

A photograph of St. Matthew's Church in Newbottle, a stone building with a cross on its roof. In the foreground, several bright yellow tulips are in bloom, with one bud still closed. The scene is set against a clear blue sky.

St. Matthew's Church Newbottle

July - August 2017

*You are the light of the world.
A city on a hill cannot be hidden
Matthew 5 v14*

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Church Services

Sunday Services

8.00 am Holy Communion

(1st Sunday in the month)

9.45 am Family Worship-Holy
Communion & Sunday School

6.00 pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday

9.30 am Holy Communion

Prayer Group

1st Thursday in month, 7-8pm

Church Open

Tuesday 10-11am

Wednesday 10.15-11.15am

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Wednesday 2pm Lady Chapel in
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Church Hall

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From our Registers

Baptisms:

7th May Joseph Robert Harrison.

Carson Miller Hewitt.

21st May Charlotte Elsie Adamson.

11th June Isabella Pybus.

Isabella Marie Adamson.

25th June Harry Jay Wilson.

Lucas George Cockburn.

2nd July Isaac Alexander Bainbridge-Hodgson.

Weddings:

20th May Graham Paul Davison &

Lauren Elizabeth Metcalf.

Funerals:

4th May Joan Valks Poulter.

10th May George Ronald Maxwell.

31st May Frederick Stuart Tindale.

2nd June Elizabeth May Irving.

23rd June Leslie Armstrong.

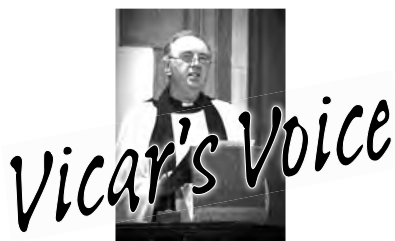
3rd July Shaun Leadbitter.

7th July George William Edward Davies.

Burial of ashes:

23rd June Dick Laidler.

7th July Elizabeth May Irving.



Amazingly, at the end of a week of torrential rain, our church summer fayre was held in the vicarage garden on a lovely sunny Saturday afternoon. As late as 8.30am on the morning of July 2nd the lawns were absolutely soaking and there was a "Shall We – Shan't We Moment", garden or church hall? Yet by 2.00pm everything was set out perfectly for what turned out to be a most enjoyable afternoon as we were serenaded by the "Washington Ukulele Band".

It was a most successful afternoon because we had a large number of folk who turned up and worked hard to make it so by carrying tables, chairs, cups, saucers, "White Elephants", cakes, scones, toys, etc... from the church hall to the garden, and just as importantly back again as we tidied up at the end. I have no doubt whatsoever, that there will have been some sore backs and knees and arms and legs the following Sunday morning.

Maybe one or two were asking themselves, "Was it worth the effort"? Well I would suggest that if holding the fayre was just about the money, then probably not. We raised £1,000, which will come in very handy, but we would probably have raised that amount had we held the fayre in the church hall. Being in the hall would have meant avoiding all the hard work of moving things backward and forward.

For instance we could have used the kitchen gas cooker to boil kettles, rather than fill an electric boiler in the "Tea Tent" with jugs from the garden tap and running an extension cable to power it.

From a practical point of view just about everything would have been much easier if we had opted to be in the hall rather than in the garden, but had we done so we would have lost the sense of a community gathering, where folk could mingle and enjoy the lovely summer weather, the music, the stalls and each other's company. The probability is that the sense of occasion would have been diminished. It wouldn't have been so enjoyable and so memorable.

Taking the easy way isn't necessarily a bad thing. If it had been chucking it down for our summer fayre, then far better to have it in the hall rather than cancel it, but it did turn out to be a lovely, delightful afternoon and one of the many lessons we learn from the life of Jesus is that often things work out for the best when we show energy and commitment to what we believe in.

We believe that St. Matthew's summer fayre is a tremendous community event which helps to show that the church is at the heart of our community.

Eddy Wilkinson.



Christenings at St. Matthew's



7th May
Joseph Robert Harrison



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11th June
Isabella Marie Adamson

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Isabella Pybus



25th June
Harry Jay Wilson



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Lucas George Cockburn



2nd July
Isaac Alexander Bainbridge-Hodgson





13th May

A lovely breakfast was the order of the morning to show our support for Christian Aid again this year. Steven Gibson and Jacqui Harriman were our head chefs, doing all the full English orders, with Josh Gibson assisting, so thanks go to them for their efforts! However, we also offered continental style options too, with croissants, muffins and cereals – a lovely display organised by Joanne Martin. £200 was raised from this event for Christian Aid, so a big thank you goes to all those who came and contributed!



BEDE'S WAY WALK

Saturday 24th June

The weather luckily stayed fine as Anne Martin did the Bede's Way Walk again this year to raise money through sponsorship for Christian Aid. Well done Anne, and thank you for your efforts!



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New Gates

Have you noticed our new gates on the perimeter wall of the churchyard? We hope you agree that they smarten up the boundary, as well as providing a more secure large exit/entrance!



Sit and B Fit

The Sit and B Fit trial class was held on Thursday 29 June. Carol, the instructor, is kind and helpful, and those who attended said they had enjoyed the easy exercise and the friendly atmosphere. The class meeting finished off with a nice cup of tea and biscuits. If there is a sufficient number wishing to attend a weekly class will be formed.

Please telephone 5843945 or email ewol12@talktalk.net.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Marion Baily's granddaughter, Anne-Marie Lacey, has won a prestigious award. She was presented with the Chartered Institute of Public Relations Excellence Award for "Outstanding National Young Communicator 2017". Anne-Marie was given the award in June of this year in London.

Well done Anne-Marie!

Daffodil Donations

St. Matthew's would like to brighten up the churchyard by planting daffodils around the perimeter. We would therefore be grateful if anyone would like to donate some bulbs to help with this, and ideally, to help plant them too!

Many thanks



Women's Fellowship

On Wednesday 21 June, and on behalf of Leprosy Mission, Maureen Simpson came to our meeting to talk about Leprosy. We were surprised to learn that Leprosy continues to exist in a number of countries.

She also told us that the disease is airborne and can be transmitted by coughs and sneezes, just like our common cold. The start of the disease can be seen by the appearance of discoloured patches appearing on the skin's surface where the small nerves under the skin have become affected. If untreated, ulcers form there, and damage to that area of the skin continues. The crippling disabilities which victims face result in difficult lives of shame and isolation for them. If treated in time a complete cure can be obtained. We support Leprosy Mission at St Matthew's as a number of the congregation make contribution to Help for Leprosy boxes.

MOTHER'S UNION

Last year the Mothers' Union celebrated 140 years of faith – faith in action. Today the Mothers' Union continues around the world to provide support, encouragement and information to parents and families. The Mothers' Union of the Diocese of Durham has recently had the joy of celebrating 125 years of faith, family and belonging. In February members of our Newbottle branch joined with members of other Deanery branches at the service of Wave of Prayer held at St Michael & All Angels' church hall and community centre at Hetton. We also joined, in March, with other Deanery members at the service of Women's World Day of Prayer at St Michael's Roman Catholic Church, Houghton, as well as the Lady Day service – we carried our banner – at All Saints' church, Penshaw. We hope to have an Afternoon Tea Party very soon.

Newbottle Primary Academy Proudly Presents



Well done to Olivia and Claudia from our Sunday School for taking part!

Newbottle Primary Academy excelled themselves performing 3 shows of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat from 4th-6th July. This spectacular production retold the Biblical story of Joseph, his coat of many colours and his betrayal by his 11 jealous brothers; how after many years of suffering and struggle, God made Joseph the most influential person second to Pharaoh. It was such an amazing show, spelling out how God is most powerfully present in these tough situations.....in fact I think he was present at the performances, giving the children an amazing confidence and voice that most adults would love to have! The staff and children involved must be congratulated for their efforts and should be very proud of such a professional production.

Church Hall Jubilee Room Refurbishment

The next phase of our vision for a community coffee shop took shape during June, as we began refurbishment and redecoration in the Jubilee Room at the back of the Church Hall. The store cupboard has been converted into a unisex disabled toilet with baby changing facility, whilst the previous ladies toilet is now a smaller storage cupboard.

The small serving hatch into the kitchen has now been widened, with roller shutters fitted, to allow for better access serving food and drinks as well as for security, and the whole room has been repainted to freshen it up. This is real progress being made, so we hope when you visit, you like what we've done so far!



TYNE AND WEAR KAZEN KAI KARATE

Well a very busy day at the KKO open at Liverpool 12th June. Some great results too. Sean Gorringer and Ethan Auty fought well to quarter finals in there section but unlucky not to progress, however fought to a tough bronze in the team event. Brilliant result as only two of them in a three fighter event. Jess Walsh took silver and was again very unlucky not to win. Now down to newbies Caleb Dickinson fought brilliantly in junior boys but lost out in the final for silver, little more experience needed. Jess Ridley took silver in female cadets brilliant fight in final. But day went to Frankie jo and Jo Jo Pearson who took apart their category meeting each other in the final. With Frankie eventually taking gold and Jo jo silver. Great day for fighters and Kata competitors. I would like to thank all who came to support on the day especially Cameron Roper who came to support his friends and help coach and is on the comeback after surgery. Also thanks to organiser Ken Tsai for a great comp.



Summer Fayre

After an intense week of rain, we were thankfully given a reprieve on Saturday 1st July, as the sun came out for our Summer Fayre, which enabled us to have it in the vicarage garden – hooray! We had a variety of stalls such as plants, cakes, jams, handmade cards, jewellery, toys, bric-a-brac, grand raffle and the cuddly toy, bottle and gift tombolas; as well as the tea tent serving refreshments and the book stall in the Jubilee Room of the Church Hall. However there were 2 different experiences on offer at this summer fayre – there was the have-a-go archery activity

and we also welcomed the Washington Village Ukulele Band who performed many songs for us! They weren't simply playing the ukuleles, but they sang along too with percussion instruments such as the maracas and mouthorgan; and their repertoire was a wonderful mix of songs including Buddy Holly, Cliff Richard and Status Quo! They certainly gave a fun feel to the fayre and some people were joining in the singing and were even dancing – and for this entertainment the band only asked for a donation which they give to charity; so we happily gave

PRIZE NUMBER	PRIZE	WINNER	TICKET NUMBER
1st	Hamper	Mikey	0446
2nd	Bottle of Vodka	Rita Wilson	1004
3rd	Bottle of Bells Whisky	Christine Kirkup	1017
4th	Bottle of Sherry	Joyce (c/o vicarage)	0389
5th	Bottle of Whisky	Alan King	1003
6th	M&S Gift Voucher	Susan Jarvis	0062
7th	Bottle of Wine	Susan Jarvis	0065
8th	Bottle of Kir Royal	Mr Porter	0406
9th	Bottle of Shiraz	Joy Warren	1722
10th	Bottle of Rose Wine	Susan Dick	1689
11th	Basket of Fruit	Kola	0921
12th	Box of biscuits	David Graves	0173
13th	Vanity Bag	Linzi Hall	0411
14th	Box of Heroes	Lynn (c/o vicarage)	0301
15th	Soap & Glory Set	Elizabeth Medd	0432
16th	Jigsaw	Alan Straughan	0106
17th	Ringtons Tea Set	Christine Kirkup	1043
18th	Raffaello Chocolates	Jacqui Harriman	0197
19th	Yankee Candle	Belle Wake	0104
20th	Flowering Potted Plant	Richard Lydiatt	0795

Stalls	Amount
Guess the flower name of the doll	
Jewellery	
Have-a-go-Archery	
Handmade Cards	
Cuddly Toy Tombola	
Bottle in a Bag Tombola	
Gift Tombola	
Teas	
Cakes	
Plants	
Toys	
Jams, Marmalades & Chutney	
Grand Raffle	
Entrance Fees	
Books	
White Elephant	
TOTAL RAISED:	
Donation to band for Children's Cancer Research	
TOTAL RAISED AFTER EXPENDITURE:	

re 2017

on them £50, which will go to Children's
ed Cancer Research.

The grand total raised from all of the stalls
was £1095.57. A fantastic achievement
from Team St.Matthew's – well done to
everyone who helped to make the day
happen!

Carol Lovely was the lucky winner in
guessing the name of the doll. The winning
name was Blossom, Well done Carol.



Amount Raised

£10.00
£42.00
£34.00
£39.50
£32.00
£86.50
£72.30
£82.00
£84.27
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Giving Thanks

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A word of thanks goes to Edith for making a made-to-measure material cover for our large screen. The screen is used for special services, and when it's not in use, it has stood exposed, so we appreciate the time she has taken to help protect this great resource of ours!

John will be greatly missed.....

The 29th May marked a sad day as Houghton lost a well-known local businessman, John Ritchie, aged 71 years. John, who wanted to be remembered as "Mister Houghton" was described by many as a true gentleman, and would go out of his way to help anyone. On that note we would like his family to know of our gratitude to John, as for many many years, he supplied the magnificent Christmas tree in our church – which has been such an amazing act of giving and focal point in our church at such a special time of the year.

Giving Blessings

Saturday 24th June saw the ordination of Neal Terry as Deacon; the service was performed at St.Nicholas Cathedral in Newcastle. Neal was originally from St.Matthew's, and trained in youth and community development, so is well known locally. He will serve his title in the parish of St.Mary Magdalene in Longbenton, and we keep him in our thoughts and bless him in his ministry.



Congratulations, Clever Clogs

A Huge Congratulations to one of our congregation Joanne Martin who graduated from Durham University with a 2:1 Masters in Business Administration. We are all very proud of you.

Well Done!

LEST WE FORGET

William and Elizabeth Ogleby and their two sons, Albert Victor and JD lived at 10 Whitehall Terrace, Sunderland in 1914 at the outbreak of World War 1. Both sons joined the Armed Forces, Albert being placed with the 7th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment, and JD with the 19th Battalion, Durham Light Infantry. Elizabeth and William Ogleby were great aunt and uncle of Wayne Marshall who is churchwarden at St. Andrew's, Chilton Moor. Both those young men died in battle, Albert, 21, on 3rd March 1916 and buried at Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium, and JD, just before the end of the war on June 14th 1918, and buried at Bouzincourt Ridge Cemetery, Albert, France. Wayne and his wife have wished to visit the cemeteries but have been unable to do so. Wayne knows that I and my family have holiday visits to France, and when he learnt that my son and I would be very near Bouzincourt Ridge Cemetery, Albert early this year, he asked if we would place a wreath on J... 's grave. We did so on Easter Saturday. One thing which stood out among the 3,5000 headstones was the number mark "Unknown Soldier" or "Known to God".

Malcolm Adamson



A Prayer for those caught up in recent UK Tragedy and Disaster

Lord of all compassion

We pray for all of those caught up in the midst of tragedy or disaster.

For those who have lost life and those working to save life

For those who are worried for people they love

For those who will see their loved ones no longer

Lord Have Mercy.

For those in need of the peace that passes all understanding

For all who turn to you in the midst of turmoil

For those who cry out to you in fear and in love

Lord Have Mercy.

For those in confusion and those in despair

For those whose tears are yet to dry

For those in need of your unending love

Lord Have Mercy

Amen



Sunnyside Methodist Church

Donations to Flower Fund:

Treasured memories of a dear mam, Lily Clement, on her anniversary. With love, from Brian and Una.

Anniversary memories in June of Walter and Isabel Shearer and also brother Bill. Remembered with

love, from Brian and Una.

Treasured memories of family and friends, from Hilda and Bill.

Remembering with love our families and friends, from Jean and Ron.

Donations to Church Fund:

In loving memory of a dear friend, Maureen Bestford, from Sylvia Drew.

Notices & Information

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July 7th 14th 21st 28th **Aug** 4th 11th 18th 25th

FABRIC FUND

A donation in Ron's memory. With love from Marion & John

This donation is to say Thank You to all at Newbottle Church, for welcoming me into your family. I feel truly blessed.

All my love, Amelia xxx

Loving memories of a very dear sister and brother, from Kate Maud and Families

SANCTUARY GUILD DONATIONS

Anonymous donation for flowers

Donation from Dorothy Beaumont in Memory of Parents

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St. Matthew's Church & Community Hall

Weekly Timetable

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Monday	6.30pm-8.30pm	Judo (Brian)
Tuesday	9.30am-12.00noon	Arts & Crafts Club (Kathleen)
Wednesday	6.30pm-8.30pm	Karate (Ed)
Thursday	9.30am-10.30am	Coffee Morning
Thursday	12.30pm-1.30pm	Lunch Club
Thursday	6.15pm-6.45pm	Metafit (Faye)
Friday	6.30pm-8.30pm	Karate

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For all information on St. Matthew's Church and the Church Hall

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St. Matthew's Church, Newbottle



Harvest Broth and Stottie Night

Broth is made with the vegetables that are offered and the offerings which are left are auctioned, with all proceeds from the weekend going to support "Water Aid".

Monday 25th September

7.00pm in Church Hall

 **WaterAid**

