

NOTICES for the week beginning 11th May 2025

Funeral: Geoffrey Weatherald of Redmire. The funeral service will take place at 1.30pm on **Tuesday 13th May** in St Mary's Church, Redmire.
We pray for Carole and all the family.

Funeral: Dennis Brown formerly of Thornton Rust. The funeral service will take place at 12 noon on **Friday 16th May** in St Andrew's Church, Aysgarth.
We pray for Jen and all the family.

Preston with Wensley Annual Parochial Church Meeting: 10.30 am
Tuesday 13th May, Preston under Scar Village Hall. If you are on the electoral roll and unable to attend your parish APCM then you can contact Tom, Penny or email penhill.benefice@btconnect.com to request a copy of the Report.

Wensleydale Concert Series: 7.30pm, **Saturday 17th May**, St Andrew's Church, Aysgarth. **New London Chamber Ensemble.** Tickets: £20 at the door. (£1 for under 18s and full-time students). **Parking at the Pay and Display carpark.**
Please note only card payments are now accepted (there is limited disabled parking at the church – please contact 01969 663026 in advance).
Full details can be found at: www.wensleydaleconcertseries.co.uk

Church Afternoon Tea: 2-4pm, **Wednesday 21st May**, Redmire Village Hall.

United PCCs Meeting: Meet at 7.15pm for coffee for 7.30pm start of meeting, **Wednesday 21st May**, Preston under Scar Village Hall.

Swaledale Festival Service: 10 am **Sunday 25th May**, Holy Trinity, Wensley.
The service will include music from Handel and Fauré by organist Richard Selwyn Sharpe, vocal soloists and trumpeter.

Pilgrimage to Taize from July 19th – 27th July 2025: Cost per person is £375.
Bookings and full payment required by 6th June 2025. Full information is in the brochure <https://heyzine.com/flip-book/86a7e51859.html>
Contact Olivia.Dean@leeds.anglican.org for further details.

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The Penhill Benefice

United parishes of Aysgarth, Bolton-cum-Redmire, Preston with Wensley & West Witton

11th May 2025

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Phone service - dial 0333 0110 946

Enter room number **61337190#** and the PIN **7450#**

TODAY

9.30 am Telephone Service
9.30 am Holy Communion, St Margaret's, Preston under Scar
9.30 am Holy Communion, St Mary's, Redmire
11.00 am Holy Communion, St Andrew's, Aysgarth
11.00 am Morning Prayer, St Bartholomew's, West Witton
Followed with the APCM

Sunday 18th May The Fifth Sunday of Easter

9.30 am Telephone Service
10.30 am Holy Communion Penhill Together Service,
St Bartholomew's, West Witton

THE BENEFICE MISSION STATEMENT

The Penhill Benefice is committed to show the love of God and the saving grace of Jesus.
We share together as the body of Christ, in prayer, worship, ministry and fellowship.
In the power of the Holy Spirit we are called to mission and outreach and to be a support and comfort in the community.

Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:
raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,
that we may seek those things which are above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Acts 9: 36-end. [NRSV - updated edition]

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. ³⁷ About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. ³⁸ Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

³⁹ Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

⁴⁰ Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. ⁴² This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

Gospel (and second) Reading: John 10: 22-30 [NRSV - updated edition]

Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. ²⁴ The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

²⁵ Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, ²⁶ but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one."

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm: 23.

Readings for Sunday 18th May. The Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 11: 1-18. 2nd Reading: John 13: 31-35. Psalm 148.