

# THE ROUND

*The church paper for Broughton, Eislack, Martons Both and Thornton-in-Craven*

## SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER 2008

| SUN 7th  | BIRTH OF THE VIRGIN MARY   | SUN 21st | ST MATTHEW                          |
|----------|----------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| 09.15    | THORNTON Patronal Festival | 09.15    | THORNTON Sung Mass                  |
| 10.45    | MARTON Sung Mattins        | 10.45    | MARTON Holy Communion               |
| 19.00    | BROUGHTON Sung Eucharist   | 15.30    | THORNTON HILL Short Evening Service |
| SUN 14th | HOLY CROSS DAY             | 19.00    | BROUGHTON Evensong & Benediction    |
| 09.15    | THORNTON Sung Mass         | SUN 28th | BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY               |
| 10.45    | BROUGHTON Family Eucharist | 09.15    | THORNTON Sung Mass                  |
| 10.45    | MARTON Mattins             | 10.45    | MARTON Harvest Festival             |
| 19.00    | BROUGHTON Evensong         | 19.00    | BROUGHTON Evening Prayer            |

### MID-WEEK SERVICES

TUESDAYS at 10.00 a.m. at Thornton Church

WEDNESDAYS at 6.30 p.m. at Broughton Church

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Churchwardens: All Saints' - Mr Ian Watson, Mrs Dianne Kimberley;

St Peter's - Mr David Nelson, Mr Malcolm Perry;

St Mary's - Mr Richard Greenwood, Mrs Judith Hall.

IT IS NOT THE END FOR PARISHES SUCH AS OURS. It certainly seemed so after the vote in the General Synod of the Church of England on 7th July in York. In an ill-prepared, badly-organized, over-complicated, poorly-chaired debate on how to make good on its earlier promises to make provision for those members of the Church of England who cannot in conscience receive the innovation of women bishops. Against the clear advice of its two Archbishops, against the judgement of the Manchester Group it had set up to advise it, against the pleas of most of its most senior bishops (Durham, Winchester, London and others), against its own earlier resolutions, the Synod finally voted to make no proper provision at all for parishes such as ours.

The result was everything we feared. However... One of the greatest encouragements after the vote was from the Bishop of Bradford. His letter to all the clergy of the diocese made it clear that the Synod vote cannot be the last word, that better provision must be made. From such a source and to such an audience, this is a clear sign that there are those who wish to be generous and liberal, and to rescue the Church of England from its own folly.

There will be women bishops in the Church of England, whether we agree or not; that was never what the debate was about; the issue was the future of the church and whether provision should be made for parishes such as ours, so that we could stay - with our own bishops. Are there reasons to be cheerful? Without denying how bad the Synod vote was, yes there are crumbs of comfort. Enough to make us confident that proper provision will be made for us - not what we want, but enough of what we need for us to work for a solution.

We are staying; and we are working for proper provision. The Church of God in this country, ark and vessel of Word and Sacrament, is part of the proclamation of the Gospel. It is at the heart of the mission of the Church, and a confused, unfortunate, embarrassing, self-contradicting vote in General Synod does not change that. There is work to be done. Pray with greater commitment. Go to church to worship and receive the sacrament with greater commitment. We stay together and we work together.

*Fr Nicholas*

**RIP GRAHAM PARISH 30<sup>th</sup> June 1982 - 1<sup>st</sup> July 2008**

*Taken from the words delivered at Graham's funeral, by James Maude.*

There are so many things that made up Graham. He was a loving son and brother, doting father and caring partner. To many of us Graham was more of a big brother than friend. He was someone to be looked up to and depended on.

That is the thing I remember most about Graham. He was big, not just in physical stature but in so many other ways. He had a big smile. Every memory I have of Graham is of him smiling. He had a gift for enjoying life and making the best of any situation.

He had a big personality. It was impossible to go anywhere with him and not meet new people, make new friends, everyone always remembered Graham, they all loved him. The number of people here today bares testament to this.

Graham was incredibly intelligent with a great imagination. He could turn his hand to anything from computer aided design to BMX tricks. I'm sure everyone will remember something that Graham built, designed, repaired or maybe just pulled apart to see if he could improve it.

But the biggest thing about Graham was his heart. Graham was a deeply caring person he always had time for people. It is a wonderful thing that he found Emma and had two beautiful children, Thomas and Lily to share his love with. The kind of happiness that Graham found in this new family was truly boundless. We should all remember that the last few weeks were the happiest of all.

Graham still is all of these things. You cannot live a life like Grahams and not effect the people around you for the better. Even if we don't always realize it Graham will live on through our actions and thoughts; he will always be there with us. I know that Graham will forever remain a big part of us all, and I am truly honoured to have been a part of his life, as I know we all are.

**SEPTEMBER**

MON 8<sup>TH</sup> 19.15  
W.I. MEETING IN THORNTON VILLAGE HALL  
TUE 9<sup>TH</sup> 19.30  
PCC MEETING AT BROUGHTON  
WED 10<sup>TH</sup> 19.00  
MOTHERS' UNION SERVICE  
TUE 16<sup>TH</sup> 10.00  
REQUIEM AT THORNTON CHURCH  
TUE 16<sup>TH</sup> 19.30  
BROUGHTON DCC MEETING  
WED 17<sup>TH</sup> 18.30  
LATIN MASS AT BROUGHTON CHURCH  
SAT 20<sup>TH</sup> 11.00+  
TEACHING DAY IN LEEDS  
SAT 20<sup>TH</sup> 19.30  
COLNE SINGERS AT BROUGHTON  
MON 22<sup>ND</sup> 19.30  
STUDY GROUP AT PLUM TREE COTTAGE  
WED 24<sup>TH</sup> 12.30  
JACOB'S JOIN AT PLUM TREE COTTAGE  
WED 24<sup>TH</sup> 18.30  
MASS OF OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM  
WED 24<sup>TH</sup> 19.30  
MARTON DCC MEETING  
SAT 27<sup>TH</sup> 12.00  
SPRINKLING SERVICE AT THE HOLY WELL

**BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY**

**28th SEPTEMBER 2008**

This is a recent initiative, supported by the diocese and by this parish. There are many who don't not go to church and never will full stop. But there are also many (3,000,000 according to a recent survey) who don't go, but rather wish they did. Generally this is because they have fallen out with a member of the

clergy (who as we all know are never up to what they should be), or moved house and got out of the habit, or faced a change in family circumstances and let the discipline drop, or any of a whole number of reasons...

The last Sunday in September offers an opportunity to come back. The services will be simpler, the hymns well known, children can run around wherever they like, but above all it will be readily acknowledged that the 'fault' is ours not yours.

**COLNE SINGERS**

**20<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

A Saturday evening concert in Broughton Church with the popular Colne Singers, who have been well received in recent years. Tickets £5 from Ian Watson (01756 793015) or Dianne Kimberley (01282 841055).

**MOTHERS' UNION**

The commencement service for September led by Fr Nicholas is on Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup>, in St Mary's Church at 7.00 p.m (note the time). This will include an enrolment service, and will be followed by a small Jacob's Join supper.

**STUDY GROUP**

Provisional date for the next Study Group is Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September - 7.30 p.m. at Plum Tree Cottage.

**BROUGHTON WITH ELSLACK W.I.**

Mrs Pat Pickard, who presided at the July meeting, read extracts from the report of the National AGM held in Liverpool. The first of the two resolutions discussed at the meeting namely the 'Unnecessary Internment of the Mentally Ill' was passed unanimously; however the second resolution 'Bottom Sea

Trawling' failed because of strong opposition from the fishing industry.

The speaker was Mrs Hilary Elise from The Body Shop. She gave an interesting insight into the life of the company's creator Anita Roddick followed by a demonstration of the Body Shop produces. The next meeting will take place at 7.15pm on the 8<sup>th</sup> September in Thornton Village Hall, when Sandra Inskip will demonstrate 'Experiments in Textiles'.

Since the July meeting, the death occurred of long-standing member Mrs Gwen Fisher. Gwen was born at Toll Bar Cottage, Thornton in Craven. She attended the village school and was baptised and married at St Mary's. After her marriage to Walter, Gwen moved to School Lane, Early where she spent the rest of her life. Toll Bar Cottage was situated at the top of the village, but was demolished to make way for the new Thornton Hill junction in the 1960s.

#### JACOBS JOIN

The next will be on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> September, at Plum Tree Cottage, from 12.30 onwards.

#### RIP MRS DORIS SPEAK

A generous gift has been sent by the family of the late Doris Speak to St Peter's Church. Doris née Thompson was born at Wilkinson's Farm, East Marton, and was married at St Peter's. She never forgot her roots at Marton and would often walk along the canal and visit the church with her sister Joyce, who lived at Marton Hall Farm for many years. Doris died recently, aged 94 years.

#### NOVEMBER 1st at YORK MINSTER

The Northern Regional Festival, with a Sung Mass celebrated in York Minster, with Bishop Martyr Jarrett, takes place this year on All Saints' Day. In view of the General Synod's desire to see us gone from the Church of England, it is more important than ever that we show our unity and purpose, and worship together in the great cathedral of the north.

#### PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY MATTINS

The singers from Downham Church who came to St Peter's on the first Sunday of July were terrific. Young and enthusiastic, they showed us how to sing Mattins, with an energy that perhaps we had forgotten. It was a moving service, and we hope we may be able to repeat it some time next summer.

#### BROUGHTON BARBECUE

Many thanks to all who helped with and generously supported the Parish Barbecue in late July. What a beautiful evening we had (as it happened, that was our last day of summer). A great time was shared and a wonderful £715 raised for the maintenance of All Saints' Church.

#### THANKS AT ST MARY'S

A huge thank you to Richard Greenwood for overseeing the very successful 'water project' to install a toilet and a kitchen at the back of St Mary's

Church. It has been a big project, but a fine conclusion - it still needs more funds to pay for it.

And thank you also to Paul Roper for a beautiful and very skilful restoration of the sacristy cupboards - a lot of careful and intricate work.

#### JULY COLLECTION FOR KIDNEY RESEARCH

Due to the generosity of the residents of Booth Bridge Lane, The Fold, The Croft and Queen's Garth, I was able to send a cheque for £80.37 to the above charity. They are delighted to receive such a generous contribution to this very worthwhile cause. Once again many thanks.  
*Margaret Thompson*

#### NEW ARRIVALS

Twins, AMELIA and LOGAN, a son and daughter for Zoë Lee and Alistair Law, Burwains Avenue, Elslack.

A daughter CHLOE JANE, for John and Angela Boothman, Shed Leith, Thornton in Craven.

Welcome to Barbara Shuttleworth into No.3 Alms House, Thornton. Barbara spent most of her married life at Burwains Avenue, Elslack until the recent death of her husband Brian.  
*M Lord*

#### THORNTON IN CRAVEN VILLAGE WEBSITE

<[www.thorntonincraven.co.uk](http://www.thorntonincraven.co.uk)> For events for the calendar <[roger.staniland@birse.co.uk](mailto:roger.staniland@birse.co.uk)> Also, the message board is again up.

#### WALSINGHAM YOUTH PILGRIMAGE

When I was waiting for the bus to pick me up on Monday, I was a bit nervous that out of the hundreds of people meant to be going to Walsingham I know one, possibly two. But the people on the bus were really friendly, even if I couldn't understand their Geordie accents. At Walsingham (north Norfolk), there was a Mass each day which was held in a circus tent, with singers called CGM; it was all very happy-clappy, but good fun.

On the second day, I took part in the 'pilgrims walk' where we first met up with another camp and there was singing and even an MCing monk. Then we walked along the country paths with candles to the Shrine, and by the time we got there it was dark, and we settled ourselves in the garden of the Shrine with our candles for a half hour or so.

I went to the Shrine Church of Our Lady of Walsingham three times in total, twice with my group and once when I took the American group to see it. Inside it's really quiet and there are hundreds of candles people have lit.

Most days the schedule was pretty much the same: Bible study at 9 with Brother Maximilian, Mass at 10.30, and Evening Prayer at about 7. The thing I remember most is the huge hail storm we had on Thursday night. It was cold, and the hail was the size of Maltesers, and later on lightning lit up the whole camp. We needed umbrellas in the food tent as the whole roof collapsed. Note to self: a thin tent is not the best place to be in an end-of-the-world storm.

*Amy Church*

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