



Services

**Sundays**

08.30 Holy Communion  
10.30 Sung Eucharist  
10.30 Matins (5th Sunday  
in the month)

**Wednesdays**

10.00 Informal midweek  
Communion

# Peace One Day

**Put peace into each other's hands  
And like a treasure hold it.  
Protect it like a candle flame,  
With tenderness enfold it.**



This issue of Voice takes peace as its theme, as we celebrate International Peace Day on Sunday 21st September. In this edition you can

eavesdrop on local teenagers as they discover the reality of life for their peers in the war-torn Middle East;

reflect on how Christians who hold very different beliefs can worship and work together;

think about achieving peace and contentment in old age, and how we might help others to do this;

learn about the Rotary's aim to eliminate polio, and progress made in the Selkirk churches' project to provide starter packs for homeless people;

share the youngsters' enjoyment of the Holiday Club, and Carol's pleasure in keeping bees;

remember that as Christians we are to be part of God's solution for the world, not part of the problem!

plan to celebrate Peace One Day by coming along to the Ceilidh for Peace, an opportunity for the whole family to give peace a 'Dance'.

**Put Christ into each other's hands,  
He is love's deepest measure;  
In love make peace, give peace a chance,  
And share it like a treasure.**

# reflections

## When Christians disagree

Heather Sceats offers some personal reflections on the summer of 2008.

Working as a guide at Bowhill, I am often asked where I come from and why I have come to live in Selkirk. This usually involves mention of the fact that my husband is a priest in the Episcopal Church and this summer this has led to several comments about the current turmoil within the Anglican Church. To the outsider it must seem that at the heart of the Christian faith is an argument about gender and sexuality and who to exclude. In fact, nothing could be further from the truth as the agenda for the ten yearly conference shows.

What can we as ordinary Christians, struggling to put our faith into action, learn from our leaders this summer? How are we to work and worship with our fellow Christians who hold some beliefs that we profoundly disagree with? How are we to explain these differences to people looking at us from a standpoint of doubt or criticism?

In my pre-Selkirk life I used to train future clergy in listening skills and conflict management strategies. The session on conflicting beliefs included this advice.

In situations where beliefs are non-negotiable, where 'I' am right and 'you' are wrong, managing conflict so that it is creative and not destructive can be very difficult. It helps to have a clearly defined but small core of beliefs which are celebrated as common to all and essential to faith, and a wide circle of freedom where believers are encouraged to express, listen to and benefit from their differences.

How you disagree is as important as what you disagree about. An approach which includes the following will lead to a positive process, even if not to a total agreement:

- good listening;
- respect for each other's beliefs as held as carefully and prayerfully as your own;
- a real desire to grow in understanding;
- a determination to be honest with each other and with yourself;
- focussing on issues rather than labelling people;
- identifying common ground;
- being prepared to continue to learn;
- stating the problem clearly and in a non-judgemental, non-inflammatory way.

Having spent the summer entertaining a bishop on the way to Lambeth, and another on his return, as well as sharing a meal with one who was not invited, I have seen a lot of these qualities at work as Christian leaders have listened to each other and explored their differences. Sadly there have been others who refused to take part in the conversation. If you want a glimpse of the positive process of Lambeth, go to [www.lambethconference.org/lambethdiary/videojournal](http://www.lambethconference.org/lambethdiary/videojournal).

Come and hear Bishop Brian and his wife Lissa report on the Lambeth Conference and the Spouses Conference

**Saturday September 13th**  
Holy Trinity  
Haddington  
10am-3pm

Contact David Sceats  
01750 21364  
if you would like to go

## Poems we love



### from Psalms 65 & 66 The Message

Oh, visit the earth,  
ask her to join the dance!  
Deck her out in spring showers,  
fill the God-River with living water.  
Paint the wheat fields golden.  
Creation was made for this!  
Drench the plowed fields  
soak the dirt clods  
With rainfall as harrow and rake  
bring her to blossom and fruit.  
Snow-crown the peaks with splendour,  
scatter rose petals down your paths,  
All through the wild meadows, rose petals.  
Set the hills to dancing,  
Dress the canyon walls with live sheep,  
a drape of flax across the valleys.  
Let them shout, and shout, and shout!  
Oh, oh, let them sing!

All together now—applause for God!  
Sing songs to the tune of his glory,  
set glory to the rhythms of his praise.  
Say of God, "We've never seen anything like him!"

### Harvest Old and New!

I'm not sure what my great-grandfather, seated on the top of the wagon, would make of the poem underneath. These are not the traditional words he would have heard at Harvest Festival, but they convey such a fantastic sense of praise and enthusiasm, they make me want to dance!

Heather

Book a ticket for the  
Harvest Supper.

See back page



# How young are you?

Or to put it another way, when will you start to think of yourself as getting old?

These are some of the issues we considered at our Faith in Older People afternoon in June. Whatever your chronological age, read on and join in!

## Growing Old - It's all in the mind

Whatever age you are there will come a time when you think I must be getting old. But the changes which prompt us to say this are not all negative. We found some positive aspects to getting older and some that were just plain fact.

		
<p>I looked in the mirror! I can't find the word for.... My knees are bad. I'm losing so many friends.</p>	<p>I need less sleep at night. It's harder to hire a car. What matters to me does not interest my children.</p>	<p>I don't worry about what people think. I've got a bus pass. I have more time. I'm more confident.</p>

You may not agree with our conclusions, but there's space to add your own.

## Growing Old - Now!

Mary Moffett helped us to think about some of the paradoxes of growing old in the early 21st century. Now is not an easy time to be growing old. We live in a country with an ageing population, but one where being old carries its own stigma; in a culture which celebrates youth, without always recognising the wisdom that can come with age. We have been very successful in prolonging life, but find it harder to manage chronic disease. Care in the community is a fine ideal, but there is a limited pool of often poorly paid carers. Staying independent is the dream but the reality of growing old is that we find our lives increasingly co-dependent. Retirement may be the holy grail, but the state pension system is proving unsustainable and will not be there for our children. The NHS seeks to provide care from the cradle to the grave, policies proclaim the need for holistic care of body, mind and spirit, but what we see is a picture of rationalisation, cutbacks and bedblocking.

### Conversation overheard in a Selkirk butcher's.

A whitehaired gentleman was relating a conversation he'd recently had with his twin brother. 'Have you noticed there seem to be fewer older folk around than there used to be?' 'That's because we're the older folk now!'

The reply was greeted with great amusement as clearly neither of them saw themselves as old at all.

## Growing Old - Con spirito!

Despite all the difficulties we all know people who grow old wonderfully well. Think of someone you know that you might describe as a spirited old soul. What is it about them that is so special? We came up with these characteristics.

**What is a 'spirited' old person like?**  
 Selfless - so much to give - without self pity, dealing with death.  
 Positive - open to new experiences - looking forward.  
 Storyteller - looking back - holding the community's identity.

## Growing Old - What for? What's the point? What's our job?

These were the most challenging questions we thought about.

**What is ageing for?**  
 It is for passing wisdom on.  
 It is for looking after young ones - 'it takes a village to raise a child.'  
 We are here for as long as God wants us to be.  
 It gives us time to continue to grow spiritually.

**What are the spiritual tasks of ageing?**  
 Letting go, forgiving oneself and being reconciled with others.  
 Telling 'them' you love them and setting free the following generation.  
 Accepting what you can't fix and finding contentment.  
 Making sense of life and teaching from experience.  
 Distilling concerns and attitudes and paring down to the really important.  
 Enjoyment, giving thanks and prayer for others.

We meet again on Sunday 28 September to think about what St John's can do to provide opportunities and support for those of us who are growing older. We would welcome your comments, and any thoughts you want to contribute. Please contact any of the magazine team or David on 01750 21364.



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It's not how much experience you have that counts, it's what you've done with it!

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Life is lived forwards, but it's only understood backwards.

# Getting to Grips with Romans

David Sceats

Over the last three months on Sunday mornings we've been having an in-depth look at what is probably the single most complete statement of Christian theology in the New Testament – St Paul's letter to Christians at Rome. This hasn't always been easy. St Paul may have had the best theological mind among the early followers of Jesus, but his enthusiasm meant his ideas sometimes outran his ability to express them in an orderly sequence. As in most of his letters, the things he really wanted to say to his readers come at the end, in the form of advice about how to live as Christians. But before he gets to this practical stuff, he also wants to explain *why* he is going to say what he does. So the first 11 chapters of Romans are an explanation of the 'why' that lies behind the 'what' in chapters 12 to 15.

The best way to get hold of what St Paul wanted to say is to read Romans in one go. Reading it, as we have done in church following the lectionary, in small segments, leaving out quite substantial chunks, isn't likely to give us a very clear idea of what he's on about. So here's a summary of the 'why' part so that we can all see what lies behind the 'what' that is to come.

Paul begins by telling his readers that he has good news. Human beings are in a terrible mess because we've failed to grasp the significance of the beauty and order of the world, and our own experiences of love, joy and self-giving. These are things that are supposed to point us towards the truth about God and to give us clues about how we should live, but instead of reading the signs and following the clues, we've locked ourselves into a vicious cycle of selfishness, oppression, abuse and failure, the most appropriate symbol of which is death! This vicious cycle is what St Paul calls 'sin', and it's something that everyone is enmeshed in – even the Jews. They should have known better because they were supposed to be part of the solution to the problem: besides the signs of himself in the world and human experience that everyone else has, God gave the Jews the law and the prophets to tell them what he's like and how they should live.

But the good news is that God has a solution – his 'righteousness'. This is a complex idea from the Hebrew scriptures. God's 'righteousness' is his identity and character, both as he is in himself and as he interacts with human beings and the universe. It means something very like what Jesus meant when he talked about the 'kingdom of God'. It is God's rule among human beings in accordance with his character, and its meaning is made clear in the person of Jesus, who is God's anointed one (Messiah or Christ) – the focus of God's righteousness project, and the one who will eventually gather it together and complete it. Over against the Roman emperors, who offered their

subject peoples 'salvation' based on military conquest and political power, St Paul set Jesus, who embodies God's rule of 'righteousness' as the true solution to the problem of 'sin'.

As human beings commit themselves to Jesus in faith, so God includes us in his righteousness project, and we become part of the solution instead of part of the problem. We are, in effect, 'righteous-ised' (the Greek word St Paul uses has no direct equivalent in English: it's usually translated 'justified' but this completely fails to catch the full sense of what he's talking about). And this inclusion is for (but only for) anyone who is prepared to trust in Jesus as the embodiment of God's solution. When we commit by faith we are united with him, and indwelt by God's Spirit who empowers us to be part of the solution in action by the way we live our lives. Being indwelt by God's Spirit, we no longer have to solve the human problem with human resources (which is impossible since it would land us back in the problem), but instead we have the resources of God's righteous rule and character to call on. We are set free from being locked into the problem. We are at peace with God, adopted into his family, and we share the expectation, or 'hope', that eventually the problem will be fully solved through the rule of Jesus the anointed one. And we can be confident that God is on our side and therefore nothing can ultimately defeat us.

All this brings St Paul (and us) to the point he's been trying to reach all along – explaining what it actually means, in practical terms of attitudes and actions, for us to be part of God's solution to the human problem. That's what we shall be looking at in our services in September.



**Travelling On returns on  
Tuesday evenings and  
Wednesday afternoons  
beginning 23/24 September**



I found the content to be cohesive, thorough and challenging, and presented in a down to earth way. This made it accessible. Getting away from 'bible speak' was refreshing, and helped to free up one's thoughts. For all that I have undertaken other courses covering similar material, this has somehow been pertinent and real, and it has shown us just how valid and relevant the biblical writings are today. I found the preparation each week took a fair bit of time and effort and sometimes didn't manage it all, which of course meant more of a struggle on the night. I am looking forward to the next part of the course and glad to have the opportunity to take it up.

**Marnet Hargreave**

# PEACE ONE DAY



Rowland's, Selkirk High School & Selkirk Library are working with a group of Young People on a Multi-media Project. The Young People who signed up to take part chose "Peace One Day" as a concept to study. (For more information see [www.peaceoneday.org](http://www.peaceoneday.org), [www.windowsforpeaceuk.org](http://www.windowsforpeaceuk.org), <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2FmEIP46B-E>.) Through the project, the Group are hoping to raise awareness of the International Day of Peace, find out what "Peace" means to different people in different situations, use photography, design, interviews, dialogue with the press... in fact take the project in whatever direction they wish. The culmination of their efforts will be available to view in Rowland's windows, in the Public Library & within Selkirk High School nearer the Day of Peace - September 21st.

## Talking about Peace

An account by Leigh Oliver, age 16

On the 21st July five young people from Rowland's - Selkirk Dry Bar - went to Merchiston School in Edinburgh to visit a group of young Palestinian and Israeli people to talk about peace.

We wanted to meet these young people as we are really interested in the 'Peace One Day' project. We are hoping to hold some events around the 21st of September to highlight that this is World Peace Day.

We spoke to the young people with the aid of translators, who had to change every question into English, Arabic and Hebrew. It was a chance to compare our lives, our education and our interests. We were told that when the groups first met it was pretty scary as they didn't know what to expect, and what side people would be on. Through time they have become friends.

Some of the young people we spoke to live in safer areas where they are protected, but this means that they have curfews and can't mix with people outside these areas. Listening to these young people made me realise that I am really lucky to live somewhere safe. I don't have to worry about bombings, shootings and constantly feeling frightened.

We were also made aware that the young people, who were enjoying the freedom of being in Edinburgh and being able to go shopping and doing what they wanted, would find it really hard to go home and back to a very

different and restricted life. It was interesting to hear how the young people don't have pets, as they struggle to look after themselves and don't have the money to take care of animals.

I felt that we take stuff for granted living here and having all the stuff we have.

We asked them if they felt that the rest of the world was supportive towards this situation and they replied that they felt that we cared.

There is so much television coverage on the news about the Middle East and the bombings and the fighting that I don't really pay much attention to it. Now it seems more real and it's happening to the people I spoke to. I think I'll start paying more attention to what we are being told about what's happening.

We tried to find out what the term 'Peace' means to different people, including what it means to us.



Leigh Oliver



"I also think I didn't pay much attention to what's going on in Israel & Palestine, but now having met actual people my age in these real life situations, it's become real to me. It has now made me realise that I want to participate as much as I can in the "Peace One Day" project."  
Stacey Grieve, age 15

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Selkirk Film Club & Rowland's invite you to a...

# CEILIDH for Peace



Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
Selkirk High School  
7.30 – 11 pm

Tommy Pringle & Band  
with Caller

£7.00 / Concession £3.50 / Family £17.00\*  
(\*Family Ticket = 2 adults + 1 or more children under 16yrs)  
Price includes Light Refreshments, BYOB

Tickets available from Rowland's,  
The Selkirk Deli or  
tel: 01750 725214 email: [weescots@uwclub.net](mailto:weescots@uwclub.net)

# Why I Support

## Donald Chadwick explains why he supports the Rotary movement



Rotary began in 1905 in Chicago, when Paul Harris and three others met to have lunch together once a week, and decided that they would use their various vocational skills to try to improve the lot of others. They called themselves Rotary because the founding members rotated their meetings to each other's offices. They were soon joined by others and the movement grew rapidly so that now there are over 1.2 million members worldwide in around 200 countries. And so the organisation became known as Rotary International.

A code of ethics was adopted, known as the 4 way test. Everything we think, say or do is to be examined by using the following questions:

- 1 Is it the Truth?
- 2 Is it Fair to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
- 4 Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

Most towns and cities will have a Rotary club, the numbers of members varying from around a dozen to several hundred. Membership is made up of men and women who have different vocational skills, which when used together can be a powerful tool in helping others. One of the main principles of Rotary is fellowship, because it is believed that meeting regularly, once a week, and having a meal together, strengthens our ability to work together on various projects.

Rotary clubs hold various events to raise funds so that they can apply these funds to help others. Here in Selkirk we are a small club of 23 members, and we now have four lady members. Up to 1989 Rotary was a male only organisation, but then voted to admit women worldwide. Now there are over 145,000 female members.

Although we are a relatively small club, we have achieved quite a lot since we were founded over 30 years ago. One of our recent achievements was the purchase of a container load of wheelchairs (280) which we presented to the Wheelchair Foundation, an organisation which provides wheelchairs to disabled people in disadvantaged countries. We persuaded other Rotary Clubs in the Borders to come in with us and ensured the target for a container load was achieved.

### The 4 way test

Is it the Truth?  
Is it Fair to all concerned?  
Will it build Goodwill and  
Better Friendships?  
Will it be Beneficial to all  
concerned?

We are involved with the local community also, supporting local charities and individuals. We presented a new mace to the Selkirk Pipe Band, and had great pleasure in seeing the mace used so acrobatically at the head of the Pipe Band on Common Riding morning. A possible future project, along with other Borders Rotary Clubs, is to help the BGH to finance the purchase of two much needed dialysis machines.

We work with the High School in various ways. We provide mock interview situations, giving young people experience of what it is like to go for a job interview. We have funded two school children on a Challenge Enterprise weekend, which is intended to give them experience of working with others through testing assignments and physical challenges. The Rotary Young Musician competition provides children with the opportunity of performing in public, culminating if successful, in performing in Edinburgh at the Final.

Rotary's own charity is the Rotary Foundation, to which all members worldwide make a contribution. It is not as widely known as perhaps it should be, but due to the efforts of Rotary Foundation, polio has been eliminated from most of the world. It is not just money, for over the years Rotary club members have volunteered their time and personal resources to reach more than two billion children in 122 countries with the oral polio vaccine. Thanks to Rotary and its partners the number of polio cases has been slashed by more than 99%. The final 1% will be difficult to achieve for a variety of reasons, geographical isolation, worker fatigue, armed conflict and cultural barriers. An agreement has been reached between Rotary and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation which will provide US\$ 200 million to eradicate polio completely.

So in a nutshell, Rotary is a voluntary service organisation of like minded people who give "Service above Self". Membership is by invitation, but all Rotary clubs are keen to increase membership, and are very willing to explain Rotary to any one who is interested and can share ideals.



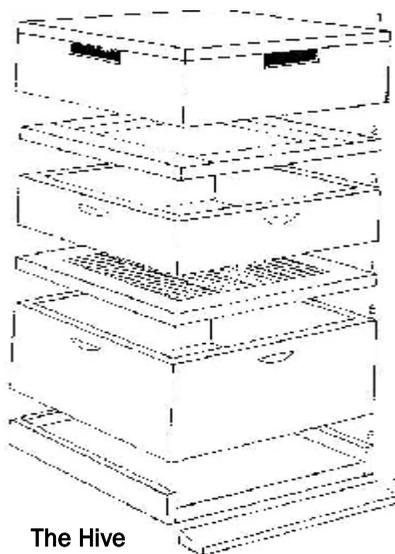
Elimination of polio is one of the Rotary's most recent successes

# Honeybees

**Carol Wilson**  
concludes  
her article on  
beekeeping

Bees and bee-keeping are topics broad in range and with a wealth of information and these two articles are just 'a taster'. Bees, and especially honeybees, have been a focus of concern for keepers and bee-keeping associations of late because colonies are dwindling as a result of various possible causes, not least disease. The Government has been asked to restart shelved research programmes but has been unwilling to take steps to avoid disaster. Perhaps you would be willing to write to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) expressing the need for Government to take action?

The hive consists of a floor with a landing board at the entrance, a brood box (holding parallel frames of manufactured foundation which is built upon, with wax, to form the cells for brood and honey, by the bees), a queen excluder (to prevent eggs being laid within the honey stores), a super (which holds frames for the honey stores and can be added to as necessary throughout the season), a



**The Hive**

1 Roof; 2 Crownboard; 3 Super; 4 Queen excluder; 5 Brood Box; 6 Floor; 7 Entrance block

A swarm occurs when the queen leaves the hive for reasons which are not fully understood. Possible causes are overcrowding, an overheated hive or the ageing of the queen. The bees follow her and settle

on something nearby. They hang together, surrounding and protecting the queen in a huge misshapen ball, looking somewhat intimidating but in fact swarms are not generally aggressive; the 'scout' bees are far too busy flying off to find somewhere safe for them all to settle! Therefore, the swarm is collected as soon as possible; they cannot be returned to their previous hive, so a new one has to be ready to receive them in the exact position of the previous hive.

The queen can live from 5-7 years and will die in Autumn. 'Princess' and worker bees hibernate during winter. The workers die the following summer after new workers have hatched.

Honey is thought to be in perfect condition when it has been capped (or covered with wax) by bees and is extracted by uncapping cells on each frame using a hot knife and then placing the frame in a special drum which extracts honey by centrifugal force. The honey is strained through muslin into jars. Heather honey is thick and has to be extracted under pressure.

Honey has been used throughout the ages as food and to make drinks; it is also medicinal (to drink and as an application to damaged skin). Wax has many uses in manufacturing such as for candles, polish and lipstick.

There are numerous diseases which badly affect bees, not least the one, caused by the Varroa mite, for which there is treatment, but the mite is notoriously difficult to overcome. Lately, dwindling bee stocks in the UK have made news and the Government is being urged to address the problem. Without bees there will not be pollination of 90% of the flowering crops we rely on for food. At present, in America, Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD) is a huge problem.

CCD is a poorly understood occurrence as worker bees abruptly disappear from the hive. It was first observed in North America in 2006. Possible causes are malnutrition, disease including mites, pesticides, GM crops and migratory bee-keeping: bee rental for pollination is a critical element of US agriculture.

Varroa caused by a parasitic mite is rife in colonies in the UK. It is treatable but it can be difficult to obtain a positive result from the various remedies available and resistance can be built up by the mites which were first found in the UK in 1992.

There is much folk-lore associated with bees - for example if someone dies in a household where bees are kept, especially if it is the keeper, the bees should be told... and a well-known rhyme in bee-keeping circles is:-

*A swarm of bees in May is worth a load of hay  
A swarm of bees in June is worth a silver spoon  
A swarm of bees in July is not worth a fly*

There is a joy to beekeeping; and to sitting quietly a little distance away from the hive, and watching the bees bee-ing about their business.

God's creatures, indeed...



Bees swarming on a tree



# WASTE WATCHERS HOLIDAY CLUB

Youngsters enjoying the Fash Bash Party on the final afternoon of the Holiday Club

Pictures Poppy Wilde



## Update on Starter Packs for the Homeless

**In the last edition of Voice, we focussed on the needs of homeless people in the Borders. Dick Kightley fills us in on how the Selkirk Council of Churches Starter Pack project is going.**

St John's is working with the 6 other churches of the Selkirk Council of Churches and also the Scottish Churches Housing Action (SCHA) to develop the starter pack scheme. It may feel as if progress is slow, but the objective is to have a project that will support the homeless in the Borders on a sustainable basis, and this requires considerable preparation. Some of the key elements of our project, which need to be set up before we can go fully live are

- Collection and Storage
- Sorting and Pack Assembly
- Donations and Volunteers
- Allocation and Delivery
- Admin, Insurance etc

### Progress so far

We now have our storage facility at Shepherd Mill, secured thanks to the generosity of a Baptist Church member, and goods already donated are being stored there. We have a provisional agreement with Home Basics as one method of distributing the packs and are exploring alternatives via other agencies.

Many thanks for the offers of help and also for the goods already received or offered. As soon as we can, we will let you know about utilising those helping hands.

St John's contact is Richard Kightley (Dick) tel. 01835 870767 email [rbk@kightley.com](mailto:rbk@kightley.com)

### Why Starter Packs matter

*"When I moved into my flat I had nothing there wasn't even a light bulb. I applied for a community care grant but I was told it would take 5 weeks! I thought I was going to have to live in the empty flat until I could get something sorted. My support worker helped me get a Starter Pack. It was amazing; it even had a few light bulbs. It made such a difference."*



It's difficult moving into a new tenancy. There are lots of things to buy at a time when money won't stretch. Friends and family usually play a vital role helping out with basic essentials. But what if you don't have those social networks to rely on?

Many tenancies fail in the early stages because people simply can't buy the basic essentials that help turn a house into a home. Starter packs help the most vulnerable in our community at the point of need and unlike grants there is no waiting period to get help.

**What's needed**  
Good quality (used or new)  
cutlery  
crockery  
pots and pans  
cleaning materials  
household linen

# SNIPPETS

Watch this space for news of our special Advent services starting on 30th November.



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## Monday Club reopens 29th September

## Harvest Supper Friday 3rd October



7.00 for 7.30pm  
Philipburn Hotel  
Two course meal for £10  
Contact Heather Sceats for a ticket.

## Harvest Festival and Annual Gift Day 5th October

10.30 am  
Join us to Celebrate God's gifts and  
Consider our response to his generosity.

## Ministry Team Commissioning Sunday 19th October

10.30am  
Come and support the Ministry  
Leadership Team at their commissioning by Bishop Brian.



## Coffee Morning Saturday 15th November

10am —12.00 noon  
Get ready for St John's coffee morning in the Parish Hall.

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| <b>GIFT STALL</b>     | <b>BOTTLE STALL</b>            |
| <b>RAFFLE</b>         | <b>CAKE &amp; CANDY</b>        |
| <b>HANDMADE CARDS</b> | <b>HOUSEPLANTS &amp; BULBS</b> |

David Lumsden is bringing on winter pansies, wallflowers and polyanthus (proceeds to be shared between St John's and the charity Motivation). The plants could be available earlier by arrangement (01750 23677).



## Traidcraft and Curry Evening November 28th

8-10pm  
Parish Church Hall

Ladies are warmly invited to a Traidcraft and Curry evening. Curry from A Taste of Spice and Lucy's personal account of working with Fairtrade producers in India and the impact on local communities. Bring more dosh to buy from the Traidcraft stall. Tickets £7 in advance of the evening. Available from Heather Sceats (01750 21364).

### Next Issue Copy Deadline

**Sunday 9th Nov 2008**