

RIPON CATHEDRAL

MAY – JUNE NEWSLETTER



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A NOTE FROM THE DEAN

God save the King!

All of us taking part in coronation celebrations in coming weeks will be asking God to save His Majesty the King, not least because this prayer is central to the national anthem of this United Kingdom. We know that the King is a man of faith who has a deep respect for all major world religions and those who practise them. The Christian faith, with its world-transforming good news, is central to the essence and the role of the monarch in this nation today.

We know that not all our fellow countrymen and women share a belief in God. We also know that our society is made up of people of many faiths and none. Yet the coronation causes many of us to celebrate because it is the gift of a Christian king which helps to unite the whole nation, encouraging us to be an inclusive and tolerant society. And King Charles has already done so much as Prince of Wales to speak up for a life-enhancing built environment, and for responsible ways of living which ensure a sustainable natural environment. Yet more cause to celebrate and rejoice!

Ancient and Modern

The coronation service will reflect much of the nature of our nation and The Commonwealth today, of many of the component parts which are their very building blocks – political, civic, legal, business, community and religious dimensions. It also speaks of the deep inheritance of Christian faith which has helped to shape both monarchy and nation, stretching back to the days of the Old Testament, even before Christ himself. With the benefit of that ancient inheritance, it also looks forward to the future with the hope that comes from nothing less than the resurrection of Christ. The cross which speaks of that resurrection and hope is to be found on so much of the royal regalia with which the Archbishop of Canterbury will equip the King – sceptre, orb and crown. The Dean of Westminster will present a newly produced copy of The Holy Bible.

Coronation Floral Arrangements

Thanks to the inspiring creativity and hard work of our wonderful Ripon Cathedral Flower Guild and Ripon Flower Club, the cathedral is decorated from Saturday 29th April to Thursday, 1st May with Coronation Floral Arrangements. As well as beautifying this ancient sacred space and adding to an air of celebration, these stunning flower displays speak of the different parts of the coronation service and several dimensions of monarchy, helping us to see how ‘the crown’ is a focus of unity and common purpose within Britain today.

Please, do make the time to come and enjoy the arrangements. And take advantage of the special booklet which explains each creation; it also includes two brief articles about the coronation service and Westminster Abbey by Canon Professor Joyce Hill.

Ripon Cathedral's Coronation Programme

We at the cathedral are very keen to play our part in helping the region and diocese to come together in celebration for both Their Majesties and the life of the nation and Commonwealth. We have a full programme over the whole coronation weekend, as can be seen in the following pages.

Please, don't miss the details about the live streaming of the coronation service itself on the morning of Saturday 6th May, the special Lieutenancy Service - with Ripon City Band and followed by wine and cake - on the Sunday afternoon at 3.30pm, and The Coronation Beer Festival - requiring and promoting volunteering - on the Monday. You will be very welcome to attend any or all of the services and other events.

In relation to the streaming of the coronation service itself, I have to admit to having been sceptical about our streaming of the Queen's funeral service. I thought people would prefer to be at home and being in the cathedral would make it more difficult to engage with it. I could not have been more wrong. Those of us in the cathedral, over 300 in number, stood and sat with the Abbey's congregation, sang with them and prayed with them. It was as if we had been in an ancient, sacred annex in Westminster; we had attended the funeral. I fully expect that our experience of the coronation will be equally as genuine and totally thrilling. As with the funeral, on this occasion we will have refreshments available in the South Transept during the coverage before and after the service itself.

Prayers for the King, Queen, Nation and Commonwealth

As well as preparing for all our celebrations, we are also praying for the wellbeing of our whole nation, our new King and Queen, the Royal Family, and the Commonwealth which His Majesty serves as Head. Here is one of the prayers which we have used regularly,

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness,
 bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles,
 and all who are in authority under him;
 that they may order all things
in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace,
 to the honour of your name,
 and the good of your Church and people;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen

Bishop of Ripon

It was a joy and privilege to welcome the next Bishop of Ripon to the cathedral on Thursday, 27th April – the day her appointment was announced.

The Revd Canon Anna Eltringham joined chapter members for lunch in Thorpe Prebend House at the end of their morning's meeting, then visited the cathedral with them. Needless to say, photographs were taken to record this happy occasion.

Canon Anna Eltringham will swap Surrey's North Downs for the Yorkshire Dales. She grew up in the West Country and studied Business and Anthropology at the University of Durham, which sparked a love of the Northern countryside.

"Being nominated to be the next Bishop of Ripon is an honour. I am excited to serve God and his people in this place and prayerfully grow his Kingdom on earth together," she said.

"I have felt drawn back to the North of England for a number of years and have a strong sense of God's call to this particular role."

Canon Anna is married to Nigel and they have two daughters. Before entering ministry she worked in strategic marketing. Whilst increasingly involved in church, community and justice work, she discerned God's call to ordained ministry, following in the footsteps of her father and previous generations in her family.

Ordained Deacon in the Diocese of Southwark in 2008 Canon Anna served her title at Holy Innocents in South Norwood. She then joined the Oxted Team Ministry (four churches in Surrey) where since 2019 she has been Team Rector. Since 2017 she has also been the Dean of Women's Ministry, advocating for, and developing the ministry of lay and ordained women in the diocese and advising senior staff on such matters. Canon Anna has also served as an Honorary Chaplain to the Monarch since 2020.

We pray for God's blessing on Anna as she prepares for her Consecration in York Minster on Thursday, 22nd June; also for strength and resilience for her and her family as they prepare to relocate to North Yorkshire. We look forward to helping them feel at home.



The Revd Claire Renshaw, the Canon Pastor

We introduced Claire Renshaw in the last edition of this Newsletter. Claire and her family – husband Steve and children Thomas and Sophie have now moved into St. Peter's House (though Thomas is at university) and are progressing well with the job of unpacking and settling in.

At the time of writing, Claire is due to be installed as Canon Pastor on Sunday, 30th April at 3.30pm. Please, do join us for the service which Bishop Nick will be leading, and do help to make Claire and her family feel welcome.

We pray for Claire and her new ministry among us and ask for God's blessing on her and her whole family.

Cathedrals Measure 2021

I have written before in the Newsletter about the Cathedrals Measure 2021. This is changing how the cathedrals of the Church of England are governed, resulting in them becoming registered charities and being regulated by both The Church Commissioners and The Charity Commission. The new measure is being rolled out across all the cathedrals in tranches over three years.

Here at Ripon Cathedral, we have had already developed many practices and structures which are consistent with the requirements of the new measure, such as being clear about the terms of reference of chapter committees, having role descriptions for committee members and volunteers, creating the Audit and Risk committee which is separate from the chapter's Finance Committee. This possibly sounds rather dull to many readers, but ensuring sound governance is essential if the mission and ministry of the cathedral is to flourish.

There are a number of areas where we will experience real differences. The measure actually had a clause which was intended only for Ripon, dissolving our PCC. We are the only cathedral to have one and this now ceases to exist, with its functions and funds being transferred to the chapter. In a way, it has always been clear that it is the chapter which has ultimate responsibility for governance, this now removes any ambiguities that existed.

The PCC is replaced by the Growth Committee

The PCC has exercised a crucial role in coordinating the congregations' engagement in mission and ministry, and working out our cathedral vision, *Growing God's Kingdom*. For example, the work of C3 (Cathedral Community Connections) has been overseen and steered by the PCC, as have our efforts to grow the congregation and provide opportunities for Christian nurture and discipleship development. The PCC has also been the body that has enabled representatives of our congregations to discuss things, and make decisions and recommendations influencing what we do as a Christian community. All of this is still needed.

With the implementation of the new measure and the revision of our Constitution and Statutes, we are creating the Growth Committee. This will be a committee of chapter and will fulfill those vital roles which have been provided by the PCC. Its members will

still be chosen by the congregations through the system of election at the annual meeting. As with the PCC, those who are members of the electoral roll will have the opportunity to elect people at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Under the new system, these names will then go to Chapter for formal appointment to the committee.

The Annual Meeting - Monday, 22nd May, 7.15pm in the cathedral

There is still very much the need for an annual congregational meeting. In fact, with the cathedral enjoying so much development at the moment, there is probably more reason than ever for congregation members to hear the reports, ask questions, and choose representatives to sit on the Growth Committee.

Please, do join us on Monday, 22nd May from 7.15pm in the cathedral nave. The meeting will be followed by refreshments and an opportunity to celebrate all that God is doing amongst us and through us as we seek to grow his church and serve his world – all part of growing God's kingdom.

At the annual meeting we will also continue to elect churchwardens, approve the appointment of salespeople, and, in the relevant years, elect deanery synod representatives. Nomination forms for churchwardens and Growth Committee members are now available in the cathedral.

The Ripon Cathedral Consultative Council

Another effect of the Cathedral Measure is that the chapter alone becomes the corporate body of the cathedral. Since the measure of 1999, the College of Canons and the Cathedral Council have joined the Cathedral Chapter in being the corporate body. Also, the council now ceases to exist.

Chapters have been given the option to create a consultative body following the dissolution of the council. We at Ripon Cathedral, valuing the contribution made by the council over the years, have decided to exercise this option. We are creating The Ripon Cathedral Consultative Council.

This consultative council will include regional stakeholders who bring senior experience from private, public and voluntary sectors, as well as from the church in the region. It will be a critical friend to the chapter and also be a means of the cathedral being informed about the life of the region. This supports our prayers for the region and helps us to shape our service for its people in ways which are appropriate and timely.

I am grateful to Canon Judith Donovan, chair of the existing council, for being willing to accept the chapter's invitation to become chair of the new consultative council. I am also grateful to all those people who have served on the council and who will be meeting for the last time in June. They are:

David Kerfoot DL, Richard Compton DL, Liz Thomas, John Baldini, David Jorysz, Meg Munn, Cllr Carl Les, Lt Col (Ret'd) Joe Jordan, Cllr Pauline McHardy, Baroness Angela Harris, David Elsy, Rachel Sharp, Canon Andrew Kitchingman, Canon Matthew Pollard and Canon Michael Gisbourne

In addition, I am grateful to those who are accepting our invitation to serve on the consultative council. If you are a person with an association with the York and North Yorkshire Chamber of Commerce, or know someone who is who might be willing to serve on the consultative council, we are keen to hear from you.

We will publicise the full membership in the autumn when it meets for the first time.

Ripon Cathedral Renewed – significant approval

I am delighted to report that the Ripon Cathedral Renewed project, our plans to secure desperately needed facilities for the cathedral, has been given a significant boost in recent weeks. The Cathedrals Fabric Commission for England has given approval for our plans to build an annex on the north side of the cathedral. Like Historic England, it has been working with us on the development of our plans. And, again like Historic England, it sees that the proposals will benefit not only the cathedral but also the city. Strengthening the city's economy and improving the environment around the cathedral are central priorities for us, along with meeting the cathedral's needs and strengthening its sustainability.

It is the needs of the cathedral and the city which justify all the effort and expense, and the felling of 11 trees. The latter is not something that we would have ever wished for, but the mitigation includes planting 14 trees near the cathedral and another 300 in the area; open green space and biodiversity will both increase.

We now await the meeting of the planning committee which will have the opportunity to open the way for this significant improvement for cathedral and city. Local authority restructuring has resulted in a delay for us with this; our hope is that a decision will be made before August.

Please, do keep praying for this important project and for those who are working hard to bring it to fruition.

With my very best wishes
Dean John

PRAYERS FOR THE KING

Thursday 27th April - Tuesday 16th May

Prayers For The King Exhibition

Free entry during cathedral opening hours

Schools were invited to submit prayers that could be used in our own Coronation service on Sunday 7th May. Folders of prayers & drawings accompany a display of prayers for the King within the cathedral.



EVENTS

Saturday 29th April - Saturday 13th May

Ripon Cathedral Flower Guild & Ripon Flower Club Coronation Floral Displays

Free entry during cathedral opening hours

Twenty floral arrangements will depict the six stages of the coronation ceremony and the role of the King.

The displays will remain in the cathedral for two weeks from Saturday 29th April until Saturday 13th May.

Saturday 6th May

Live Streaming of His Majesty's Coronation From Westminster Abbey

9:30am - 5:30pm

Live Streaming of His Majesty's Coronation from Westminster Abbey as broadcast by the BBC. Free Self-service light refreshments will be available.

Coverage will continue until after the appearance of the King, Queen Consort and Royal Family on the balcony of Buckingham Palace

Monday 8th May

Ripon Cathedral Coronation Beer Festival

11:30am - 5:00pm

Join us on Monday the 8th May 2023 from 11:30 - 5pm for Ripon's biggest and best beer festival during the Coronation Bank Holiday weekend. With live music, a range of guest ales and delicious barbecue food, this is one not to be missed!

Tickets can be pre-booked via the cathedral website.

The event takes place in the Dean's garden: the entrance is on the Corner of High Saint Agnesgate.

SERVICES

Choral Evensong with Coronation Theme

Thursday 4th May

5:30pm - 6:15pm

During Thursday's Choral Evensong with a Coronation Theme, the choir sings 'O Thou, the Central Orb', a setting of words by H R Bramley to music by Charles Wood. This anthem was sung in 1937 at the Coronation of King George VI & Queen Elizabeth, the grandparents of King Charles III.

Choral Evensong with Coronation Vigil

Friday 5th May

5:30pm - 6:15pm

During Friday's Choral Evensong with Coronation Vigil, the choir sings 'Zadok the Priest' by Handel. It was composed for the Coronation of King George II in 1727. Sung prior to the anointing of the new monarch it has been sung at every coronation since.

Sung Eucharist with Prayers for the King & Queen

Sunday 7th May

10:30am - 11:30am

Our main Sunday Service of Choral Communion with special prayers and readings following the coronation.

Commemorative Service for North Yorkshire

Sunday 7th May

3:30pm - 5:30pm

A special Commemorative Service for North Yorkshire to mark the Coronation of His Majesty The King, hosted by the Lord Lieutenant of North Yorkshire and the Dean of Ripon. All welcome but seats can be reserved by emailing judithbustard@riponcathedral.org.uk by the 2nd May.



RIPON CATHEDRAL CORONATION BEER FESTIVAL BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

8th MAY 2023

11:30am - 5pm

Over 40 beers, ciders, wines and soft drinks. Live music, good food and children's activities.

The event takes place in the cathedral grounds: the entrance is on the corner of High St Agnesgate.

Tickets: £8 book online
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NEWS FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

There were so many encouraging comments made about the meaningful worship during Holy Week and Easter that it was a times overwhelming. The Choristers, Choral Scholars and Lay Clerks under the direction of Dr Krippner sang beautifully and Ester Day rounded off a good term.

The new term brings new opportunities with both boy and girl choristers singing their own Evensongs with Anthems used at the last two coronation services. The boys will also be singing at the special Evensong that sees Canon Claire Renshaw installed as a Residentiary Canon and is an important moment in the life of the Cathedral. The girls will sing the following week at the Regional Commemorative service marking the coronation. The week after sees the Boys singing Evensong at York Cathedral supporting the Minster choir. (The girls will sing Evensong later in the year at Durham).

The term ends with chorister sleepovers in the Cathedral and the singing of Matins at 8.30am on both Saturday 1 July (Girls) and Saturday 8 July (Boys).

These exciting extras are on top of a full programme of worship and rehearsals. As you can imagine this is demanding and the Music Dept is asking for a few people to help with all of this. **Could you spare a little time to help us on this journey to excellence?**

We are currently looking for a couple of volunteers who would be able to help walk a chorister from home to the Cathedral one or two mornings a week; we are also looking for a couple of volunteers who could help transport choristers to school after morning rehearsals at 8.20am. It is wonderful that so many young people have the opportunity to sing in the Cathedral choir and to develop a love for sacred choral music and we want to make sure that none of them miss out on them.

If you would like to talk about what you might be able to offer then please speak to Canon Michael, Dr Krippner or one of the music staff.

Canon Michael
Canon Precentor

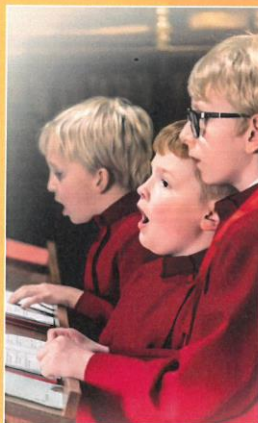


What does
music
mean to you?






*Music enriches,
music engages,
music inspires*

*Music is love,
music is joy,
music is
sanctuary*



Ripon Cathedral has a vibrant choral tradition that has spanned 14 centuries and it remains at the heart of worship here. If music enriches and inspires you, then please support our music appeal.



Please scan the QR code
or visit the website to donate
www.riponcathedral.org.uk/music   



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Confirmations at the Cathedral on Easter Eve



Being a Christian is really important to me and my family. We go to the Cathedral lots for different things but to me it's about how I live my best life through what Jesus taught us. Being confirmed means that I can carry on my life journey as a Christian and do good in the World.

I love going to the Cathedral to serve, to sing, to read or at Children's or Messy Church (it's really fun!) but best of all to spend time with everyone who are also Christians and lovely people.

I am very proud to be confirmed at the Cathedral and to carry on being the best version of myself I can as a young Christian.

AUTUMN LECTURES

Dates for your diary

On October 5th and 12th Professor Joyce Hill will be presenting exciting new research on Wilfrid. The first will be on Wilfrid's three journeys to Rome, systematically examining, for the first time, the evidence for the different routes that he took. This will draw upon Professor Hill's own research, which will be published in Germany later this year.

The second lecture will be on the replacement for Wilfrid's great dedication Gospel Book which was specially commissioned by Archbishop Oswald when he rebuilt the basilica after its destruction in 948. This sumptuous tenth-century replacement has recently been identified as a manuscript now owned by the Pierpont Morgan Library in New York. **Both lectures will be in the Quire at 7.30 p.m.**

Pilgrimage to Iona

Following the successful cathedral pilgrimage to Rome in 2022 and the, we trust, successful pilgrimage along a part of the Camino to Santiago de Compostela, we are exploring a pilgrimage to Iona in May 2024.

Iona has an ancient Christian history, with the visit of Columba to Iona in 563, when the first monastery was founded and the rebuilding of the Abbey in 1938 by members of what became a new religious community, the *Iona Community*. The island was described by George Macleod, the Community's founder as a *'thin place, where only tissue paper separates the material world from the spiritual world'*.

Following extensive research, the option that we are planning to go with is to stay at the Abbey, the Iona Community centre on the island. Staying here means participating in community living with shared meals and some small shared tasks. Following a recent refurbishment, the Abbey offers accommodation in twin or three bedded rooms with bathroom facilities shared between two or three rooms. (There is no ensuite accommodation nor there are any dormitories). If a single bed in a shared room is not for you, then this pilgrimage to the Abbey is not appropriate.

Guests arrive at the Abbey on a Saturday afternoon leaving the following Friday have lived and worshipped in community.

It is hoped that we will stay during the May half term in 2024 so that families can be a part of the pilgrimage (25-31 May). Prices for 2024 have not yet been set but prices for 2023 are £672 per person full board with significant reductions for children under 15 and those on state benefits and asylum seekers. The only additional cost would be to get to the island which requires sailing from Oban (45 mins) and then driving or taking the service bus across Mull (75 mins) and then a final short ferry over the Sound of Iona to the island.

If you would like to find out more about the possibility of a pilgrimage to Iona then please come to a short meeting on Thursday 4 May 2023 in the Cathedral at 7pm.

Canon Michael Gisbourne



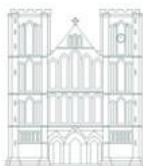
THURSDAY RIPON CONCERTS CATHEDRAL

APRIL – JULY 2023

27 th April	Tim Harper	Organ
4 th May	Pupils from Ampleforth College	
11 th May	Mark Swinton	Organ
18 th May	Lucinda Taylor	Harp
25 th May	Students from Leeds University	
8 th June	Louise Wayman	Soprano
15 th June	The Yorkshire Decibelles	Choir
22 nd June	Middlesbrough Town Hall Community Choir	
29 th June	Young Singers of Ripon	
6 th July	Eva Scullion	Soprano

1.00-1.50; Refreshments served from 12.30
Free admission; retiring collection

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GOLDEN WEDDING SERVICE

Sunday 11th June 2023 3.30pm

Were you married in 1973 or earlier?

If you are celebrating your Golden Wedding or even a longer time together, Ripon Cathedral warmly invites you to share in this year's special service of thanksgiving and blessing, to renew your vows and to reflect on and celebrate your many years of married life

If you would like to apply for tickets to attend this unique service (regardless of where you were married or where you are now living) please send your name and address to:

Mrs Trina Knockton, The Chapter House, Ripon Cathedral,
Ripon, HG4 1QT

email: postmaster@riponcathedral.org.uk Tel: 01765 603462



**Keep Sunday 11 June free from just before
12 noon and on in to the afternoon!**

Open the Book

Presents

Noah's Ark

As part of the Ripon Theatre Festival

Entry is free and there are loads more activities and events to see and take part in.

Bring a picnic and have a fun day out – supporting Open the Book at the same time.

Noah's Ark starts at 12 noon.



Scan QR for Theatre Festival info





Children's Church and Little Children's Church

Ripon Cathedral has two children's groups that meet on Sunday mornings during the 10.30am Eucharist (school term time only). We hear Bible stories, sing, play games, enjoy craft activities, and it's always a lot of fun!

Little Children's Church is our group for children aged 0-6. Children under school age must be accompanied by an adult.

Children's Church is our group for children aged 6+.

New children are always welcome. To find out more please email darcyallen@riponcathedral.org.uk



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Messy Cathedral

Messy Cathedral is a chance for families to come together to explore the Christian faith. We share a story, enjoy some craft activities, take a (sometimes!) quiet moment for a prayer, and we always finish with a sandwich tea. All ages are welcome, but Messy Cathedral is most suitable for children under 11. It is free of charge and booking is not required. See our upcoming dates below:

- Sunday 21st May, 4.30pm
- Sunday 25th June, 4.30pm
- Sunday 16th July, 12.30pm – our annual Messy Cathedral family picnic, held in the Dean's Garden. Please bring your own picnic.



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Please contact darcyallen@riponcathedral.org.uk for more information.

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GROWING GREENER – RIPON CATHEDRAL ENVIRONMENT NEWS

ECO ACTION GROUP COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS on Earth Day, 22nd April

A good turnout of people enjoyed the coffee morning, organised by Loretta Williams and Dorothy Gray, supported by others. The aim was to promote conversations about personal actions we can take to live more sustainably as we work towards a Silver Eco Church award at the Cathedral.

As well as serving coffee and scones, there was a cake stall, a stall about biodiversity with a selection of seeds to choose and plant at home, an art stall for nature colouring, and a stall with sustainable products. A leaflet, TIPS FOR GREEN LIVING: REDUCE RECYCLE REUSE, was given to visitors and new ideas flowed, thanks to various conversations, including the one below.

Chris Lay, from the congregation, has installed an air source heat pump to replace an oil boiler. He has had problems. He suggests there could be alternatives for people with oil boilers - <https://futurereadyfuel.info> and <https://www.calor.co.uk/sustainable-fuel/futura-liquid-gas>



TIPS FOR GREEN LIVING: REDUCE RECYCLE REUSE

A checklist from the Cathedral Eco-Action Group.

Mark the box for those you do or try:

1. Avoid cling film—use washable silicone lids to cover food
In fridge
2. Use waxed cloths to wrap sandwiches and pies
3. For summer picnics, if you use disposable plates, cups
or cutlery, then get compostable or recyclable ones
4. Recycle 'grey' water from washing up or cleaning by
using it to water your garden
5. Most disposable wipes have some plastic in them so
try to use reusable and washable alternatives. If you
use old cloths from expired tea towels etc this will save
you money and save landfill
6. Use a washable cloth or reusable pads to remove
makeup and avoid cotton wool pads
7. Use green refillable cleaning products such as Ecover
or those from the Green House shop in Ripon city centre
8. Use reusable laundry balls or sheets rather than regular
laundry detergent products
9. Follow 'No Mow May' to give wild flowers (for pollinators)
a chance on your lawn
10. Try to use recycled and ideally unbleached toilet
paper and paper kitchen towels

If you have ticked all or most of them WELL DONE. And please contact the Eco-Action Group if you have additional tips and ideas for doing more to care for our planet.

RIPON TOGETHER has held two well attended meetings in Thorpe Prebend to share ideas for an Eco Strategy for Ripon. As well as interested individuals, representatives from the North Yorkshire Council, Ripon City Council, National Trust, The BID, Ripon Cathedral, Christian Aid, St. Wilfrid's, and The Ripon Poppy Project were keen to help.

ECO ACTION GROUP at SIGHTS AND SOUNDS on 18th March

It was a good opportunity to promote Eco Church and explain how the Cathedral is trying to achieve Net Zero Carbon 2030.

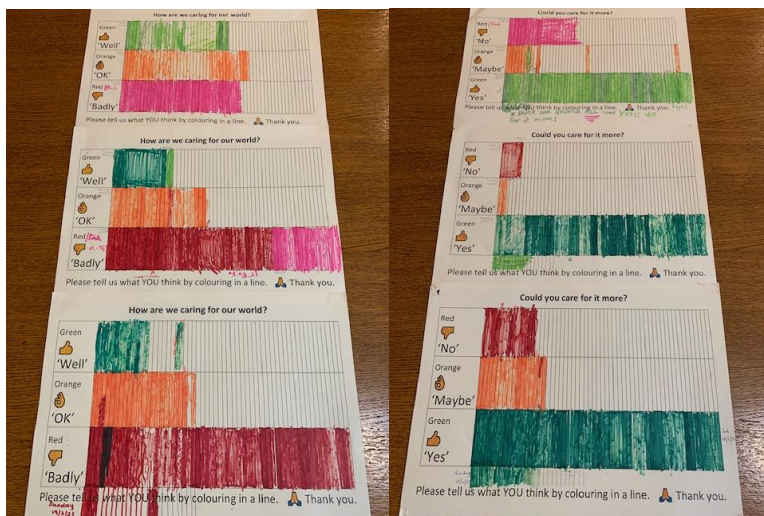
Ripon Grammar School Year 7 pupils contributed 30 'Green Christian' leaflets about caring for God's world, which they had created as part of their Religious Studies curriculum.

ECO ACTION GROUP EXHIBITION 13/2 – 20/3/23

Climate Emergency – A Spiritual Response ... This recent exhibition highlighted the climate crisis. It raised awareness of the need to pray for a green transition and to act for a green transition as we join the Church of England's journey to Net Zero Carbon 2030.

The exhibition included collages made by the After School Club asking us to care for the oceans and sea creatures. 150 sunflower seed packets and prayer cards were taken by visitors. Many people wrote appreciative comments about the exhibition

The congregation and visitors contributed to an interactive survey over five weeks.



Results of the 'Caring for our World' Survey.

How are we caring for our world? – total responses 281

Answers – Well: 50 (18%) OK: 77 (27%) Badly: 154 (55%)

Conclusion: *Work to be done to raise awareness, as 45% of responses think we are caring for our world 'Well' or 'OK'*

Could you care for it more? – total responses 247

Answers – No: 30 (12%) Maybe: 29 (12%) Yes: 188 (76%)

Conclusion: *Encouraging as 76% of responses admit they could do more to care for our world*

LOCAL ECO NEWS



From 19th – 21st May 2023, the world's number 1 home energy & electric vehicle show, Fully Charged LIVE, will be making its debut up North at the Yorkshire Event Centre in Harrogate. This follows the success of events around the world in Farnborough, Sydney, Vancouver, San Diego and Netherlands.

It is a chance to gain a better understanding of the choices you can make to combat climate change and live more sustainably.

PROTECTING NIGHT SKIES AND HELPING WILDLIFE



Hawnbly in North Yorkshire is the first village England to swap its streetlights and more than 100 other outdoor lights for **dark skies-friendly lighting**. It wishes to cut light pollution to help nocturnal wildlife and allow residents and visitors to see the stars and planets.

The North York Moors village is located in an international dark sky reserve, one of only

21 sites in the world designated by the International Dark-Sky Association.

****Perhaps we should all minimise our outdoor night lights – even solar powered lights****

APPRECIATING NATURE LOCALLY

Here are three accessible and uncrowded Nature Reserves near Ripon, in addition to the beautiful **Ripon City Wetlands** managed by Yorkshire Wildlife Trust.

1. Stavelly Nature Reserve, Minskip Road, Boroughbridge HG5 9LQ is managed by the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust. This wetland site lying close to the river Tutt holds year-round interest with regular sightings of otters and several orchid species among the highlights.



and

Thornborough, on a minor road off the A6108 at West Tanfield.



This unique and important cluster of Neolithic monuments lies on a raised plateau above the river Ure. Three huge circular henges – sometimes described as the ‘Stonehenge of the North’ – were built here about 4,500 years ago over an earlier monument.

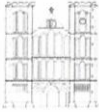
The earthworks are thought to have been part of a ‘ritual landscape’ and form part of the most important concentration of Neolithic monuments in the North of England.

3. Nosterfield Nature Reserve, Lower Ure Conservation Trust, near West Tanfield

150 acres of wet grassland and open water situated between the Rivers Ure and Swale.



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Ripon Cathedral is committed to supporting our community through partnerships with local charities. For more information contact C3@riponcathedral.org.uk or phone 01765 603462



Ripon City of Sanctuary



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Food Support



Ripon Branch

Canon Matthew Raises £1000 for Ripon YMCA

Canon Matthew joined the Ripon YMCA Sleep Easy event and slept rough overnight in the pouring rain on 21st – 22nd April in the gardens of the Workhouse Museum. This annual event raises awareness of homelessness and helps to fund the YMCA's work in supporting the needs of young homeless people. Congratulations to Matthew and thanks to all those lovely people who sponsored his efforts!

Have you checked out the new YMCA Charity Shop next to Booth's?

They also will collect so if you need to find a home for unwanted furniture, electrical goods, clothing, toys, etc. simply go to the shop and book a collection.

Dates for your Diary

- **Monday, 8th May, 11 am** – visit the Volunteering Stand at the Cathedral's Coronation Beer Festival
- **Sunday, 14th May** – after Parish Eucharist – Cake Stall run by C3 in aid of Christian Aid.
- **15-21 May** – Christian Aid Week (more details on the flyer in this newsletter). Helpers needed!
- **7th-11th June** – Ripon Theatre Festival – see www.ripentheatefestival.org for information about *Bread is Life* storytelling from Syria and *Mike and Millie* (a special Dementia Friendly production). Sponsored by Ripon City of Sanctuary & Dementia Forward
- **13 June- 4 July** - **Doorways of Sanctuary** – schools exhibition in the Cathedral as part of National Refugee Week
- **24th-25th June** - **Jennyruth Workshops** will be at Harlow Carr selling their handmade goods
- **30th June** – **Ripon Rotary Night of the Proms** – tickets on sale now! Details in this newsletter (funds to support The Walled Garden)

The Ripon Salvation Army Food Bank needs

There is an URGENT NEED for food supplies in the Ripon food banks. Stocks are running really low! Please could you be generous in providing: Tinned fruit & veg, instant mashed potato, tins of meat and meat pies, sponge puddings, packs of custard, rice pudding, multi packs of breakfast cereals, coffee, tea, sugar.

Donations can be left in the basket at the West End of the Cathedral.

Please remember all our partners in your prayers.



Support for today, planning for tomorrow



Jennyruth Workshops



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Find out more about volunteering opportunities for all ages in Ripon

Visit the Volunteering City of Ripon Project Stand at the Cathedral Beer Festival on Monday, 8th May in the Dean's Garden (entrance at the bottom of the roundabout below the Cathedral) or visit <https://hadca.org.uk/VCOR>



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PLEASE DONATE TO RIPON FOOD BANKS - *donation box by the front door of the Cathedral*

Donations go to Ripon Salvation Army and Ripon Community House



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK CAKE SALE

a fundraising event for Christian Aid
in the Cathedral

Sunday 14th May 2023 after
10.30am service

Email dorothygray1152@gmail.com if you can offer a cake

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Registered charity number: 1148225



Live-in Care & Support



Dementia Forward CHARITY GOLF DAY 2023

Friday 2nd June
Ripon City Golf Club

9:30am start for 10:30 tee off

£200 entry for a 4 person team

**Includes: Round of golf • Breakfast upon entry • 2-course lunch
Raffle • Goody bag • Great prizes to be won**

**Call 01765 601224 or email
amy.senior@dementiaforward.org.uk
to book your place**

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RIPON CITY GOLF CLUB





Rotary Club of Ripon

presents



‘Last Night of the Proms’ Concert

featuring

Ripon City Band & Jessa Liversidge

plus

Ripon Community Link Sing & Sign Choir

Interval Refreshments & Juke Box Challenge Fund Raiser

All ticket proceeds go to:

**Ripon Community Link & Walled Garden
Motor Neurone Disease Association**



Sole Band Sponsor



Singer & Venue Sponsor

Friday 30th June 2023 - 7:00pm
Holy Trinity Church, Ripon, HG4 2EY

(doors open 6:30pm)

Tickets - £14.00

In Person (cash):

Ripon Walled Garden Shop
Rotary Members
Little Ripon Book Shop
Stuff 4 Offices Shop

E-Mail + BACS:

e-mail: rotaryriponLNOP@outlook.com

On-Line (transaction charges apply):
via Rotary Club of Ripon website



New Volunteer Group
This is for all ages
anyone 14+ is welcome
(young people and adults)
Adults can bring under 14's along but they must
accompany them at all times

No need to pre-register, just turn up on the day
It's free, no commitment, just join in & enjoy
being out in the fresh air

DON'T MISS OUT!

Join Us...

- 20 May
- 17 Jun 11am - 1pm
- 8 Jul
- 12 Aug Meet Jayne and Gabby at Spa Park Tennis Pavillions
- 9 Sep
- 18 Nov
- 16 Dec

Join us to help
keep Ripon
Green and
Clean

- Do you want to help care for our local environment right here in Ripon?
- Do you want to get outdoors, meet new people, learn new skills, have fun?
- Can you spare 2 hours on a Saturday, once a month or when you can?

If YES then come along to Ripon EcoAction

Run in partnership by Skell Valley project & YMCA Ripon Youth Matters Project

For more info contact: Gabby.Crisp@nationaltrust.org.uk

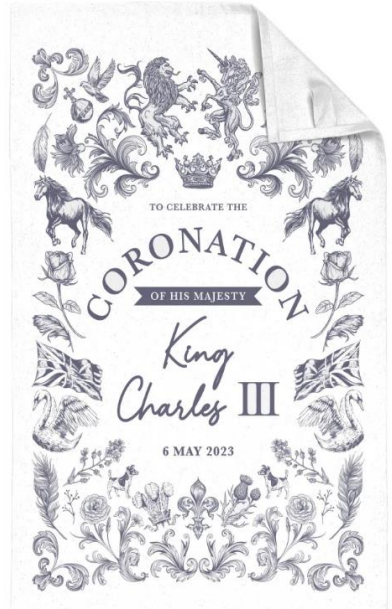


CATHEDRAL GIFT SHOP

It's coronation time and we have you covered here in the Cathedral shop for all of your souvenirs.



From tea towels, bone china mugs, napkins, scarves, socks & ties, commemorative spoons, lapel badges to fridge magnets.



We have an exclusive laser etched wooden coin made for us by our friends at Jenny Ruth Workshop featuring the coronation logo on one side and the cathedral on the flip side. Limited quantities are available and priced at £4.95.

Also available are the beautiful velvet crown decorations from the St Nicolas company. Each crown is incredibly detailed with gold stitching and jewels, handmade and ethically sourced. A very special keepsake to mark the Coronation £16.95 rrp.



SERVICE TIMES

Sundays

8.00am	Eucharist	9.30am	Morning Prayer (said)
10.30am	Sung Eucharist	12.30pm	Eucharist (BCP)
3.30pm	Evensong		

Weekdays

8.30am	Morning Prayer
9.00am	Eucharist Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
10.00am	Wednesday followed by coffee and mingle
12 noon	Eucharist Tuesday, Friday and Saturday
5.30pm	Evensong (or said Evening Prayer)

The Magdalen Fellowship is an ecumenical group that holds a weekly service of short reflection, silence and prayer at St. John's Sharow every Monday morning at 10:30 am. On the first Monday of the month, there is a Healing Eucharist with a Laying on of Hands. For more information contact John Whelan 01765 647744 or Anne-Marie Tarter 01765-602129

Cathedral Meditation Group 7.30pm meet on the first Tuesday of the month in the Cathedral.

Thursdays (most Thursdays – see the monthly events schedule) **1.00pm Lunchtime Concert in the Quire (free).**

Further Information

For further information on any of the events and services listed or for general information, please contact us on:

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