

# PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

The villages of Skelton, Shipton, Overton, Newton-on-Ouse, Linton-on-Ouse & Beningbrough

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**October 2020**

## WORSHIP CALENDAR

Sunday 4th October		Proper 22
Skelton	9:30am	Holy Communion or Morning Worship
Shipton	10:00am	Family Worship Harvest Festival (Also Online at HE Shipton Facebook from 11:30am).
Sunday 11th October		Harvest
Skelton	9:30am	Family Communion or Morning Worship
Shipton	10:00am	Family Communion
Newton & Linton	10:00am	Online Service (All Saints Facebook Page).
Sunday 18th October		Proper 24
Skelton	9:30am	Holy Communion or Morning Worship
Shipton	10:00am	Family Communion (Followed by APCM, subject to government restrictions)
Sunday 25th October		Proper 25
Skelton	9:30am	All Age Service (non-communion).
Shipton	10:00am	Family Communion
Newton & Linton	10:00am	Online Service (All Saints Facebook Page).
Newton All Saints	4:00pm onwards	Little Saints Church (YouTube).
Sunday 1st November		All Saints
Skelton	9:30am	Holy Communion or Morning Worship
Shipton	10:00am	Family Worship

Communion services at Skelton may be changed to Morning Worship at short notice, as circumstances dictate.

Please pre-book before each service at Shipton and Skelton (contact numbers available at top of this page) for the in-church services and remember to bring your mask.

**Online Services** are open to the whole Benefice. Shipton will cease to record their services as of 4th October In addition on second and fourth Sundays there will be a Family Communion online at 10.00am

### From the Register:

Funeral of Mollie Haigh. Funeral of Norman Guest.

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Eleven months ago I met a man who looked exactly like Prince. We were at an after-work social in Yates bar when the popstar-lookalike introduced himself as the boyfriend of one of my work-colleagues. By this point in the evening, I had already consumed a Gin and Tonic too many, and was generally proceeding to make a mischievous childish fool of myself. When it came time to leave, my parting words to this poor unassuming chap I'd known only a few hours were, 'I really love your song, 1999!' At which point, my companion and carer, swiftly grabbed the back of my shirt collar, apologised for my behaviour, and marched me down the road in search of a midnight Big Mac and chips to sober me up.

My designated carer for the evening could have let me continue to embarrass myself, my friends, and my loose acquaintances. Instead, he wisely chose to curb my fun. Thus, we relocated to someplace far, far away from civilised society. Namely, McDonalds.

There have been other, far more serious instances where fun had to be halted in such a way. You know you have a true friend, when they are willing to have difficult conversations. Trembling with anger at how you have behaved, and fear of how you might now respond, telling you that the activities they have watched you invest time and effort in make them not want to be around you anymore. That was a real Matthew 16:23, '*Get thee behind me, Satan*' kind of moment. I've yet to truly repay such courage.

But as Haddaway so succinctly put it, '*What is love? Baby don't hurt me, don't hurt me, no more.*' St. Thomas Aquinas defined love as '*To will the good of the other*'. In church, we hear a lot about 'God's Love', without ever really bothering to explore it. We shy away from anything which seems on the surface to contradict the idea of a 'loving God'. Yet, 'to will the good of the other' necessarily requires you to will away bad things. Violent delights have violent ends.

I feel fairly confident that if Jesus was physically present that evening, he would have stopped me as well. I feel very confident that if Jesus saw us spiralling downwards, he would intervene as well. We often fail to recognise our own sins when we commit them. Fortunately, love is more than just patient and kind. Sometimes love curbs our fun. '*Greater love hath no man than this,*' (John 15:13).

*From the Editor*

**SKELTON NEWS**  
[www.stgileschurch.webeden.co.uk](http://www.stgileschurch.webeden.co.uk)  
**Facebook: St Giles Church, Skelton, York**

**Skelton Parish Council** Next meeting 7.30pm, 22nd October 2020, via Zoom. Following meeting Thursday 26th November. For more information email. [skeltonpc@hotmail.com](mailto:skeltonpc@hotmail.com) See [www.skelton-york.gov.uk](http://www.skelton-york.gov.uk) or parish notice boards.

**Skelton Gardening Club**, We are always pleased to welcome guests (£3) & new members (£15 for the year).

**St Giles Electoral Roll** is being revised this month. If you are not already on the Roll but would like to support the church in this way, please collect an application form from the church (open Wednesdays and Sundays). Please return it to the church or to Myra Holbrook, 20 Grange Close, Skelton.

**Online Sunday Service** The All Age Holy Communion service for the benefice is broadcast at 10:00 each Sunday on the Holy Evangelists Shipton church Facebook page. The service sheet is available at <http://www.stgileschurch.webeden.co.uk> to print or follow on a separate window or device.

**Coffee, Chat and Books** We have decided to defer our reopening until November/December this year in the hope that Covid restrictions will have lessened by then. We usually have a special festive meeting at Advent and we are looking forward to it. Keep up the reading, it will give us plenty to talk about. If you have any queries or good ideas for festive activities please phone Mandy or Malcolm on 471351.

**Opening St. Giles' Church** Following advice from government and church, St. Giles' is open for private prayer from 14:00 to 16:00 on Wednesdays. Church services have now resumed and will begin at 09:30 each Sunday. Please see the Worship Calendar on the front page for more details. Social distancing will need to be maintained, face masks worn inside church, sanitising of hands on entrance and exit and keeping to the designated section of the church to help everyone to stay safe.

**Skelton Social Running Group** A newly-formed casual running group meets on Tuesday nights, 6.30pm at the green on St. Catherines Close. We usually run 5km (3 miles) in a small group. Everyone welcome & if enough people we can split into different groups for different distances & speeds. Contact us via the Skelton Community Share Facebook group.

**Mobile Library in Skelton.** The Mobile Library visits Skelton every two weeks. Borrow books, update your library card or York Card, return books from any other York library, & request books to be brought to Skelton. The library stops in Fairfields Drive from 2.40pm to 3.10pm and Brecksfield from 3.15pm to 3.50pm. Alternate Mondays. Contact 01904 552655, email [mobile.library@exploreYork.org.uk](mailto:mobile.library@exploreYork.org.uk) or go to [www.exploreYork.org.uk](http://www.exploreYork.org.uk)

**Skelton WI** Monthly meeting in the village hall at 7.30pm. Visitors always welcome. Please ring 470605 for more information

**Skelton Village Trust** No admission charge to monthly talks, but a ticket is required - obtainable from committee members and the village shop.

**Skelton Primary School** We are pleased to announce that our wonderful village primary school has recently been awarded by Ofsted a "GOOD" report. Please pop in or call the school office on 01904 555170 to arrange a visit or for further information. [www.skeltonprimaryschool.org](http://www.skeltonprimaryschool.org)

**Skelton Walking Group** For details of future meetings ring 01904 470402.

**Gentle Yoga Class** Every Thursday, 1.30-3.00pm, Skelton Village Hall. A gentle yoga practice, working towards strength, flexibility and relaxation in a friendly environment. Mixed abilities, all ages and beginners welcome. Contact Nestor on 07503 157361 or [nestorportnoy@yahoo.com](mailto:nestorportnoy@yahoo.com).

**A True Skeltonian turns 100 years old:** Mrs Hilda Bolch, née Huggins. Born in Skelton 9th October 1920, and lived in the village all her life, except when she left home briefly to get married in 1940. Please direct birthday cards to 27 Brecksfield.

**SHIPTON WITH OVERTON NEWS**

**Yoga for improved health & wellbeing** Wednesdays, 9.30-11.30am at Shipton Community Centre. For all abilities, beginners welcome. Come & experience the positive changes in your physical & mental health. Taster class is £8. Please contact Rachel on 07515 577377 or 01904 704226. Email [rachel@acornyoga.co.uk](mailto:rachel@acornyoga.co.uk). Website [www.acornyoga.co.uk](http://www.acornyoga.co.uk).

**Shipton Space Cinema** are having to close for the foreseeable future, as of 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020. This is to comply with the latest Government coronavirus restrictions. If you have any suggestions of how we can help our community stay together in these difficult times or if you want to join the Cinema email group by ringing John 07906 890 465 or 01904 470187.

**Shipton Parish Council** Meetings are currently being held electronically. Also, 2 new Volunteer Councillors are needed to join the council, and help keep Shipton a great village to live in. Please contact [shiptonparishcouncil@outlook.com](mailto:shiptonparishcouncil@outlook.com) for details regarding how to participate.

**Shipton By Beningbrough Playground Club** Congratulations to the winners of the Shipton By Beningbrough Playground August 100 Club draw, drawn by Fran on 5th September at Tesco Customer service —1st Prize £55.00 Kathy Peacock, 2nd Prize £27.50 Helena Tilley, 3rd Prize £27.50 Angie Kaya. We currently have 88 members, it would be brilliant to get our membership to the full 100 members. If you would like details of how to join, at a cost of £30 per year, please contact me by email on [dawnmalloy@btinternet.com](mailto:dawnmalloy@btinternet.com). The money raised from the Shipton Playground 100 club goes towards the maintenance running costs of our community run playground. Thanks again everyone, next draw in October

**The 2020 Shipton Village Bake off** has been postponed until further notice due to the Covid-19 pandemic. For more information, email [b\\_farbrother@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:b_farbrother@yahoo.co.uk) or ring 01904 470187

**Forest of Galtres Primary School and Shipton Preschool** are now working together as a school nursery. We are open to children from 2 years and above, every day of the week, with Breakfast and After School Club available. We are registered with Childcare Choices and Childcare Voucher schemes, and can offer funded and paid places. For further information contact the school office on 01904 470272 or call in for our drop-in toddler session on Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11:30am. [www.forestofgaltresprimary.org](http://www.forestofgaltresprimary.org)

## NEWTON, LINTON & BENINGBROUGH NEWS

**Nearly New:** The Nearly New sale scheduled for 30th October at the Galtres Centre has been cancelled, in line with government guidelines on numbers allowed to gather. We hope to be able to reschedule this popular event in 2021.

**Linton on Ouse Parish Council:** Contact [lintonparishcouncil@outlook.com](mailto:lintonparishcouncil@outlook.com) for details of the next meeting.

**Craft and Chat** is suspended until further notice. Please contact Maureen Stringer on 01347 848268 with queries.

**Linton-on-Ouse Whist Drive** This activity has been suspended until further notice due to Covid-19.

**General Knowledge Quiz:** This activity has been suspended until further notice due to Covid-19. Contact Mark on 07961361048 for further details.

**Newton on Ouse Parish Hall 100 Club** Ring Wendy for details on 01347 844036.

**Linton History Group:** For more information please contact Maureen on 01347848268 or check website <https://lintonhistorygroup.weebly.com/>.

**Newton-on-Ouse WI:** We offer fun and friendship to women of all ages and interests, but for the moment all our activities are suspended until further notice. Please contact Maureen Stringer on 01347 848268 or check our Facebook page @newtononousewi for information.

**Fancy an Allotment 2020?** Newton-on-Ouse Allotments Association has vacant plots on its site on Back Lane. Options (showing annual rental rates in brackets) are: full plot (£40), half plot (£20) or 'taster' quarter plot (£10), with a one-off set-up fee of £10 in all instances. You are welcome to share with a friend if that suits. Contact Kay Scott, Allotments Association Secretary, on 01347 848465

**Thank You:** All Saints PCC would like to thank all the volunteers who have stepped forward to assist with maintaining the grave-yard, the clock, and the bells. We are truly thankful to you all.

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting (AGM):** 7pm on Monday 26th October. This will be an online meeting via Zoom. If you would like to attend, please book your place at the meeting by emailing the PCC Secretary: [janwatkins.pcc@icloud.com](mailto:janwatkins.pcc@icloud.com). The meeting will include an update on church restoration and reopening.

**All Saints Electoral Roll** is being revised this month. If you are not already on the Roll but would like to support the church in this way, please collect an application form from the box in the church porch. Please return it to the same box for collection, or scan and email it to [sbdow@allsaintsnewton.org.uk](mailto:sbdow@allsaintsnewton.org.uk).

**Little Saints Church** (our new more flexible version of TeaTime Church) is now available on the All Saints Newton YouTube channel. The current episode is called 'Be Brave and Courageous', and features songs, stories and crafts for 1-7 year olds and their families. The next episode will be available from 25th October.

**Unsafe trees:** Please observe the warning signs in the churchyard and keep out of areas near unsafe trees at an adjoining property. This is for your own safety. Thank you.

**Book of Remembrance:** If you would like an entry for a deceased loved one in the church's new Book of Remembrance, please complete the form on the church website <https://allsaintsnewton.weebly.com> and pay the small fee required to cover calligraphy charges into the specified account. The book will be on permanent display in the church.

## NEWTON, LINTON & BENINGBROUGH NEWS (*continued*)

**Gift Day,** a major annual fundraising day for the church, has unfortunately been cancelled as a live event, due to government restrictions. If you would normally have contributed at this event, or would like to help the church through a period when income has fallen dramatically due to lockdown, please donate via the church website at <https://allsaintsnewton.weebly.com> or collect a yellow envelope from the church porch. We would be very grateful for your help in keeping our lovely church viable to serve the needs of the local community. Many exciting projects still lay ahead, including the restoration of the Great East Window which faces Cherry Tree Avenue. Please help us to return the church to its former glory by making a donation or committing to giving to the church on a regular basis. Thank you.

**North Yorkshire Dance Academy** Classes have resumed on Tuesdays at 7:30pm. For further details contact Diane Sugden on 07810 483 546, or email: [dancewithdiane@googlemail.com](mailto:dancewithdiane@googlemail.com) or see our Facebook page @northyorkshiredanceacademy.

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