



AUGUST 2017

The Parish Churches of Brookfield, Stainton & Hilton

THE MESSENGER



**BILL'S LEAVING
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August: Sunday Services

6th – 8th – Sunday after Trinity

9.15am Brookfield – Holy Communion

10.45am Stainton – Holy Communion

6.00pm Hilton – Evensong

13th – 9th – Sunday after Trinity

9.15am Brookfield – Holy Communion

10.45am Stainton – Family Communion

6.00pm Hilton – Holy Communion

20th – 10th Sunday after Trinity

9.15am Brookfield – Songs of Praise

10.45am Stainton – Holy Communion

6.00pm Hilton – Holy Communion

27th – 11th Sunday after Trinity

9.15am Brookfield – Holy Communion

10.45am Stainton – Holy Communion

6.00pm Hilton – Songs of Praise

Wednesdays at Brookfield

9.30am – Holy Communion

10.30am – Coffee Morning

Thursdays at Stainton

(3rd Thursday of month)

11.30am – Holy Communion

12.15pm – Parish Lunch

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Dear friends

To all my friends ...

I hope that you have been enjoying the sermon series on Moses. Knowing the stories of the Old Testament makes it so much easier to understand our New Testament and that is important to enable our faith to develop.

Background information is helpful but there is also a huge benefit from studying the bible in groups. Sharing our varied views can help us see things from different perspectives and can even challenge our own understanding of what God wants for us and from us.

This is why I was so pleased that the Brookfield Bible fellowship started in September 2016. They have done the Advent and Lent courses and have also been working through Mark's gospel. Those who attend have told me how much they enjoy the discussions.

Of course Christians in Hilton have been meeting fortnightly for many years. They have worked their way through the books of Luke and Acts, done the advent and lent courses and have just started on St Paul's letter to the Galatians.

Both groups are currently on their Summer break but you are very welcome to join them when they restart in the autumn. These groups meet in the daytime so I am hoping that Stainton will shortly be starting a similar group in the evening. Please pray about this.

Full details of the groups and what they are studying will be announced in the September pew sheets. If you do not already attend please give it a try. Newcomers are always welcome – you don't have to belong to the church where it is based or even any church at all!

Blessings
Vivienne Hatton

Editor's Note

Please note that the Church Office will be closed from Tuesday 22nd August to Tuesday 29th August inclusive for annual leave. I will be heading off to London to attend a beloved niece's wedding and a big family get together – all in all it should be a very happy and celebratory week (but probably none too restful)!

It has been pointed out to me that there has been a recent spate of errors on pewsheets and incorrect readings sent. I am unsure as to the reason for my lack of concentration and shoddiness during this time but I will endeavour to try harder and ensure things are checked more thoroughly in the future and I apologise to all those concerned.

Debbie

What's on ...

August dates for your diary

Also – always check the weekly pewsheet

CHRISTIANS IN HILTON

Christians in Hilton meet on Thursdays

Please contact Sally (01642 590385) or Kath (01642 597909) for more information.

Holy Communion and Shared Lunch at Stainton

Mid-week Holy Communion followed by a shared lunch each third Thursday of the month at 11.30am in Stainton Church and Church Room.

2-course lunch and Tea/Coffee £3.50

For catering purposes, if you would like to join us for lunch please let Joan know that you are coming (01642 591667).

THE 'COFFEE AND KIDS' POP-IN

The Coffee and Kids parent/carer and toddler group on Wednesday's at Stainton is great fun! We have between 10-14 under-3's coming along to the Stainton Parish Room each week, supervised by a parent or a grandparent.

The children have a great time playing together and at the end of the session they sing their favourite action songs.

Sometimes they do some craft activities.

If anyone wants to find out more about Coffee and Kids then please do get in touch with the Leaders: Judith and Vernon Clare; Bob Ardley and Joan Mason.

On our last day before we broke up for the holidays we all enjoyed a picnic lunch and celebrated August birthdays with cake and presents.

We restart on Wednesday 6th September at 10.00am in the Parish Room.

We hope to welcome everyone back and would love to see some new children with their carers – all welcome.



HILTON FILLING STATION

Our last event which took place on Tuesday 4th July was a thoroughly great evening and enjoyed by all. Our guest speaker for the evening was Mike Beaumont from Tees Valley Community Church. Mike was engaging and a joy to listen to, giving a personal testimony, along with teaching.

We were also fortunate to have Sheila Barker and her husband with us to assist in our worship. The host team at HFS are very grateful to all those who give up their time, travel and share their God given gifts/talents with us. We all feel so blessed and enriched by such diversity and offer all our thanks and praise to God.

Our next Filling Station event will be held on Tuesday 5th September commencing 7.30pm in Hilton Village Hall. Everybody is most welcome.

Please note we will not be holding an event in August due to the summer holiday period.

Our next speaker will be Angela Bailey, Diocesan Lay Development Advisor. We are pleased to announce that Matthew Jeal (St Barnabas, Linthorpe, and Kings Church, Durham) has agreed to be the worship leader for our HFS Event in September.

We very much look forward to our autumn programme of events beginning with Angela and Matthew and will let you have further details nearer to the time.

Find out more at our Filling Station Webpage:

<http://thefillingstation.org.uk/station/hilton/>

Angela Sayer

Bill's Leaving Celebrations 18th June 2017



There was a good turnout at all three churches for Bill's leaving celebrations. A lovely spread was provided – thank you to everyone who contributed to this and for the beautiful cake made by Kath Webb.

Notes from a Country Vicar

TO all our friends at Brookfield, Stainton and Hilton Anne and I would just like to express our thanks to all of you for the great send-off you gave to us on my last services. The service at Brookfield was a joy throughout and the unexpected generous gift was really appreciated. I will be buying a home communion set with the money, but there seems to be a lead time of about 6 weeks but will send information when it finally arrives. Anne and I are settling into our new home and the job begins in earnest on 9th July. We are still wondering where things are at the moment but the house is tidy enough now to accept visitors. I thank you all for the support you gave me when I was your Priest and look forward to forging new friendships here in the country, (have already met many sheep). Thank you once again for the lovely send off and gifts.

Yours in the Love of Christ,

Bill (Country Vicar)

The Reverend Bill Dewing, Assistant Priest Osmotherley and Hillside Parishes.

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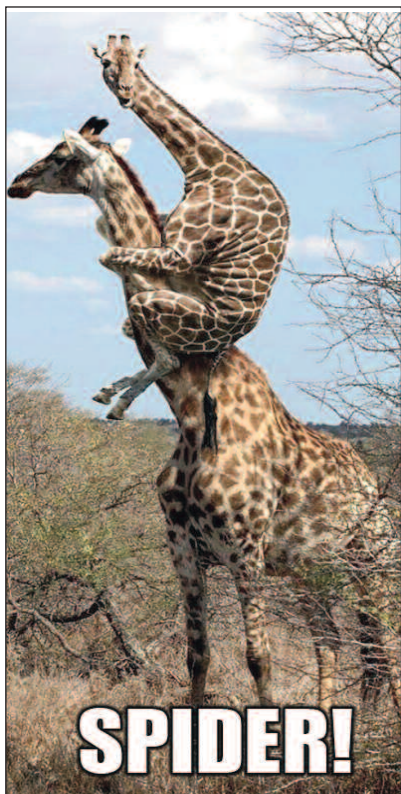


Stuart and Sarah Wood's wedding – Stainton July 2017



Baby Sienna Miller's baptism – Stainton July 2017





Art Group Exhibition

On Saturday 12th August the St Margaret's Art Group will be holding an exhibition of their work at St Margaret's Church Hall 10am – 12 noon.

Please come along and enjoy a viewing of their lovely work (I can vouch for this as I am lucky enough to see them at work every Thursday).

Entry free. Tea, cake and biscuits will be provided (50p). All welcome.

Debbie



Stainton Parish Lunch

The Stainton Parish lunch is on the 3rd Thursday of the month and anyone is welcome but please can people call Joan on 01642 591667 to book their meal.



100 club winners – June 2017

	1st	2nd	3rd
W/E 4th	(4) Mrs H Southam	(64) Mrs M Oddy	(69) Mrs M Andrew
W/E 11th	(30) Mr H Norris	(64) Mrs M Oddy	(125) Mr S Hazelwood
W/E 18th	(33) Mrs Winship	(143) Mrs J Granville	(130) Mrs Herbert
W/E 15th	(15) Mrs S Stott	(33) Mrs Winship	(123) Mr R Ely

Something to ponder

- ❑ If you wake up this morning with more health than illness ...
You are more blessed than the million who will not survive this week.
- ❑ If you have never experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture, or the pangs of starvation...
You are ahead of 500 million people in the world.
- ❑ If you can attend a church service without fear of harassment, arrest, torture or death...
you are more blessed than three billion people in the world.
- ❑ If you have food in the fridge, clothes on your back, a roof overhead and a place to sleep, you are richer than 75% of this world.
- ❑ If you have money in the bank, in your wallet and spare change in a dish somewhere...
you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy.
- ❑ If you hold your head up with a smile on your face and are truly thankful.... you are blessed because the majority can, but most do not.
- ❑ If you can hold someone's hand, hug them, or put your hand round their shoulder...
you are blessed because you can offer a healing touch.
- ❑ Have a good day and count your blessings and share these thoughts with others to remind them all how blessed we all are.

Joan Mason

Two men are being chased by a bear
when one stops to put on his trainers.
The other man yells, "You idiot!
You can't outrun a bear!"
The first man gasps, "I don't have to
outrun a bear. I just have to outrun you!"

(Taken from A Bucket of Surprises
by J John & M Stibbe)

Angela Sayer



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH



Milk deliveries in 1940s' and 1950s' Britain was by a horse drawn float. All the crates which housed the bottles were made of metal and not plastic as of today. This increased the weight of the float and made it more difficult for the horse to pull.

In Middlesbrough the depot for housing the horses and floats was in Abingdon Road and the manager responsible for running it was my Grandfather.

They lived in the end house with the entrance to the stables running down the side alley.

The depot consisted of a very large floor area which housed the floats and there was a closed in ramp

or flat staircase taking you to the horses stalls upstairs.

What used to amuse me was that every horse had its own stall and they knew exactly where it was.

When the empty floats returned late afternoon my granddad used to unhitch the horse from the cart, take off its harness and slap it on the backside. It then trotted upstairs to its own stall where its dinner was awaiting, (put there by my granddad)

It was my job to park the float which was great, not so great was picking up the dung and there was plenty of that.

I was very rarely there in the morning when the horses and carts left the stables for the dairy, as it was

5am, but I, like everybody else, was awake due to the noise the horses and carts made as they drove off over the cobblestone alley.

I was discussing this with my granddaughter recently and I suddenly thought, from horse and cart to a man walking on the moon, “Where has all the time gone”

Life is short, and many of us turn to Jesus because we want to live forever. That’s not a bad thing, but we don’t comprehend what eternal life really is. We long for something better and we think that it is just ahead. If only I was out of school. If only I was married. If only I was retired. If only....And then one day we catch an echo of our grandfather’s voice as we wonder where the time has flown.

The truth is we possess eternal life now. The apostle Paul wrote, “The law of the spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death” then he said, “Those who live in accordance with the spirit have their minds set on what the spirit desires”

In other words, our desires change when we come to Christ. This naturally gives us what we most desire. The mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.

It’s one of life’s great lies that we need to be somewhere else, doing something else, with someone else before we start truly living.

When we find our life in Jesus, we exchange regret over life’s brevity for the full enjoyment of life with him, both now and forever.

Pictured: Saint Paul

David Gatenby





**The
Children's
Society**

CAKE BAKE – ST MARGARET’S JULY 2017

This year’s Cake Bake was extremely well attended and a grand total of £427.70 was raised.

Thank you to everyone who attended to make it such a successful event and to all those who contributed their time, cakes, biscuits etc.



Christmas Cards

I am pleased to inform you that the sales of Christmas cards in 2016 was £332.95
and the profit given to the Children's Society was £164.45
– being 49p in the pound.

The cards for 2017 should reach me at the beginning of September and I will bring
the samples to Church on Sundays for people to choose
which ones they would like me to order.

Thank you once again for your support.

Box Holders

I would like to remind you that the "old" £1 coins will cease to be
legal tender on 16th October 2017.

The Children's Society have been in touch with banks and the
Post Office who have informed them they are waiting for clarification on how long
they can accept them.

The Bank of England has not yet responded.

As St Margaret's box opening is not until January 2018
I would be obliged if you have any old £1 coins in your boxes could
you please prise open the stickers on the bottom of the boxes
so that you can open it and change them to the new £1 coin.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

**God Bless
Margaret**

SHARING WITH A WORLD IN NEED

Our charity collection from St. Margaret's service
on the last Sunday in June went to:



We raised a total of £87.00

On the last Sunday in August, our collection – that's all the
cash on the plate – will be going to:



The Great North Air Ambulance Service (GNAAS)

They operate three helicopters, 365 days a year, across the North-East, North Yorkshire and Cumbria. GNAAS crews respond to around 1000 call outs each year. On board their aircraft are specialist trauma doctors and paramedics, who bring accident and emergency expertise to the scene. Whether it's in a city centre or a remote mountain, their medics respond to wherever they are needed in the shortest space of time. The helicopters are never more than a 15-minute flight from the nearest hospital. Please give generously to enable them to continue their life-saving work while planning for their future.

To find out more about how the charity is run and its history, or to set up a direct debit from as little as 50p per week go to

www.greatnorthairambulance.co.uk

Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

BROOKFIELD BRANCH

We meet on the second Tuesday each month at 2.00pm at
St Margaret's Church Hall.

Branch Leader: Florence Harris (Tel: 01642 594272)

STANTON BRANCH

We meet on the third Monday each month at 7.00pm in the Parish Room of
St Peter & St Paul Church, Stanton

At our June meeting we said farewell to Bill and Anne as they prepared to move to a new parish and a small presentation was made to them. The afternoon tea is on Saturday August 5th 3.00-5.00pm at 94 Runswick Avenue. Tickets £5 (Summer of Hope Theme).

Branch leader: Judith Clare (Tel: 01642 592186)

THE ORIGINAL COMPUTER!!



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A Mother's thoughts on 1 Corinthians 13

- ❑ If I live in a house of spotless beauty with everything in its place, but have not love; I am a housekeeper
– not a homemaker.
- ❑ If I have time for dusting and polishing and decorative achievements, but have not love; my children learn cleanliness not goodness.
Love leaves the dust in search of a child's laughter.
- ❑ Love smiles at the tiny fingerprints on a newly cleaned window.
- ❑ Love wipes away tears before it mops up spilled milk.
Love picks up the child before it picks up the toys.
- ❑ Love is present through the trials.
Love reprimands, reproves, and is responsive.
- ❑ Love crawls with the baby, walks with the toddler, runs with the child, then stands aside to let the youth walk into adulthood.
- ❑ Love is the key that opens salvation's message to a child's heart.
- ❑ Before I became a mother I took glory in my house of perfection.
Now I glory in God's perfection of my child.
- ❑ As a mother there is much I must teach my child
but the greatest of all is LOVE.

Joan Mason

Schedules and Rotas for August 2017

St. Margaret's, Brookfield

Wednesday Morning Coffee

- 2 Grace Whitehead
- 9 Margaret Andrew
- 16 Valerie Bell
- 23 Kathleen Smales
- 30 Cynthia Eyre

Sunday Morning Coffee

- 6 Margaret Andrew &
Olwen Hopkins
- 13 Linda Nixon &
Margaret Routledge
- 20 Janet Henwood &
Heather Southam
- 27 Judy Cook &
Mary Sykes

Flower Donors

- 6
- 13 Trudy
- 20 Margaret Shippey
- 27 Grace & Ivor Whitehead

Sidespersons

- 6 Florence & Ray Harris
- 13 Sheila & Victor Spencer
- 20 Kath & Jamie Webb
- 27 Janet & Malcolm Granville

Church Cleaning

- 6 Valerie Bell
- 13 Grace Whitehead
- 20 Janet & Malcolm
- 27 Kathleen Smales

Lectors

- 6 David Clark
- 13 Victor Spencer
- 20 Jamie Webb
- 27 Betty Spragg



St. Margaret's Church Centre User Groups

**For letting enquiries contact the Church Office on 01642 597454
or email: letting@stmargaretsbrookfield.org.uk**

Group Name	Meeting times	Leader/contact
Brookfield Toddlers	9:30am to 11:30am Mondays	Val Thompson 01642 821068 during term times
Yoga	6.30pm-8.00pm Mondays	Emma Lawrence 07944 593441
Tai Chi	10:45am Tuesdays	Pam Hedge 01642 532800
Weight Watchers	5.30pm-6.30pm Tuesdays	Dawn Stanway 07767 454707
The Wine Club	7:30pm on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays monthly	Val Harris 01642 592079
Mothers' Union Branch	2.00pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month	Florence Harris 01642 594272
St Margaret's Carpet Bowls Club	1.15pm-3:15pm Wednesdays	Ann Stones 01642 593960
Brookfield Ladies	7:30pm 1st Wednesday each month	Jean Kiddell 01642 761418
The Art Group	10.00am-1pm Thursdays	Ray Harris 01642 594272
Pilates	6.00pm-7.00pm Thursdays	Christine Johnson 07999384668
Line Dancing	7:30pm-9:30pm Thursdays	Judy Cook 01642 290487
Keep Fit	10.00am -11:30am Fridays	Brenda Hockney 01642 487703
Elderberry Ladies Ballet	1.00pm to 2.00pm Mondays from 25/09/2017	Maggie Lawrance 07956816956

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TODDLER GROUP

9:30am to 11:30am Mondays*
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(Includes hot drink & juice)

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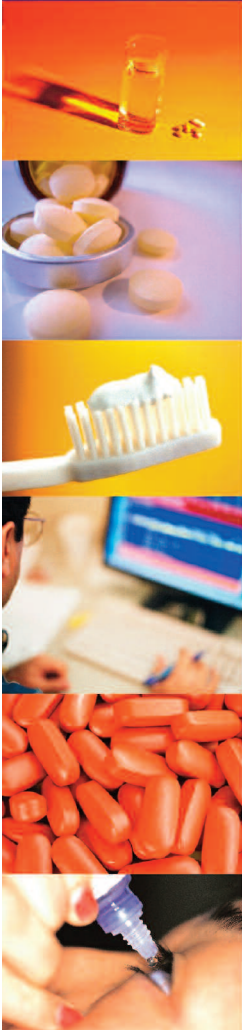


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