

Music at All Saints' Hurworth

Where have you heard music this week? The radio is an easy answer, but think of all the other places: increasing the tension as they announce the winners on your favourite "Reality" TV show; calming you down as your telephone call is in a queue; encouraging you to spend your money in a shop. Can you imagine Psycho or Jaws without the music?

Music is everywhere and is a powerful tool for influencing how people feel. It is an important part of any of life's big events; it provides a gateway to the soul and the memory. How many of us have "our song", or hear a song from years ago and are transported back to then?

It is not surprising then, that music plays an important role in many church services, just as it has for many religions for many thousands of years. It is an integral part of the Bible, with the psalms and canticles, and the Bible encourages us to use it.

Music is chosen for each service to compliment the act of worship and our understanding of God's holy word. In the same way that the lessons are carefully selected and the preaching enhances our understanding of them and how they relate to our lives, the music is part of the worship package. Hymns are chosen for many reasons, primarily because they help develop our understanding of the lessons and remember the words and inflections used. In some cases the tone set by the piece opens the heart to the sadness or joy of the service, or a piece could be chosen because it welcomes the congregation; inspires the congregation to go out into the world with God in their heart; or promotes a peaceful, prayer-inspiring environment. Many musical styles and varied texts are mixed throughout the Church year to supplement our religious experiences.

One last thing: music doesn't have to be a spectator sport. Don't let your family tell you that you can't sing and don't feel afraid that you won't know what to do. Take a deep breath, raise your voice, and let it all out!

Andy Young (Director of Music),
Vicky Young (Choir member & Andy's boss!)

Newsletter

February 2010



All Saints Church, Hurworth on Tees with
St. John The Baptist, Dinsdale and All Saints Sockburn and Girsby

Area Dean Rev. Canon John Dobson, Tel 469891

Church Services February

Sunday 7th	Hurworth	10.30 am	Holy Communion
	Dinsdale	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday 14th	Hurworth	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	Girsby	9.30 am	Holy Communion
	Hurworth	10.30 am	Morning Worship
	Dinsdale	11.00 am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 17th	Hurworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 21st	Hurworth	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	Hurworth	10.30 am	Family Service
	Dinsdale	11.00 am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 24th	Hurworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 28th	Hurworth	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	Dinsdale	9.30 am	Holy Communion
	Hurworth	10.30 am	Morning Worship



Special Lent Services are Holy Communion every Wednesday during Lent at 10.00 am, and an Ash Wednesday service at 7.30 pm on 17th February.

For various reasons it has not been possible to arrange a Lent course at Hurworth this year, but there are several courses organised at All Saints, Blackwell, commencing 22nd February on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, at various times and places.

For details please contact the All Saints, Blackwell church office
Tel 469891 (preferable in the mornings)

Parish Records

Baptism

Dec 27 Imogen Rose Bell

Church Funeral

Dec 10 George Henry Stead (82)

Jan 21 Thomas Bates Stott (89)

Other Funerals

Jan 11 June Ellis (70)

Jan 20 Audrey Ithurrald (77)

Church Wedding

Dec 12 Gemma Elizabeth Petty to
Jonathan Timothy Mann

Tree Quiz

Thank you to all those who helped this year, either by buying a quiz, or by selling them.

A total of £139 was raised for church funds and a record number of completed answer forms were returned.

5 people answered all 50 questions correctly.

An answer sheet is displayed in the church centre

Youth Club Café

Friday evenings 7.00 pm onwards.

The facilities include electronic games (computer and games console), snooker and air hockey, table football, traditional games (bagatelle, backgammon, table skittles etc) music, food etc.

Home Communions

If you would like to have Holy Communion at your home, or know of anyone who would, please let Paul Mallett know, and he will arrange it

Church Fellowship

February 9th at 2.15.

All Saints Church Centre

Speaker - Vivian Waugh

New members welcome.

Coffee Morning

at 6 The Green Thursday

4th February

10.00 - 11.30 am

All welcome



Church Wardens & Telephone Numbers

Dinsdale	Bill Hodgson	01325 721737
	Reuben Robson	01325 332439
Girsby	Alan Harrison	01609 881534
Hurworth	John De Martino	01325 720335
	Brian Johnson	01325 720055
	Jeremy Norminton (Deputy)	01325 721353
Lay Reader	Paul Mallett	01325 722089

Church Roof Appeal

We are very pleased with the response to our appeal for assistance with roof repairs and we wish to thank all those who have helped. Following this first stage, which partly involved cleaning out gutters, it was discovered that the position is much worse, and further work costing in the region of £5000 is necessary, which includes replacing broken slates, and repairing faulty flashing & broken gutters.

It is essential that this work is done as soon as possible, and we would welcome any financial assistance anyone is able to make. As mentioned before, any donations can be gift aided, thus increasing their value to the church.

Please assist with this vital project as much as you are able.

Contact the treasurer Fred Thompson Tel 720746 for details.

CMS Boxes

We were able to send £253.38 to CMS following this years collection and also £78.47 from the "Christmas Card board" donation box in church in support of Cath Lee's work in Taiwan.

Thank you to all who helped support this very well worth cause.

Darlington Deanery CMS Spring Meeting

Thursday 11th February 7.00 pm

St Cuthbert's Church Hall

Guest Speaker

Ven. Granville Gibson

"The Church in Romania"

"Bring and Buy" sale

and light refreshments.

Durham Diocesan Pilgrimage from Lindisfarne to Durham

To celebrate St. Cuthbert's Day. Saturday 20th March 2010

- ◆ *Mid-morning Eucharist at St. Mary's Lindisfarne*
- ◆ *Time to explore Holy Island*
- ◆ *Walk the Pilgrim's Way (Optional)*
- ◆ *Tea at Durham Cathedral*
- ◆ *Festival Evensong*
- ◆ *Pilgrimage to St. Cuthbert's Shrine*

Coaches leave Darlington by 8.30 am

Return to Darlington by approx 7.30 pm

Adults £8.50, Children £5.00 Family Ticket £20.00

For further details please contact Brian Johnson Tel 720055

Christingle Service

Once again there was "standing room only" for this very popular service. This year the collection proceeds, £410, were divided equally between Leukaemia Research, and the Church Roof Appeal