



# St. Mary's Dalton Holme Newsletter

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## Services for June

4th	Whit Sunday- Pentecost	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
11th	Trinity Sunday	9.30 am	Holy Communion
18th	First Sunday after Trinity	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
25th	Second Sunday after Trinity	9.30 am	Holy Communion

## Thoughts from Rev. John McNaughton

We have the good fortune to be members of a great nation. In common with most of my readers, I was lucky enough to be born into it, and certainly cannot claim any credit for all that has been done for us in the past.

Our greatness is recognised by the millions who want to come and live here! We all know that we cannot accommodate them all, but they recognise that ours is a special civilisation. In our busy lives we tend to take it all for granted, and thereby run the risk of failing to pass it on to the future.

Can we really get away from the fact that its foundations are christian ? It was widened by men like Sir Walter Raleigh whose christianity shone out in his last words scribbled into the back of his Bible before he went out to joke with his executioner!

It was defended long ago by men like Sir Francis Drake. Some of his prayers are still in use today. More recently a soldier of the first world war, with a premonition of his death looked forward to his place as "a pulse in the eternal mind." In the second world war, our Prime Minister spoke of our defence of christian civilisation. Christian men and women laid the foundations of our now endangered National Health Service.

On this theme, it would be easy to fill a book, but I must not go on. Suffice it to say that June in this year of grace 2017 brings challenges to us all. It requires courageous, compassionate, well informed and understanding christians to pass on to a future generation the heritage which we have so far enjoyed. If I can be of any help, please let me know.

## July Issue

The closing date for the June issue will be **Thursday 15th June**

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

An impromptu games night **held on 4th May** was a noisy, laughter-filled evening, no doubt aided by nibbles, cakes and sparkling wine!

Dawn brought several of her son's boxed table games (saved since his childhood), that she had stored and we had a whale of a time with games that we had probably not played for many years!

**The next meeting on June 8th** is a visit to the Robert Fuller Gallery in Thixendale at 7.00pm.

Robert Fuller is a recognised authority on wildlife and one of Britain's foremost wildlife artists.

Transport will leave the village hall at 6.15pm and anyone requiring a lift should contact Glynis, Dawn or Jan.

Jan Nettleton

## Clay Pigeon Shoot 2017 Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Tombola prizes are required. Please contact Caroline Marshall on 07983 – 599808



## The Queen celebrates two birthdays each year: her actual birthday on 21 April and her official birthday on (usually) the second Saturday in June.

Official celebrations to mark Sovereigns' birthday have often been held on a day other than the actual birthday, particularly when the actual birthday has not been in the summer. King Edward VII, for example, was born on 9 November, but his official birthday was marked throughout his reign in May or June when there was a greater likelihood of good weather for the Birthday Parade, also known as Trooping the Colour.

The Queen usually spends her actual birthday privately, but the occasion is marked publicly by gun salutes in central London at midday: a 41 gun salute in Hyde Park, a 21 gun salute in Windsor Great Park and a 62 gun salute at the Tower of London.

On her official birthday, Her Majesty is joined by other members of the Royal Family at the spectacular Trooping the Colour parade which moves between Buckingham Palace, The Mall and Horseguards' Parade as well as a public appearance on the balcony of Buckingham Palace.



