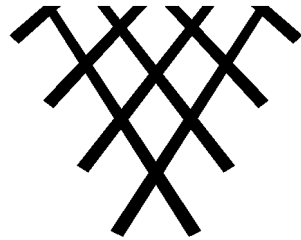


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The Minister writes:

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make our Summer Gala such a success, and thank you to all who came to support us, despite the rather miserable weather.

The gala is always timed to be as near as possible to the feast day of St Peter, our patron saint, which is celebrated every year on 29th June. St Peter's school began the celebrations with a special service in school followed by a sleepover, which was a great success. It is always helpful to remember some of the stories about St Peter, and be encouraged in our own journey of faith.

I find that I am most encouraged by the times when Peter messed up. When we are honest we can all admit to doing things that we regret or are ashamed of, just like St Peter. At the school service we retold the story of Jesus walking on the lake in the midst of a storm. Peter, full of courage, follows Jesus's call to step out of the boat and walk on the water too. At first it goes well as he walks towards Jesus. Then he notices the wind and waves and becomes afraid and begins to sink. Fortunately Jesus is there to help him back into the boat as the wind dies down and all becomes calm.

Most people will remember that Peter famously denied knowing Jesus three times, despite saying he would always be there for him. Again Jesus lifts him up when he forgives him on the beach after His resurrection.

Therefore, we can identify with Peter's humanity and know that, as Jesus helped him, he can help us too. I am reading a book about a church that has the motto, "No perfect people allowed". It is really about being authentic. This means if we have doubts it is good to admit them but also be willing to talk about them. It means acknowledging that none of us are perfect, so we can accept each other as we are; but also that we can encourage each other in seeking the help of Jesus to become more like Him.



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St Peter's Church Services

*All services are held at the Church Centre,
Lake Lock Road, Stanley*

Sunday	10am	Family Communion
	4pm	Evensong (on the first Sunday of every month)
Tuesday	2pm	Prayers
Wednesday	9:30 am	Holy Communion
Thursday	9:15 am	Children's Ark

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Minister: David Dixon, telephone: 01924 872262

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DATES FOR JULY & AUGUST

Weds 2nd July 2pm—4pm	<u>Coffee Afternoon</u> at Mount Road Chapel with cakes, refreshments and various stalls, see p10.
Weds 2nd July 7:30pm	<u>Taize Service</u> with meditative and prayerful music. All welcome.
Sat 5th July 11am—3pm	<u>St Peter's School Summer Fair</u> with activities, stalls, entertainment & the Tour de France.
Sun 6th July 4pm	<u>Evensong</u> : with Holy Communion, based on the Common Book of Prayer.
Thurs 10th July 6pm	<u>Moorhouse Community Action Group meeting</u> at the Church Centre, see page 9.
Fri 11th July 7:30pm	<u>Film Club</u> : '12 Years a Slave' Multi-award winning film starring Chiwetel Ejiofor, p16.
Sat 12th July 10am-12pm	<u>Coffee morning</u> at the Community Centre with tombola, cake stall, and much more, see p10.
Sat 12th July	<u>Last Night of the Proms</u> event with family BBQ, music and more. See p9 for details.
Sun 13th July 10am	<u>Family Parade service</u> with the uniformed organisations.
Weds 16th July	<u>PCC Meeting</u> at the Church Centre at 7:30pm.
Sun 20th July 7:30pm	<u>Holy Space</u> : a new, informal monthly evening service with prayer and worship. All welcome.
Sun 3rd August	<u>Evensong</u> : with Holy Communion, at 4pm.
Weds 6th August 2pm—4pm	<u>Coffee Afternoon</u> at Mount Road Chapel with cakes, refreshments and various stalls, see p10.
Weds 6th August	<u>Taize Service</u> at 7:30pm.
Fri 8th August 7:30pm	<u>Film Club</u> : See the community column in the Wakefield Express nearer the time for details.
Sat 9th August 10am-12pm	<u>Coffee morning</u> at the Community Centre with tombola, cake stall, and much more, see p10.
Sun 10th August 12pm—5pm	<u>Stanley Gala</u> on Lime Pit Lane playing fields, with lots of activities and entertainment, p13.

STANLEY LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Stanley Library offers a wide selection of books, talking books, selected language tapes, DVDs for hire, as well as a photocopier/A4 colour photocopier, fax machine, newspapers and selected magazines. There are also public access computers, offering free internet access, and basic computer programs (i.e. word processing). There are also free UK Online computer courses available offering internet training and Introduction to Computers —please ask in the library.

OPENING HOURS

Monday	10am-1pm and 2pm-7pm
Tuesday	10am-1pm and 2pm-5pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	10am-1pm and 2pm-7pm
Friday	10am-1pm and 2pm-5pm
Saturday	9am-1pm

Reading Groups: There are two Reading groups: one meets in the morning of the first Monday of every month, and the second meets in the evening of the first Thursday of every month. Check with the library for times and book details.

Activities for Children: There is a Tiny Tots Storytime for under 5's, 11:30-12pm on certain Mondays: check with the Library for dates. Other activities for children are organised in most school holidays—please ask for details.

Family History Group: The Family History Group meets on the first Tuesday of every month, from 11am-12pm.

Coffee Morning: There is a coffee morning every Thursday morning, 10am-12 noon. Come and relax with friends over a cuppa.

The Community Centre: The hall, two rooms and well equipped kitchen are available for hire. Contact the Librarian on 01924 303130 to book in advance.



LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS



And World War 1 centenary commemoration

Saturday 12th July
St Peter's Church field, Stanley
4pm onwards



Bring a picnic from 4pm
Children's games, crafts and activities
Also BBQ with free burger

Proms show starts 6pm with songs,
sketches, poems and more.....


Free event

Dress code: red, white and blue!

Moorhouse Community Action Group

The next meeting of the Moorhouse Community Action Group will be on Thursday 10th July 2014 at 6pm at the Church Centre. Please come along and raise any issues specific to Moorhouse with local councillors and representatives from WDH.

Mount Road Methodist Chapel Events

- The next Coffee Afternoons will be on Wednesday 2nd July, and Wednesday 6th August, 2pm—4pm, with various stalls and refreshments. 
- The Church Anniversary Service will be held on Sunday 13th July at 10.30am. Everyone is invited to join come along and join in with this special annual service.


Knit and Natter, Sew and Chatter!

At St Peter's Church Centre, every Thursday, 2pm-4pm
Enjoy a cuppa, company and a 'crafty' afternoon!

Please come and join this established group of ladies as they knit, sew, compare ideas and patterns, learn new crafty skills, and share conversation and friendship.

Just turn up: you will be very warmly welcomed.

Please note Knit and Natter is now starting at the later time of 2pm

Coffee morning thank-you: Thank you to everyone who supported last month's St Peter's coffee morning: £157 was raised and it was a very busy and pleasant morning. There will be two coffee mornings over the summer: on Saturday 12th July and on Saturday 9th August, from 10am—12pm at Stanley Community Centre, with a cake stall, handmade greetings cards, tombola, raffle, toys, jigsaws, books, refreshments and more! Donations of books, small toys and jigsaws in good condition would be appreciated. 



Prayer Meeting—every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm

The weekly prayer meeting at St Peter's Church Centre continues to meet every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm, led by Calli McKenna. Please call in to pray for those in trouble, sorrow, sickness or need; for family, friends, the community and the world.

Summer Gala - a review



This year's annual St Peter's Summer Gala was held on Saturday 28th June. Despite the wet weather, it was a very successful event and raised £1,405.

Because of the weather, the decision was taken early in the morning to set up all the stalls on the car park and in the church hall, as the field was so wet. This arrangement worked very well, and lots of people worked hard in the morning to set up all the gazebos and tables.

The gala was opened at 1pm by Mr Paul Fenton, the Headteacher of Stanley St Peter's CofE Primary and Nursery School. The superb Stanley Starlights Majorettes were the first in the arena, and performed two slots during the afternoon. There was also a very energetic performance by Dance Fever Academy, which rehearses at St Peter's Church every Thursday from 6pm-7pm. Later on, the dogs from the Normanton Dog Training Club came into the arena with an obedience demonstration and to meet the children. Thank you to all our performers who braved the cold and the rain!

Thank you also to all the stallholders who worked so hard to prepare their stalls. There were lots of stalls to visit: tombola, cakes, books, toys, bric-a-brac, children's tombola, sweets, plants, name the doll and face painting. There were several games organised by the Scouts including hook a duck and a coconut shy, and Crafty Kids had an activity table. The Brownies and Rainbows also came with a stall, and also the Youth Work Company which works with young people in the area. Later in the afternoon, a bouncy castle was set up.

For refreshments there were hotdogs and drinks, and delicious cream teas and plated sandwiches. Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard in the kitchen to serve the refreshments. Thanks also to everyone who donated prizes for the Grand Raffle, including Kev's Fish Shop and St Peter's Community Café. Other prizes were a cash prize of £60, a hamper, and toiletries. All prizes have been claimed.

Despite the weather it was a very happy and successful event. We are very grateful to everyone who helped organise it and those who supported it so generously.

From the Stanley Parish Register

Funerals

Audrey Crossland	29 May 2014
Joseph Richardson	29 May 2014
Florence Duffield	5 June 2014
Eric Smith	11 June 2014
Margaret Stanley	19 June 2014
George Stokoe	26 June 2014

Baptisms

Mylee Beau Griffiths	25 May 2014
Aren Brian Capewell	1 June 2014

Summer Concert Review

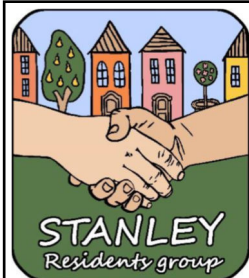
Thank you to everyone who supported the Stanley Community Singers' Summer Concert on Sunday 22nd June at St Peter's Church. It was an excellent event and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves very much. The Singers performed a number of well-known songs including 'Danny Boy', 'Moon River', 'Some Enchanted Evening' and 'Rhythm of Life'. Also appearing in the concert were singers and dancers from the ElliTe school of music and dance.



The concert was held in aid of Yorkshire Air Ambulance and Dogs for the Disabled, and the singers were delighted that a total of £240 was raised at the concert, meaning that £120 can be donated to each of the charities.



The Stanley Community Singers meet every Monday afternoon in term time at St Peter's Church on Lake Lock Road from 1pm-3pm with singing from 1:30pm-2:30pm and time before and afterwards for refreshments and chat. Please come and join us: no previous singing experienced required; make new friends, learn new songs and enjoy singing!



Stanley Gala

Organised by the Stanley Residents' Group

Sunday 10th August 2014

12 noon—5pm

on Lime Pit Lane playing field

Fun Fair for all ages

Sweets

Food & drink

Ice cream

Lots of Stalls

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Majorettes

Raffle

Crafts

Games

Fire engine

Dog Show—entry on the day

Kids Fancy Dress Competition

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For more information contact stanleyaction@talktalk.net



Scouts and traditional values

Hanging on to traditional values, including the keeping of God in their promise, has not hurt the Scouts; in fact, it has helped the movement grow. So says Scout Association Chief Commissioner, Wayne Bulpitt. Across the country, Scout numbers have risen by almost a quarter in the past decade, and membership is at its highest for a generation. Bulpitt says young people still crave “adventure”, and the decision to modernise the movement without abandoning its principles has been a success. UK Scouts now number more than 550,000 members. That is 100,000 more than 10 years ago.

The 1st Yorkshire Baden Powell Cub pack meets on Tuesday evenings at St Peter's Church on Lake Lock Road, from 6:15pm-7:30pm and Scouts meet from 7:30pm—9:30pm. The group enjoy a variety of indoor and outdoor activities, learn traditional Scouting skills and there are opportunities to go on camps and join in events with the Scouts. For more information, contact Mark Pringle, the Group Scoutmaster, on firstyorkshire@gmail.com.

The Great War: *the war poets*

Article written by David Winter, former Head of Religious Broadcasting at the BBC.

Last month, we saw how the songs of the music halls mirrored—and even shaped—the public mood about the war. At the same time some of the finest young British poets were serving at the front, writing poetry that they never expected to be published, storing it in diaries or in letters home. Some of the more familiar names are Wilfred Owen, Rupert Brooke, and Laurence Binyon who was not a soldier but an Oxford academic, and who in the early months of the War wrote a poem which contains perhaps the best known lines of English poetry:

*They grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.*



THE GREAT WAR
1914 - 1918

Brooke's 'The Soldier' ('If I should die think only this of me') is a beautifully crafted and deeply moving sonnet, suggesting that had he lived he would have held a high place among English lyric poets. But today it is the anger, frustration and utter despair of his fellow poets in the trenches which has made their work memorable. Owen's 'Anthem for Doomed Youth', or his even angrier 'Dulci et decorum est', a bitter rejection of the notion that it is 'sweet and honourable to die for your country', powerfully capture the horror of war. Many of them, including Brooke, Owen and Rosenberg, were killed in action, Owen in the last few days of the War.

For the most part it was probably a decade after the war's end before their truthful but deeply disturbing work began to be fully recognised and honoured. It's not surprising that in the aftermath of war, with virtually every family in the country bereaved, the preference was to remember acts of valour and the hard-won victory rather than the slaughter and suffering that it entailed. The hymn 'O Valiant Hearts' was enormously popular at that time: 'In glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land/ commits her children to thy gracious hand'.

This year as we remember 100 years since the beginning of World War 1, many people are turning again to the Great War poets. It may be that only now, a century later, can we see the strange paradox

that the most brutal of wars could also produce wonderful acts of valour and self-sacrifice, and the muddy trenches of battle some of the finest poetry of modern times.

Please join us at St Peter's Church on Saturday 12th July from 4pm-7:30pm when we remember the Great War with poems, sketches and war time songs. See page 9 for full details.

15th July: St Swithun's Day - *saint for a rainy day*

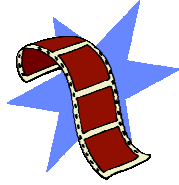
St Swithun (or Swithin) is apparently the saint you can blame for rainy summers. It is said that if it rains on his special day, 15 July, it will then rain for forty days after that. It all began when he was made Bishop of Winchester in 852 by King Ethelwulf of Wessex. It was an important posting: Winchester was the capital of Wessex, and during the 10 years Swithun was there, Wessex became the most important kingdom of England.

During his life, instead of washing out people's summer holidays, and damping down their spirits, Swithun seems to have done a lot of good. He was famous for his charitable gifts and for his energy in getting churches built. When he was dying in 862, he asked that he be buried in the cemetery of the Old Minster, just outside the west door.



If he had been left there in peace, who knows how many rainy summers the English may have been spared over the last 1000 years. But, no, it was decided to move Swithun. By now, the 960s, Winchester had become the first monastic cathedral chapter in England, and the newly installed monks wanted Swithun in the cathedral with them. So finally, on 15 July 971, his bones were dug up and Swithun was translated into the cathedral.

That same day many people claimed to have had miraculous cures. Certainly everyone got wet, for the heavens opened. The unusually heavy rain that day, and on the days following, was attributed to the power of St Swithun. Swithun was moved again in 1093, into the new Winchester cathedral. His shrine was a popular place of pilgrimage throughout the middle ages. The shrine was destroyed during the Reformation, and restored in 1962. There are 58 ancient dedications to Swithun in England.



St Peter's Church

Film Club



Friday evening, 11th July, 7:30pm

'12 Years a Slave' (2013) 15 Rating

'12 Years a Slave' won three Academy Awards, including Best Picture, Best Supporting Actress (Lupita Nyong'o) and Best Adapted Screenplay, and also won a Golden Globe for Best Motion Picture, and BAFTAs for Best Leading Actor (Chiwetel Ejiofor) and Best Film. Directed by Steve McQueen, the film follows the experience of Solomon Northup (Ejiofor), an African-American living with his wife and two children in Saratoga, New York, who is kidnapped and sold into slavery by men claiming to offer him work as a circus musician. Transported by ship to New Orleans, he is given a new name and sold to William Ford (Benedict Cumberbatch), a relatively empathetic slave owner. But confrontations lead to him being passed on to the abusive and alcoholic planter Edwin Epps (Michael Fassbender). Solomon decides to cease fighting against the illegitimacy of his situation and eventually salvation is offered to him by a kindly labourer named Bass (Brad Pitt).

Free admission, tea & coffee, but bring your own popcorn!

Film shown at St Peter's Church, Lake Lock Road, doors open 7pm

The next Film Club will be on Friday 8th August. Please see the Community column in the Wakefield Express nearer the time for the film title

4th August – Time for Lights Out!

Every householder in Britain is being asked to turn out their lights at 11pm on 4th August, to mark the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War.

The nationwide event is based on the famous comment attributed to Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Secretary, on the eve of the conflict in 1914. He said: "The lamps are going out all over Europe; we shall not see them lit again in our lifetime." He made the remark the day before war was declared, as he gazed across St James's Park from his window at the Foreign Office at the gas lamps being lit.

The switch-off is being called Lights Out, and is backed by the

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Government as “one of the most dramatic UK-wide events ever organised.” Throughout the UK, everyone is being invited to “turn off their lights and to replace them with one single light, to remember a day that changed the world forever.”



The ‘Lights Out’ will take place at the same time as a candlelit vigil of prayers, readings and music held in Westminster Abbey. There, candles will be extinguished one by one until a single flame is snuffed out at 11pm.

Reports from our local schools

Stanley Grove School

Aberford Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4NT, Tel: 01924 303805

Website: www.stanleygroveprimary.co.uk Headteacher: Mrs J Frost

This half term the whole school has been studying topics linked to Brazil, in recognition of the World Cup being held there.

We enjoyed a fantastic arts week when the children enjoyed a whole week of dance, baking, ICT work, and a huge variety of arts activities in their mixed age house groups. The school has produced a huge mural to commemorate the World Cup which is now on display in the school hall.

Work on our new classroom is progressing well. The building is beginning to take shape and we look forward to using our new classroom in September.

Class 2 will be going on a visit to Pizza Express in Wakefield to learn about how pizzas are made to fit in with our topics of learning about other countries. We are also looking forward to our Sports Days and hope that the sun shines!

Later this term we will be holding a non-uniform day to raise money for school funds to help enhance our outdoor environment for the pupils. The children will also be able to purchase buns and cakes.

All pupils will be taking part in transition days this term when they will spend some time in their new classroom with the teacher they will have in September.

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Our Year 6 pupils are taking part in transition days to help with their move to secondary school. We will also be holding a special leavers' assembly to say goodbye to them all. We would like to wish them all the very best as they move on to their new schools.

Class 5 will be performing a special end of year play which they have been working very hard towards.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our staff, pupils and their families a very enjoyable summer break and we look forward to welcoming the children into their new classes in September.

Stanley Children's Centre

*Long Causeway, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4JB, Tel: 01924 303181,
Open: Monday to Friday 8:30am—4:30pm Centre Manager: Liz Cooper*

The Children's Centre offers support services to families with children under 5 and parents-to-be: fun activities, advice on parenting, childcare, education, benefits and finance, housing, support for childminders; adult courses; antenatal care; child health promotion clinic; breastfeeding support and more. See overleaf for details:

- There will be a number of fun activities over the summer holidays for children. Please call into the centre or check the Children's Centre Facebook page for details of these and other events.
- There will be Parent Craft Classes on Tuesday 1st July and 8th July from 6:30pm—8:30pm. Please contact the centre to book a place.
- The Childminding Support Group will meet on Wednesday 9th July from 9:30am—11:30am.
- The Parents' Forum Group will meet on Tuesday 8th July from 9:15am—10:30am. Come and share your ideas about the centre.
- There will be a First Aid Course on Wednesday 23rd July from 9:30am—11:30am. Please book your place.
- In September, a number of new courses will be starting. 'Maths is Magic' is a free 12 week course starting on Friday 12th September from 9:15am—11:15am, and there will be a 12 week English course starting on Thursday 11th September from 9:15am—11:15am.
- There will be a number of fun activities during the summer holidays. Please contact the centre to find out details and dates.

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Day	Time	Group
Monday	9am—4:30pm 1.30pm—3pm	<u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed. <u>Stay & Play</u> for ages 18 months—5 years.
Tuesday	10am—12pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Baby Time</u> from birth—9 months.
Wednesday	1pm—3pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Toddler Time</u> from 9 months —2 years.
Thursday	9am—12pm 9:30am—3:30pm	<u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed. <u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed.
Friday	10am—12:30pm 1pm—4pm 2pm—4pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Pregnancy Health Trainer</u> <u>Midwife Drop-in Clinic</u>

St Peter's CofE Primary & Nursery School

Lake Lock Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4HS

Tel: 01924 303175, Headteacher: Mr Paul Fenton

On Friday 27th June we celebrated St Peter's Day and our collective worship focused on Saint Peter. Unfortunately due to the 'British weather' we were forced to hold the event indoors! In the morning, the children did activities about St Peter in their classrooms before they departed to the Dining Hall for the 'Afternoon Tea'. Each child made a fish scale from white paper on which they drew a picture or wrote about their favourite Bible story. The scales were then all stuck together to large fish! This is to remind the children that before St Peter was an apostle he was a fisherman.

Members of the church congregation also attended this event and also enjoyed the activities and 'Afternoon Tea' which was served by our Year 6 Children.

On Saturday 5th July, our Summer Gala will be taking place on the playing fields from 11am – 3pm with various stalls, activities, bouncy castle, and entertainment. For the sporting enthusiasts we will also be showing live coverage of the Tour de France 'grand depart'.

We would like to wish our Year 6 children all the very best in their new high schools, and we look forward to welcoming all everyone else into their new classes next term. We wish all our pupils, staff and families a very happy summer.

Dioceses vote in favour of women bishops

The Church of England's dioceses have now all voted in favour of the current draft legislation to enable women to be bishops. In 2011 both London and Chichester diocesan synods voted against the legislation. The February 2014 meeting of General Synod referred the current Women in the Episcopate legislation to the dioceses.

Diocesan Synods all voted in favour of the motion 'That this Synod approve the proposals embodied in the draft Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure.' For the motion to be carried the houses of clergy and laity had to each vote, by a simple majority, in favour. The draft legislation will now go before General Synod in July for a Final Approval vote.

The Bishop of Rochester, James Langstaff, Chair of the Steering Committee for the Draft Legislation for Women in the Episcopate said: "The dioceses have now expressed their view very clearly and the matter now comes back to General Synod in July. I pray that the Synod will continue to approach this decision in a prayerful and generous way as we move towards voting on the proposal that women may be bishops in the Church of England."

Wakefield Eastern Relief Road planning application

Wakefield Council is preparing a planning application for the Wakefield Eastern Relief Road which will connect Doncaster Road with Aberford Road. The proposed route of the new road will be alongside the canal from Belle Vue, past Eastmoor and will connect with Aberford Road at the Bar Lane roundabout and at the bottom of Stanley hill, opposite the Shell petrol station. There will also be a spur which will connect with Ferry Lane.

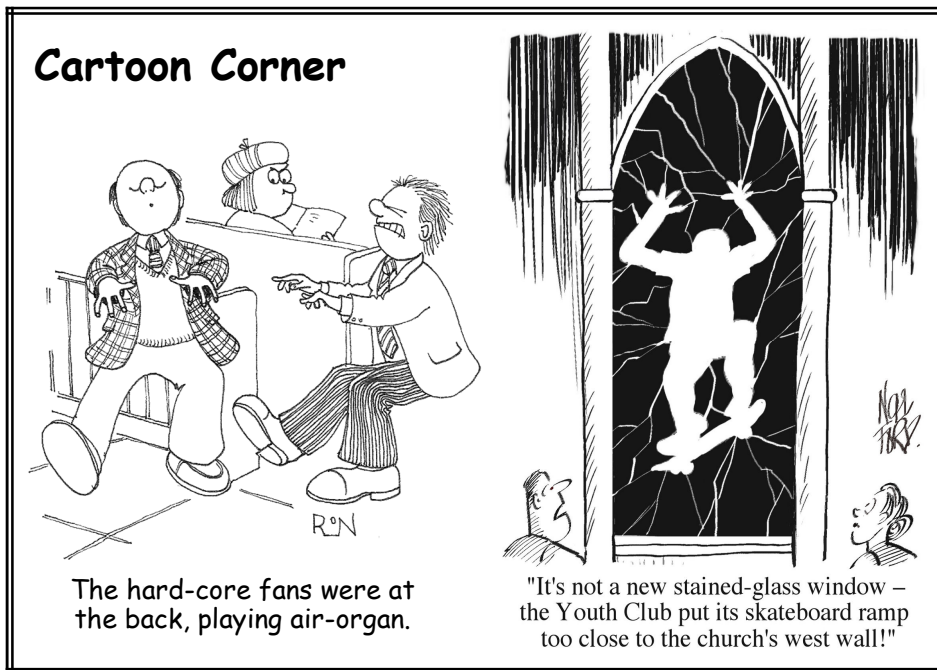
There will be drop-in exhibitions about the new road on:

- Tuesday 15th July at St Swithuns Community Centre, Eastmoor, from 3pm until 8pm
- Wednesday 16th July at Agbrigg and Belle Vue Community Centre, Montague Street, from 3pm until 8pm.

It is Wakefield Council's intention to submit the planning application for this new road in August 2014.

Quotes of the month:

- ◇ *“Gardens are not made by singing ‘Oh how beautiful’, and sitting in the shade”* (Rudyard Kipling).
- ◇ *“Grandchildren don't stay young forever, which is good because grandfathers have only so many horsy rides in them”* (Gene Perret).
- ◇ *“Perhaps the straight and narrow path would be wider if more people used it”* (Kay Ingram).
- ◇ *“Beauty is the gift of God”* (Aristotle).



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Prayers for this month

My Christ-thoughts

I light my Christ-light daily
And I lift my Christ-thoughts high
While in the flame I see my Lord draw near.
He takes my prayer
For you and yours and puts them at the heart
Of God's concern for all in need

As He works through those who care.
He takes their skill, their patience
To encourage, comfort, bless;
To strengthen faith, and hope, and love,
And uses life to profess
The wonder of creation and
The wonder of His grace,

As through the care of many
We behold the Lord's own face.
He's the Light in every darkness
And the Hope in all despair -
For He's the one in everyone
Who says, 'My love, I'm here!'

By Sam Doubtfire



Prayer of thanks

Lord Jesus,
Thank you for coming
to live as one of us.
Thank you for telling
those wonderful stories
Of everyday people and
events,
Which you filled with
messages of truth and
eternity.
Help us, Lord, to learn
from your written Word
And to recognise you as
the living Word - and
our Saviour, the only
way to the Father.
In your name we pray,
Lord Jesus, Amen.
By Daphne Kitching

Forgive

Almighty God, most merciful
You know our thoughts and deeds
Our sins have been most plentiful
Forgive, we plead!

Our hearts are far from You, O Lord
You should be first, not last
Our neighbours have not known accord
Forgive our past!

Help us amend what we've become
Direct what we shall be
With justice, mercy, peace we come
Humbly with Thee!

By Nigel Beeton

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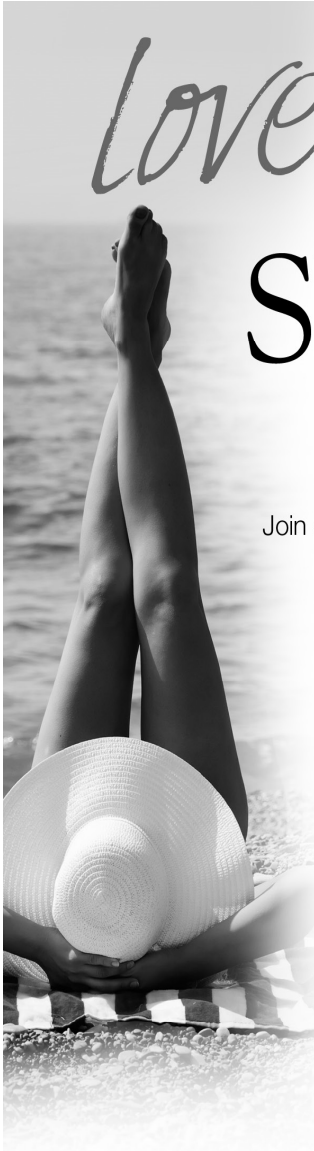
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