

# **Thurstonland Parish News**



**September—  
October 2026**

## THOUGHTS FROM THE VICAR

I am very glad of this opportunity to introduce myself, and Simon to you. I am the new incumbent of the new Benefice (collection of parishes) and am delighted to be the Vicar of Hepworth, New Mill and Thurstonland. We moved into the church property at 3, Vicarage Meadows, HD9 1DZ in August and are thrilled to find ourselves in a place of wonderful views and welcoming people. We look forward to getting to know you better over the weeks and months ahead.

We have three adult children: a son and two daughters, and are glad that they are all content and settled in their lives, leaving us for the moment unencumbered and able to settle into life in Yorkshire. Both of us have been clergy in the Church of England since 1995. Previously we lived and worked in and around Bridgnorth in Shropshire. The hills are gentler there, and the driving less challenging! For the last three years we have been living and working in Gulu, a city in Northern Uganda, East Africa. We worked with the Church Mission Society, and in the Diocese of Northern Uganda. I was Principal of a Theological College, part of a team training clergy for the Church of Uganda. Simon worked with the Diocese in development, and became an arable farmer, growing maize, soya and coffee with the local community. We had a wonderful and challenging three years there, and were able to hand our work on to local people as we left just after Easter this year. The greater part of the population of Uganda are subsistence farmers, growing maize and beans enough to provide for themselves, some are also business people, and very entrepreneurial.

I am excited now to be part of three vibrant and healthy congregations which are at the heart of their local communities, and I look forward to worshipping God and learning together. These are challenging times in our world, as individualism and power seem to be driving out common sense and cooperation. I am convinced that a hopeful future lies in working together with our differences, living peaceably with one another in so far as that is possible. When I look at the people that Jesus put together in the early church I am amazed and encouraged by the variety and apparent incompatibility of those who were called together to share the love and grace of God in word and action. I hope that in these local communities in our different ways we can continue to reflect that hope, love and generosity and work together for the good of all who live and work here.

Please feel able to contact me, to visit or through my email which is

[sarahcawdell59@gmail.com](mailto:sarahcawdell59@gmail.com). I look forward to meeting you and working with you.

God bless you.

**Rev'd Sarah Cawdell**



## VILLAGE DIARY September 2026

|                      |                                                                                                                         |                             |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Thurs 3 Sept</b>  | Coffee Morning                                                                                                          | 10.30am – 12noon            |
| <b>Sun 6 Sept</b>    | Family Service - Café style                                                                                             | 10am                        |
| <b>Tues 8 Sept</b>   | PCC meeting                                                                                                             | 7pm                         |
| <b>Weds 9 Sept</b>   | WI meeting @ SVH                                                                                                        | 7.30pm                      |
| <b>Thurs 10 Sept</b> | Community Cards Group                                                                                                   | 2-4pm                       |
| <b>Sat 12 Sept</b>   | Heritage Open Day – <b>Church Open</b><br>Theme is “Everyday Histories”<br><b>Please see article in the Parish News</b> | <b>10am – 4pm</b>           |
| <b>Sun 13 Sept</b>   | BCP Holy Communion Service<br>Heritage Open Day- <b>Church Open</b>                                                     | 9.30am<br><b>12noon-4pm</b> |
| <b>Sun 20 Sept</b>   | Family Holy Communion Service                                                                                           | 9.30am                      |
| <b>Thurs 24 Sept</b> | Community Cards Group                                                                                                   | 2-4pm                       |
| <b>Fri 25 Sept</b>   | Community Lunch – all proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Support<br><b>Booking essential – tel. 07710588275</b>               | 12 noon                     |
| <b>Sun 27 Sept</b>   | <b>No service at St Thomas</b><br>Joint Service of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Hepworth                             | 10am                        |
| <b>Weds 30 Sept</b>  | Mothers Union Meeting                                                                                                   | 7pm                         |

## VILLAGE DIARY October 2026

|                     |                                                                                              |                                                                                   |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Thurs 1 Oct</b>  | Coffee Morning – all proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Support                                    | 10.30 – 12 noon                                                                   |
| <b>Sun 4 Oct</b>    | Family Service and Harvest Thanksgiving                                                      | 10am                                                                              |
| <b>Thurs 8 Oct</b>  | Community Cards Group                                                                        | 2-4pm                                                                             |
| <b>Sun 11 Oct</b>   | BCP Holy Communion Service                                                                   | 9.30am                                                                            |
| <b>Weds 14 Oct</b>  | WI meeting at SVH                                                                            | 7.30pm                                                                            |
| <b>Sun 18 Oct</b>   | Family Holy Communion Service                                                                | 9.30am                                                                            |
| <b>Thurs 22 Oct</b> | Community Cards Group                                                                        | 2-4pm                                                                             |
| <b>Sat 24 Oct</b>   | <b>British Summer Time ends<br/>Remember to put your clocks back by 1 hour tonight</b>       |  |
| <b>Sun 25 Oct</b>   | <b>No service at St Thomas</b><br>Joint Service of Holy Communion at Christ Church, New Mill | 10am                                                                              |
| <b>Weds 28 Oct</b>  | Mothers' Union meeting                                                                       | 7pm                                                                               |
| <b>Fri 30 Oct</b>   | Community Lunch<br><b>Booking essential tel - 07710588275</b>                                | 12 noon                                                                           |

**Sunday Services at Christ Church New Mill and Holy Trinity,  
Hepworth for September & October 2026**

**(may be subject to change)**

| <b>Date</b>                 | <b>Christ Church, New Mill</b>                          | <b>Holy Trinity, Hepworth</b>                            |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>6<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>  | <b>Family Eucharist<br/>11am</b>                        | <b>Holy Communion<br/>9.30am</b>                         |
| <b>13<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> | <b>Matins<br/>11am</b>                                  | <b>Holy Communion<br/>9.30am</b>                         |
| <b>20<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> | <b>Family Service<br/>11am</b>                          | <b>Service of The Word<br/>10am</b>                      |
| <b>27<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> | <b>No Service<br/>Joint Service at Holy<br/>Trinity</b> | <b>Joint Service of Holy<br/>Communion<br/>10am</b>      |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>   | <b>Family Eucharist<br/>11am</b>                        | <b>Holy Communion<br/>9.30am</b>                         |
| <b>11<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>  | <b>Matins<br/>11am</b>                                  | <b>Holy Communion<br/>9.30am</b>                         |
| <b>18<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>  | <b>Family Service<br/>11am</b>                          | <b>Service of the Word<br/>10am</b>                      |
| <b>25<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>  | <b>Joint Service of Holy<br/>Communion<br/>10am</b>     | <b>No Service<br/>Joint Service at Christ<br/>Church</b> |

ST THOMAS' CHURCH, THURSTONLAND



# HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2026

10am

followed by refreshments in the church room

Gifts of tinned and dried foods and toiletries, etc for donation  
to the Welcome Centre would be appreciated

Any monetary collection will be donated to C.A.R.T.

## HARVEST THANKSGIVING

The Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held in church on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2026 at 10am. We will be collecting goods to be donated to The Welcome Centre, with any monetary donations going to C.A.R.T.



Mary Sumner

The July Mothers' Union meeting was an open meeting held in the Gallery Room at Christ Church, New Mill. The Speaker was Sally Norton who, together with her husband, Matt, founded the **Memusi Foundation**, which is based in Holmfirth. Sally spoke about the charity

which works with communities in Nairobi, Kenya. They are building and funding schools, encouraging sustainable projects (e.g. growing tomatoes and aubergines) and working with street children. She brought items for sale which had been made by the local women. She will be hosting a stall at the New Mill Church Christmas Market on 28<sup>th</sup> November, selling her goods and will be available to give more information if you are interested.

The Foundation website address is :-

[www.memusifoundation.org.uk](http://www.memusifoundation.org.uk).

The August meeting was the celebration of the 150 Anniversary of the founding of the Mothers' Union by Mary Sumner (the history was explained in the last Parish News). This took the form of a service at Holy Trinity, Hepworth led by Rev Di Ellerton and the Mothers' Union banners from the branches were presented. The evening was hosted by the Hepworth branch, for which we are very grateful. There was a sketch reflecting the changes in life since the founding of the MU during the service, which was very entertaining. Well done to Hepworth Branch and thank you for the invitation. Refreshments were served after the service.

The programme for September and October will be circulated to members shortly.

## **THURSTONLAND CRICKET CLUB**

As I write just five games of the cricket season remain with the results of efforts on the field of play having been resolved by the time these comments are read. With the series of heatwaves during the summer most cricket outfields no longer resemble 'England's green and pleasant land' but look more like the parched landscapes of areas of the world more used to sustained hot and dry spells of weather.

Having said that it is likely that different expectations will become the new norm in what were previously thought of as more temperate regions along with efforts being made to minimise the effects of climate change. Like everyone in the wider community adjustments have to be made and sports clubs also have to think about how to adapt.

Preparation of grounds at all stages of the year will be affected by these conditions which affect patterns of the growth of grass and the increased need for watering whilst bearing in mind the implications for the appropriate amount of use for that invaluable resource.

Drinks intervals in game have this year been more than welcome and indeed essential for players and officials alike with games taking place during what is often the hottest part of the day.

During the season the club has continued to enjoy the company of nineteen-year-old Khwezi Nyamathe from South Africa. On the field his boundless energy and enthusiasm as our first team wicket-keeper have been in evidence in all our games and it has been a pleasure to learn a little more about him during conversations. Too often people from other parts of the world are lumped together in a generalised mass rather than them being seen as individuals.

In a recent conversation I learned from him that as well as English he speaks Zulu, an indigenous African language, and has a working knowledge of Afrikaans, which is a close relation of Dutch, a legacy of settlers from Holland in times past. When he leaves he will take with him our best wishes together with the knowledge that in turn he will have enjoyed experiencing life in Britain in a supportive village community.

**Andrew Pearson**

## ST THOMAS' CHURCH SERVICES

[www.thurstonland.org](http://www.thurstonland.org) or [www.newmillpc.org.uk](http://www.newmillpc.org.uk) or  
[www.hepworthchurch.org.uk](http://www.hepworthchurch.org.uk)

### September 2026

| Date | Service and Time                                      | Minister | Saying Hello | Intercessor   | Reader        | Chalice Holder | Coffee |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| 6    | Family Service –<br>Café Style<br>10am                | Sarah    | Lynda        | Mari-<br>anne | Mari-<br>anne | -              | Lynda  |
| 13   | BCP Com-<br>munion<br>9.30am                          | Lorna    | Vernon       | -             | Vernon        | Michelle       | Gilly  |
| 20   | Holy Com-<br>munion<br>9.30am                         | Sarah    | Brian        | Lynda         | Lynda         | Janet          | Sue    |
| 27   | Joint Ser-<br>vice<br><br>held at<br>Hepworth<br>10am | Sarah    | N/A          | N/A           | N/A           | N/A            | N/A    |

### Praying for our neighbours

#### During September:

**Stocks Lane, Derwin Avenue, Top o the Moor**

#### During October:

**Haw Cliff Lane, Upper Fold, Low Fold**

# October 2026

| Date | Service and Time                           | Minis-ter | Saying Hello | Interces-sor | Reader    | Chalice Holder | Coffee  |
|------|--------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|---------|
| 4    | Harvest Family Service<br>10am             | Sarah     | Lynda        | Michelle     | Lynda     | Michelle       | Jo      |
| 11   | BCP Com-munion<br>9.30am                   | TBA       | Brian        | -            | Vernon    | Jackie         | Carole  |
| 18   | Holy Com-munion<br>9:30am                  | TBA       | Gilly        | Mari-anne    | Mari-anne | Janet          | Richard |
| 25   | Joint Ser-vice<br>held at New Mill<br>10am | Sarah     | N/A          | N/A          | N/A       | N/A            | N/A     |

**Brass cleaning in October— Helen Gaunt**



With schools on holiday and the TVA having a summer break, July and August are fairly quiet months in the village. The Fun Day in July turned out to be just that, and record takings mean that the school, church and cricket club will all receive a record £2,500. Thanks must go to all who made it possible, especially the new committee.

The 1961 gala photo (above) was recently sent out - I couldn't recognise the location and asked for suggestions. Several replies have said it was Cross Lane in Stocksmoor as there were some allotments just visible on

the left of the photo.

Without a car, access to local doctors is difficult – this was not such a problem in the 1970s & 80s when a mobile van visited the village, vaccinating children and dealing with minor medical problems. Around that time a couple came to live in the village because they had heard that “Thurstonland was the healthiest village in England”! I've tried to find out where this statement originated, and thanks to online newspaper archives I've found it came from the 1931 census when the title was given as “there were more veterans than in any other place in England” - it could have been in the British Isles, but Thurstonland narrowly lost to a village in Wales! In 1947 the Examiner quoted a resident saying he thought we wouldn't get the title again as “half of Thurstonland's dwellings were condemned or condemnable – no new houses had been built for 50 years”

Sadly, the 1931 census was destroyed in a fire in 1942, so we will never know who the veterans were.

The TVA stall at the Fun Day showed photos of what the association has done over the years. What would you like to see it do in the future? If you are interested in problems with parking, speeding vehicles, local footpaths, improvements to the environment, green issues or would just like more information about the village, then just come along to the next meeting and help decide the future of your Thurstonland!

**Next TVA Meeting: Monday, September 7th at 7.30pm at the Cricket Club. If you live in the village, you are very welcome. Bar open.**

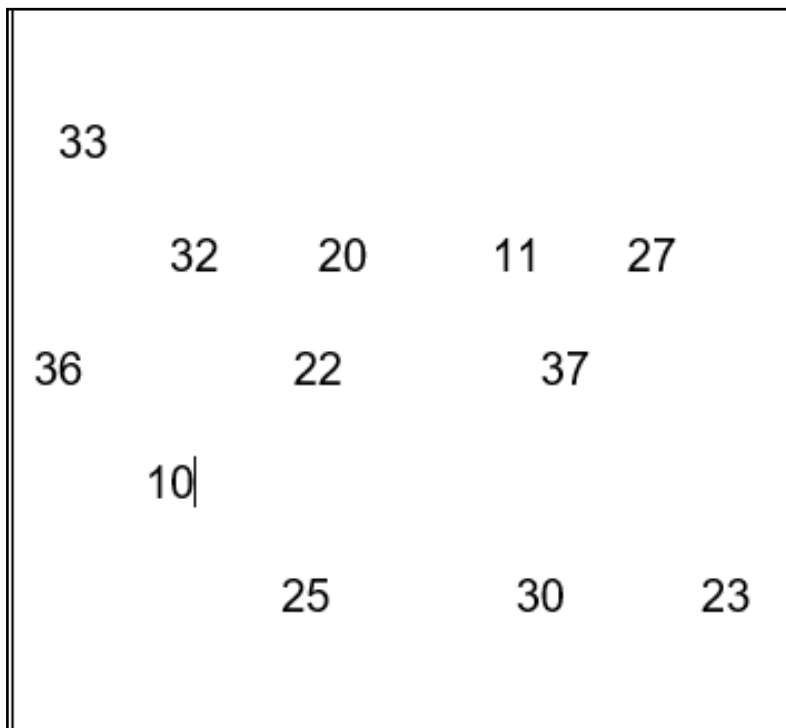
**Next Monday Club – 28<sup>th</sup> September at the Cricket Club**



## JUST FOR FUN!

### 1. SUM FINDER

Three of the numbers in the box add up to 51. Can you work out what these 3 numbers are?



### 2. CONUNDRUM

How many dots (i.e. ".")- including any used in punctuation and letters...-are used in writing this question?

Answers on page 22

## **LOTTIE'S 'HORRIBLE HISTORIES' QUIZ**

1. What custom did Tudors have on a Friday?
2. Who was the first lady to cycle around the World?
3. What were the seven wonders of the Ancient World and which one is still standing today?
4. Vikings had horns on their helmets - True or False?
4. Who invented sandwiches and why?
6. Who invented afternoon tea?
7. What are the proper names of the new, old and middle Stone Age?
8. What did Stone Age people do that some modern people even forget to do on a daily basis?
9. How did the great fire of London start?
10. Who brought the tradition of Christmas trees to England?

Compiled by Lottie Gaunt

**ANSWERS ON PAGE 22**

# ST THOMAS' CHURCH, THURSTONLAND

Invite you to join us for coffee, cake and a chat –in the church room!



The next Thursday dates 10.30 am to 12 noon are:-

**3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026**

**8<sup>th</sup> October 2026** (with all proceeds being donated to **Macmillan Cancer Support**)

**5<sup>th</sup> November 2026**

with a special Christmas Coffee Morning being held on

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2026**

**10am to 12 noon**

**Proceeds from normal Thursday coffee mornings go into general church funds**

## COMMUNITY CARDS GROUP supporting THE WELCOME CENTRE

We continue to meet in the church room on the afternoons of the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in the month, and used greetings cards can be left in the box in the church porch. These are recycled to make new cards which are then sold to raise funds for the Welcome Centre. A selection of cards is available to purchase in the church room. Additionally, there is a box for collection of goods for the Welcome Centre in the church porch. We appreciate your support and welcome donations of used cards throughout the year, as well as any help you can give, but please note that we cannot now take Christmas Cards for re-use.



ST THOMAS' CHURCH, THURSTONLAND

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## **KIRKLEES HERITAGE OPEN DAYS – 12 & 13 SEPTEMBER 2026**

St Thomas' Church is taking part in The Heritage Open Days event which will run across the whole of Kirklees from Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September. The theme this year is "Everyday Histories". Our church will be open for visitors to appreciate all the Heritage of the church from **10am-4pm on Sat 12<sup>th</sup> September and 12noon-4pm on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2026**.

Refreshments will be available when the church is open and any donations made on the day will be allocated to the various projects to rejuvenate the church building. Booklets showing all the venues across Kirklees which will be open during this period are available in church or online.

## **STOCKSMOOR WI**

**The next 2 meetings of the WI are at Stocksmoor Village Hall at 7.30pm on the following dates – visitors are always welcome:-**  
**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September - "Made in Yorkshire" – Stuart Hartley highlights the region's immense contributions to national life by exploring the businesses, inventions and everyday products that originated in Yorkshire ( a change to the advertised programme)**  
**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October – "The Wakefield Peregrines" – Frances Hickinbottom**

We also send **huge congratulations** to Rev Lorna Allies, who celebrates the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her Ordination. She was ordained as a Deacon on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2005 and ordained as a Priest on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2006. She was already 60 years old when became a priest and, 20 years on, she is still working well into her 80<sup>th</sup> year. Lorna is celebrating with her friends across the Benefice with a Buffet Lunch on 30<sup>th</sup> October.

**Many congratulations Lorna, and thank you for all the support you have given us at St T's.**

# St Thomas' Church, Thurstonland



“Call my Bluff”

Wine Tasting Evening

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026

@ Stocksmoor Village Hall

| 7pm for prompt 7.30pm start

Tickets £12.50 (includes light supper)

Raffle



Quiz

Fun & Games!

All proceeds to the Church Renovation Projects fund

Contact Janet 07710588275 or

Lynda 07742730591

for tickets or further information

## **WINE TASTING EVENING**

Back by popular request, we are hosting the 2026 "Call My Bluff Wine Tasting Evening" at Stocksmoor Village Hall on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October!** 7pm for a prompt 7.30pm start.

This is always a fun event and tickets are limited. The wines are supplied by Hoult's of Huddersfield and the price includes a quiz and supper. Free soft drinks for designated drivers. Bring your cash because there is a raffle and maybe a game or two with 5 wines to taste and **PRIZES!!**

**Tickets are now on sale £12.50pp, so  
COME & JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT OUT!**

## **COFFEE MORNINGS AND COMMUNITY LUNCH CLUB**

The coffee mornings continue to be held on the first Thursday in the month - from 10.30 am to 12 noon, so 3<sup>rd</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> October 2026. The aim of the coffee mornings is to provide a friendly place to come for a chat, meet friends old and new and enjoy some coffee and cake. Please, just drop in! No charge but donations are welcome.

The August lunch club meeting was held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August when 14 of our supporters met to enjoy an Afternoon Tea. We also provided 6 "takeaways" for people who couldn't make it. The September, October & November lunches will run as normal on the last Friday in the month, as will the Festive Afternoon Tea in December (date to be confirmed). It is always necessary to book, as places are limited. Thanks to everyone who supports the coffee mornings and the Community Lunches, but particularly the ladies who work hard in the kitchen and produce such fabulous food. We are always looking for new volunteers to join the Team – to cook, wash up or even perhaps just provide a dessert for the lunches, or to host a coffee morning. If you think you could help, please give me a ring.

Normally, all profits from the lunches go into the fund for the renovation of the kitchen and to cover the cost of the Festive Afternoon tea. The money raised from the coffee mornings goes into general church funds. However, as we have in the past, we are supporting the September Macmillan Cancer Support Project and so all profits from the September Lunch and the October Coffee Morning will be donated to Macmillan Cancer Support. We hope you will come along and support us.

Many thanks, Janet

Tel 01484 663123 or 07710588275



## CONGRATULATIONS ARE THE ORDER OF THE DAY!

**Barbara & Brian on their wedding day 1<sup>st</sup> September 1956 (left), and at St Thomas' Church August 2026 (below)**

At the Joint Service with the congregations of Christ Church, New Mill and Holy Trinity, Hepworth on 30<sup>th</sup> August, we were joined by 2 "old" friends, Barbara & Brian Lightowler. They had travelled to Thurstonland with their daughter, Heather, to see the newly restored east window for the first time,

en route to Lytham St Anne's (where they spent their honeymoon) to celebrate their **70<sup>th</sup> (Platinum) Wedding anniversary**. That's some achievement!! Barbara & Brian moved back to Burnham 2 years ago to be nearer to their family, so it was great to see them. They have both



been staunch supporters of St Thomas' Church for many years being PCC members, with Brian also acting as Treasurer & Churchwarden, and Barbara being heavily involved in Junior Church activities. They were generous supporters of the window restoration fund and were delighted to see it now in all its glory

Refreshments were served after the service, when they were greeted by their friends and celebrated with an anniversary cake and cards.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH!!**

## NEWS FROM THE WELCOME CENTRE

### From a recent email.....

On Saturday 26th September, our Fundraising Manager, Charlie Taylor, will be taking on the Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge alongside her husband, David, and our incredible corporate partners, Splitpixel.

The team will be taking on the challenging 24-mile route, climbing Pen-y-ghent, Whernside and Ingleborough, all in aid of The Welcome Centre! Together, they're aiming to raise an incredible **£3,000** to help us continue supporting local people facing food insecurity, financial hardship and crisis. It's going to be a tough challenge, but with your support, we know they can do it!

Every donation, no matter how big or small, will help motivate the team as they take on the three peaks — and, more importantly, will help us provide vital support to people in our local community.

**Please consider making a donation today and help us reach our £3,000 target!**  
**Donate here**

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If you're able to donate food, we are currently running low on several essential items and would be very grateful for your support.

Items most needed right now (for illustration- the products can be any brand!)



### Current Shortages



Pasta  
Cereal  
Peanut Butter  
Tinned meat meals (any variety)  
Micro Rice  
[Tooth brushes](#)  
[Tooth paste](#)

THANK YOU!

As always, there is a collecting box for donations in the church porch

### **JUST FOR FUN ANSWERS**

**1. 11;10;30**

**2. 17**

### **LOTTIE'S HORRIBLE HISTORIES QUIZ—ANSWERS**

1. They did not eat meat and started eating fish instead.
2. Annie Londonderry
3. Hanging gardens of Babylon, Statue of Zeus, Temple of Artemis, Lighthouse of Alexandria, Colossus of Rhodes, Mausoleum at Halicarnassus and the Pyramids of Giza are still standing today
4. False - this was a myth made up by the Victorians for portrayal on stage to distinguish the Saxons and Vikings
5. Humans had been eating food inside bread for hundreds of years but The Earl of Sandwich popularised the dish. He wanted to continue playing cards whilst eating so asked for a slice of meat between bread so that he didn't get the cards all greasy
6. Anna Maria Rusell who was the lady in waiting for Queen Victoria started it as a private habit to fill the gap between lunch and supper and today it is still a popular social event kept from Victorian times
7. Palaeolithic (Old Stone Age), Mesolithic (Middle Stone Age) and Neolithic (New Stone Age)
8. Brush their teeth. They used natural materials as chew sticks alongside coal for abrasion
9. An ember spark flew out of the oven and landed on a pile of wood and caught fire. Strong winds carried the flame quickly across London
10. George the III's wife Charlotte. Lots of people think it was Prince Albert, but he was the one who popularised them

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**Safeguarding & Children's Ministry** contact [kgaunt15@gmail.com](mailto:kgaunt15@gmail.com)

**Usual times of Church Services**

|         |                              |                         |
|---------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 10.00am | 1st Sunday each month        | A Service of the Word.  |
| 9.30am  | 2nd Sunday each month        | Sung Holy Communion BCP |
| 9.30am  | 3rd Sunday each month        | Sung Family Eucharist   |
| 10.00am | 4th & 5th Sundays each month |                         |

Please see notice board for more details as the times  
and venues of these services change each month.