



# St. Mary's Dalton Holme Newsletter

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## Services for August

6th	The Transfiguration	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
13th	Ninth after Trinity	9.30 am	Holy Communion
20th	Tenth after Trinity	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
27th	Eleventh after Trinity	9.30 am	Holy Communion

## Thoughts from Rev. John McNaughton

As an old paratrooper, I have long admired courage and compassion as the greatest qualities of human character. In recent months they shone out in the midst of the appalling events which took place in the Manchester Arena, at Westminster Bridge, London Bridge, and the Grenfell Tower inferno.

Those events brought massive loss of life and dreadful injuries to ordinary folk like ourselves. All our hearts went out to the afflicted and bereaved, creating the "sombre mood" described by Her Majesty the Queen in the unusually restrained Ceremonial State Opening of Parliament in June.

Modest people that we are, it took some time for accounts of heroism to emerge. Slowly we learned of sacrifices made, of risks taken, of generosity given, and our hearts were uplifted as we learned more and more of the courage and compassion shown by so many in dignified human character. Unfortunately the "sombre mood" across the nation recognised that such dignity is not universal.

In that same speech in Parliament, her Majesty referred to the problem of "domestic violence". It shows that in the midst of all our advances in this 21st Century we still need to advance in character. In fact, isn't that true of all of us all the time?

Our character can grow all along our road of life. A wrong turning can be disastrous. I can't forget Ian Brady, the moors murderer, the avowed atheist, who spoke of his killing of children as "existential exercises." How much happier life would have been for many if, at some crossroad in his life, he had met a Christian who could have put him on the road to truth and new life. There is still an urgent need for prayerful Christians in this 21st century. It could be you!

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## **September Issue**

The closing date for the September issue will be **Thursday 17th August**. Articles should be sent to me in **word format only** at [rac.pfl@btinternet.com](mailto:rac.pfl@btinternet.com)

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## **South Dalton Ladies Club**

A small group of us journeyed to the Robert Fuller Gallery near Thixendale to view the photographs and paintings of wild-life produced by Robert. We were able to watch live web-cams of nesting barn owls and their young, king fishers and their offspring and weasels leaping around the area created for them by Robert.

We had such an interesting night, ably assisted by Robert's children and refreshed with drinks by Robert's wife. The gallery is a must for a second visit.

On July 6th Marion spoke about the work of the Yorkshire Air Ambulance, the costs involved in the day to day running of the organisation and the reasons helicopters are called out. These range from road accidents in places inaccessible to the usual NHS road ambulances to the life-threatening crash experienced by the then Top gear driver, Richard Hammond, who would have died if the Air Ambulance had not been able to transport him quickly to the nearest trauma centre. He then raised Hundreds of thousands of pounds for the organisation and the publicity surrounding his accident also made the public aware of the vital work the Yorkshire Air Ambulance carries out.

### **Programme of events for the remainder of the year.**

**August 3rd**- another visit to Papa's Fish and Chip restaurant in Willerby.

**September 6th** (a Wednesday evening)- the celebrity chef, Alan Lavender, who cooked for now ex-prime ministers at Chequers will talk about his job.

**October 5th**- Games Night

**November 2nd**- Paul Schofield, an expert on the history of old Hull.

**December 7th**- preparation of food for the village Xmas meal.

**January 11th 2018**- the post-Xmas meal at the Robin Hood Inn in Middleton on the Wolds.

**February 1st**- To be confirmed

**March 1st**- the AGM.

Jan Nettleton

## **Weighton Waytes.**

The choir performed with distinction on Friday 21st July with the proceeds being donated to the church. Thanks are due to all for the preparations and the provision of refreshments in the village hall.

(Thanks also to Andy Bevan for the hastily produced pictures below. He left for holiday the following morning at 4am!)

