



St. Mary's Dalton Holme Newsletter

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Services for March

4th	Lent 3	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
11th	Lent 4 Mothering Sunday	10.30am	Holy Communion
18th	Lent 5 Passion Sunday	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
25th	Palm Sunday	9.30 am	Holy Communion
29th	Maundy Thursday	7.00 pm	Holy Communion
30th	Good Friday	2.30pm	Meditation before the Cross
1st	Easter Day	10.30 am	Holy Communion

Thoughts from Rev. John McNaughton

My dear Friends,

I can only write a humble and totally inadequate "thank you" for all the prayer, care, helpfulness and loving kindness which has surrounded me following the sudden death of Morag on 10th January. She will always be very close to me, and I believe it is only right that I should express her gratitude as well.

I have always been deeply grateful (and not a little amazed!) that she was prepared to share her life with a chap like me. A brave old veteran of the First World War Royal Flying Corps conducted our Marriage Service. He went on to admire Morag's consistent courage, love and loyalty in marrying a paratrooper.

The last big event which I shared with Morag, only weeks before she died, was a special service in Aldershot

Garrison Church where those of us who got home from a tricky operational tour remembered our chums who did not get home. It was a moving and memorable occasion.

Right now, emotion is raw and very near the surface. You will understand how much it means that these words are written beneath a little programme outlining the most important events in all human history: Christ, Son of God our Father, offering new life to us all in sacred bread and wine as he prepared for his cruel public death; his

sacrifice on the Cross, assuring divine forgiveness to all who seek it in genuine repentance; and wonderfully demonstrating by his resurrection that death is a threshold into new life.

John McNaughton

April Issue

The closing date will be **Thursday 15th March**. Articles should be sent to me in **word format only** at rac.pfl@btinternet.com

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South Dalton Ladies Club

Thursday 1st February 2018

A group of us met at the village hall to demonstrate our knowledge (or lack of it!) via a quiz that Glynis compiled.

There were some deceptively easy questions to begin with and then there were those that could have had several answers but only one correct one! We probably should not have consumed a glass or two of a bubbly liquid, but then on the other hand, the bubbles could have helped! Julie and Rita scored the highest marks and each received a bouquet of flowers, beautifully put together by Dawn. We all enjoyed the evening and returned home determined to 'gen up' on world events and general knowledge, ready for the next time!

March 1st AGM - 7.30pm in the village hall. All welcome.

April 12th- Lucy Adlington of the History Wardrobe presents 'Bad Girls and Bonnets' ;

A celebration of Jane Austen's wicked women, clothes and crime in the 18th century. Lucy succeeds in taking her audience back to a certain era, helped by wonderful authentic clothing and the dramatic way in which she presents the story.

Tickets are £12 each and include a glass of wine on entrance, with tea, coffee and cake after the performance.

Doors in the village hall open at 7.00pm for the 7.30pm start.

Ticket entry only.

Jan Nettleton

Church Spire update.

The diocesan faculty (permission for works to be undertaken) for the further investigatory works, to which I referred in an earlier Newsletter, has been granted. This means the initial exploratory works undertaken in August 2017 can be completed by an ex-ray examination of the stone work of the spire. This work will be undertaken during March/April and marked by the return visit of the steeplejacks.

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