pm

Easter Programme



Maundy Thursday, 13th April

7.30pm The Lord's Supper
(a Fellowship Meal)

Good Friday, 14th April

10.00am Family Service
10.45am Easter Crafts
2.00pm An Hour at the Cross

Easter Day, 16th April

10.00am Family Service
and short Holy Communion

Flower Rota

February	5	Alison
	12	Mavis
	19	Vera
March	26	Ann
	5	Marion
	12	Alison
	19	Mavis
	26	Vera

Dust Busters

Alternate Saturdays

February	11	Team 2
	25	Team 3
March	11	Team 4
	25	Team 1
April	8	Team 2

Good Friday Children's Event

On Good Friday morning at St Oswald's we will be holding another of our special events for children and their families.

A Family Service at 10.00 a.m. with a children's talk will be followed by refreshments, then Easter Crafts at 10.55. Children will be able to ice Easter biscuits and to make a beautiful living Easter garden to take home, to remind them of Jesus' death and resurrection.

All children are welcome, but under-5's will need an adult to stay with them. Parents of older children are welcome to join in, or to leave their child for the crafts part at 10.55 and collect them at 11.30 a.m., or to join us downstairs for coffee and hot cross buns!

We would love it if you could join us for the whole morning, but it is fine to turn up at 10.45 a.m. for the crafts part of the morning. We will finish with a very short explanation for the children about Easter.

Friday 14th April 2017
10.00 am - 11.30 am

The morning will run like this:

10.00 Family Good Friday Service.

All Welcome.

10.45 Drinks, cakes and hot cross buns

10.55 Children upstairs to make gardens and biscuits. All welcome to stay

11.30 Final get together to end the morning, (5 minutes), then home.

It would help us to know how many children we might expect for this free event.

So if your child would like to take part, please fill out a form on our website, (from the end of Feb) www.walkergatechurch.org/specialevents/easter, or email :

eastercrafts@walkergatechurch.org with your child's name, age and a contact address and phone number.



Annual General Meeting

**We will be holding our St. Oswald's A.G.M.
on Monday 24th April @ 7:30 p.m.**

We hope very much that if you are a regular with us, you will make every effort to come to this important occasion in our church's year, as we look backward and forward in the work of the gospel in our area.

ELECTORAL ROLL

One of our preparations for the A.G.M. is the updating of the Electoral Roll. This update is required to ensure we have an up to date list of those eligible to vote at meetings like the AGM. As this is an update, you only need to fill in a registration form if you are currently not on the Electoral Roll. You can check the current list at the rear of the church building, or by contacting Keith Solomon.

Signing up like this is the way in which people indicate their commitment to a local congregation, like ours. Only those who are on the roll may vote for the new Church Council at the A.G.M.. In order to qualify for the roll, a person must be over 16 years of age, be resident in the parish or have habitually attended St. Oswald's for a minimum period of 6 months prior to the A.G.M.

Application forms may be obtained from the rear of the church building or from Keith Solomon.

If you have any questions about eligibility or need any help to fill in the form, please do see Keith or any member of the staff.

Cober Hill Cloughton Scarborough

16th-18th June



The brochure for this year's House party is now out. In it you will find all the information you need. If you are thinking, "Is it really for me?", why not ask someone whose been before. Let them tell you what it's like. We're pretty confident they will say it's a weekend not to be missed.

Our speaker this year is:

Jamie Read

*Crosslinks Partnership Promotion
Team Leader*



So ... why not think about coming to Cober Hill this year.

All you have to do is: Decide to come, grab a form and fill it in, then return it to Len Robson; or any member of staff

Holiday Club 2017

**Around the
World in 80
Days**

24th to 30th
July



Preaching to Easter 2017

Sundays

Colossians

Feb	5	Colossians 1:24 - 2:5
	12	Colossians 2:6-23
	19	Colossians 3:1-11
	26	All-In
Mar	5	Colossians 3:12-17
	12	Colossians 3:18 - 4:1
	19	Colossians 4:2-18
	26	All-In - Mothering Sunday
Apr	2	Easter Theme
	9	Palm Sunday
	16	Easter Day

Home Bible Groups

Colossians

Week beginning:

Feb	6	Colossians 1:24 - 2:5
	13	Colossians 2:6-23
	20	Half-Term
	27	Colossians 3:1-11
Mar	Wed 8th	Christian Institute Visit @ 7.30 p.m.
	13	Colossians 3:12-17
	20	Colossians 3:18 - 4:1
	27	Colossians 4:2-18
Apr		Easter Break
	13	Maundy Supper @ 7.30 pm

St. Oswald's & St. Mark's Officials

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For details of daily events, please see the inside back cover.

St. Oswald's & St. Mark's Daily Events

SUNDAY

- 9.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Family Service &
Young People's Groups
Except 1st Sunday of each month
10.00am *Family Service & Short Communion*
(NO 9.30 or 11.00am services)
6.30pm Bible Study at St.Oswald's

MONDAY

- 6.30pm Enquiry Hour (Vicar's Vestry)
7.30pm P.C.C. Meeting (2nd Monday)
1.45pm Wives Club (3rd Monday)

TUESDAY

- 9.30-11.00am Toddlers Group
7.30pm Youth Club at St.Oswald's (years 6+)

WEDNESDAY

- 9.30am Holy Communion
1.30pm Women on Wednesday
7.30pm Bible Study at 1039 Shields Road
7.45pm Bible Study at 225 Fossway

THURSDAY

- 3.30pm J.A.M. at Walkergate School
7.45pm Bible Study at 4 Firtree Avenue

Please ask for details of :

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| Monday | 5.00pm | Beavers |
| | 6.00pm | Rainbows |
| | 6.15pm | Cub Scouts |
| Tuesday | 6.00pm | Brownies |
| Friday | 7.00pm | Scouts & Venture Scouts |



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