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30th June

Amelia Morii, daughter of Lucy
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7th July

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 and David Johnson,
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Wedding

6th July

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16th June

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19th June

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29th June

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26th June

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27th June

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Festivals & Feasts

6th August

Transfiguration of our Lord

15th August

The Blessed Virgin Mary

24th August

Bartholomew the Apostle

14th September

Holy Cross Day

21st September

Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

29th September

Michael & all Angels



A Prayer

Father in Heaven, may we find the
 strength and inspiration to see the
 world You made in a positive light.

Today may we bring hope and
 happiness to all around us.

Amen

Prayer sent in by Elizabeth Frost





Part of Christ's family, welcoming everyone, sharing God's love and being a voice of hope

From the Editor

Over the next two months there is a lot going on in Adel. There surely is something to suit everyone, whether you like music, history, gardening, art or even if you are only wanting to find something to keep the kids busy over the long summer holidays. A careful read of this two-month issue will give you all the information you need. We hope to meet as many of you as possible and let us hope that the weather gets a bit kinder than of late, as some events are outdoor activities.

One occasion we would like to encourage you to support is the licensing of Paul Barker as lay minister at Leeds Minster on 22nd September: please see p 17 for details.

If you know our church, you will be aware of the large stained glass window in the vestry. However, you probably have not seen it very often and it may well be overlooked by many visitors. Adel resident Ian Bond has a great interest in stained glass and has himself produced some very impressive pieces of such work. He

has long been interested in the vestry window and has written about its history and about the craftsman who created it, but in doing so the question as to how to spell the craftsman's name has arisen, as it appears he himself used alternative spellings, Gyles as Ian has used or Giles as Val Crompton has used in her guide to our church. I wonder if any of our readers can give us any information about this. Do read the article on p 16 and don't forget to pop in one day and have a look.

With a church such as ours, dating back almost 900 years, so much history has been played out both inside and outside those sturdy walls. If you come when the church is open to visitors (see p 3) do take advantage of the opportunity to sit quietly and study the evidence of centuries of creative talent being put to good use, starting with the stonemasons who built it, later generations who furnished it, glaziers who filled in empty windows and the present generation who looks after it. We are very thankful for all their contributions.

Marjorie Cole

Rector Alison's Letter

Dear Friends

Being a parish priest is an amazing job. No two days are the same, and every now and then a special opportunity comes my way.

This happened recently when I was privileged to meet a young man called Nathan, who asked to be baptised. Nathan was a disability rights campaigner and very involved in local and national politics. He also happened to be disabled, living with cerebral palsy which meant he was a wheelchair user, and communicated through a device he operated with his foot.

Sadly, in June, I was asked to take Nathan's funeral. As we mourned his death, and celebrated his life, there was a recurring theme – the importance for Nathan of finding his voice and having it heard. Throughout his life he found, as do so many disabled people, that the world often didn't see past his disability to the bright and articulate young man he was.

Through meeting Nathan, I learned about the charity 'I voice'. They support people who use alternative forms of communication, and their families. It was with their support that Nathan learned how to use his communication aid. Once he found his voice, he used it to fight for his own rights and those of others. Had he lived he would have become an adult mentor, to help others as he was helped.

Through Nathan I was reminded how easy it is to underestimate those who live with disabilities, to look past them to their carer, to use their condition as a

label. I was also reminded that it's not difficult to break those habits. For me it's a case of trying to see people as God sees them.

We are all children of God, known and loved just as we are. God sees past our disabilities, the barriers we put up, the labels the world gives us, our increasing frailty as we get older, to the unique and wonderful person underneath.

As Christians we try to follow that lead. Nathan's biggest gift to me has been a renewed awareness of the language I use, and the way I react to people living with disabilities. We ended his funeral with a poem he wrote at the age of 18 about those perceptions and the damage they can do. Before he died, Nathan kindly agreed to us sharing his poem with our readers, you can find it on page 9.

As a church we do our best to be welcoming to everyone. We have our Norman forebears to thank for a building that is not the most accessible – but we try to overcome the challenges.

Hopefully streaming our services helps people who cannot access the building, we also have a home communion team, and a service in the more accessible Stables building once a month. If you have any other suggestions of how we could improve further please get in touch and help us welcome others as God welcomes us.

With love and prayers

Alison

For your Diary

Saturday 10th August

10.30am

Coffee Concert

See page 14

Sunday 22nd September

5.30pm

Paul's Licensing as

Lay Minister in

Leeds Minster

See page 17

Saturday 28th September

2pm

Anglo-Saxon Churches

in Yorkshire

Talk by Joyce Hill

See page 18

Sunday 20th October

12.30pm

Harvest Lunch

A freshly prepared two-course

lunch will be on offer

More details later

A Saturday in November

How about telling us what sort of

social event you would like?

We need fresh ideas! Send them in

to the editor.



**Adel St John's
Conservation Area**

Walk and Talk

with

Wendy Grisedale

& Val Crompton

Monday 9th September

at 2pm

Meet at the Old Stables

Pre-Booking Required

vjcrompton@ntlworld.com

Max 15 people

This circular walk includes Old Adel Rectory, York Gate House, Long Causeway & Cottages, Adel Old Smithy and Old Adel School. We will finish at Adel Church at 3.45pm.

Adel Church will also be open
1.45pm to 4pm

See also Leeds Civic Trust website
Heritage Open Days 2024



Also in August & September . . .

History Walk

Adel St John's Conservation Area

Monday 9th September at 2pm

Booking needed, see p 7

A Touch of Nostalgia

Saturday 10th August

Coffee Morning Concert

Starting at 10.30am

In the Old Stables

See p. 14

Bible Study

10 am in the Stables

Thursday 12th September

Thursday 26th September

**Anglo-Saxon Churches
In Yorkshire**

Saturday 28th September

Talk by Joyce Hill

2pm In the Old Stables

See p. 18

Prayer Meetings

10am every Wednesday

In church or at home

Praying for:

Nurture Courses

Lay Minister Paul Barker

Home communion Team

In Brief

Perceptions

I see a man who stands up tall,
They see a boy who can only fall,
I see a fun man with red lips and a long nose
They see only disabled from my head to my toes.

I am clever and I know what is right,
He thinks I am stupid and will never fight,
I am funny and play good jokes,
He'll never think I'm just one of the blokes.

I like to have girlfriends and hang with my mates,
She thinks I've no friends and will never go on dates,
I work on my website, it's called accessible Leeds,
She thinks I can't work and have special needs,

I live with my parents and have a support team too,
But I make my choices and I decide what I do,
My disability does not make me angry or sad for myself,
Yes, I use a wheelchair, but I'm in very good health,

I am happy, able, smart and strong,
If you think different then you are just wrong,
My life is great and I'm a happy man who,
Wants you to see that I'm just a person too.

by **Nathan Popple**

Adel Fete 23rd June 2024 Mystery Parcels, Books & Jigsaws Stall

WOW! WOW!

We were really fortunate with the weather; after a week of rain, we had a lovely sunny day. This really brought out the visitors. People are still commenting on the money raised for church funds. **The Parcel Stall made £455 and the Books and Jigsaws £205.30.**

None of this would have been possible had it not been for the generosity of people, not all of whom were church members. I received some very interesting gifts for the parcel stall, plus some monetary donations which helped to swell the total. The parcels were sold out by 2.50pm

Marjorie and Trevor and their team of helpers were inundated with books and jigsaws so a big THANK YOU for all those. The books that were left were donated to the Memorial Hall to be used by them in a new venture - so nothing was wasted.

Thanks must also go to everyone involved in any way, before and on the day, too many names to mention but they know who they are. Your support was much appreciated.

Beryl Thompson

General Election 2024

I know by now you will all have read everything about this but I would just like to add my thanks to Trevor Cole.

During the weeks leading up to the election, Trevor worked very hard keeping us up to date on Facebook with details of a candidate who was trying very hard to get into 10 Downing Street.

We had daily updates with of the "goings on" and all the usual political promises. We could decide whether we liked the information or not.

We also were able to receive replies to our comments i.e. "Like" or more comments - not something we normally get from such high profile candidates.

It was great fun but alas the candidate was not successful. You really deserved to get your candidate into no. 10, Trevor, but maybe just as well as you might not have liked living in London and we would all have missed you.

Beryl Thompson

See page 33 to find out the name of the candidate.

Letter from Lily

Hello Again!

Well, for my first summer, it's proving to be a good one and whatever you are doing, I hope you are enjoying yourselves as well!

My Mum has been giving me a bit of 'training' and I now get called a very good girl when we are out walking. I didn't get it at first, but now I know what "Walk with Mummy" means, it's a doddle – I mustn't pull or walk in front! When I see another dog I want to talk to, my concentration does wander, but she understands.

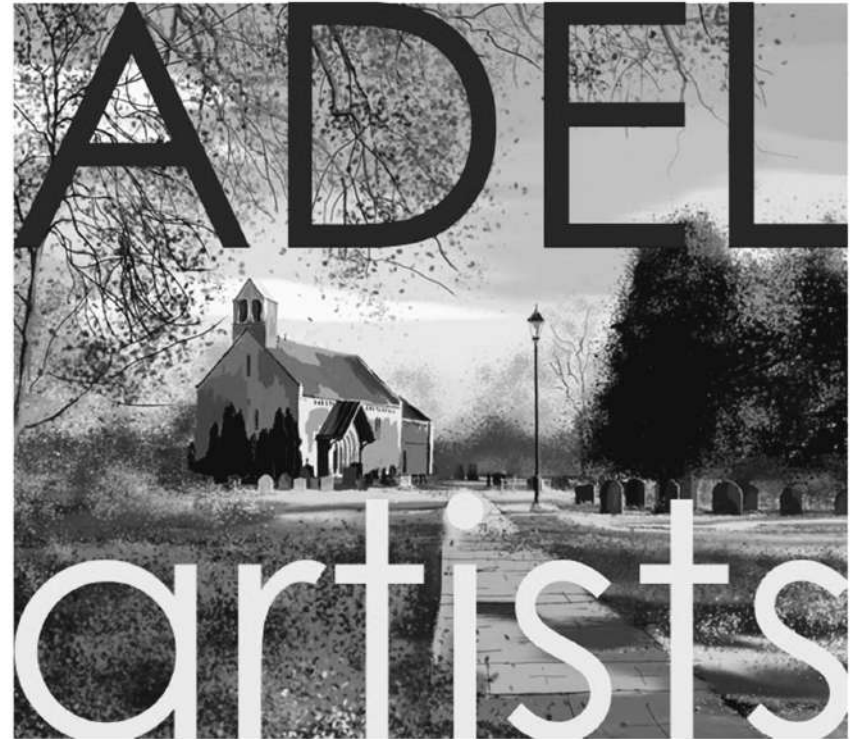
Anyway, the most important thing I want to tell you is that I've been on my first holiday! The getting there isn't much fun – rather a long time in the car – but when you arrive it's great! First of all we stayed in a lovely hotel right out in some super countryside. Our room overlooked a lake with fish in it and some baby moorhens. We were a bit worried at first because we couldn't see their Mummy, but she turned up, as mothers do! I was a bit frightened at one point because this enormous bird came and sat on a tree near us, sorry, I mean perched, or is it perched? Whatever. It had very piercing eyes and the biggest beak you've ever seen – I wouldn't like to be on the receiving end of *that!* Apparently it was a large blue heron – glad we've

not got one! It eyed-up the fish and then left, phew!

Next day we got in the car again and set off down my Mum's favourite road, A49 I think it's called. We saw some lovely scenery (that doesn't look right? – no doubt *someone* will tell me!) and went over an enormous bridge near Bristol, down the motorway to see our family. Oh the fun waiting for me there! They've got RABBITS! They wouldn't let me chase them around the garden, but I had fun making them jump! I've played on the sand – the sea was a long way away, but I'm not bothered about it anyway.

We had a lovely day going on a steam train! I was frightened when it crept up on me and blew its whistle, but I soon got used to it and let it see I wasn't bothered by its noise and smoke. It was fun, though. It didn't go as fast as when we do on the motorway so it was worth staying awake to look out of the window.

I've learned how to be good when we go out for a meal – pretty boring really as they do all the eating. Dad takes my bed so I just curl up, go to sleep and wait until they have finished, *and* I saw so many new people, I am not frightened any more! See you soon, with woofs and lix,
Lily xx



OPEN GARDEN SHOW
AT 17 WHINFIELD LS16 6 AB
Sat 14th and Sun 15th September 2024

Discover some of the amazing artistic talent that's right here in Adel at our Open Garden Show from 11am to 4.30pm on Saturday September 14th and Sunday 15th.



Scan the QR code or visit <https://www.adelart.org.uk>

Environmental News

Beat the heat and save the planet! Eco-friendly summer fun for kids

Summer holidays are upon us, and with them the challenge of keeping young people entertained without breaking the bank, or the planet.

Embrace greenspace! Skip the expensive theme park and head to the great outdoors, back garden, or even our own church yard! Equip yourselves with magnifying glasses and a healthy dose of curiosity. Let the kids become junior explorers, identifying plants and tracking bugs. These activities foster their curiosity and love for nature. To help identify plants, some free apps are available on Android and IOS, such as "pl@ntnet" or "RHS Grow".

Go on a nature walk, such as the Meanwood Valley Trail. This 7-mile route takes you from Woodhouse Moor, along Woodhouse Ridge, through the Hollies and all the way up to Golden Acre Park.

As a kid (even now!), I loved camping out in our back garden. We played games and had tea under a makeshift tent made from chairs and bed sheets, telling each other stories as the warm summer sun set. The summer holidays seemed to go on forever. Beat the heat with a good old-fashioned water fight! Ditch disposable water balloons and opt for reusable ones. You can even

get creative and make your own water guns from recycled materials!

We love taking River to libraries, which are treasure troves of knowledge and entertainment. Set weekly challenges like borrowing a book on a new topic each time or attending story time; check with your local library for any other events or activities this summer.

In UK, Monopoly was produced by Waddingtons, based in Leeds. To celebrate this, from Saturday 27th July to Sunday 1st September, Monopoly has taken over the city! This family-friendly and, best of all, free event sees games and puzzles across Leeds, with a chance to win prizes and life-size tokens lurking around every corner! Visit monopolyleeds.com for more information.

Leeds has many museums and galleries which are free. I personally like the Leeds Discovery Centre, which is down near the Royal Armouries. You have to book in advance, but it is a massive warehouse of collections of random artefacts. They have various events over summer so please check their website, search for Leeds Discovery Centre for details and to book. Enjoy your summer and I shall see you all in October!

Peace to everyone,

Tang, Julia and River x

COFFEE MORNING CONCERT



Saturday 10th August
10.30am

Start in the Stables with coffee and cake, then make your way up to church for the concert.

£5 per person

" A Touch of Nostalgia "

Songs from the 60s and 70s accompanied by a group of 8 ukelelists

This group are all members of the Trefoil Guild and are giving this concert in honour of Sylvia Halliday who was a lifelong supported of the guide movement.

Profits to be donated to
the Churchyard Fund.



In a Quiet Moment

Waiting is something we all do on a daily basis, anticipating what is about to happen, with our thoughts fixed firmly on the future, some of us impatient, wishing the time to pass more quickly.

We forget to live in the present moment, to be aware of ourselves and our surroundings. The opportunity to do just that came to me one day when I was sitting quietly in my pew with my eyes fixed on the walls of our historic church. I became aware of deep grooves chiselled into one of the stones and was immediately carried back to the 12th Century. I had probably seen that stone hundreds of times and never thought about it. Who made those marks? Why are they still there? Was he interrupted in his work and forgot to come back and make it look neater? Had he injured himself or was it simply time to have some lunch? Was he called away to do something more important, such as carving a head on the chancel arch? Was he an ambitious young stone mason who dreamed of working on a great and magnificent cathedral?

Whatever the reason, those grooves were a reminder that someone had stood there hundreds of years ago shaping the church we know today. Somehow those grooves connected me over the centuries to a stranger who was just doing a job, but it was one that would have lasting impact.



Detail from the Chancel Arch

Deciding to choose the option that he hoped to help build a magnificent cathedral, I carried on this train of thought, which led me to memories of reading Ken Follett's 'The Pillars of the Earth', an inspiring tale of a man answering the call to use his abilities so that people like us could be sure of a safe place where we can join with others in worship and prayers.

At that moment a booming voice called out "Please stand" and I was drawn back into the world of today on an occasion when we had come together to say good bye to one of our own, who also had just done a job for the good of God's people in Adel. Sadly we have seen too many such occasions lately, but let us remember them all with gratitude.

Marjorie Cole

In our Norman Church

The Henry Gyles Window

When you sit in the 12th century church looking towards the chancel and altar, you may think that you are sharing the same view as parishioners from time immemorial.

But in 1681 a new east window was installed in the chancel to replace the original three Norman lights. The clear glass was painted by Henry Gyles of York, one of the 17th century's most well-known English stained-glass painters. The window was an affirmation of allegiance to the restored monarchy of Charles II, depicting the royal arms of the King. This was surrounded by the arms of Henry Arthington, the patron of the living, William Breary the Rector, and Thomas Kirke of Cookridge Hall, a local beneficiary of the church and friend of Henry Gyles.

In 1879 the church was extensively restored to reinstate it as near as possible to its Norman origins. This followed a reawakening of interest in the gothic and medieval tradition and resulted in the Gyles window being removed and located in the newly built vestry.

Although the Gyles window no longer enjoys the prominence of its previous location, it has been preserved and is internationally recognised as one of



Detail from the Gyles window

the best examples of 17th century English glass painting.

We often think of stained-glass windows as being brightly coloured but Henry Gyles lived at a time when there was a severe shortage of coloured glass that could be imported from the continent. All of these windows have a glazing pattern of rectangular squares, and use clear glass – with only yellow silver stain, glass paints or coloured enamels fused into the glass in a kiln. There were no mechanisms for controlling temperature apart from the experience of the artist.

Impressive as these windows are there are elements of repetition in the design in all of them. Stained-glass

artists throughout history have used a 'cartoon' -a drawing or template- on which the glass is laid for an outline to be sketched, and can allow for repetition.

An example of this is the chubby winged cherub's head at the foot of the window that appears on a number of Gyles' heraldic panels as a characteristic motif.

Although Gyles was a friend of local notables such as Thomas Kirke and Ralph Thoresby, he died in relative poverty in 1709. In his latter years he was forced to undertake smaller projects such as sundials or quarries

(small panes of uncoloured glass, usually diamond-shaped, with central motifs such as birds or plants). In Stonegate in York (opposite Bettys) is St Helen's Church, which was considered to be the parish church of the glass painters of York. There is a panel bearing the Arms of the Glass Painters Guild which was Gyles' tribute to those who had gone before him, thinking that his was a dying trade. It was not for at least another 40 years that glass painting was re-established in York.

Ian Bond



Leeds
Minster

Sunday 22nd September at 5.30pm

**Evensong
with licensing of Lay Ministers,
including our very own**

PAUL BARKER

Please support him if you can

Anglo-Saxon Churches in Yorkshire

Saturday 28th September

An illustrated talk

by Professor Joyce Hill

in the Old Stables

Meet at **2pm** for tea/coffee and biscuits. The talk will start promptly at 2.30pm

£5 per person, booking needed

Enjoy a tour of some of the remarkable churches we have in Yorkshire dating from before the Norman Conquest.

We will get to know their distinctive characteristics and see how, even as early as the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, their ancient prayer-soaked stones were cherished by later generations, even as the churches were enlarged and adapted.

Book in church at the start of September or email adelparishchurch@gmail.com

Words from Joyce Hill

Over the summer months, very many people enjoy visiting the properties of the National Trust and take pleasure in the rural and coastal scenery that the Trust protects. On 13th August the Calendar of Common Worship commemorates Octavia Hill, one of the founders of the National Trust in 1893, along with Sir Robert Hunter and Canon Hardwicke Rawnsley. The Calendar correctly characterises her as 'Social Reformer,' as she was involved in a much wider range of reforming projects than the National Trust, although this organisation is perhaps her main claim to fame.

A leading figure in setting up social housing schemes, she was also one of the founders of Family Action which provided grants and a home-visiting service and was the forerunner of our family-based social work. She was appointed to the Royal Commission on the Poor Laws in 1905.

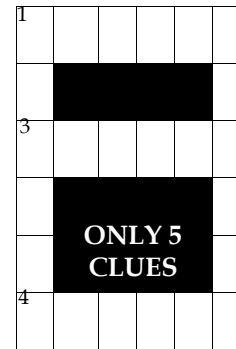
Born in 1838 to a family of radical thinkers and reformers, from a very early age Hill sought to improve the welfare of working people, particularly those in cities. She believed that they needed good housing and social support and considered current legislation had failed the poorest members of the working class. She regarded municipal provision as bureaucratic and impersonal, and became a landlord herself.

Her enterprise operated on the principle that 'you cannot deal with the people and their houses separately,' which proved to be most successful. By 1875 she had 15 housing schemes with around 3,000 tenants, and her ideas spread to continental Europe and the USA. It is a measure of her achievements that, in 1884, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners asked her to reform 48 slum properties that they owned in south London. These estates were notorious for their poverty and petty crime, but Hill quite quickly turned them into model properties, still making a return on the Commissioners' investments.

Her belief that everyone should have access to healthy and attractive open spaces, which was what led to the foundation of the National Trust, was integral to her commitment to social reform. In 1905 Parliament passed the first National Trust Act, which made the Trust permanent and gave it powers to protect buildings and land for the benefit of the nation. Hill was the first to use the term 'Green Belt' to limit city sprawl, and she was a leading light in saving London's Hampstead Heath and Parliament Hill Fields, open spaces still enjoyed today.

Many of her younger colleagues went on to play leading roles in social reform in subsequent decades, so extending her extraordinary legacy.

Puzzles

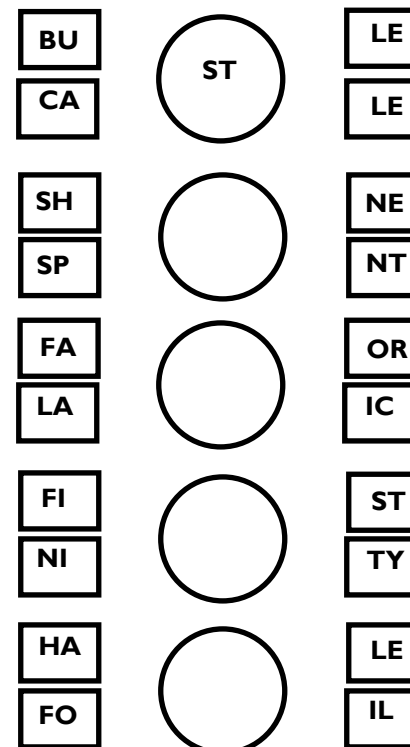


Across

- Holiday home, a property for tenants east of church
- Christian festival in which diner consumes eggs ultimately
- Most unusual artist on break

Down

- First and third of colours always bright
- Coming back to dry fish



Mystery Word

Each pair of words shares 2 middle letters. The first has been filled in for you.

Complete the remaining words to find the mystery 10 letter word reading from top to bottom.

Solutions on p 33

From the Bible

Moses' Early Life

Fill in the missing words in this story, by choosing suitable words from the list at the bottom of the page.

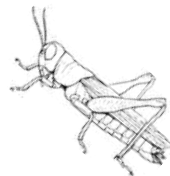


Life for the Israelites in _____ was hard. The new Pharaoh was afraid there were too _____ of them and ordered that all baby _____ should be killed. Moses' mother put him in a _____ which she then hid in a _____. Pharaoh's _____ found him. She asked Moses' _____ to look after him. When he grew up _____ spoke to him. Moses was to tell Pharaoh to _____ the Israelites, but he _____.

God decided to _____ Pharaoh. He sent _____ such as attacks by insects and frogs to destroy Egypt. Pharaoh at last said the Israelites could go, but he sent his _____ after them.

The Israelites reached the Red _____ and God made a passage through the water so that they could escape. When the Egyptian soldiers reached the sea, God made _____ pour down on them and they died.

The Israelites were free at last!



punish, daughter, water, Egypt, basket, disasters, boys, mother, Sea, many, river, free, God, army, refused

My Day in Cups of Tea

I asked Sue Lawson who was recently elected to the PCC about how she spends her day.

How do you start your day?

My alarm is still set for 6.45 as it was when I was working. The day begins with a cup of Yorkshire tea with a splash of milk while I check e-mails. After a shower it's breakfast and a cup of strong black coffee.

What is your working day like?

I still volunteer at the school where I finished my teaching career. I am always given a very warm welcome and listen to as many children read as possible or accompany the class on trips. I love reading stories to children, seeing them totally engrossed in a story is magical.

What do you enjoy doing?

I love shopping whether the weekly shop, market shop or just window shopping. Many times on holidays my boys would say, "Oh no don't let mum see the shoe shops. She'll be ages in them!!!" That says it all.

Other times I meet up for lunch with former colleagues. We eat, chat and put the world to rights. Once a month we try a pub quiz (we are big drinkers of tonic or soda water) and sometimes we even win. Afternoons are spent pottering in the garden, crafting of all



sorts or doing sudoku puzzles.

Tea break?

Afternoons would not be the same without a cup of Yorkshire tea. I do try to be good and only have one biscuit!

How do you switch off?

I enjoy a glass of wine or a gin and tonic with a meal and then a relaxing cup of peppermint tea to end the day before going to bed to read a good book.

What are you looking forward to?

I hope to carry on travelling. To me it's a joy to visit different places, meet people and take in often stupendous scenery in our country or abroad. No need for too many photographs though as the sights and sounds are etched on my memory for ever. I can also look at a growing number of fridge magnets too.

In Your Garden

“One evening in August you have an errand outdoors, and all of a sudden it’s pitch-black. It is still summer, but the summer is no longer alive.”

Tove Jansson

Now that August has arrived some of us might be wondering whether we have really had a summer this year. There have been precious few opportunities to sit out in the sunshine, light the barbeque and properly languish in the fruits of our labours. And as the month progresses, it will become ever more apparent that your evenings will be growing shorter and we will all be searching for ways to prolong the feeling of summer. Some long, sunny days and balmy evenings would certainly help but keeping your garden healthy, vibrant and in full flower will be far more reliable.

The simplest and most productive thing you can do is to deadhead flowers regularly, ideally daily. It only takes minutes but provides weeks of subsequent reward. In many species this will encourage repeat flowering, significantly extending the season. For example Dahlias, roses, nepeta and Penstemon are likely to benefit, but also your hanging baskets and summer bedding. If you deadheaded roses and geraniums earlier in the year then you will already be experiencing the joys of a second flush of blooms. Most annuals will produce new flowers if

the old blooms are removed before they go to seed. The likes of marigolds, petunias, begonias and pelargoniums and many more might continue to flower until the first frosts.

At this time of year do make sure you keep your hanging baskets and pots well watered, plus any new plants that you have acquired this year, and of course any vegetables you may be growing. The plants are almost always so much healthier with consistent, regular watering as they don’t suffer the stress of the normal drought/flood cycle of a typical summer experience.

If you have been growing vegetables many will be ready to harvest in August and over the coming weeks. Potatoes, runner beans, mangetout seem to thrive in my own Adel garden, as do the raspberries, apples and gooseberries.

August is the perfect time to be ordering your spring bulbs. If you want new or enhanced spring colour then scour the newly released catalogues or search online. You should receive your orders in the autumn ready to be planted for a fine display next year.

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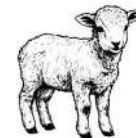
History Page

Adel Mill

On Sept 12, 1702, Ralph Thoresby wrote in his diary of receiving two cartloads of Roman monuments, lately dug up near Adel Mill. The mill is close to the site of the Roman Fort.

Adel Mill also appears in 12th C charters. Back in 1174, it was owned by William Paynel, Lord of Adel Manor. The present stone buildings, now Grade 2 listed, date from 1764, and are built on the site of the older buildings. The Hainsworth family, for over 150 years, from 1790 were the tenant millers and farmers. Their graves are easy to find in Adel Churchyard, in the SE section, near the Old Rectory.

Some of the younger Hainsworth sons, left to farm sheep in New Zealand. From time to time, Hainsworths have returned to visit Adel.



This summer, we welcomed Stephen Hainsworth and family from NZ, who came to visit Adel Church & churchyard and met up with Deborah & Richard Hainsworth of Eccup.

Val Crompton



The 1152 Club meets once a month on Tuesdays, at 10am - 11.15am, during term-time. at Abbey House Museum

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or contact Val Crompton.

On a very wet 9th July. We enjoyed an interesting Talk by Prem Mistry from Thackray Museum, ‘Pharmacy of the past from behind the counter’.

We meet next on 6th August: Patrick Bourne ‘Comparative Snapshots of Leeds Past and Present’

10th Sept : Jackie Depelle (Family Historian) ‘A Grand Day Out - Historic Homes & their Stories’

OPAL Activities

The strange Summer weather has not put a stop to our fantastic trips. In July the Men's group went on a canal boat trip with The Safe Anchor Trust; this trust runs two fully accessible canal boats from their base in Mirfield and offers a wonderful opportunity to everyone to enjoy a day on the waterways. The men enjoyed a lunch of soup and sandwiches while watching the ducks swim by and everyone had a great time, some of the group even had a go at steering the boat. A massive thank you to The Safe Anchor Trust for an amazing day.

Our next OPAL trip on **20th August** will be a day out at Bury market, "a shoppers' Mecca, a retail nirvana rich with exotic bargains, a fable bazaar, a veritable souk of the North" as described by Stuart Maconie in his 2007 book "Pies and Prejudice" and was voted Britain's favourite market in 2019 and 2022. Our members are looking forward to bagging a few bargains on what sounds to be a great day out for shopaholics.

We will be hosting a children's activity day on **8th August** and more details will be available on our social media sites, so keep a look out for details and get booked on early. Last year all the activities were extremely popular and we sold out.

We will be at the Rob Burrows



charity day at The High Farm LS16 7AQ and it would be lovely if lots of you came along to say hello and help support the Rob Burrows MND charity so they can continue to help families affected by MND. This will hopefully be a fantastic fundraiser supported by the local community.

We will be holding our annual Community Fun Day on **7th September**; this day provides an opportunity for the wider community to come to the Welcome In and enjoy fun and games in our wonderfully welcoming community space. Please come along and say hello.

If you are interested in any of the activities OPAL offers or if you would like any further information, please contact us on 01132619103, email admin@opal-project.org.uk or call in to speak to us at the Welcome In Community Centre, 55 Bedford Drive, LS16 6DJ

Shelley Clark
Project Worker

York Gate Update

Shake, Rattle and Roll!



Yellow rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*) is the rock star of the Meadow! Its flowers don't last long, although they keep their shape as they turn into dry, papery, seed-cases and it is these that give the plant its name. Brush through them as you walk and you will see, or rather hear, the seeds which rattle when they are shaken. When fully dry, the cases split open and the seeds spill out, rolling and spreading around in early autumn and germinating the following spring. Yellow rattle is partly parasitic: its roots structure saps the energy and nutrients from the grasses growing around it, allowing wildflowers to proliferate.

A successful wildflower meadow takes time to establish but it is a wonderful sight to behold throughout the year: from early spring where I remember seeing snake's head fritillaries, species tulips and Camassias, through to midsummer where I discovered orchids nestling among clouds of frothy white pignut and the golden mass of hawkbit. Later in the summer I am reliably informed there will be striking drumstick alliums (*Allium sphaerocephalon*) to see and I wonder what other plants will catch my eye. Also, clearly defined by mown paths,

the differing lengths of grass sward in a tapestry of colours provides a practical and sustainable habitat for wildlife.

Another feature of the Meadow, which is looking beautiful as I write, is the Mound or "Bund" as the gardeners call it. Created from the spoil and earth from the recently developed areas of the garden, the Bund is covered in ox-eye daisies, again with mown paths for the visitor to climb to enjoy a magnificent view across the Meadow to the plantation beyond!

The Meadow will be cut for hay at the end of August or early September, so if you are visiting York Gate, do take this last opportunity to visit the meadow in all its glory where its paths will entice you among the flowers, butterflies and bees.

And finally, may I give a shout to the striking aconiums that are enjoying their summer holidays in the garden again, planted as bedding in the Paved Garden along with some unusual, dare I say quirky, cacti, agaves and aloes which will stop you in your tracks!

Gillian Smith
Heritage Volunteer.

PS For the young at heart, it's 70 years since "Shake, Rattle and Roll" was a hit record for Bill Haley and the Comets!

Barry Anderson

Bus Fares

Changes are being made by First Bus to simplify the range of tickets for travel in West Yorkshire from Sunday 14 July, along with fares increases. They are removing ticket types, such as the Adult Return, where there is an equally cost effective alternative, and streamlining student travel to focus purchasing through the First Bus app.

Using Tap on, Tap off (TOTO) with a credit/debit card is the best way to access the cheapest fares, with most prices frozen for multiple trips over 7 days. The Adult Single will be from £1.70 when purchased via TOTO and the Day ticket £4.75. The maximum single fare will remain at £2. For student journeys the Single University fare will change to £1.60 for both on-bus and digital tickets.

Long Causeway Issues

Unfortunately I am receiving a lot of complaints about cars parking on the causeway stones on Long Causeway during school drop off and pick up times. I have asked Highways what can be done to deter this, other than asking people not to do it. They have told me they will continue to monitor the situation up until the end of the school term, as this will allow them to gauge the impact the new parking restrictions have had. It is possible that forcing vehicles to park wholly upon the carriageway may restrict access for larger vehicles, or effectively render

the road one way. However, if they can be confident that this would not arise, then they would support the introduction of bollards to prevent driving onto the footway in an area such as this, being close to the school with higher levels of child pedestrians. Observations will be carried out in the coming weeks and further feedback shall be given in due course on any intended course of action.

Coaches Church Lane

A number of residents have raised concerns about the number of coaches using Church Lane and surrounding roads, which is connected to the tourist attraction of Emmerdale Village. I took this up with Planning Enforcement to see what advice they had. I received this reply: "I have sought guidance from colleagues who have access to the planning documentation that covers the Emmerdale Village site and what if any conditions were set in their planning consent with respect to coach access." The restriction put on was to limit the coaches to 2 per hour each carrying 50 people. The route is Otley Road, Weardley Lane and Eccup Lane so unfortunately they will be using Church Lane. As there is no specific route to access the site set out in any planning documentation, Enforcement are unable to approach Harewood with planning enforcement matters. Highways then added "Ultimately this therefore falls back into the general

use of Church Lane by 'HGVs' and the previous correspondence we have shared on this matter, that yes the route is not appropriate for this type of vehicle but the level of use per day does not meet the national threshold that would enable the implementation of a weight limit prohibition. As such, there is little further action we can seek to take at this time."

Woodland creation update

I have received an update on the progress of the Woodland Creation scheme: "Any new schemes in your ward for this coming planting season will be shared with you for comments in the next couple of weeks before we take our proposals to public consultation. We will be using Commonplace again and aim to go live with the public consultation mid-July. We also launched an online survey back in April for the public to suggest locations for tree planting, and it was

incredibly successful, having received nearly 400 different potential locations, as opposed to our typical amount of around 100! This has kept the team incredibly busy. Having a large amount of suggestions has also left us in a better position for next year as we can continue to go through the suggestions and carry them over to the 2025/26, and get schemes in the pipeline sooner for next year's planting season. Our team members will also be busy over the next couple of months carrying out quality assurance checks of our plantations from year 2 and year 3, they'll also be carrying out condition checks of all our standard tree planting. We aim to rectify any losses this coming planting season."

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Billy Flynn

The Weather

Hello again everyone. Summer is here I think, but apart from a few days in June when we had a mini heatwave the weather doesn't seem to be very summery and the forecast for August is only slightly better but then it couldn't be worse than July could it?

Benches in Adel – or lack of them

A while ago I mentioned that we were likely to have some new, renovated benches in Adel but unfortunately the

local election and the general election intervened. Ward councillors are not allowed to authorise grants or similar funding during the run up to elections even when they have been organised for some time in case it might be seen as trying to win votes. It was a nuisance because we lost around three months from March. However, we are now out of the election period – hooray – so I can get on with arranging the grants and repairs. More on this next time.

Lawnswood roundabout

As you probably know the council is planning to “improve” the Lawnswood roundabout on the outer ring road, i.e., make it safer. The roundabout does have a poor safety record and while I have absolutely no issue with improving safety, I do have one with the extraordinary cost of the scheme which is upwards of £13 million, and this will undoubtedly escalate of course! The scheme aims to increase both pedestrian and cycling traffic by 50% and to prioritise bus movements to improve reliability! I think most of us would settle for the X84 turning up. Because of the inordinate cost I arranged a special meeting of the planning team earlier this year and, amongst other things asked if a much cheaper traffic light system on the four sides of the roundabout could be introduced to allow safe passage for pedestrian and cyclists, but apparently this is not technically possible although nobody could explain why. In any event, the work is due to start next January and there will be a public meeting this month (July) to update residents.

Traffic lights at the Hickory Smoke House – previously known as the Lawnswood Arms

Yet more complaints about the rather confusing traffic lights at Holt Lane. Highways engineers have been out a number of times to check the frequency etc but are satisfied that the lights are functioning properly. These

signals are supposed to synchronised with the pedestrian lights outside Cooplands and those at the Farrar Lane junction, but I use them at least twice a day and have seen little evidence of it. The latest comment is that vegetation and trees on the Bramhope side are blocking the red light coming south and I have asked council officers to remedy this. Urgently.

Parish Council – to be or not to be

The two recent planning applications for communication masts on Sir George Martin Drive and controversy over the construction of the Adel Community Garden seem to have concentrated minds locally. I have received several more enquiries about the possibility of a parish council for Adel to reflect the views of residents more accurately when controversial schemes are proposed. Parish councils are non-political, so the remedy is in the hands of local people. I have advised them of the procedure and will report back on progress.

If you would like further information on any of the issues above or have questions about anything else in the ward, please do get in touch with me. Telephone 07810 640282

or email billy.flynn@leeds.gov.uk

Murder Mystery Review

Murder? In Adel?

Adel Players presented “*Susan Starling Investigates*” by Pat Riley. We went on the Saturday night; the noise in the big hall at AWMH was incredible until Mike Andrews stepped onto the stage, and announced the format of the evening. Mike played Sir Harold Mawson, retired Chief Constable of West Yorkshire, as he recounted the story of a murder on Stairfoot Lane, Adel.

The action takes place in the Boardroom of TykeSport Ltd, a fitness training company, where two warring factions, brothers Malcolm and Stephen, together with Malcolm’s wife Zoe, are arguing about how to move the business forward. There is disagreement over how the company has never picked up since Covid, with only 20% usage, so Malcolm and Zoe have set up a subsidiary company supplying adulterated substances, bought cheaply from abroad, re-labelled and packaged, and sold at great profit. So, when it is suggested that a management consultant is brought in to look at the business they panic.

Millie Redmond is a young consultant whom Zoe and Malcolm try to belittle because of her age and inexperience, but she has more insight than they realise. The company Chairman Sir Clifford Starling also comes into this, as he shouts and blusters at Millie

about the nonsense of investigating the company.

There have been complaints about Stephen’s inappropriate remarks and that he hangs around the female changing rooms, and he’s been threatened with police involvement.

Sir Clifford lives on King Lane with his daughter, Susan Starling, writer of crime fiction, and her son Zak; Zak hasn’t led an entirely blameless life, but is attempting to make a go of his job and to avoid him being involved in all the family disputes, his mother tells him to get a taxi to his girlfriend’s in Seacroft and keep out of the way. He was accused of falsifying some accounting, claiming non-existent clients, but being badly dyslexic, he said it was beyond his capabilities. Zoe’s bank records are questioned; money going in and out of her account nightly, the original amount paid back. Is it money laundering, crypto currency or what?

Then tragedy strikes! Millie Redmond has been mown down on Stairfoot Lane by a car matching the description of Zak’s; the police declare it to be murder, a deliberate attempt to silence her. But, whodunnit?

The audience were left to act as judge and jury, working as tables whilst we ate our delicious supper. It was so cleverly written by Pat Riley, as ever

using local place references, not least in Susan Starling's books; the one which got the biggest laugh was "The Werewolves of Weetwood"! Pat wove such an intricate web that we had to untangle, little clues dropped through the play. We all thought it was Clifford, until we remembered he didn't drive.

It was superb, and no team got it right. Pat Riley, you are a genius, you fooled us all! All the acting was so professional, they did the script justice. Well done Adel Players!

Jenny Jones

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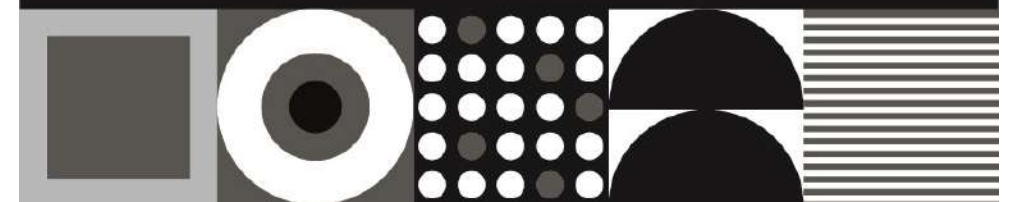
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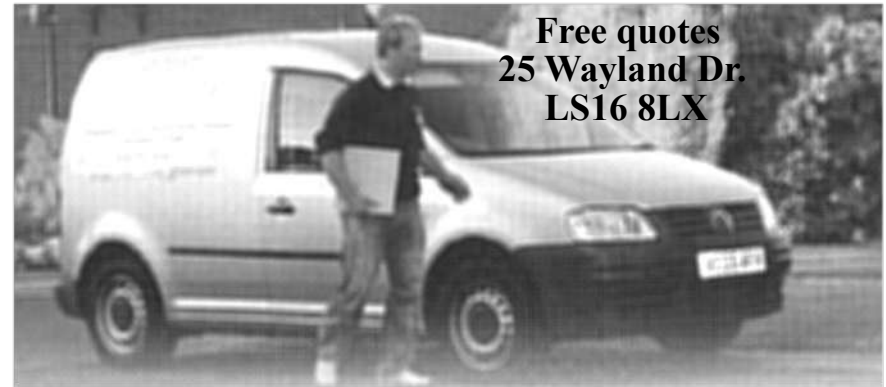
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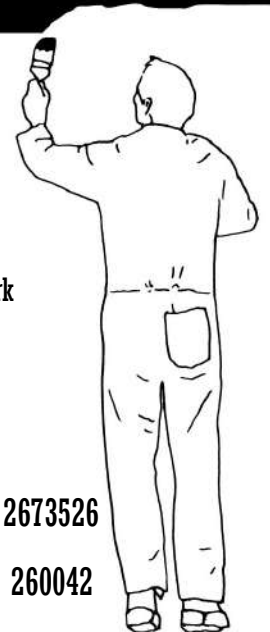
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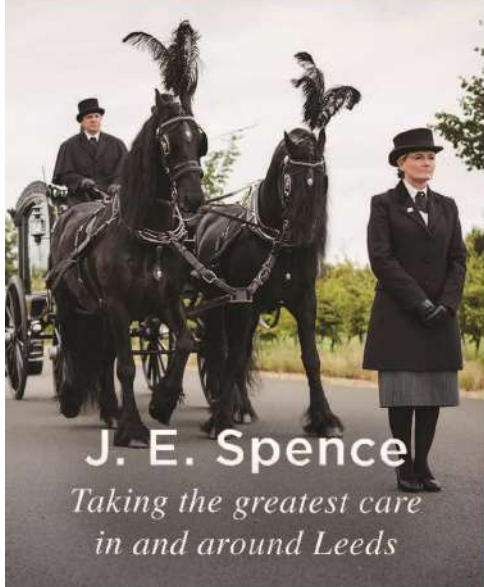
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Sunday 1st Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion
6.30pm Evensong

Wed 4th 11am Holy Communion followed by coffee & biscuits

Fri 6th 1.30pm JJs (for the under sixes)

Sunday 8th Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion

Wed 11th 11am Holy Communion

Sunday 15th Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am All Age Service with Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong followed by light refreshments

Wed 18th 11am Holy Communion

Thurs 19th 3.15pm Holy Communion in the Stables, with tea & coffee

Sunday 22nd Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion

Wed 25th 11am Holy Communion

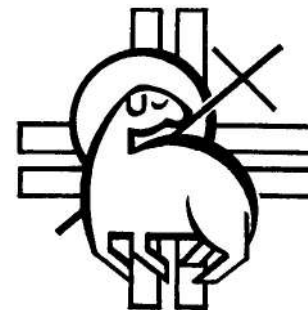
Sunday 29th Michael and All Angels

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10am Parish Communion

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Church Services in August



Sunday 4th Tenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion
6.30pm Evensong

Wed 7th 11am Holy Communion followed by coffee & biscuits

Sunday 11th Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion

Wed 14th 11am Holy Communion

Thurs 15th 3.15pm Holy Communion in the Stables, with tea & coffee

Sunday 18th Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am All Age Service with Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong followed by light refreshments

Wed 21st 11am Holy Communion

Sunday 25th Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion

Wed 28th 11am Holy Communion