

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST NEWS

Bank Holiday Monday Summer Fete 2023

The weather was kind to us and once again the Church Green was full of happy and helpful people busily preparing for the big event of the Church Bank Holiday Monday Fete!

Everywhere people were putting up gazebos, tables and chairs, bunting for the stalls and the teas. The Band (10th Avenue from Newcastle) once again arrived in glorious coloured outfits and prepared their many instruments, and kept us all entertained throughout the Fete with wonderful happy and exciting music.





Rev. Nathanael Hayler opened the Fete and a huge crowd of people, (locals and visitors) began to visit the stalls, games and activities on the Green.



It was lovely to see the children enjoying themselves, buying from the toys, books & games stall, trying to win a prize on the gift tombola, and having fun once again with the sponges and with poor volunteers in the stocks! Stalls offered lovely homemade cakes and produce, a bottle tombola and wood turning to watch. Wonderful teas and scones were served outside the Church aswell as ice creams!

So a **huge thanks** to all the volunteers who worked on the stalls and to those who made and donated items. We really appreciated all those who helped set up and take down the marquee, gazebos and stalls and games.





So, another Fete that was a great success because it brought the people of the village and area together, working for the Church.

The final total raised was staggering, just over £2900.





So a huge thankyou to all those who gave their support in so many ways to help raise such a grand total.



Our table top sale at the Hindmarsh Hall raised £180! Thank you for your donations and to Liz for organising.





Jam for sale at the back of church!

All sold but contact Liz if you have any to add.

Visitor numbers are from folks passing come from around lots of entries in the booklets and leaflets taken. It is so good efforts are being



up at services and through - people the world! There are visitors book; free regularly being to see our outreach welcomed. This

month we also welcomed families making special visits to see gifts given to the church in years gone by to commemorate family members (the Edwards porch West window and the Brims doors) and to visit Foxton cemetery.

Save the date

Alnmouth Christmas Lights switch on Saturday
November 25th

Music Concert 3pm Saturday December 9th

Christmas coffee morning Saturday 16th December

Church Services

Sunday 24th September

A combined Coastland Churches Service of Thanksgiving & Generosity

at Harvest time

St Mary's Church, Lesbury

10.00 am

We will be welcoming Bishop Helen-Ann to preach and preside at this service

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Sunday 1st October 9.15am Parish Communion

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St John the Baptist Church, Alnmouth



HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Sunday 8th October 2023 10.30 am followed by refreshments

Support:

Self Help Africa Alnwick and District Food Bank Community Kitchen Hadston

Sunday15th October 9.15 Parish Communion

Exploring Faith



You are very warmly invited to an informal series of talks about exploring faith, with plenty of time for sharing and discussion.

Come for one session or the series – dip in and out as you would like.

Our Speakers are from the Friary of St Francis in Alnmouth, the Methodist Churches in South East Northumberland, and the Anglican Diocese of Newcastle

5th October The story of St Francis' faith journey

12th October The story of John Wesley's faith journey

19th October The story of St Hilda of Whitby

26th October Exploring prayer

2nd November Caring for Creation

9th November Feedback, and ?plans for the New Year

Thursday evenings 6 - 7.30pm beginning on 5th October at the Methodist Chapel, Chapel Street, Alnmouth

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Almighty God,
you search us and know us:
may we rely on you in strength
and rest on you in weakness,
now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.