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Services for July

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| 7th | 4th Sunday after Pentecost | 9.30 am | Morning Prayer (Said) |
| 14th | 5th Sunday after Pentecost | 9.30 am | Matins with hymns |
| 21st | 6th Sunday after Pentecost | 9.30 am | Morning Prayer (Said) |
| 28th | 7th Sunday after Pentecost | 9.30 am | Sung Eucharist |

3rd July: St Thomas the Apostle

Thomas, one of Jesus' 12 apostles, was an impulsive, confused, honest sceptic. Jesus could understand and work with such a man. Thomas' impulsiveness was evident when Jesus prepared to visit Lazarus in Bethany. It was a dangerous trip to make, because of the Jews, but Thomas urged his fellow disciples: "Let us also go, that we may die with Him." (John 11:16) Instead, Jesus brought Lazarus back to life.

Thomas' confusion is shown in later talks with Jesus. He was not really sure where Jesus was going long -term (John 14:5). But Jesus accepted this confused commitment, and began to untangle it, patiently explaining: "I am going to my Father", and "No one comes unto the Father but by me."

Finally, Thomas' honest scepticism is revealed after the Resurrection, which he flatly refused to believe - unless he could touch the wounds of the risen Jesus. Sure enough, Jesus appears - but instead of scolding him, shows him the wounds.

Thomas responds: "My Lord and my God" (John 20.26ff).

Thus Doubting Thomas' honest doubts, turned to honest faith, have become a reassurance for thousands of men and women across the centuries, who also want to follow Jesus, but who require some proof of this amazing event - the Resurrection. In Doubting Thomas' complete affirmation of faith, after meeting the risen, crucified Christ, they can find support for their own faith.

Ancient legends tell how Thomas went on to India as a missionary. There are rumours that Thomas even built a palace for a king's daughter in India, and thus he is the patron saint of architects. It is believed that he was martyred by a spear on 3rd July, 72 AD in Mylapore, near Madras. 46 ancient churches in England were dedicated to him.

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The closing date will be **Tuesday 16th July**. Articles should be sent to me in **word format only** at
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South Dalton Ladies Club

Thursday 6th June 2019

Karen Wagg from the EYRC arrived with a large box of 'clean' rubbish! She asked us where we would consider placing the items for recycling. I thought I was very responsible and recycled my household rubbish correctly and by the rather sheepish looks on the faces of the majority of the audience, they did too!

Karen presented facts regarding the length of time specific materials took to degrade naturally. The results were quite horrifying in terms of the number of years, for relatively 'harmless' products - newspaper takes 10 years to rot down! She is justifiably proud of the council's record in not sending any rubbish to landfill in 4 years. She showed the variety of facilities the council uses to ensure every item of rubbish is recycled correctly. The vast warehouse where garden and food waste are heated and ready to use as garden compost in only 3 months. This is then offered free to residents, or to local farmers if not of a high enough standard. Huge magnets attract metallic containers, plastic film is separated out by hot air blowers and then incorporated in the manufacture of different materials, as are solid plastic items and paper and cardboard are used again.

Karen's talk was fascinating, informative and should be compulsory for everyone!

Thursday July 4th 2019- join us in a walk with **Paul Schofield**, looking at the historic buildings of Beverley, meeting at the Standard Inn, North Bar Within at 7pm.

Jan Nettleton

Clergy recruitment update - House for Duty appointment.

In earlier newsletters I have referred to the procedure for appointing a House for Duty priest to serve on a part-time basis for the parishes of South Dalton and Etton in the joint benefice. The closing date for applications for the post is 1st July and the submissions are being handled by the Bishop's office. We will not know until after that date how many applications have been received and if any of them have been deemed suitable. Interviews will be held on 1st August and, if a suitable person has applied, an appointment will be made shortly afterwards. If no suitable applicants have been forthcoming the process will start again with new advertisements being placed.

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