



ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, SCALBY



Building together a community of faith
that reaches out with God's love –
in Jesus' name.

PRAYER-CREATIVITY-INVITATION-LEARNING-JOY-SERVING

Week beginning: Sunday 16th August 2026

Hello and Welcome

World



- ❖ All those affected by the earthquakes in Colombia and Japan.
- ❖ Firefighters and civilians dealing with wildfires in Canada, Europe, and several areas in the UK including the South West, the Isle of Wight, the Peak District, Edinburgh and Dunwich Heath.
- ❖ The conflict and standoff between the US and Iran.
- ❖ Pray that Israel will accept the US peace plan for Gaza.
- ❖ May Russia be willing to make compromises in its war with Ukraine.
- ❖ Perpetrators and victims of crime and their families.

Church and Community

- ❖ Inspiration for the teams planning worship.
- ❖ This week please pray for volunteers to help with Little Steps.
- ❖ Students receiving exam results and making decisions about their future lives.
- ❖ Those involved in planning the future of the Community Hall.
- ❖ The staff of Proudfoot at this difficult time of transition.

Individuals

- ❖ All those known personally to us who need our prayers.
- ❖ Wisdom for the Prime Minister facing so many difficult issues and our own MP Alison Hume.
- ❖ Safety for children and teenagers during the summer holiday.
- ❖ All who struggle with mental health issues.
- ❖ Those who look after our rivers and reservoirs.
- ❖ David and Azaria with baby Alicia are adjusting to new patterns and rhythms of life. Pray for Azaria as she dedicates herself to looking after Alicia while on maternity leave and for David as he negotiates a new work/life balance. Pray for them both as they seek God's guidance about future ministry opportunities to serve children at risk and families in Guatemala.



Church Services today and next week

Sunday 16th August **11th Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am **Holy Communion** Bishop David Wilbourne

10.30am **Building Together** Revd Tony Hand

Collect: God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Readings: Romans 12:1-8
 Matthew 16:13-19

Tuesday 18th August

8.30am **Morning Prayer** Revd Marion Wright

Thursday 20th August

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10.30am **Prayer in the Parish**

Friday 21st August

12.00pm **Funeral of Ethel Lockwood** Scalby Methodist Church
(Followed by a burial at St. Laurence's followed by refreshments, venue tbc at the service)

Sunday 23rd August **12th Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am **Holy Communion** Revd Tony Hand
 Revd Rosie Coles

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 Preacher Revd Stephen Walker

Readings: Romans 12:1-8 & Matthew 16:13-19

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COMING WEEK:

18.08.26	8.30am	Morning Prayer	Church
20.08.26	8.30am	Morning Prayer	Church
	10.30am	Prayer in the Parish	Church
21.08.26	12.00pm	Funeral of Ethel Lockwood	Scalby Methodist Church
		(followed by burial at St. Laurence's)	
23.08.26	8.00am	Holy Communion	Church
	10.30am	Holy Communion	Church

SITUATIONS VACANT

We have a number of volunteer roles which are available for those who have some spare time they are wanting to fill. These includes volunteers for Little Steps (Baby and Toddler Group), helpers for Messy Church, members of the Missions group, an editor for CONNECT magazine along with someone to prepare the content ready for print and to manage subscriptions and advertising. If you are interested in, or want any more information about any of these positions then please speak to our Churchwardens, Sue Truefitt and Liz Anderson.

ISLAND TRUFFLES AND TREATS!



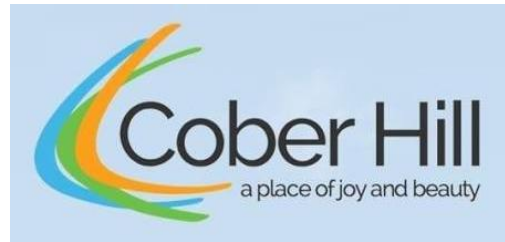
The Social Committee are hosting an afternoon filled with deliciously handmade indulgent chocolates and cream teas. It takes place in St. Laurence's Church Rooms on Sunday 13th September, 3pm to 5.30pm. There are a limited number of tickets costing £15, which are available from Social Committee members after the services in Sunday 19th July.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

During Covid I sent out a daily email to members of our church family for whom I had an email address, which contained a wide variety of things to help us keep in touch and somehow this has continued, albeit in a different format, weekly, or every 10 days or so (depending on my holidays!) I'm aware that we've got several new faces in the congregation so if you'd like to receive news about church and local events just email me on scarboroughlesley@gmail.com to let me know you'd like to join/come off the email group. Lesley Newton.

NSGM 5TH SUNDAY SERVICE

The Next NSGM Sunday 10.30am Service is on Sunday 30th August and will be held at Colber Hill on Newlands Road in Cloughton. It will be held outside (weather permitting) and will be a service



of Holy Communion with refreshments served afterwards. The speaker will be Joby Andrews who leads the St. Luke's Evening Worship Group with the Indian Community. The collection will be given in support of the Cober Hill Charitable Foundation. Everyone is welcome.

FISS SCHOOLS WORKER



Fiss are looking for a passionate and gifted Christian to join their team in making a difference in the lives of children and young people across Scarborough. As a Schools Worker, you will share and live out your Christian faith in local schools through a variety of engaging and relevant activities, building relationships and supporting the spiritual and personal development of pupils and staff. For further information and an application pack please email fissjobs@outlook.com. The closing date is Friday 11th September 2026.

SRUFC CENTENARY FUN DAY

There is a family fun day at the Rugby Club on Sunday 30th August starting at 10am. There will be rides, games, races, challenges, food stalls, a zen zone and merchandise. There is also a grand prize draw with a Playstation 5 to be won! Entry is free, all are welcome.



Can you help?

Have you any of the following items laying around that you could donate to the club for their children's races on Centenary Family Fun Day on 30th August? Old handbags, Scarves, Fun Inflatables e.g. instruments/animals, glasses and gloves are all needed.

Please drop off what you can give at the rugby club office – or reception desk.

NEW MEMBERS WANTED FOR THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

People from across the Diocese of York are invited to consider standing for the General Synod with elections due this autumn.

General Synod helps to shape the life of the Church of England.

Standing for election is an opportunity to represent the concerns and experiences of our churches and communities, contribute to important national decisions, and help the Church live Christ's story today, in and for the world.

Those elected will serve for five years.

You do not need to know everything about General Synod, have experience of public speaking, or already be a member of a PCC, deanery synod, or diocesan synod.

You can find out more about standing for election via the Diocesan Website here:

<https://dioceseofyork.org.uk/our-diocese/governance/general-synod/>

A MESSAGE FROM ETHEL LOCKWOOD'S FAMILY

Ethel passed away peacefully after a short illness on 30th July at Scarborough Hospital. She was a lifelong member of Scalby Methodist Church and lived her life with a strong Christian faith. She was involved in many joint events with St. Laurence's such as Open the Book and bible study groups. Her funeral will be held on Friday 21st August at 12pm at Scalby Methodist Church, followed by a burial at St. Laurence's and then refreshments. Everyone is welcome to attend.

OFFICE HOURS FOR NEXT WEEK

Wednesday 19th August

CLOSED

Friday 21st August

9.00am – 11.15am

We ask that you contact Sarah to arrange to pop into the office on 01723 364858 or via email office@stlaurencescalby.org.uk

Sarah will be working from home at times throughout the week and will be able to respond to emails.



Keep in touch via www.stlaurencescalby.org.uk, by email on office@stlaurencescalby.org.uk or through Facebook, search St. Laurence's Church, Scalby.

Elijah in my garden

31 Osgodby Crescent
Scarborough
YO11 3JP

Why "Elijah in my garden"?

- 1 I like Elijah, he's human! He was an important man, and he appears in the New Testament with Jesus. I always feel it's a bit sad that we might not spot him.
- 2 I understand from those who come to my garden, that it's a very peaceful place. I'm hoping that you'll experience that peace and take it away with you.

Saturday 10 -5
Sunday 2 - 4

Combining 1 and 2 is a way of spending some time on
August 22nd or 23rd. And I'd love to see you!

Elijah in my garden.

In Elijah's day there was a right royal battle going on between good and evil. It needed a courageous man who was in touch with God to fight it.

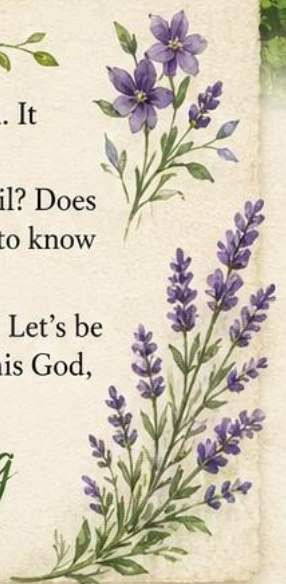
Does that look familiar? Are we in the midst of a battle between good and evil? Does God need courageous people to stand against it? I reckon so, and it helps us to know that God knows what to do: because he's done it before!

Elijah was as human as us, and, like us, was capable of great acts of bravery. Let's be encouraged by walking alongside Elijah and meeting with Elijah, and with his God, who is the same yesterday, today and forever.



Peace in the garden.
Peace in your heart.

Liz Kitching





North Scarborough Group Ministry

NSGM 5th Sunday Service

Cober Hill Scarborough

Newlands Road Cloughton YO13 0AR

**Sunday
30 August
2026**

10.30am

**Please note that this is an
outdoor service
but will be indoors if wet.**

***Holy
Communion***

with refreshments served
afterwards

Speaker:

Joby Andrews

Joby leads the St Luke's
Evening Worship Group
with the Indian Community

Cober Hill will be serving their traditional
Sunday lunch at £25 for a 3 course lunch
or £22 for 2 courses if you wish to take the
opportunity to stay on after the service.

However, you must book this yourself
before the beginning of August by contacting
Emma directly at:
receptiondesk@coberhill.co.uk

The collection will be given in support of the Cober Hill charitable foundation

EVERYONE WELCOME

***There will be no mid morning services at the other churches
across the NSGM on this Sunday because it is a fifth Sunday in the month
when all the North Scarborough Group Ministry churches are
invited to worship together.***

For further details contact:
Canon Chris Coates of St Mary's Church Cloughton via
Email: igtcoates@gmail.com or phone: 07940 248419

Join
us
for
our...

Messy
Church

picnic

St Laurence's
Church Rooms

Saturday
29th August

4pm-5.30pm

Bring your own picnic and enjoy a relaxing afternoon

Invite your family and friends to join us

Crafts and games

No need to book just turn up and stay as long as you wish

Tea and coffee available

Inside the Church Rooms if wet



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