

NOTICES for the week beginning 23rd February 2025

Prayer Fellowship: 7.30pm, **Tuesday 25th February**, Aysgarth Institute.

Lent Lunches for Christian Aid: 12 noon until 1.30pm, on Fridays.

7th March - Redmire Village Hall **14th March** – Thoraby Village Hall

21st March – West Witton Village Hall **28th March** – Carperby Sports Pavilion

Soup & Cheese Lunch with Coffee and Tea. *No fixed charge, donations to Christian Aid.* All welcome.

Benefice Food for Thought in Lent. 6.30 for 7.00 pm: West Burton Village Hall.

Tuesday 18th March: Speaker - Bishop John Pritchard. **Book by Tues 11th March.**

“Who am I now? - Identity and role in the different chapters of life”.

Menu - chicken casserole with herby dumplings (vegetarian option available).

Tuesday 1st April: Speakers – Revd Ian and Revd Dr Linda Robinson.

“Where are we headed? Finding hope in a time of crisis”. **Book by 25th March.**

Menu - Lasagne with salad and garlic bread (vegetarian option available).

Cost for each: £15 (to include main course, tea/coffee) Bring your own drinks.

Home-made desserts will be available on a donation basis, to be given to the

Charity chosen by the speaker. **Book with Anthony Day:** Tel: 01969 624171.

Email: days.gordonlodge@btinternet.com Cheques payable to Bolton-cum-

Redmire PCC. *Provision of home-made desserts will be gratefully received at*

each of the evenings, please contact Anne Day (email as above).

New Church Electoral Roll For 2025: This year everyone who wishes either to continue to be on the electoral roll for their local parish church or to be entered for the first time must fill in a form. These will be available from Electoral Roll Officers: Margaret Ferguson, Aysgarth. Jayne Foster, Bolton cum Redmire. Hilary Grisewood, Preston with Wensley and Cherie Miles, West Witton or contact Tom, Penny or Christine.

Alive in Christ – Online: 1.30pm-3pm, **Tuesdays from 4th March – 1st April.**

This course offers a transforming experience of God’s love, enabling you to become confident about serving God as a member of Christ’s Body. For more details: <https://www.resourcingrenewal.org/events/alive-in-christ-if4tg>

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Please see updates on our Website: www.penhillbenefice.co.uk and www.pipspatch.com

The Penhill Benefice

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

23rd February 2025

The Second Sunday before Lent

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 Bartholomew’s, West Witton
- 11.00 am Morning Prayer, St Andrew’s, Aysgarth
- 3.00 pm Evening Prayer, Thornton Rust Mission Room

THIS WEEK: Thursday

- 9.30 am Holy Communion, St Bartholomew’s, West Witton

Sunday 2nd March Sunday next before Lent

- 9.30 am Telephone Service
- 9.30 am Holy Communion, St Margaret’s, Preston under Scar
- 9.30 am Morning Prayer, St Mary’s, Redmire
- 11.00 am Holy Communion, St Andrew’s, Aysgarth
- 11.00 am Holy Communion, St Bartholomew’s, West Witton

Interested in how the church might engage with climate issues?

The charity ‘Hope for the Future’ in partnership with USPG and the C of E host the 1st Zoom event of a 2025 series – 26th Feb, 7.00 - 8.30pm titled:-

Faith in Action: The Anglican Call to Climate Justice

Search hftf.org.uk/events or ask Tom or Hilary for the link to join.

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,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Revelation 4. [NRSV - updated edition]

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." ²At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! ³And the one seated there looks like jasper and carnelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. ⁴Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. ⁵Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God, ⁶and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and back: ⁷the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. ⁸And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

"Holy, holy, holy,
the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come."

⁹ And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, ¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

¹¹ "You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created."

Gospel Reading: Luke 8 v. 22-25. [NRSV - updated edition]

One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they put out, ²³ and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A windstorm swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. ²⁴ They went to him and woke him up, shouting, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And waking up, he rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. ²⁵ Then he said to them, "Where is your faith?" They were terrified and amazed and said to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water and they obey him?"

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm 65.

Readings for Sunday 2nd March. Sunday next before Lent

1st Reading: 2 Corinthians 3 v 12 to 4 v 2. 2nd Reading: Luke 9 v. 28-36.
Psalm 99.

Psalm 65

- 1 Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; ♦
to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid.
- 2 To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins; ♦
when our misdeeds prevail against us,
you will purge them away.
- 3 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there. ♦
We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house,
even of your holy temple.
- 4 With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation, ♦
O hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas.
- 5 In your strength you set fast the mountains ♦
and are girded about with might.
- 6 You still the raging of the seas, ♦
the roaring of their waves
and the clamour of the peoples.
- 7 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
tremble at your marvels; ♦
the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise.
- 8 You visit the earth and water it; ♦
you make it very plenteous.
- 9 The river of God is full of water; ♦
you prepare grain for your people,
for so you provide for the earth.
- 10 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; ♦
you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase.

- 11 You crown the year with your goodness, ♦
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 12 May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness ♦
and the hills be girded with joy.
- 13 May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep ♦
and the valleys stand so thick with corn
that they shall laugh and sing.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. **Amen.**