

RIPON CATHEDRAL

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



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A NOTE FROM THE DEAN

What does the Lord your God require of you?

This is never a bad question to ask ourselves; what does the Lord your God require of you? As September calls some of us back into gear after the delights of a relaxing summer, possibly with family and friends, we might be tempted to ask questions about our usual routine and the priorities in our lives. How do we work out what they should be? Well, for those of us with faith, this question is always relevant; what does the Lord your God require of you?

Of course, for those who are not returning to work or school, it may be that September brings a well-earned rest following a summer of looking after grandchildren. The Lord your God may well be requiring you to enjoy that rest, as well as counting the blessings of family.

As a brief aside, I was delighted that the cathedral's Development Department answered that question, whether consciously or not, by organising a beer festival in the Dean's Garden to welcome me and my family home from our holidays. Many thanks to all who helped them make it such a great success – a happy day of fellowship for all ages. It reminded me that Jesus did promise that heaven will be like a great banquet or party. After a summer in which we have seen civil unrest and an increase in conflict in too many places, this was welcome.

Sadly, over the summer, the nation did witness many shameful acts of rioting. The criminal justice system has been doing its best to bring guilty parties to justice – we must pray for all involved. The question, '*What does the Lord your God require of you?*' is bound to be relevant for us as a national community as we analyse the causes of the riots and seek how to strengthen the justice and peace for which God longs and which Jesus demonstrated. Many of us believe strongly that no nation is better for forgetting God and what he requires of it.

Don't take God's blessings for granted

The question, '*What does God require of you?*' was put to the people of Israel by Moses on the eve of their entry into the promised land. The Book of Deuteronomy in the Bible tells us all about it.

Moses was reminding the Israelites, God's chosen people, that it was by God's grace that they had been led from slavery in Egypt to take possession of a rich and fertile land. They had been led for forty years through the wilderness to bring them to this point. They were not to fall into the trap of thinking the land was theirs by right, or because they were better or more able than other peoples about them. And the warning was clear, if they failed to show gratitude to God and to keep his laws, then they would lose the land (see, for example, Deuteronomy 11:8 – 17).

Thank God for the harvest: Sunday, 6th October 10.30am with the Yorkshire Agricultural Society (YAS)

Later in Deuteronomy (chapter 26), Moses charges Israel to take the first part of their harvest, put it in a basket and present it to the priest as an offering to God. This is to show, each year, that they have not forgotten that their blessings come from God,

and that by working with him in caring for the natural environment and in producing crops their needs are met and their long-term sustainability secured.

As you can read in the pages of this Newsletter, we are doing much at the cathedral over the coming weeks to show that we have not forgotten this ancient lesson of Moses, and that we encourage the wider community to heed it today. Our Harvest Thanksgiving is always a wonderful occasion, this will be especially so this year as we are joined again at the 10.30am service on Sunday 6th October by the Yorkshire Agricultural Society. I am delighted that the Revd Richard Andrew, Chair of the Darlington Methodist District, has accepted my invitation to preach.

Harvest Thanksgiving is good for us spiritually, we are prompted to count blessings and show gratitude. It is good for the community. Like the Book of Deuteronomy, it contains a strong theme of social responsibility – an encouragement to care for those with needs, the outcasts and sojourners (foreign visitors), and those less fortunate. It is good then that our Harvest Supper will raise funds for Christian Aid, an effective aid agency; and we are encouraged to bring harvest gifts on 6th October as expressions of gratitude to God and practical support for the food bank and those who call upon it.

Growing God's Kingdom – launching the Ripon Cathedral Annual Review 2023-2024; Saturday 14 September from 10.00am.

Moses was keen that Israel should remain faithful to God because they were God's plan for restoring humanity and the world to the perfect order which he had intended in the first place. By being faithful to God, Israel would not only enjoy a better life for its own people but would be the means by which all people became faithful to God and thereby enjoy fullness of life.

The long narrative of the Bible reveals how, in the end, he had to send his Son to show what truly faithful living looks like, and to open the possibility of fullness of life for all. Jesus brought teaching and healing to illustrate what heavenly life on earth might look like, and left his Church to work and pray for it. What does the Lord your God require of you? To have faith in Jesus, to follow his example in ways that are appropriate for the world today, and to pray as he taught, 'Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven...'.

This is why we call the cathedral's vision and mission strategy, *Growing God's Kingdom*. We seek in faith, together, to help the Church and the world become more like God's kingdom. As we launch this year's Annual Review, it is thrilling to reflect on just how many people are engaged with this and the progress being made in so many of our mission areas. Please, do join us on Saturday 14th September as members of the Chapter join me in sharing some of this good news with you. I'm grateful to the Eco Group for providing refreshments that morning, as well as an opportunity to reflect on the Eco Exhibition – another example of how we are heeding the prompting of Moses during these coming weeks.

Exhibition – Eco Award Churches, 2 – 29 September

These weeks of September, weeks of harvest and thanksgiving, are often now used to reflect on God's gift of creation and to encourage our care of the environment. As in Moses's instruction to Israel, we are reminded that all creation is a gift from God.

When asking what God requires of us, we are reminded that within the Bible's account of creation, it is clear that men and women are intended to be good stewards of the natural order.

This theme of good stewardship has become related to the urgent need to respond to the threat to human life of climate change. This is perfectly understandable. As with harvest, however, our first spiritual motivation can be one of faithfully counting blessings and demonstrating gratitude, rather than panic and fear. In the same way, we do not turn the created order into a false god, and we are not called to worship trees or other God-given blessings as idols. Hope comes from understanding the planet and all its occupants as the remarkable gift of God, and looking to Christ to understand our human place within that. Again, we look to Jesus to help us answer the question, *"What does the Lord your God require of you?"*

The free exhibition which you can find in the cathedral from 2nd to 29th September illustrates how a number of churches in our diocese are faithfully seeking to respond to the threat of climate change and the opportunities to care for the environment. Please, do come and see it.

Patronal celebrations: St. Wilfrid's Banquet, the Choir Alumni, Patronal Eucharist

October brings St. Wilfrid's Day (Saturday 12th) and prompts us to celebrate the remarkable achievements of one of our two patron saints. Wilfrid was a great 7th century missionary bishop who had a wonderful vision for Ripon and built boldly to strengthen the church and further Christ's kingdom. As the Church has routinely found when bringing the good news of Christ to the world, Wilfrid met with opposition. In this place where he built his great basilica, dedicated to the Apostle St. Peter who gave his life for Christ, we continue to benefit from Wilfrid's clear vision and unwavering conviction. He inspires us still, and so we do well to celebrate.

Please, do see all the notices about the St. Wilfrid's Banquet on 11th October, the Patronal Evensong with the choir and its alumni on Saturday 12th at 5.30pm, and the Patronal Eucharist on Sunday 13th at 10.30am. As we seek to further God's kingdom, we do well to thank God for Wilfrid and all our benefactors in this and previous ages.

A New Shop Manager

In a community which is alive, things never stand still. We were sorry to say good-bye to Lynn Shaw who served us brilliantly as Shop Manager over the last decade. We wish her and Rob every blessing for retirement. And we look forward to giving an enthusiastic welcome to Angela Millington, our new Shop Manager. Angela comes with a wealth of knowledge from both a retail and charity background. Please, if possible, pop into the shop and say hello.

Choir CD

As well as succeeding in its acclaimed tour of Bavaria, the choir has also managed to produce a CD. We will be launching this after evensong on Sunday, 29th September. Please, do join us. Copies are available in the Cathedral Shop.

With my very best wishes, Dean John



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LAUNCH OF ANNUAL REVIEW

Update on the Cathedral's
Mission and Priorities

Saturday 14th September
in the Cathedral
10-12 noon

- 10.00 Presentation on the Cathedral's strategy and launch of Annual Review
- 10.40 Questions and Answers
- 11.00 Coffee and cake
Eco Group Exhibition
- 12.00 Eucharist

NEWS FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Media coverage, on social media, newspapers and TV means that many people heard about the wonderfully successful choir tour to Bavaria. 44 singers gave of their best in 4 services and 2 concerts over 4 days in Regensburg, Nuremberg, Munich and Waldsassen. Applause at the end of worship and a 2 minute standing ovation after the Waldsassen basilica concert were thoroughly justified.

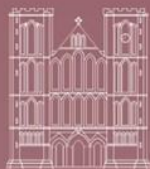
As the choristers stepped off the bus onto the forecourt of Ripon Cathedral, parents gave them one final standing ovation. There were all thoroughly merited.

And so, after a summer break, the music department returns to prepare for the remembrance season, Advent and Christmas and of course Sunday Eucharists and daily Evensongs. In Waldsassen, people paid €27 (£23) a ticket to hear the choir sing. In Ripon they sing six services a week! And you can hear them for free, and boy are they worth listening to!

At the beginning of this academic year, we welcome around 15 new members of choir including a new Tenor Lay Clerk, Alto and Tenor Choral Scholars and in the top line around 12 new probationers who have been invited, after voice test, to see if becoming a Ripon Cathedral chorister is for them! Please make them and their families feel welcome and a part of the Cathedral community.



The choir rehearsing in a wonderful baroque Waldsassen basilica. This is the church in which our Director of Music was baptised, married, served as an Altar boy and fell in love with the organ!



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THURSDAY CONCERTS

SEPTEMBER – NOVEMBER 2024

5 th September	Daniel Gordon	Piano
12 th September	Alastair Stone	Organ
19 th September	Helen Dawson	Cello
26 th September	Tim Harper	Organ
10 th October	Jonathan Richards	Guitar
17 th October	Lucinda Taylor	Harp
7 th November	Students from Leeds University	
14 th November	The Dales Ensemble	
28 th November	Students from Leeds University	

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

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NEWS FROM THE CANON PASTOR

St Wilfrid's Parade 2025 – Volunteers needed

The St Wilfrid's Parade was again this year, a wonderful community experience and we would like to once again have a Cathedral float next year.

In order to make this happen, we need a group of volunteers willing to start planning early and co-ordinate the design and production of a 'Cathedral Float.'

If you are interested in joining this team, please contact canonclaire@riponcathedral.org.uk to register your interest.

Cathedral Harvest Thanksgiving Service

With the Yorkshire Agricultural Society

Please join us for our Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 10.30am on Sunday 6th October, to celebrate and give thanks to God for this year's harvest and those involved in producing it.

Non-perishable food donations would be gratefully received on the day to go to our Food Bank, supporting people locally struggling to feed their families.



The Bereavement *Journey*

Are you grieving the death of a loved one or struggling with the long-term effects of loss?

A seven-session weekly course will be running here from Wednesday September 18th at 7 pm

Topics include:

- attachment, separation and loss;
- the impact of pain of bereavement;
- adjusting to change;
- anger and guilt;
- coping with others' reactions;
- moving on healthily.



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For more information or to register an interest in attending please contact:

fionapearman@riponcathedral.org.uk or ring the cathedral office: 01765 603462

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CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Children have been having great fun every Tuesday morning throughout the summer holidays with our Summer Activity Sessions with interactive stories, action packed and creative crafting and time to share over drinks and biscuits. We have had an average of 22 children and 17 accompanying adults attending our activity mornings.

Each week we have a different focus but always a story, craft and refreshments. It has been super that many grandparents too have been coming along to join in the fun. We started with the story of Noah 'Animals Afloat' making animal masks.

Then our next session 'Going Egyptian' with children making Moses' basket in the bulrushes and his rescue by an Egyptian Princess. Beth was kept very busy with the gold face paints! Following on we touched on the story of Joseph with Jean having all the children gripped listening to the story then following on with creating colour spinners watching all the colour turn white.

Children also tried their hand at weaving wonderful colours together with ribbons and wool. Buried treasure was found as we heard about the parable of the pearl and hidden treasure, maps created and treasure boxes decorated.

Pongy perfume created with herbs and petals thinking about the anointing of Jesus. Concluding with finding lost sheep and knitting silly scarves.

We welcomed lots of visitors over the weeks, many of them new to the Cathedral. Everyone seemed to really enjoy themselves and we often received lovely comments from members of the public who just happened to be visiting at the same time. It is always a joy to see the Cathedral full of life and a little bit of mess!

As ever, we are so thankful to our wonderful volunteers who help make these activities such a success.

Yvonne Jefferies, Ripon Cathedral Education Officer

Beth Wickenden, Ripon Cathedral Children and Families Officer

'Thank you very much to you and the whole team for your hard work in putting on such lovely summer sessions.'

Niki (Parent)

On 30th August we had our annual Children's Church Family Day Out, this year at Monk Park Farm near Thirsk. This is always a lovely opportunity to get to know each other a little better, especially for families perhaps a little newer to the Cathedral.

On Sunday 8th September Children's Church starts up again and we are really looking forward to a fresh new term and to reconnecting with each other again.

Summer Activity sessions in the Cathedral

On 23rd July - we had nearly 30 children and accompanying adults having fun making animal masks for 'Animals Afloat' with the story of Noah.



Our second session on 30th July was 'Going Egyptian' thinking about Moses in the bulrushes being rescued by an Egyptian Princess.



Our third session on 6th August was 'Colourful Coat' thinking about Joseph's multi-coloured coat making colour spinners and watching the colours go white and weaving a colourful design.



St. Wilfrid Banquet

Friday 11th October 2024 (7pm-late)



Join us for our annual fundraising banquet in support of Ripon Cathedral's music training, education and conservation projects.

The banquet evening includes:

- Four course dinner with fine wines, musical entertainment and sparkling drinks reception, all within the beautiful cathedral setting
 - Amazing auction and raffle prizes to be won
 - Post dinner disco in a unique historic setting
- Tickets: **£125pp**, full tables available for 8,10 or 12 guests

Sponsorship of the music, drinks, table gifts, auction or raffle prizes are available from **£150** upwards. Advertising is also available.

To reserve tickets or find out more please contact our Development Team on

01765 603583 or email development@riponcathedral.org.uk

We look forward to seeing you at what promises to be a fantastic evening. Thank you for your support!



PATRONAL EUCCHARIST

A celebration of St Wilfrid and the
life and mission of the Cathedral

SUNDAY 13th OCTOBER
10:30am

All are welcome



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GROWING GREENER – RIPON CATHEDRAL ENVIRONMENT NEWS



Exhibition celebrating **ECO AWARD CHURCHES** in the Diocese of Leeds

and Christian Care for God's
Creation in our Region



 **Monday 2nd - Sunday 29th Sept**

 **Ripon Cathedral**

Free Entry. Enquiries –
Ripon Cathedral Office **01765 603462**



HOW DID THE 'ECO CHURCH AWARDS IN THE DIOCESE OF LEEDS' EXHIBITION COME TO BE HELD IN RIPON CATHEDRAL?

St. Mary the Virgin, Embsay with Eastby, near Skipton, is the first GOLD ECO CHURCH in the Diocese of Leeds. Dean John visited St Mary's in November 2023 and was so impressed by their vision and achievements that he invited them to spread the message wider, by putting up a display in the Cathedral. And, GOLD ECO CHURCH, Summerbridge Methodist Church, agreed to take part in the exhibition. Canon Matthew took up the challenge and enlarged this idea so that it showcases churches

at SILVER and BRONZE level as well. For good measure, he invited SILVER ECO CHURCH, Bradford Cathedral as well. Ros Swaney worked with Jemima Parker, the Diocesan Environment Officer, and ten churches and two cathedrals have completed case studies of their Eco Church Award journey, which will also be on display.

Diana Linford, Embsay's Parish Environment Officer, said: "***We see our Eco Church journey as one of small steps and we are keen to encourage other churches and individuals to start making small changes which really can make a difference.***

ECO ACTIONS BY THE VERGER TEAM IN RIPON CATHEDRAL

The verger team actively works with other departments **to reduce, reuse and recycle** whenever possible. All paper, glass and plastic is carefully separated from general waste and recycled. Where we are able, we use ethically and environmentally friendly products in the cathedral.

Charles Farris, the church supplier we use for our candles, has launched their candle recycling scheme. All plastic, metal and wax candles supplies will now be recycled using their specialised scheme.

Between 2021-2022 our head verger, Charlie Brown, swapped all our lighting over from standard incandescent, or halogen light bulbs, to LED (light-emitting diode). Since the big switch, we are saving 11,000 kilowatt hours of electricity per financial quarter.



Thank you to our Head Verger and his team for this valuable Eco work.

ECO ACTIONS BY THE WELCOMERS IN RIPON CATHEDRAL

Recently, Ros Swaney went to a lunch for the Eco Mission Enablers who will be commissioned, by Bishop Anna, at the Evensong Service in Ripon Cathedral on Sunday 8/9/24. During lunch, the hostess, who is an Area Environment Champion in the Diocese of Leeds, said that she had visited Ripon Cathedral very recently and asked the lovely, friendly welcomer - *'Is the Eco Church Awards exhibition up yet?'*

The welcomer replied - *'No, I'm sorry, I don't think it is. But we take Eco Church very seriously at Ripon Cathedral'*.



Thank you to all the welcomers who can spread this message to our many visitors.

ECO ACTIONS BY THE FLOWER GUILD IN RIPON CATHEDRAL

The church liturgical season of Creationtide runs from the 1st of September until the 4th October and celebrates God's role as Creator and Sustainer.

Caroline Baldwin, who leads the Flower Guild, says - *'As you know the Flower Guild has been making every effort to do floral arrangements without using any floral foam and have made excellent progress on this. Indeed, we have had the most recent stands made so that they do not require any floral foam to be used. Examples of these are the two in memory of Barbara Hill.'*



Thank you, Caroline and all Flower Guild members, for taking 'Care of Creation' seriously.



CHRISTIAN AID STALL in RIPON MARKET ON ST WILFRID'S DAY RAISES £372 BY SELLING PRE-LOVED HANDBAGS and SCARVES - REDUCE - REUSE - RECYCLE



Janet Slater suggested asking the Cathedral congregation for donations of pre-loved handbags, scarves and costume jewellery to sell and raise money for Christian Aid.

Elaine Gray and Dorothy Gray thought this an inspired proposal and booked the charity stall in Ripon Market Square for Saturday 3rd of August. There were the usual notices requesting donations in the Cathedral newsletter, but we also put a notice in the Ripon Review. Janet Slater and Diane

Whelan went one better and collected from their exercise class companions.

Dorothy says 'we have been surprised by your generosity and the donations exceeded all expectations.' There are benefits to reviewing one's wardrobe of accessories – some doners found money or similar in their handbags. We researched online and in local charity shops to get an idea of fair pricing. Wendy Richardson, Janet, Elaine and Dorothy spent a fun evening sorting and pricing the goods.

We were glad that the day of the stall dawned fine and stayed dry and thrilled to raise £372 for Christian Aid. The money raised will go the Christian Aid Harvest campaign. The campaign is helping farmer overseas push back against poverty and climate change, which affects their crops and harvest.

This is not the end of the story though. We are selling some of the designer (Osprey, Aspinall etc) bags through 'Vinted'. Janet has asked a local jeweller to value any hallmarked or striking jewellery. If you know of any local opportunities for us to do a tabletop sale or similar, please let us know.

The goods you have donated will be having another 'life' with new owners, as well as the money helping those in poverty. You gave generously – it is much appreciated. You will hear in coming months how we get on with future marketing. *Dorothy Gray*

Ripon Together
GREEN FAIR
Saturday 5th October 10am - 3pm
Allhallowgate Methodist Church Hall

ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS	ENERGY SAVING ADVICE
CAMPAIGNS	LOCAL GREEN BUSINESSES
COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECTS	CHANCE TO GET INVOLVED
RETROFIT	RENEWABLE ENERGY
RE-WILDING	CYCLE CHECKUPS
RECYCLING & COMPOSTING	CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Experts, Presentations, Stalls & Advice
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or scan the QR code...

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DATES FOR THE AUTUMN DIARY – SATURDAY 5th October – Ripon Together GREEN FAIR 10 am -3pm at Allhallowgate Methodist Church Hall.

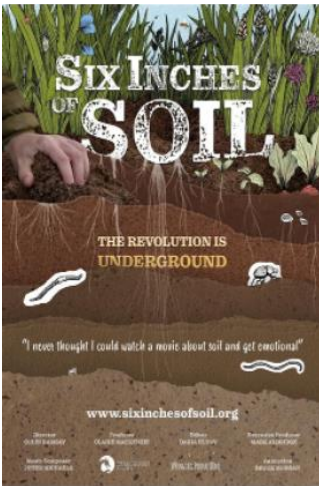
The Green Fair, organised by the Environment Group of Ripon Together, aims to bring environmental groups together to share information about their environmental projects with the public.

It aims to make 'Ripon a Better Place' and wishes to get public support for

- Better cycle routes
- Solar for Schools
- Green energy schemes in Ripon

EVERYONE IS WELCOME – FREE ENTRY – COFFEE &

CAKE



Cathedral Eco-committee film night Friday 4th October – Six Inches of Soil

The Cathedral Eco-committee are hosting a screening of the film Six Inches of Soil on Friday 4th October 2024. Doors will open at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start. Refreshments will be available. It is a film about the inspiring story of British farmers standing up against the industrial food system and transforming the way they produce food to heal the soil, benefit health and provide for local communities. Tickets are available through Eventbrite, or from the Cathedral shop and will also be available on the door. Ticket price is £5.00.

Diocesan Eco-exhibition in the Cathedral

During the month of September, the Cathedral is pleased to be hosting an exhibition showcasing what parishes from across the Diocese of Leeds are doing to journey towards being carbon net zero. A Rocha is the organisation which accredits churches with bronze, silver or gold awards for their eco-activity. Visit the Cathedral north aisle to see what churches are doing, what progress can be made and what challenges need to be met to ensure our churches and churchyards sustain the integrity of God's creation.

The Ripon Bible Exhibition and Lecture Series 8th, 15th and 22nd October

Did you know that Ripon Cathedral owns an internationally renowned collection of mediaeval manuscripts and early printed books? They are housed in the Brotherton Library at the University of Leeds for safe keeping. Among them is a Bible dating back to the year 1260, known as the Ripon Bible. During the month of October there will be a lavishly illustrated exhibition about this rare and beautifully illuminated book in the Cathedral north aisle. There will be a parallel exhibition of illuminated lettering created by pupils from local schools.

This will be accompanied by a series of three lectures about the Ripon collection. On Tuesday 8th and Tuesday 22nd October Dr Carol Ballard will give two different illustrated talks about the Ripon Bible. On Tuesday 15th October Dr Christopher Tinmouth will give an illustrated talk on his research into other areas of this significant collection of rare documents. The lectures begin at 7.30pm. Wine or soft drinks will be available.

‘C3: CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Ripon Cathedral is committed to supporting our community through partnerships with local charities. Contact C3@riponcathedral.org.uk or 01765 603462

OUR C3 PARTNERS ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS! COULD YOU HELP?

There has been a significant drop in the numbers of people volunteering locally. Please consider how you might give a few hours a week to one of our partner charities.



Support for today, planning for tomorrow

DEMENTIA FORWARD

03300 578592. <https://www.dementiaforward.org.uk>

Dementia Forward would like to hear from anyone interested in volunteering at our Hub in Burton Leonard. We run day services for people with dementia with a range of activities, from singing to crafts, new age curling to quizzes. Volunteers support staff to ensure everyone has a good day and feels safe and supported. Volunteers are needed in other roles, such as driving our minibus, supporting with welfare calls, fundraising and baking. Call 01765 601224 OR email debby.lennox@dementiaforward.org.uk



JENNYRUTH WORKSHOPS <https://www.jennyruth.co.uk>
info@jennyruth.co.uk **JENNYRUTH WORKSHOPS** is looking for new volunteers who could support workers with:

Office skills, Painting, Using a scroll saw, Running stalls at craft fairs, Fund raising

If you could help with any of these please contact info@jennyruth.co.uk

We can promise you will find no bigger smiles or pleasant working conditions than at Jennyruths! Visit the workshops and see for yourself.



RIPON YMCA 01765 607609 info@riponymca.org

Would you be interested in becoming a VOLUNTEER or TRUSTEE? Contact the Ripon YMCA and see how you could help this valuable community resource to continue to support young people in the Ripon area. You can also support the Ripon YMCA by sponsoring a young person's housing for £12 a month



Harrogate and District
Community Action

HARROGATE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ACTION

hadca@hadca.org.uk or phone 01423 504074

The HADCA Volunteering Directory provides information for people wishing to volunteer in the local area. You can find just the type of volunteering that matches you. See <https://hadca.org.uk/volunteer/opportunities> to find your volunteering match! **One example of a way of volunteering you might not have thought of is becoming a CARERS RESOURCE volunteer.** A carer is someone who, without payment, provides support to a someone who could not manage otherwise. **Carers' Resouce volunteers** take over for just a few hours a week to give the Carer much needed time off. **Contact Naomi Evans. 07590 877914.**
naomievans@carersresource.org



CHRISTIAN AID

Date for your Diary: HARVEST SUPPER, SATURDAY, 5th October 2024

7.00 pm to 9.15 pm (admission from 6.30 pm) See flyer in this newsletter for full details. If you are able to help out with setting up or serving or clearing away at the Harvest supper on the evening of Saturday 5 October, please email: dorothygray1152@gmail.com.



Our Cathedral weekly donations have dropped significantly, but the NEED for food continues to grow. Please help us to help the Salvation Army Food Bank.

What is needed:

Canned meats, stews, pies and corned beef, hot dogs, pasta and pasta sauces, canned spaghetti & ravioli, canned vegetables and instant mashed potato, canned fruit and jellied fruit pots, fruit shoot drinks, rice puddings, tinned custard, custard powder, Breakfast cereals, variety packs, cereal bars, healthy snack foods and drinks, fruit squash, UHT milk – whole and semi-skimmed, Disposable Nappies and baby wipes, shampoo. You can leave donations in the box next to the Welcomers' Desk anytime during the week.

In our C3 partnership with Refugee Council an Afghan Afternoon Tea was held within the Cathedral on Sat 20th July from 1:30-3pm.

Afghan families provided a sumptuous array of Afghan desserts and served green tea; it was delightful. They wished to thank everyone for the support over the last few months since their arrival in Ripon. It was amazing to see families looking so relaxed and happy; sharing with the wider community. Many tea party guests enquired if an Afghani recipe booklet could be created so they could produce such lovely treats themselves.

In the morning Afghani children learnt about some local flowers and arranged table decorations with some ladies from Ripon Cathedral Flower Club led by Diane Whelan. They were very excited to be selecting flowers to create beautiful posies for the tables. Prior to this day Afghan ladies with our Ripon Volunteers had attended a sewing session to make tablecloths together for the tea party; it all looked colourful and inviting.

We are very grateful to everyone who made the days so special. It was an afternoon of fun and festivity in the beautiful setting of Ripon Cathedral.



C3: Cathedral Community Connections



SUPPORT RIPON'S SALVATION ARMY FOOD BANK

More and more people are donating to Food Banks through supermarket collection bins. As great an idea as that is, those supplies never reach The Ripon Salvation Army's Food Bank who are the longest serving local food bank.

Ripon Cathedral has partnered with the Ripon Salvation Army for a number of years and has become the most reliable weekly donor of food supplies to them. But these donations have fallen off as people donate through supermarket collections.

Please would you consider bringing food donations to the Cathedral each week.



There is a collection box at the West End for food donations for
Ripon Salvation Army



HARVEST SUPPER

a fundraising event for Christian Aid

in the Cathedral

Saturday 5th October 2024

7.00 pm to 9.15 pm (admission from 6.30 pm)

Activity – Raffle – Cash Bar

**christian
aid**

Ticket price: £10, to include ploughman's
supper or, falafel; and dessert
Tickets available (cash only) from Ripon
Cathedral Shop
Tel 01765 601347



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Cathedral Harvest
Thanksgiving Service
with the
Yorkshire Agricultural Society

Sunday 6th October 10.30am

President: The Dean

Preacher: Revd Richard Andrew, Chair of the
Darlington Methodist District

Congregation are encouraged to bring harvest gifts
to be donated to the Ripon Food Bank

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WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER?

MONDAYS

Hot Chocolate & a Chat ^{*Weekly}
Pavilions from 2.45-3.45pm Aged 11+
Starts 4th September

TUESDAYS

SPARK ^{*Weekly}

Spa Park 6-7.30pm. Aged 11+
Starts 10th September

Don't miss Teen Talk. YMCA Hall on Tuesday 17th September

WEDNESDAYS

You Matter ^{*Weekly}

YMCA Hall from 4-6pm Aged 16+
Starts 25th September

THURSDAYS

Teen Drop In ^{*Weekly}

Library 3.15-4.15. Aged 11+. Starts 12th September
Me Time

YMCA Hall. Aged 16+. 14th September & 17th October



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COMMUNITY MATTERS

Ripon Youth work Partnership

We meet to discuss hot spots, themes, opportunities, issues and share information about the local activity. We also identify ways to celebrate young people:

- Sept 16th - 11am to noon. Face to face
- Nov 25th - 11am to noon. Online meeting
- Feb 3rd - 11am to noon. Face to Face
- March 24th - 11am to noon. Online Meeting

Youth Volunteering Network

We meet 4 times a year to discuss opportunities for promoting youth volunteering, share good practice, identify opportunities to promote and celebrate. We also aim to hold a volunteer recruitment fair annually:

- Nov 11th - 11am to noon - Online meeting
- Jan 20th - 11am to noon - Online meeting

Ripon Community Matters Training

Safeguarding Awareness - Working with Children and Vulnerable Adults.

Thurs 17th Oct 24 - 10am to 1pm with lunch.

This course is an introductory session raising awareness of safeguarding when working with children, young people and vulnerable adults. We look at some key legalisation and guidance associated with safeguarding. Identify signs and symptoms of abuse and explore what to do if you have a concern about a child, young person or adult. This training should satisfy employer requirements for front line workers who are not a Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mental Health Awareness. Thurs 28th Nov 24 - 10am to 1pm with lunch.

This course aims to raise awareness of mental health. We explore how to understand and recognise the causes & symptoms of poor mental health and how you can support others in your workplace or community.

Working with Young People. Thurs 27th Feb 25 - 10am to 1pm with lunch.

This course provides basic skills in engaging and communicating effectively with young people. We explore the skills and qualities needed when responding to young people. We use practical information, tips and resources to increase confidence and establish appropriate boundaries for building positive and effective relationships when working with young people.

This work is funded by a Ripon City Council Partnership Grant. All courses are free and are for local partners and community members in Ripon. Training will take place in person in a Ripon venue.

To book onto a course or to be added to a meeting mailing list please email: info@riponymca.org or phone 01765 607609



If you would like us to deliver a course specifically for your workplace please contact us.

Quarterly Newsletter

August 2024



Recipients This Quarter

- ★ PO10 - 67
 - ★ PO20 - 23
 - ★ PO50 - 25
 - ★ PO100-7
- 2000+ hours volunteered**

News

This Quarter our young volunteers came from:



The **GreenHouse**
Ripon

We welcome our first proud business sponsor of The PO10

Power Of 10 Ambassador

We are currently working with 2 of our PO100 recipients to create a new PO10 Ambassador Role, To help encourage other young people to get involved



Brainstorming at Ripon Library

Events & Training

Young Persons Volunteer Recruitment Fair

Wednesday 18th September 12.30 -4 pm
at Ripon Grammar School.
Email Joanne.T@hadca.org.uk to book a place for your organisation

FREE 2-hour Volunteer strategy session for voluntary organisations

If you are currently recruiting young volunteers or planning to recruit young people for the first time, Jo Thackwray is offering this session to support you.

Email JoanneT@hadca.org.uk to book for October & November

Safeguarding Awareness- working with Children & Vulnerable Adults -

Thursday 17th Oct - 10 am -1pm with Ripon YMCA - To book a place email: info@riponymca.org

To find out how you can get involved or learn more scan here



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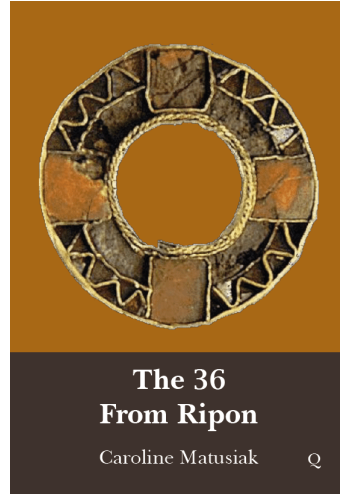
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The 36 From Ripon - written by Caroline Matusiak

"The 36 bus from Ripon is my favourite writing retreat. Here my poems are imagined, pondered and crafted. This collection of 36 includes poetry inspired by the Ripon area and other places further afield."

Caroline was a prize winner of the 2023 Ripon Poetry Competition. She is a member of the Ripon Poetry Festival Committee and a judge for the 2024 competition. Caroline has given readings of her poetry on 'Contextual' for Coverstory Books. She has published in early years education.

Brand new and hot off the press we are delighted to have worked with Memory Lane to produce this new publication available now in the cathedral shop - £6.99

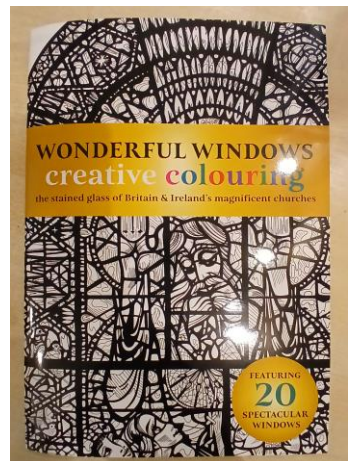


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SERVICE TIMES

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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