



St. Matthew's Church Newbottle

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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

Mother's Union

Wednesday 2pm Lady Chapel in
Church

Church Hall

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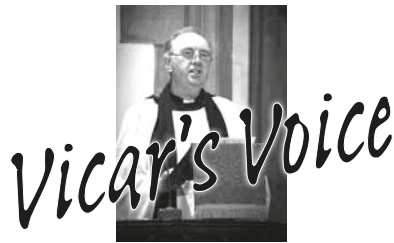
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From Our Registers:

Baptisms:	16th July	Isabelle Jane Hedley.
	23rd July	Ava Rita Hanratty.
	30th July	Robert John Murphy.
	6th August	Luna Darcy Hopper.
	20th August	Alexander James Knowles.
	27th August	Mollie Sophia Bell.
	27th August	Connie Louise Mason.
Wedding:	9th August	Andrew Michael Murray & Toni Marie husband.
Funeral:	11th July	Frederick Hall.
	12th July	Jean Turnbull.



Every year towards the middle of July, after our "Summer Fair" and "Celebration Tea" and the schools break up, life quietens down in the life of St. Matthew's church because lots of folk are away on holiday. Having said that we have had one or two lively Christening services in August. To pick things up again after the summer holidays, on the first Sunday of September every year we cancel our evening service, and after our morning service we have a "Back to School" or "Back to Church BBQ" in the church grounds.

It's a really good social occasion which gives an opportunity for those who worship at different services throughout the week, and who might not meet very often, to have a shared meal. Jesus showed us the importance of sharing a meal with family and friends as he gave us the "Last Supper" to remember him by, which we celebrate every week. He also changed water into wine at a family wedding in Cana in Galilee, and there'll be a glass of wine on offer at the BBQ for those who want it, to help with the digestion. As St. Paul told Timothy, "No longer drink only water, but use a little wine for the sake of your stomach and your frequent ailments" (1 Tim 5:23). There's nothing wrong with enjoying ourselves.

If we are to fulfil the command of Jesus in the gospels, "Go out and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matt 28:19-20), then as a Church family we need to be together and we need to enjoy being together. We must welcome everyone who comes to our Church and make a place for them at the table so that they can enjoy themselves also. We need to show that being a member of the Church family and a follower of Jesus is a good and beneficial thing for everyone.

It may be very demanding at times to be a member of the Church family, but it is always rewarding and well worth the time and effort. We need to be energized as a church family and support each other, as we pick things up after the summer break to get the message across to everyone.

Eddy Wilkinson.



Isabelle Jane Hedley - 16th July

Christenings at



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Robert John Murphy - 30th July



Luna Darcy Hopper - 6th August

St. Matthew's



Alexander James Knowles - 20th August



Mollie Sophia Bell - 27th August



Samaritans Purse Shoebox Appeal

**Boxes to be handed in by the
Sunday 5th November**

Once again we are supporting the Samaritan's Purse Shoe Box Appeal, which gives so much joy to children living in the world's deprived areas.

If you would like to take part, now is the time to look out for small items to fill your shoe box.

Anyone wishing to take part can obtain a shoebox at church from Sunday 1st October



The Houghton-le-Spring confirmation service for the Diocese of Durham, will this year take place on **17th November** at St. Oswalds Church, Shiney Row; the Bishop of Jarrow will deliver the service.

Confirmation is for those who have been baptised and have reached the point in their Christian journey where they want to affirm for

themselves their faith and their intention to live as responsible and committed followers of Jesus Christ. Through prayer and the laying on of hands by the confirming bishop, the Church also asks God to give them power through the Holy Spirit to enable them to live in this way. Candidates need to be a minimum of 10 years old.

If you wish to be confirmed this year, please get in touch with the vicar as soon as possible in order to arrange preparation for confirmation.

Would you be interested in an Adult Ballet Barre Class at Newbottle Church Hall?

Whether you want to improve your balance, co-ordination and mobility, or just want to try something new and make friends in a relaxed supportive environment, adult ballet barre welcomes anyone over 18 years to come along. Don't worry – no leotards or any special clothing/footwear required.

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If you are interested and would like to be kept updated, a free taster class is coming soon – dates/times to be confirmed.

PLEA FOR A TREE

Christmas may seem like a good few months away, but some things need “tree-mendous” planning! 18ft of Christmas tree – to be more precise – will be needed to make our church look its best at such a special time of the year when we have so many people attending our festive services! However, as John Ritchie sadly passed away this year, we have found ourselves without such a kind benefactor now, and really need help from the community in knowing where to get such a large tree from, as well as paying for it. Can “yew” help?

Please contact the vicar if so!



Meetings to take place in the Jubilee room of the church hall at 6.30pm

18th September

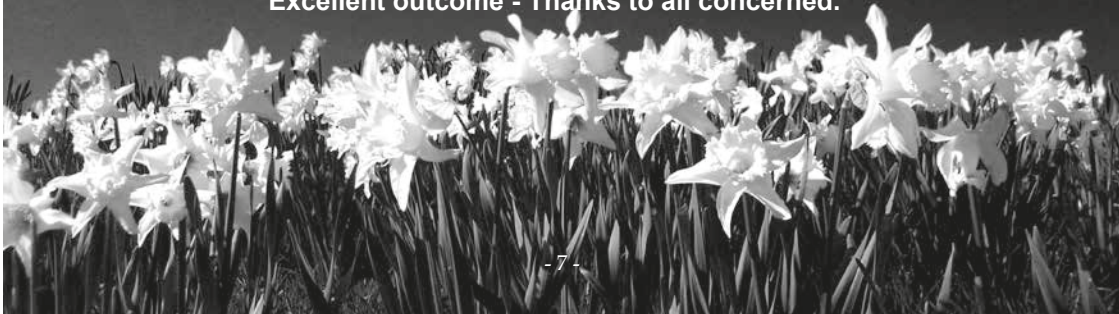
27th November

Daffodils

Further to our request in the last magazine for some daffodil bulbs, we are pleased to say we had a kind anonymous donation of two large bags to fulfil this!

To further help out 1st Herrington Scout Group have kindly offered to plant these bulbs for us, which will help go towards a community and environment badge.

Excellent outcome - Thanks to all concerned.



Now & Then in Newbottle



Can anyone remember Newbottle's Sun Inn back in the day (40's / 50's as per the photo on the right)? Just shows how this mainstay of the village has changed over the years. We would love to see other photographs of Newbottle if any of our readers have any we could publish.

FAREWELL TO SUSIE

Susan "Susie" Hopper (Nee Green) who recently passed away was a well-known local lady who was involved with St. Matthew's Church for many years. Born in Philadelphia, many local people may remember Mrs Hopper as the caretaker of Paddock Style School where she worked for 25 years. However, Susie was also the chairwoman of the Newbottle branch of the Women's Institute which met in the Church Hall, and she was invited by the Rev Mike Bates to set up the first lunch club in the Church Hall many years ago – which is still running every Thursday. A great legacy indeed!

Susie was a woman of faith with a cheerful disposition who had received the bread and wine and been an active member of the Mother's Union at St. Matthew's too. Our thoughts are with her family and we give thanks for the great energy she brought to our local community and church.

MOTHER'S UNION

In July members of our Mothers' Union attended, with other deanery members, the Quiet Day at the church hall of St Michael & All Angels, Easington Lane. Also attended by our members was the Mary Sumner Day service at St Nicholas's Church, Durham when we remembered her personal faith, her vision and her service in the name of 'Mothers' Union'. On Monday, 3 September, we carried our banner at the service of Celebration and Thanksgiving for 125 years of the belonging of St Michael & All Angels, Houghton to the Mothers' Union.



All Souls Service Sunday 29th October at 6.00 p.m.

The departed will be remembered by name during prayers. Those whose funerals have been conducted at St Matthew's or by the Vicar at the crematorium, will automatically be prayed for. Other names may be added to the list at the back of the church.

Toy Sale

Coffee & Book Morning



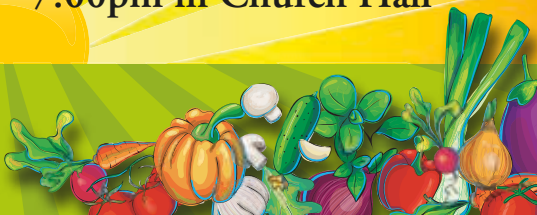
Saturday 4th November
10am in the Church Hall

St. Matthew's Harvest Celebration

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".

Harvest Sunday Service
24th September 9.45am

Harvest Broth & Stottie Night
Monday 25th September
7.00pm in Church Hall



St. Matthew's BARBEQUE Back to Church

Sunday 3rd September was the date of our annual "Back to Church BBQ" this year. This is something we started up a few years ago now, to mark the end of the summer holidays where a lot of the regular congregation have not attended due to being away – so it's a kind of welcome back celebration!

As usual, Billy did a great job of cooking countless burgers, sausages and chicken strips for everyone, just outside the Vestry door, while everyone sat inside this year. The sun was shining, but it was a bit breezy outside, so we felt that sitting in the Lady Chapel was the more appropriate option this year. A glass of wine accompanied the cooked food and fluffy bread buns along with salad and some lovely gateaux for dessert, so we were all well fed!

This was a lovely social occasion where we could all catch up with one another – especially as it was a mix of those who attend morning and evening services. Coming together for some bread and wine.....a common theme in church!







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September is a really significant time for families with children of all ages. The very young may be starting Nursery, older ones may be starting School, moving up a class or starting College or University. All these educational establishments have a huge impact on local communities.

Our church has always supported all families at this time of new beginnings and transition, which is often accompanied with anxiety and excitement. We particularly hold in our thoughts, all those who have had children baptized at St. Matthew's – as we offer our continued support and prayers as they grow up in the family of God.

A prayer for all those in education:

*God of wisdom,
Give them joy as they start work for this academic year;
Give them love for those they meet,
Give them hope for those whose future they affect,
Give them strength for each day
And the knowledge of your presence by their side.
Amen.*

The Taylor Fund

This is another way our church can support the people of Newbottle in education.

The Taylor fund was established in 2005 in memory of Mr Francis William Taylor, for the repair and maintenance of St Matthew's Parish Church but also to provide educational grants and scholarships to people in the Parish of Newbottle. September is a key month in terms of starting education so if anyone in Newbottle is about to embark on a new chapter of their education and needs financial help, then they may be eligible to apply from this fund.

Please contact Su Legg at the Community Foundation on 0191 2220945 or visit www.communityfoundation.org.uk for more information.

PHOTOS OF YESTERYEAR

Do you know anyone in these photos? Perhaps you have a photo of yesteryear from Newbottle? Please send it in to us we would love to see it, contact details found on page 2.



Newbottle 1933 - Rover Scouts, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts



Newbottle GFS Keep Fit Team

Sunniside Methodist Church

Donations to Flower Fund:

In memory of a dear friend Doreen on her birthday, with love from Sheila and Nora.

Donations to Church Fund:

In loving memory of a dear wife and mother on her 99th birthday on the 27th September, from husband Tim and son David Graves.

Congratulations from all his friends at Sunniside to David Graves who celebrated his 65th birthday on 17th August. David organised a coach trip to Thirsk and Harrogate on Saturday August 12th which was enjoyed by all those onboard.

Obituary:

Doreen Welsh

Doreen lived her whole life at Grasswell where she was a well known and respected member of the community, and she enjoyed a long and happy marriage to her late husband John. Doreen, along with John, had a strong association with Sunniside Methodist Church, and worshipped there on many occasions throughout the year. She was also a loyal member of the Ladies Fellowship at the church, and was an "Ever Present" at their fortnightly meetings for a great many years. Doreen died peacefully at the age of 91, and she will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Notices & Information

CHURCH HALL RESTORATION FUND

Anniversary memories of Maurice Bailey devoted Husband of Marion and a dearly loved Dad and Grandy always in our thoughts.

Donation from the family of the late Elizabeth Irving

FLOWER ARRANGING ROTA

Mrs Lydiatt Mrs Towers Mrs French Mrs Wilson Mrs Martin

Flower preparation at 10.00am on the following

September 1st 8th 15th

September 22nd Harvest Sunday Produce and Flowers Arranged

" 29th

October 6th 13th 20th 27th

SANCTUARY GUILD DONATIONS

In Loving Memory of Jean Turnbull from Paddock Style Manor

Anonymous donation for flowers

Special Memories of Alan Loving and Loved Husband and Dad Missed beyond words from Margaret, Craig, Scott, Deborah and Carly

In memory of Grandparents Martha Taylor and Jack and Sarah Harriman from Janette

In loving memory of a dear Mam and Dad Ellen and Jack Wilson from John and Rita

In loving memory of George Clough from Daughters Valerie and Linda and Families

FABRIC FUND

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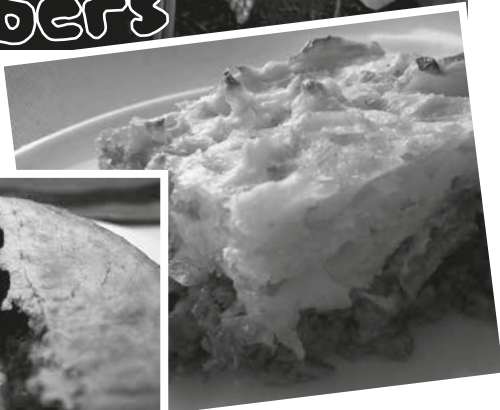


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Contact: Malcolm 0191 5844995

St. Matthew's Church & Community Hall

Weekly Timetable

...part of the local community spirit

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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Christmas Fayre

Sat 25th November

Church Hall 2.00pm