



A new take on tradition

This month's picture could almost be an abstract image, couldn't it?. Definitely modern though, I think you would say. In fact, it is a picture of the top of a new font which was installed in the church last month. The font has been three years in the making and is a gift to the church from the maker, Colin Sweeten, who lives in Middleton Tyas and has his own joinery business, Star Projects Ltd, in Newton Aycliffe.

The font is made to a deceptively modern design but its octagonal shape echoes much of the joinery already found in the church and its making involved some of the same skills and traditional tools that craftsmen would have used hundreds of years ago, as well as modern machinery. The font was made from six planks of European oak and comprises forty-five separate pieces, each forming part of an octagon, which have been painstakingly locked together. It contains a stainless steel bowl.

The font is free-standing, which means it can be moved around the church, to the chancel steps for example, to give the whole congregation a chance to see the baptism and participate more fully in the service. The font was consecrated by Bishop John Packer, Bishop of Ripon and Leeds, at a service on 18 August. He reflected that so much of the church interior is a reminder of the lives of people who have lived here before us. This new gift to the church, with its simple beauty and craftsmanship, will speak for us and carry forward a message of welcome and hope to future generations.

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- Organic wholemeal bloomer £1.75
- Wholemeal petit pain 52p

New from Tiptree

Organic Blossom Honey	£4.59
Red Currant Jelly	£2.26
Morello Cherry Jam	£2.26
Damson Stoneless Jam	£2.55
Grapefruit Marmalade	£2.15
Three Fruits Marmalade	£2.15
Orange and Lemon Marmalade	£2.15
'Tiptree' Marmalade	£2.36
	(454g)
'Old Time' Orange Marmalade	£2.36
	(454g)

NEW IN THE CHILLER CABINET

Epicure Crab Pate	£2.45
Epicure Salmon Pate	£2.45

Rendell's Farmhouse Duck Pate £2.92

By customer request we now keep fresh cream in stock:

Acorn Organic Fresh Double Cream £1.25

For serious coffee drinkers, we have added to our list of Taylor's Ground Coffee, the new dark Italian!

TAYLOR'S ESPRESSO £4.05

And we've added COD AND CHORIZO to the range of popular Carrick's Fish Cakes joining the regular favourites:

SALMON AND BROCCOLI	£1.22
SMOKED HADDOCK AND SPRING ONION	£1.22
CRAB AND PRAWN	£1.62

COD AND CHORIZO £1.32



Bishop John Packer with Colin Sweeten and his son Finlay have a good look at the new font after the service.

Moulton matters

Bookswaps

The Bookswap on 27 July raised £66.50 and the sale of 'Books in the Bus Shelter' £42.17 during July and August. Thanks to all who supported fund raising for Moulton Village Association.

The next Bookswap will be held on SUNDAY 27 October from 10.00 – 12 noon. Refreshments will be available.

Following the success of recent Bookswaps and sales in the bus shelter, we now welcome additional donations of fiction and children's books. Please bring these along to the next Bookswap or leave them in the bus shelter.

Best Kept Village Competition

The result of the competition has been announced. Sadly we were unable to repeat the success of last year and the Parish Meeting will discuss next year's entry.

Broadband

If you wish to find out if you will be able to order fibre broadband in the future, you can contact info@superfastnorthyorkshire.com and provide your post code and telephone number.

Bus service consultation

North Yorkshire County Council has commenced a consultation regarding cuts to the bus service through the village. If implemented as proposed, the 1705 service from Marne to Darlington and the 1740 from Darlington to Richmond via Marne will cease. If you wish to participate in the consultation, you can find the details at www.northyorks.gov.uk/busconsultation or at local libraries.

Church Cleaning

Thanks to all who have volunteered to clean St Andrew's.

September: Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Vaux
October: Mr and Mrs Whitehead

Neighbourhood Watch

Mobile Police Office

The Mobile Police Office will be in Middleton Tyas once a month, generally on the last Saturday of the month, from 12.15 to 12.45. This is a chance to come along and speak to PC John Wilbor and PCSO Gavin Dobson regarding any quality of life issues, crime prevention, or simply to air your views about things that are happening in the village.

Dates:

28 September

26 October
30 November
28 December

We Can Dance

Many thanks to everyone who voted for 'We Can Dance' at Yorkshire Building Society's Richmond Office this summer. As a result, we are delighted to have been awarded £300 by Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation. The 'Small Change, Big Difference' scheme, which is the source of the funding from which we and other charities have just benefited, is the result of Yorkshire Building Society members who opt to 'round down' whatever interest their savings accrue to the nearest pound, the pence going to the fund. The generous donation 'We Can Dance' has received donates that the small change really does make a big difference.

Our next fund-raising event is the Summer Luncheon on 23 September (see Page x of this issue). We do hope as many people as possible will be able to join us there.

Beginners' French

Beginners' French (or even better if you can speak a little!) starts in Barton Village Hall on Tuesday 17 September 6.30 - 8.30pm. The 10 week course costs £80, £65 for over 60's. Ring 0845 873 6585 to enrol or online at richmondshire.adultlearning@northyorks.gov.uk

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Tel: **01748 850079** M **07813 275345**

E-mail:

kerry@homestarrichmondshire.org.uk

Website: www.home-start.org.uk

Trip to Opera North's 'Peter Grimes'

Thursday 10 October, 7.00pm

Grand Theatre, Leeds

Coach leaves Aldbrough St John at 4.15.

Other pick-ups as required.

Good stall seats have been booked.

Cost £52 for coach and ticket.

Contact Janet Hall at

**janet.hall@finklecroft.me.uk for more
information or send a SAE to Finkle Croft,
Aldbrough St John, Richmond, DL11 7TD**

This production was given a well-deserved 5-star rating by The Guardian, The Times and The Independent when first performed in 2006.

We Can Dance

Summer Luncheon

Monday 23 September

Reception at 12.00

Followed by two course lunch and coffee

Flower Demonstration by Sam and Lucy
(Carl Banks Darlington)

The Marquee

Village Farm

By kind permission of Thelma Marshall

Tickets £28 from Pauline Aitken 377137

Claiming dates

Events are in the Memorial Hall unless shown otherwise.

September

Thursday 12 September Parish Council

Meeting 7.00

Monday 23 September 12.00 'We can Dance'

Summer Luncheon, Village Farm

October

Thursday 10 October 7.00 PC Meeting

Saturday 19 October 12.00 – 2.00 Autumn

Warmer

Sunday 27 October 10.00 – 12.00 Bookswap,
St Andrew's Moulton

Editor's corner

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September to 2 The Green, tel 377311 or e-mail
me at dianahthomas @gmail.com.

macmillan coffee morning

St Andrew's Church Moulton

Friday 27th September

10am to 1pm

Please join us for yummy cakes and a fun morning with friends, so everyone facing cancer can have a Macmillan team in their corner.

Raffle prizes include:

- * A meal for 4 people at the Black Bull Moulton, up to £160
- * A Photo shoot by Ashleigh Grant- Richmond
- * Beauty voucher, value £50

And many more prizes.

If you are unable to make it on the day but would still like to donate, you can text coffee 36M to 70550 (all texts cost £5 and will be included in the final amount raised)

If anyone would like to help on the day, bake cakes or supply a raffle prize, please contact Sue or Jo - 377815/339029

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AUTUMN WARMER

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bread,

tea or coffee and biscuits. + Book stall.

£ 4.00 per head, in aid of Church funds

Look forward to greeting you.

Thank You MOTO



Barbara Oram receiving a cheque on behalf of the Memorial Hall Management Committee from Angela Elgar, General Manager MOTO Services, Scotch Corner.

At the beginning of the Year MOTO services adopted Middleton Tyas Memorial Hall as their local charity for 2013. This made the hall eligible to apply for a grant. The Management Committee decided that the hall would benefit from new chairs. The grant application was completed and in mid July the great news was received that we had been successful with the application and the grant was being paid in full to the amount of one thousand pounds. We were delighted that we were given the opportunity to apply for the grant and over the moon that we have been successful. New chairs will soon be purchased for the Memorial Hall.

Thank You MOTO.

Church News

Letter from Rev Lynn Thorius

I am writing this pastoral note at the beginning of August. The weather over the past month has been wonderful and I hope that when you read this in September that we are all still enjoying the sunshine.

None the less at the time of writing temperatures have been consistently high, the rain when it came was heavy and the winds

strong. Along with millions of other people we congratulated the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge on the arrival of their baby George. We also had British victories at Wimbledon and the Tour de France so there has been much to be pleased about and to celebrate.

However, according to Tom Wright, 'the modern western world is built on anxiety'. You see it on the faces of people hurrying to and from work, tired but without having solved life's problems. The faces are weary, puzzled, living

with the unanswerable question as to what it all means. This world thrives on people setting higher and higher goals for themselves and each other so that they can worry all day and all year about whether they will reach them. If they do, they will set new goals. If they don't they feel they have failed. Is this really how we are supposed to live?

Repeated throughout the Gospel of Luke are warnings about acquiring possessions, storing our treasure in the right place or the wrong place, expending our energies on the right things or the wrong things: 'where your treasure is, there will your heart be also'. (Luke 12:34)

I know that whatever burdens or disappointments arise, Christ has opened the future to us. No matter how many transgressions, God's grace has received us and saved us again and again. Let Him take the strain. Christ calls us from the cross, 'Have no fear, little flock'. It is a good feeling to know this, to have no fear. I hope and pray that you feel it as well.

Eternal God and Father, you create us by your power and redeem us by your love. Guide and strengthen us by your Spirit that we may give ourselves in love and service to one another and to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
Reverend Lynn

ERTM Bible Study

Our Thursday morning sessions led by Rev David Lewis and Canon Rachel Stowe start again on Thursday 19 September at 10.30am at All Saints' Annexe, East Cowton, and thereafter every fortnight until Advent: 3, 17 and 31 October, 14 and 28 November. We already have folk from several of our villages so all are very welcome - if you can't manage every session just come when you can.

ERTM Mothers' Union

Members joined with those from Catterick and Richmond on a coach trip to the MU summer celebration at Wetherby on July 16 attended by 180 members from all parts of the diocese, including Bishop John. Our speakers were Fiona, national Communications Officer, and Paul and Pat Ainsworth, our Sri Lanka diocesan link officers, all giving us plenty of food for thought.

Shoebox Appeal

Many thanks to those who have given empty shoeboxes, which are always welcome. Others have asked if they do not have time to pack a shoebox would gifts to fill them be welcome? Yes, as follows: toys, small musical instruments, clip on earrings, necklaces, sunglasses etc (except war toys, knives, glass or liquids); stationery, stickers, puzzles (except sharp objects such as scissors); hygiene items, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, flannels, brushes, combs (but not liquids or aerosols); clothing, hats, caps, headbands, gloves, scarves (but nothing else); sweets (sell by date March 2014 or after).

All stuffed toys must have the CE mark. No novels and nothing of a political nature and no medicines. East Cowton CE School have once again kindly offered to be our main collection centre. Our numbers were quite a bit down last year? Can we do better? Yes we can!

St. Michael's Majors

The tea will be held in the Memorial Hall on Thursday 26 September, 3.00-5.00. Please note the change of date from the third Thursday to the fourth as some of us are away on the normal day. Usual travel arrangements apply. Raffle game as before this month, but please come with some ideas for a change in October.

Open Gardens

Everybody will remember Sunday 7 July 2013 as the day when Andy Murray won the Wimbledon Men's Singles Championship in three sets - and St Michaels's Church made a lot of money! The afternoon generated an amazing £1025 for which we are very grateful

Thanks to the everyone who helped and everyone who came to support us. It would not have been possible at all without the generosity of the people who opened their gardens so many thanks to them. Thanks also to the villagers who donated prizes, plants for sale and refreshments. And thanks finally to the people who added an extra something to the event: to Yvonne Nicholson and Joan Jemison for the home-made lemonade stall; Susan Mahaffy for the Children's Treasure Hunt and Frank and Audrey Jones for providing wine for sale in their garden.

Diana Donnison

Church Services

9.30 am	Sunday 1st September 14th after Trinity			Middleton Tyas	Rev. L. Thorius	
	Holy Communion (CW)					
Sidesmen	Mr. S. Hill Mrs. M. Hill	Reader	Mr. R. Congreve	Hebrews Luke	13 : 1 – 8, 15, 16 14 : 1, 7 – 14	p.877 p.878
1.00 pm	Saturday 7th September Wedding			Middleton Tyas	Rev. L. Thorius	
	Simon Robert Pain & Sarah Louise Roberts					
9.30 am.	Sunday 8th September 15th after Trinity			Middleton Tyas	Mr. H. Swanston	
	Morning Prayer (BCP)					
Sidesmen	Miss M. Brown Mrs. D. Carter	Reader	Mrs. E. Croft	Jeremiah Luke	18 : 1 - 11 14 : 25 - 33	p. 879 p. 884
12.30 pm	Baptism Daisy Allison			Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis	
6.00 pm	Holy Communion (BCP)			Moulton	Rev. L. Thorius	
9.30 am	Sunday 15th September 16th after Trinity			Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis	
	Holy Communion (CW)					
Sidesmen	Mrs.C. Harvey Mrs. E. Croft	Reader	Mr. P. Nimmins	1 Timothy Luke	1 : 12 – 17 15 : 1 - 10	p.888 p.888
12.30 pm	Saturday 21st September Wedding			Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis	
	Christopher Hipsey & Lucy Katherine Marshall					
9.30 am	Sunday 22nd September 17th after Trinity			Middleton Tyas	Mr. M. Idale	
	Harvest Festival					
Sidesmen	Mrs.S.Vaux Mrs. M.Parker	Reader	Toby Holdstock	The	Parable of the Sower	
10.30 am	Sunday 29th September Michaelmas			Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis	
	Holy Communion (CW) United Benefice Service					
Sidesmen	Mrs. M. Sheridan Mrs J Nimmins	Reader	TBA	Revelation John	12 : 7 – 12 1 : 47 – 51	P.1015 P.1017

Please note there is only one service in the Benefice on the 29 September, which will be held at St Michael and All Angels Church.

All readings are as detailed in the Revised Common Lectionary unless otherwise shown.

Cleaning rota

W/b Sept 2 Mrs Brooke and Mrs Nimmins
 Sept 9 and 16 Mrs Laycock, Mrs Mahaffy and Mrs Donnison
 Sept 23 and 30 MrsThompson and Mrs Potts

Susna Mahaffy, Daphne Carter and Ralph Congreve are in charge of flowers this month

If anyone needs the services of a priest, please contact Revd. David Lewis on 01609 881205 or email davidlewis648@btinternet.com

