



# All Saints Higher Walton

## NEWSLETTER 10<sup>th</sup> June 2018



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**SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

**IN THE GROUNDS OF HIGHER WALTON  
SCHOOL**

### PROGRAMME OF EVENTS



**12 noon** Lancashire Crazy Golf will be open for their 9 hole course. Their prices are very reasonable : £6 for a family of 4, individual prices are £3 for adults and £2 for children.

**12.45pm** **Music from Tony James** and opening of barbeque

**1pm** **Crowning of our Rose Queen, Abi Hindley** by Mrs Denise Kennedy. The Crown Bearer will be **Rohan Niven** and the Rose Queen's attendants (rosebuds) will be **sisters Stella and Maisie Lewis-Heron**.

**1.15pm** Opening of stalls and refreshments  
Various entertainments during the afternoon

**4pm** Close

Please could you support the Summer Fair by providing something for the stalls. Donations welcome for the Tombola, Raffle, Cake Stall and wine. There is a box in Church for your donations or see Sandra Houghton.

*We would like to thank Ian Wilde (Independent Funeral Director) for again supporting this Fair.*

Please could we also kindly ask for volunteers to help set up the Fair. This will be from **4pm to 6pm** on **Friday 29 June** and again **on the day from 10am**. Just turn up. The clearing away after the Fair is normally left to just a few who have been there all day so we would ask if possible if you could stay behind just for a little while. This would be a great help and appreciated.

Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

We hope that you will all enjoy the Summer Fair and look forward to seeing you there.

### THE 35 CLUB

As in previous years, we are offering "membership of The 35 Club" to anyone who will donate £10 to help with the costs of the Summer Fair. There are still a few places left. ! Please sign up on the list in church, or have a word with June Hart  
Thank you



### WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE ?

At breakfast the other day we were disturbed to hear a screeching and screaming of birds outside the door; we went out in time to shoo away a mob of three magpies that had set about a group of sparrows. Sadly the youngest sparrow did not survive. It reminded me of the words of Jesus who observed that 'not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows [Matt.10:29-31]. On a happier note we've watched a tame robin darting in and out grabbing grubs to feed his growing chicks as we worked in the garden. Jesus tells us we are of immense value to God who understands all there is to know about us even before our birth, Psalm 139.

The apostle Paul, inspired by the Holy Spirit, made a bold statement when he wrote to the new Christians in Ephesus, 'Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ' [Ephesians 1:4,5]. All that time ago we were known to God and chosen by him to become sons and daughters adopted into his holy Family. Whoever we are, whatever we may or may not have done, when we change direction to follow Jesus and find his forgiveness, freely given because died on the cross for us, we who once were far from God have now become members of his Family through faith.

These verses alone, and there are many others throughout the Bible, tell us we are not only known by God and greatly valued by him, but people he chose to be his family. So many people feel so alone in today's society, and that's not just the elderly; others don't have a family that truly cares for them, they may not know who one or other of their parents is, families breakdown with subsequent suffering, others have been orphaned or adopted. Being without family, not having lasting roots or warm relationships cause so much misery and sadness.

Be assured, God knows our situation; he offers us through Jesus a lasting hope with an enduring joy because we have come to know who we are through the promises he has made to us. Even as in the eye of the most violent storm there is a place of calm, so in Jesus we can be confident without being afraid or lonely that we are valued members of his family – we belong! We can call God our Father, Abba – literally Daddy! [Romans 8:15].

*David Woodhouse*

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## 11 JUNE : THE FEAST OF BARNABAS THE APOSTLE



Are you going to Cyprus on holiday this year? If so, spare a thought for the Cypriot who played such a key role in the New Testament.

He was Joseph, a Jewish Cypriot and a Levite, who is first mentioned in Acts 4:36, when the early church was sharing a communal lifestyle. Joseph sold a field and gave the money to the apostles. His support so touched them that they gave him the nickname of Barnabas, 'Son of Encouragement'.

Barnabas has two great claims to fame. Firstly, it was Barnabas who made the journey to go and fetch the converted Paul out of Tarsus, and persuade him to go with him to Antioch, where there were many new believers with no one to help them. For a year the two men ministered there, establishing a church. It was here that the believers were first called Christians.

It was also in Antioch (Acts 13) that the Holy Spirit led the church to 'set aside' Barnabas and Paul, and send them out on the church's first ever 'missionary journey'. The Bible tells us that they went to Cyprus, and travelled throughout the island. It was at Lystra that the locals mistook Barnabas for Zeus and Paul for Hermes, much to their dismay.

Much later, back in Jerusalem, Barnabas and Paul decided to part company. While Paul travelled on to Syria, Barnabas did what he could do best: return to Cyprus and continue to evangelise it. So if you go to Cyprus and see churches, remember that Christianity on that beautiful island goes right back to Acts 13, when Barnabas and Paul first arrived.

## COFFEE MORNING

In Church  
Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
From 10am- 12 noon

Next Coffee morning : 20<sup>th</sup> June



All Ages Welcome – toys/games for children

An opportunity for a relaxed cup of coffee or tea, toast, cake, chat and browse our library section where you can borrow, swap or buy any of the books available.



The coffee mornings are proving popular. All sorts of interesting visitors have been dropping in !

And it's **free** ! - though you can donate something if you wish.

## FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Erin Alice Costigan

and

Arthur Henry Warburton



We send our best wishes to both families and remember them in our prayers.

## CHURCH FLOWERS

There are no Church flower donations listed for several weeks ahead. If you would like to sponsor flowers to mark some notable event or in remembrance of a loved one, please speak to Irene Ingham 01772 312636.

## CHRISTMAS MARKET SATURDAY 24 NOVEMBER 10am to 4pm In Church

If you know of any businesses who would be interested in having a stall at the above event, then telephone 01254 853995 for more details and an application form. Thank You

## BAG IT BRING IT



NEXT COLLECTION 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE



Please bring your bags to Church

## NEXT SUNDAY : 17<sup>th</sup> JUNE

Please bring clean good quality second-hand adults' and children's clothes

Paired shoes in good condition

Belts, handbags

**NO** Bedding, curtains, towels, underwear or socks.

For a full list of items see the notice board in church

All proceeds for All Saints' funds

Enquiries to Sandra Houghton on 01254 851202

## HOLY TRINITY HOGHTON. Social Events

Contact Judith Benn 01254 853000

## Preston Music Centre Concert Band

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Tickets £6 adults, Children under 14 £3 includes wine & nibbles

## Summer Fair and Jigsaw Festival

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July 10am – 4pm

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July 12 noon- 4pm

Refreshments- light lunches, cakes tea, coffee

Assorted stalls



Another happy outcome. We are pleased to report that the recent request we posted to the ACTS 435

website has been fully met and the lady concerned is delighted and grateful to have a new washing machine installed and working. THANK YOU to everyone who donated.

*The vicar at a local church experienced some technical problems with the sound system one Sunday. Instead of starting the service as usual with 'The Lord be with you', he said: 'There's something wrong with this microphone.'*

*Not hearing this, the congregation responded: 'And also with you.'*