



# OUTLOOK

## HESLINGTON CHURCH

### NEWSLETTER

#### Mobile Library Visits on Badger Hill

on Tuesdays 7th and 21st October  
at Yarburgh Way near shops  
11.10am-11.40am

#### in Heslington

on Tuesdays 14th and 28th October  
at Heslington Court 11.50am-  
12.05pm

at Memorial Cottages 12.10pm-  
12.30pm

at Peel Close 12.35pm-12.55pm

#### St Leonard's Hospice

An opportunity for you to buy Christmas cards and enjoy coffee and home-made biscuits at a coffee morning on Friday 10th October between 10am and 12noon and in the afternoon between 2pm and 4pm at 17 Foxthorn Paddock. Come along with your purse and help to support our local Hospice. Sue Garnett

#### Little Badgers Pre-School

based at Badger Hill Primary School, have spaces for funded and non-funded 2-4 year olds. We have a warm friendly atmosphere that promotes learning through play. For more information please contact Emma on 07963134008

#### Favourite Poems

Come and Celebrate National Poetry Day on 2nd October in Heslington Church Meeting Room. Just bring your favourite poems if you would like to read, otherwise enjoy listening. 6.15pm to 8.15pm. Tea and biscuits £1.00.

#### New Café

We will be trialling a drop-in cafe on Wednesdays from 17th September – 8th October. The intention is to sell tea/coffee/biscuits between 11.30am and 2.00pm offering somewhere for people to eat their sandwiches in comfort. Your support would be appreciated either as a volunteer or to drop-in for a cuppa. Margaret & Bob Cummings - York 412300

#### Outlook Contributions

Please send signed contributions with contact details to the editor Elisa Main by email to [elisamain@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:elisamain@yahoo.co.uk) or in writing to 66 Yarburgh Way, Badger Hill, York YO10 5HG. The deadline for the November edition is 11th October.

Dear Friends,

As autumn approaches, the days are getting shorter. One of the things we had to get used to when we moved to this country is that it gets dark one hour earlier than in the continental time zone.

The theologian Barbara Brown Taylor has published a book called: Learning to walk in the Dark. She argues that we have lost sight of the spiritual value of darkness.

Think about it. We talk about heaven as the light at the end of the tunnel. We describe God as the light of the world. We speak about spiritual journeys as journeys of enlightenment.

That's all well and good, Taylor argues, but perhaps we have lost sight of the many stories about God revealing himself in the darkness. Take for instance the story that is arguably the most important founding narrative of all three Abrahamic faiths: God meets Abraham in the darkness of the night and tells him that his offspring will be as countless as the stars in heaven. Or what about the second most important story in the Jewish Bible: the Exodus. Again, it takes place at night. Not to mention the birth of Jesus.

Taylor observes: 'New life starts in the dark, whether it is a seed in the ground, a baby in the womb or Jesus in the tomb. It starts in the dark'. I find that an incredibly helpful insight.

It's in our darkest moments that we need God's presence most urgently. It would be disastrous if God could only dwell in the light. That would mean that we would be further away from Him when we enter the shadows of life. The opposite is true. Perhaps it's no coincidence that on our shortest day Christmas is just around the corner.

Love and prayers,  
Rev Johannes Nobel

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#### **The Carmelite Friar Community**

at More House serve the University and local Hospital as Catholic Chaplains. During term-time Weekday Mass is celebrated regularly in More House Chapel and on Sunday (for members of the University community) on campus. Fr Tony Lester  
Contact - [antony.lester@york.ac.uk](mailto:antony.lester@york.ac.uk)

#### **York Elim**

York Elim meets every Sunday, 10.30am, at Archbishop Holgate's school for an upbeat gathering for lively worship, an engaging talk, coffee and a chat! There is Sunday School for the kids and a growing youth meeting at the same time as the talk for the adults.

#### **Heslington Village Venues for Hire**

Church and Meeting Rooms  
Tel: Church Office 01904 412300  
Holmefield Centre  
Tel: Mike Emmans-Dean 01904 415261  
The Outgang Pavilion  
Tel: Sally Brabyn 01904 870981  
Heslington Village Meeting Room  
Tel: The Deramore Arms 01904 413433

### **Services at Heslington Church All Are Welcome**

#### **Wednesday 1st October**

9.30am Mothers' Union Corporate Communion

#### **Sunday 5th October**

##### **Student Welcome Sunday**

10.00am Morning Worship and Children's Club

2.00pm Korean Language Service

#### **Sunday 12th October**

10.00am Holy Communion and Children's Club

2.00pm Korean Language Service

#### **Sunday 19th October**

10.00am Harvest Thanksgiving

2.00pm Korean Language Service

6.00pm Harvest Supper and

Auction of Promises – All Welcome!

#### **Sunday 26th October**

10.00am Holy Communion and Children's Club

2.00pm Korean Language Service

#### **Every Thursday**

9.15am Holy Communion (said)

#### **From the Parish Registers Funeral**

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Jean Bradley - 26th August

#### **Baptism**

We welcome into the Church family Skye Rennison - 7th September

#### **Wedding**

We offer our congratulations and good wishes for their future together to

Andrew Bardy and Lea Webb  
22nd August

#### **Memorial Service**

If you would like the name of someone close to you who has died to be remembered at the Church Memorial Service on 30th November at 6.30pm please ring the Church Office on 412300

#### **Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association**

Our group meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in Heslington Village Meeting Room (behind Sinclairs) in Main Street. New members are most welcome. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 8th October - the speaker is Annalise Emmans-Dean and the subject "Buzzing". The competition is a picture or photo of a garden creature. Maureen White

#### **World Community for Christian Meditation Group**

We meet weekly on Fridays in the Church library. We begin at 10:30am with refreshments, then a short teaching on meditation, as taught by John Main, followed by a period of meditation. If you are interested in finding out more, contact Anne French on 426961 or email [Annejrench@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Annejrench@hotmail.co.uk)

#### **Musicians wanted**

Come and play with the Cobweb Orchestra at York Steiner School in Fulford on Wednesdays (7.30-9.30, 10th September to 17th December – not half-term on 29th October). All instruments and abilities welcome and there's no weekly commitment. Whether you're a seasoned player, a relative beginner who has never played in an orchestra, or you've been too busy to practise for years, you are welcome to join us. Contact Jonathan Brigg (07850762708, email [briggjonathan@gmail.com](mailto:briggjonathan@gmail.com)) or just turn up!

#### **Badgerhill & Heslington Ladies Lifeboat Guild.**

Our Coffee Morning for October is on Wednesday 15th October at the home of Mrs Anne Slade 10.30am to 12noon.

We will be selling our Christmas Cards and other Christmas stock. Do come along and join us. Everyone is welcome. Anne Wilson (Secretary)

#### **Mothers' Union**

On Wednesday 1st October at 9.30am we meet for Corporate Communion. On Monday 6th we are invited to Brayton for a Quiet Day. On Thursday 16th at 2pm Linda Ali will tell us about the work of The Little Society. Please come along to any or all and enjoy a friendly time. Sue Garnett