

**Thought for the Day**

***“If you don’t like something, change it; if you can’t Change it, Change the way you think about it.”***

**Holiday Club!** -the dates for this year's Holiday Club will be 23rd-27th July with a service (and hopefully BBQ) on Sunday 29th July. If you are keen to help as a leader or helper, please can you note down the dates and let me know. Holiday Club can't run without a large and vibrant team of volunteers, so if you're at all interested please come and talk to me about what happens and what opportunities there are for volunteering.

I am also hoping to have a group of people that would be happy to be the planning team for the week. If you would be interested in doing this, please let me know. Thanks. Katie Hobson Children and Families Minister.

**Names & Faces** we intend to produce a version of the St Edward’s Directory with pictures of people to help church members to identify people more easily and to help to our new Vicar as he or she gets to know us all. This is entirely voluntary, no compulsion to join in. The photos will only be used for the directory, and the directory will only be made available to people who attend St Edwards. It will only be published in paper form. If you would like to participate, please send a head and shoulder digital photo of yourself by e-mail to the Parish Office.

[parishoffice@care4free.net](mailto:parishoffice@care4free.net). Only one person per photo please. If you are not able to do this Peter Wheatcroft will be available in the meeting room after the morning services on the 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> February and has agreed to take photos.

**Lent Bookstall** – in the Community Hall following all the services today, where there will be a selection of Lent and other good ‘reads’ for sale.

**Sidespersons Duties** – the duties have been revised for all the services. Please refer to the folder at the back of church and speak to Louise if you would like a copy.

Where has your **Shoebox** gone? So far Liberia!

**Up for Grabs!** – new list at the back of church.

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**Core Office Hours:**  
**Monday - Friday:**  
9.00am-4.30pm  
12.30-1.00 closed for  
lunch break

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**St Edward the Confessor  
Sunday 11th February  
Next before Lent**

*Hello and welcome to St Edward’s. If you are visiting, please make yourself known so that we can welcome you.*

*Refreshments available in the Community Hall after the 10am service. All welcome.*

*We do not take a collection during the services. A plate is available for donations at the back of the church, at the beginning and end of each service. All donations are gratefully received and there are several ways to give on a regular basis. Please ask! If you use a white gift aid envelope, please fill in all the details or we cannot reclaim the tax.*

Gluten-free wafers available at communion.  
Please inform a sidesperson if you require one

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018 – Next before Lent**

**8.30am HC 2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 p177 Mark 9: 2-9 p42**

**Leading Daphne Green Preaching Mark Russell-Smith**

**10.00 Holy Communion Readings as above**

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**6.30pm Evening Prayer 1 Kings 19: 1-16 p336 2 Peter 1:16-end p234**

**Leading Michael Sargent**

**14<sup>th</sup> February 2018 – Ash Wednesday**

**7.30pm Holy Communion Isaiah 59: 1-12 p698 John 8: 1-11 p97**

**Leading Daphne Green Preaching Michael Sargent**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**8.30am BCP HC 1 Peter 3: 18-end p232; Mark 1:9-15 p33**

**10.00am Family Communion Readings as above**

**11.30am BCP HC (in the Meeting Room)**

**6.30pm Evening Prayer Genesis 2:15-17,3:1-7 p2 Romans 5:12-19 p151**

## Church Open Monday – Friday

<b>Mon 12<sup>th</sup></b>	7.30pm	Women's Fellowship "York Neighbours" a talk by Anna Diget
<b>Tues 13<sup>th</sup></b>	12.30	Funeral of Julie Rawlings
	7.30pm	Wisemen at the Cross Keys
<b>Wed 14<sup>th</sup></b>	12.00 noon	Praying in Company
	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Service
<b>Thurs 15<sup>th</sup></b>	2.00pm	Townswomen's Guild
<b>Fri 16<sup>th</sup></b>	12.00 – 2.00pm	Lunches

**Carecent Winter Appeal** – for warm clothing (mainly men's), underwear (new) & toiletries. Look out for the blue tubs at the back of church this month for donations. See poster on both noticeboards.

**Prayer Diary** – the St Edward's Church Prayer Diary has now been updated for 2018. Take a copy to pray together as a church family. If you took a copy before Christmas, a few adjustments have since been made so please take another copy. Thank you.

### **Updating St Edward's Story**

In preparation for the Annual Meeting we need to update the 'St Edward's Story'. It was rewritten last year but some of the information will now be out of date. Please check your entry and either email an update or say it is OK to Colin or Debbie Paterson at [the.patersons@mac.com](mailto:the.patersons@mac.com)

We will not be chasing up groups, it is up to each group to check all is ok with their entry. There is a copy at the back of church, but it can also be found on the church's website.

Thanks Christine Hanby.

### **NEXT Prayer, Poetry and Pimms** – "Spring and All Things New"

Tuesday, 17th April at 7.30pm in the Community Hall Lounge (or Meeting Room), See/Ring Mark 792154 or Sharon 781902 to let us know numbers, please, and bring a 'Spring' poem.

### **Events and Friday Team news.**

Just to say a big` Thank You ` to all helpers and customers in 2017. Our takings raised a total of £8470.00 towards the Refurbishment fund which I am advised, is now complete.

**Plastic Pens** - just to let you know I'm collecting used plastic pens, felt tips, marker pens & highlighters (**no metal ones**) which can currently be recycled via St Nicks Environment Centre. Collection box at the back of church. Thank you. Dorothy Reed.



**Who will YOU invite?** Invitation cards for the Alpha course are available at the back of Church. Please think of people you know who are not committed Christians but may be interested in discovering more. The first part of the Alpha course will start on the evening of April 17th for six weekly sessions.

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore the basics of Christian faith. It is for anyone who is curious to explore the big questions of life, faith and meaning. The talks are designed to encourage conversation and explore the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment.

**Women's world day of prayer service** - for everyone, will be held at St Edwards this year on Friday 2nd March at 10.00am.

**USPG** - will be holding a regional gathering on Thursday Feb 15th here in York. It is a chance to meet up with people who have an interest in links with churches in other countries and will include feedback about a recent trip to Brazil as well as updates on the Gap year programme for all ages, known as *Journey with Us*. If you can come, please do. It starts at 12noon until 4pm and is at St Olave's Church Hall in Marygate so plenty of parking. Lunch is provided so if you can make it let Helen or Daphne know so there is food for you. Pop in if you can't make the whole time.

**Only Girls Allowed** – next social and chat is Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 7.30pm at the Cross Keys. All welcome. Berni & Elaine.

**A HUGE thank you** to St Edwards' congregation for stocking up on bread and other home baked goodies after the family service last Sunday. We were sold out and raised £181 altogether. Your support to enable me to attend the scout's jamboree in America is hugely appreciated. My next activity is a car boot in April. If you have any donations I would welcome them, please. Ben Burgess.

**Busy bags today!** Normal Promise on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018