



*The Parish Churches of  
Brookfield, Stainton &  
Hilton*

JUNE 2019

# THE MESSENGER

 CHURCH WARDENS AT STANTON

 SHARING WITH THE WORLD IN NEED

 THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH



50p

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**Churchwardens:**

**Brookfield:**

**Positions vacant**

**Stainton:**

**Vernon Clare 01642 592186**

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**Hilton:**

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**Wednesdays at Brookfield**

10.00am – Holy Communion

10.30am – Coffee Morning

**Stainton – 15th**

11.30am Holy Communion

**HALL BOOKINGS**

For St Margaret's Church  
Brookfield

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# *Dear friends*

## **To all my friends**

**A**s June starts we shall be in the “Thy Kingdom Come” season – the period between Ascension Day (30th May) and Pentecost (9th June) which has become a time of prayer for the growth of the Church. What started in 2016 as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer.

The “Thy Kingdom Come” website says:

During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who takes part will:

- Deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ
- Pray for God’s spirit to work in the lives of those they know
- Come to realise that every aspect of their life is the stuff of prayer

After the very first Ascension Day the disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total – on our own we can do nothing.

Through the centuries Christians have gathered at that time to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. ‘Thy Kingdom Come’ picks up this tradition. Over the past three years more and more worshipping communities have dedicated the days between Ascension and Pentecost to pray ‘Come Holy Spirit’.

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/about-us>

There is going to be a walk around the deanery stopping off for morning or evening prayer at each of the churches. The services in our plurality will be: Hilton 6 June at 3pm; Brookfield 7 June at 10.30am; and Stainton 7 June at 11.30am. I hope you will attend if you can.

I also hope that you will pray “Thy Kingdom Come” throughout the season and beyond.

**Vivienne**

## Services June 2019

<b>Date</b>	<b>Brookfield</b> 9.15am unless otherwise stated	<b>Stainton</b> 10.45am unless otherwise stated	<b>Hilton</b> Timings vary
2 <sup>nd</sup> June white Sunday after Ascension Day Acts 16:16-34 John 17:20-end	10.30am Joint Service of Holy Communion Geoff Hayesmore	No service	No service
9 <sup>th</sup> June Pentecost Red Acts 2:1-21 John 14:8-17	Pentecost Holy Communion VH	Pentecost All Age Communion VH	8am Pentecost Holy Communion VH
16 <sup>th</sup> June White Trinity Proverbs 8:1-4;22-31 John 16: 12-15	Communion for all ages VH	Holy Communion VH	9.30am Morning Praise NH
23 <sup>rd</sup> June Green 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity Psalm 42 Luke 8:26-39	Holy Communion VH	Holy Communion VH	8am Holy Communion VH
30 <sup>th</sup> June Red St Peter and St Paul Acts 12:1-11 Matthew 16:13-19	Holy Communion VH	Patronal Holy Communion VH	4.30pm Patronal Service of Thanksgiving VH

Wednesdays at Brookfield Holy Communion 10am (use the readings for the previous Sunday).

## Pentecost

Pentecost is considered to be the birthday of the church because, according to the bible, that was the day that the Holy Spirit anointed the believers to go out and spread the good news that Jesus is alive. Ever since then Christians have been anointed with the Holy Spirit at the point when they first believe.

This year Pentecost Sunday is on Sunday 9 June. We shall be celebrating with special services at the normal times and I hope you will join us.

**Vivienne**

# Hilton St Peter's pop-in

(Wednesdays during term time, 10am to 11am in the Church)



There was more than the usual coffee, tea and biscuits at the Hilton Pop-In on May 8th, when we celebrated the 80th birthday of our Churchwarden Barbara Sowerby with a beautiful cake, made and decorated by Sally and Gill.



# What's on ...

## June dates for your diary

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Also – always check the weekly pewsheet

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### Weekly Events in our Group of Churches

#### Bible Fellowship Groups

Mondays at 1.30pm Brookfield lounge

Wednesdays at 2pm Stainton Church Room

#### Coffee and Kids Pop-In

Wednesdays 10am Stainton Church Room

#### Everyone Welcome Drop-ins

Tuesdays 2pm-4pm Stainton Church Room

Thursdays 2pm-4pm Brookfield Church Hall

Wednesdays 10am (term-time) Hilton Church Wardens Hour

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### THE 'COFFEE AND KIDS' POP-IN

The Coffee and Kids parent/carer and toddler group on Wednesdays at Stainton is great fun! We are open 10.00am to 12 noon each Wednesday.

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 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.

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### Drop In

The Drop In at St Margaret's Church, Brookfield which is every Thursday afternoon from 2pm till 4pm.

Since we started last October we have seen a steady stream of people wanting to come and chat over a cup of tea or coffee. People stay for as long as they wish (refills are plenty!) It is a chance to meet people and make new friends.

It is very friendly and informal.

We also have a book exchange which is proving very popular. Thanks to everyone who has provided books for us along with all the volunteers.

Unwanted books are taken to a charity shop for other people to enjoy.

Please pass the word to friends and neighbours as we would love to welcome more people.

Stainton Parish Church have their Drop In on a Tuesday afternoon from 2pm till 4pm. All very welcome.

# HILTON FILLING STATION



OUR latest event held on Tuesday 7th May 2019, went as planned, by Bob, involving all the host team members and one enthusiastic guest. We took turns at the front to share our inspired thoughts on the theme of 'HOPE' interspersed with chosen contemporary worship music and videos. Heather gave her testimony to round off our devotional evening beautifully. Heather even had a crimson flag symbolizing 'HOPE'. Our prayer slot was joyfully led by Vivienne (with a giant candle on the screen) and we provided a dedicated 'prayer ministry team' following the speakers for those who needed more blessings.

The evening had commenced with lovely homemade cakes and refreshments provided by Sally and helpers. The kitchen and village hall was still buzzing with happy volunteer's right until the lights were turned off! We feel most blessed to have such a wonderful rural venue and lots of willing hands to help pull things together on the evening and then tidy up afterwards. It means that we can all go back to our homes safe in the knowledge that although we may be tired, we have provided spiritual topping up to so many thirsty souls and given God the glory.

Our next Filling Station Event will be held on Tuesday 4th June commencing 7.30 pm in Hilton Village Hall. The Alberti family from St Barnabas' Church, Linthorpe will give us a message and Miss Evie Alberti will lead us in worship with her guitar and lovely voice. It will be another uplifting evening of worship, praise and prayer I am sure.

Forthcoming event to note: Summer Party on Tuesday 2nd July when we are planning a Barbecue; hoping to have an informal evening outdoors. It should be a great evening to include invited past speakers and worship leaders as guests.

**Find our more at our Filling Station Webpage:  
<http://thefillingstation.org.uk/station/hilton/>**

**Angela Sayer**

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## PRAYER FOR HILTON FILLING STATION

Heavenly father, as we meet in your presence  
We ask you to open our ears to hear your voice  
To open our lips to sing your praise  
And to open our hearts to love you more and more  
For the sake of your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

**Angela Sayer**

# Coffee and Kids

We currently have around 16 children each week, about three quarters are about 18-months and under, most of the children who came to the start of Coffee and Kids have now

progressed onto school, it's three and a half years since we started!! time flies when you are having fun!!



If anyone knows of children and carers who might enjoy a morning of playing, snacks, chatting, a cup of tea or coffee with a singsong to finish please let them know that we are open on a Wednesday 10am to 12 noon in the parish room at Stainton.

Also if you would like to help in any way please feel free to come along and chat to Judith, Bob, Joan and Vernon.

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## Within you is the strength to meet life's challenges

(Lisa Wroble 12.11.2010)

Every challenge in your life helps you to grow.

Every problem you encounter strengthens your mind and soul.

Every trouble you overcome increases your understanding of life.

When all your troubles weigh heavily on your shoulders remember that beneath the burden you can stand tall, because you are never given more than you can handle, and you are stronger than you think.

We need to remember we have strength within us and should never lose sight of it.

We should also not stress over things we have no control over or cannot change.

**Deborah Perks**

# My first visit to St Margaret's Church was in 1962

It was all very new and a great deal of housing development was still happening all around. My friend and her fiancé had ordered a bungalow in Draycott Ave and they hoped to book their wedding at the new church but St Margaret's was not yet licensed to conduct weddings. They were told that they would qualify to be married in the ancient parish church in Stainton Village. They would need to make an appointment with the Vicar, Father Barker. I went with my friend to take a look at the old church and hopefully to arrange a date.

This was in the days before the A174 divided our communities and Hemlington was half a dozen houses, a pub and a hospital about 2 miles away and Stainton was still a small village surrounded by farms.

So we set off to walk the mile or so along the country lanes that led directly from Brookfield to Stainton leaving behind a church building at Brookfield that still smelled very new but felt a bit colourless and empty. It takes time for any building to develop its own character and St Margaret's had not yet had time to gather the trimmings that churches seem to attract.

We arrived at a church that had had plenty of time but was a bit like 'a place that time forgot'. Stainton church was cluttered and cobwebby with old decaying flags hanging like limp rags from the walls; it all looked tired and a bit forlorn, but it had its wonderful coloured glass and masses of atmosphere. My friend and her husband were married at Stainton and lived for many years in Brookfield.

Colin and I moved to the new development in Stainton in 1967. My mother could not understand why we wanted to move so far out into the countryside! Stainton and Brookfield was still one parish and there was a new younger Vicar and his family. The people hereabouts were having difficulty settling with his new ways. The PCC minutes record the arguments. We were told very forcefully that they were having 'no truck with the new ways you young 'ens seem to go for.' But that story is maybe for another day.

**Joan Mason**

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## Easter Coffee Morning

The event was organised very quickly, and we didn't manage in the time to sell many tickets, but the event raised £307.20.

Once again we would like to thank everyone who helped to run stalls, work in the kitchen, and who helped clear away after the event.

Also to those who helped to prepare for the event on the Friday.

We received gifts of chocolate, cakes, and even rhubarb from church members, but also from people who use the hall, and also from family members.

We are hoping to organise more social events in the future months.

**From St Margaret's PCC**

# THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

**O**N Feb. 18, 1952, four men risked their lives in a howling nor'easter off Cape Cod to save 32 mariners on the shipwrecked tanker *Pendleton*. They brought all but one to safety in a wooden motorboat designed to hold no more than 16 people.

They were four Coast Guardsmen at the Chatham Lifeboat Station who volunteered to try to make what seemed to be an impossible rescue. They faced freezing temperatures and 60-foot waves in the hopes of reaching the *Pendleton*, an oil tanker that had snapped in two during the **fierce storm**. All received the Gold Lifesaving Medal, the **Coast Guard's** highest honour, for "extreme and heroic daring."

The Coast Guard called it the greatest rescue by a small boat in its history. The four men were called heroes. They shrugged it off and said they were just doing their job.

At 5 a.m. on Feb. 18, 1952, the *Pendleton* was headed south in blinding snow and violent seas 10 miles off the coast of **Chatham, Mass.** Suddenly the crewmen heard explosive cracking noises. The vessel lurched heavily and then broke in two.

The *Pendleton's* bow section lost power and drifted south with the captain and seven crewmen aboard. The power remained on



the stern section, and the chief engineer took charge and assigned duties to the 32 crewmen.

They didn't manage to issue an SOS.

At midmorning the Chatham Lifeboat Station got word that another tanker, the *Fort Mercer*, had also snapped in half. Cutters, an airplane and a lifesaving motorboat raced to rescue the vessel 20 miles off the coast.

Hours later, radar at the Coast Guard station showed the two broken pieces of the *Pendleton*.

Coxswain Bernard Webber was told to pick his crew and rescue the shipwrecked sailors. Three men volunteered for the suicidal mission: Coast Guardsmen Ervin Maske, Andrew Fitzgerald and Richard P. Livesey

They launched the 36-foot boat named the *CG-36500* into mountainous waves, blinding snow and zero visibility. To ward off fear, they sang *Rock of Ages* and *Harbour Lights*

as they approached Chatham's treacherous sand bar.

The *Pendleton* wreck lay just on the other side of the bar.

As they crossed the bar, a wave smashed into the *CG-36500* and threw it high into the air. The boat landed on its side and righted quickly before another wave struck it. The breaker shattered the windshield, flattened Coxswain Webber and sent shards of glass into his face. It also destroyed the compass, their only navigational aid.

After 20 survivors made it into the *CG-36500*, the little motorboat began to handle sluggishly. Webber believed they couldn't possibly make a return trip. But he decided they would all live or die together.



Their courageous feat was deemed one of the greatest rescues in the United States coastguard history and was the subject of the 2016 film *The finest hours*.

In Luke Jesus declared his own rescue mission: "The son of man came to seek and save the lost." The cross and the resurrection became the ultimate expression of rescue, as Jesus took on himself and restored to the

father all who trust and believe in him.

For 2,000 years people have embraced his offer of abundant life now and eternal life with him *rescued!*

As followers of Jesus we have the privilege with the holy spirits help, to join our saviour in the greatest rescue mission of all. Who in your life needs his rescuing love.

**David Gatenby**



# St. Margaret's Good Friday Service



At the Good Friday Service at St. Margaret's, we were joined by St. Clare's Roman Catholic Church and The Salvation Army Band & Songsters.

The singing was enhanced with the band playing. The readings, hymns and Sermon, reminding us what Jesus endured for us all.

The Service ended with everyone going up to the Alter and lighting a candle at the foot of the cross.

It appeared to me, that Jesus was looking down from on high onto earth's evening sky of twinkling lights.

We all enjoyed a cup of tea, hot cross buns and a chat together after the service.

***He is risen! Hallelujah!***

**Margaret Lewis**

# Schedules and Rotas for June 2019 St. Margaret's, Brookfield

## Sidespersons

- 2 Florence & Ray Harris
- 9 Janet & Malcolm Granville
- 16 Margaret Routledge & Olwyn Hopkins
- 23 Janet Henwood & Linda Nixon
- 30 Sheila & Victor Spence

## Lectors

- 2 Betty Spragg
- 9 Jill Fox
- 16 Victor Spencer
- 23 Ray Harris
- 30 Betty Spragg

## Offertory

- 2 Sheila & Victor Spence
- 9 Flower Guild
- 16 Mothers' Union
- 23 Judy Cook & Margaret Shippey
- 30 Sheila & Victor Spence

## Flower Donors

- 2 Vacant
- 9 Margaret Routledge

- 16 Betty Spragg
- 23 Eva Winter
- 30 Jill Fox

## Sunday morning Coffee

- 2 Margaret Andrew & Olwyn Hopkins
- 9 Linda Nixon & Margaret Routledge
- 16 Cynthia Eyre & Win Hall
- 23 Janet Henwood & Heather Southam
- 30 Judy Cook & Margaret Shippey

## Wednesday Morning Coffee

- 5 Grace Whitehead
- 12 Sheila Spencer
- 19 Margaret Andrew
- 26 Valerie Bell



# Please and Thank You

**P**lease and Thank you Are basic manners (such as saying, “Please and “Thank you”) old-fashioned and a thing of the past? Why is it that adults have a hard time expressing appreciation for things they have been given?

Here are some interesting thoughts:-

*“Of all the things a parent can teach a child, manners rates very close to the top of the “must teach” list.*

Number one, when a child is taught, from the time he or she can talk to say “thank you” you are teaching that child thankfulness.

*Number two, the insertion of the word “please” in a request changes the child from a demanding person to one who accepts the fact that when they ask a favour or make a request, the parent has no automatic obligation to respond favourably to that request. Response to “please” is much better than the “get this for me” demand type of approach. The child must be taught the idea that they must first serve before they can earn the right to command.”*

Being kind, courteous, and grateful will never go out of style or become old-fashioned.

Let us strive to be gracious, respectful, and considerate of all with whom we come in contact. And may we always count our blessings-being grateful to our heavenly Father for His love and mercy.

“Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you” (Eph. 4:32).

“Give thank in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” (1 Thess. 5:18).

**David Gatenby**

# Thank You

A big to Brookfield Ladies for kindly donating the plants to be given out at our Mothering Sunday service.

**From St Margaret’s Flower Guild, and especially the church members.**



## **BROOKFIELD BRANCH**

We meet on the second Tuesday each month at 2pm at St Margaret's Church Hall.

There was no meeting on the May, and at the moment, we are organising our outing for July.

**Branch Leader: Florence Harris (Tel: 01642 594272)**

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## **STANTON BRANCH**

We meet on the third Monday each month at 7pm in the Parish Room of St Peter & St Paul Church, Stainton.

PLEASE NOTE ... that the June Meeting will be on MONDAY JUNE 24TH and will be a fundraiser (Beetle drive)

There will NO MEETING MONDAY 17TH JUNE

Stokesley Deanery Festival will be Thursday June 13th  
St Marys Church Nunthorpe 7:30pm

PLEASE NOTE A change to our meeting in June, it will be on Monday 24th June and it will be our fundraiser.

**Branch leader: Judith Clare (Tel: 01642 592186)**

## **Church wardens at Stainton**

At Stainton's PCC meeting in May it was noted that Colin Mason has completed 40 years as Church Warden and is now beginning his 41st year. Our vote of thanks for his long service was offered over a cup of tea and a chocolate cake.

This is not a record for Stainton church. In May 1915, a Mr Flintoff from Maltby retired as Church warden after 50 years.

# SHARING WITH A WORLD IN NEED

The cash collected for our charity from St Margaret's Service on the last Sunday in April went to:



We raised a total of £65.00

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



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[www.oxfam.org.uk](http://www.oxfam.org.uk)

## 100 club winners April 2019

W/E 7th	(61) Mr R Rowell	(6) Mrs M Rhodes	(125) Mr S Hazlewood
W/E 14th	(8) Mrs F Andrew	(150) Mrs Jones	(15) Mrs S Stott
W/E 21st	(140) Mrs K Smailes	(70) Mrs J Warrior	(93) Mrs L Cross
W/E 28th	(129) Mrs J King	(85) Mr M Bell	(65) Thomas Palmer



### Middlesbrough Foodbank relies on your goodwill and support

#### URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:-

- UHT/Powdered milk
- Long-life fruit juice/cordial
- Sponge Puddings
- Coffee
- Rice Pudding
- Packet Mash or Tinned Potatoes
- Tinned Carrots, Sweetcorn, Mixed Vegetables
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Meat (Ham, Spam, Corned Beef, Hotdogs, Pies, Stews and Curries.

# St. Margaret's Church Centre User Groups

**For letting enquiries contact the Church Office on 01642 597454  
or email: [letting@stmargaretsbrookfield.org.uk](mailto:letting@stmargaretsbrookfield.org.uk)**

<b>Group Name</b>	<b>Meeting times</b>	<b>Leader/contact</b>
Brookfield Toddlers	9:30am to 11:30am Mondays	Val Thompson 01642 821068 during term times
Elderberry Ladies Ballet	1.00pm to 2.00pm Mondays	Maggie Lawrance 07956816956
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

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Sally Ann Watson Con. . . . . 0779 5012445

### Kader (Brookfield) Ward

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### Trimdon Ward

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# TODDLER GROUP

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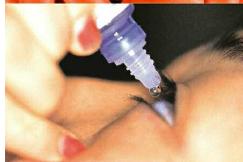


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