



**United Benefice of
Dolphinholme, Quernmore
& Over Wyresdale**

**5th Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 5 July 2026**

WELCOME

Welcome to our services this morning, particularly to anyone who is visiting or is new to our congregation. We hope that you will all feel relaxed & at home. There are facilities for young children in church (toys, books etc). Please feel free to use them at any time during the service.

TODAY'S SERVICES AND READINGS

Dolphinhome St Mark's

9.30am Morning Prayer



Quernmore St Peter's

10am Patronal Family Service



Christ Church, Over Wyresdale

11am BCP Eucharist



Zechariah 9:9-12; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-end

Collect Prayer for Today

***Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

Loving God,

We bring before you the young people of Tunstall Deanery. You know their hopes, their struggles, and the unique calling You have placed on each of their lives. Grant us wisdom, unity, and clarity of vision as we seek Your will for how we can nurture, disciple, and empower these young people.

Stir in us a holy imagination to create spaces where they will feel seen, heard, and welcomed.

Unite us as a Deanery with one heart and one purpose: to build a church where all can thrive, belong, and Give us courage to invest in youth ministries, such as Ignite, that will help young people grow in faith, curiosity, and confidence discover fullness of life in Jesus Christ.

**We ask this in His precious name.
Amen.**

BENEFICE

Our rural young people deserve the same opportunities as young people in urban communities! – A reflection by the Vicar.

Following the pandemic, the National Youth Agency commissioned a report to examine youth provision in local areas. The report made it clear that there are vast gaps in local youth services, with 2.2 million young people, living in predominantly rural areas, consistently overlooked. The National Youth Agency says that there is little or no co-ordinated provision in many rural areas to tackle inequalities and put young people at the heart of the coronavirus recovery. The amount spent per head on youth work for 11- to 19-year-olds in rural England, £47, is 25 per cent less than in urban areas, and half the level of a decade ago.

Young people, growing up in rural areas, often suffer from feelings of isolation, imposed not just by distance from school friends, but also because of a deficit in ways to build connections – there may well be no public transport, poor or non-existent mobile signal and poor Wifi connectivity. All of this puts our rural youngsters at risk of poor mental health but also makes them vulnerable to County Lines gangs that, in some parts of our Diocese, already target rural youth. Furthermore, we see few of them in our churches and there are few opportunities for us to help them to walk the path of Christ, as fellow disciples.

All of this has been weighing heavily upon the minds of the clergy serving in our rural deanery of Tunstall but we have a solution, we just need some support to make it a reality!

Blackburn Diocese are running a scheme called 'Ignite', which will initially fund Youth Workers 100% in the first year with funding gradually being reduced over the 5 years that follow. Tunstall Deanery are putting together a bid for 2 Youth Workers to be employed to work across the Deanery, creating and equipping hubs in rural areas where young people can be brought together safely to share fellowship and fun. In order for our bid to be successful, we need to find funding to support the future years of the project and that is where we need your help!

Perhaps you're a regular churchgoer or perhaps you are just someone who wants to see our rural youth given the same opportunities as their urban neighbours {it's a matter of fairness and justice for me!} If you care passionately about the future for our young people and feel able to donate to support our bid for 2 Youth Workers then please email me for further details: revcinders@gmail.com. Most importantly, please pray for our rural youth and that our vision for them can become a reality.

With every blessing

Canon Cindy Rigney {Tunstall Deanery Area Dean}

Gluten free communion wafers are available to anyone who needs them. If you require gluten free communion, then please speak to a churchwarden, or the priest **BEFORE** the service begins and we will ensure that you are able to receive safely.

Cindy and Pippa will be at the Diocesan Conference in Liverpool this coming week, until Thursday. However, Cindy will be reachable via email, messenger and WhatsApp in case of emergency.

A great big thank you to everyone who helped to make the **Deanery Synod** such a success.

St Mark's Dolphinholme

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www.achurchnearyou.com/dolphinholme-st-mark/



In Our Year's Mind for **JULY**

John Whittingham, Mary Whittingham, Annie Lloyd,
Doreen Cookson, Rachel Thornton, Marjorie Rhodes,
Richard Edwin Pye, Francis Ada Archer, John William Archer,
Douglas Richard Ollerton, Joseph Cookson



Thank you to everyone who supported our Curry Night and to the Mums who made the pans of curry! It was a huge success and we raised over £500 which was well over the £150 challenge that had been set. We will be sending £150 to the Central Fund and £350 to the Caravan Fund because next year, we hope to buy a new caravan where we will continue to offer holidays to those whose lives have met with adversity.



Forest Church will meet outside St Mark's on 11th July at 10am. This will be our final session until September, so please join us to celebrate the year with juice and nibbles! Dress for the weather!

St Peter's Quernmore

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In Our Year's Mind for **JULY**

Diana Smith, James Allan Stackhouse, Rose Mary Hakes,
Edith Joan Sparks

Welcome to our Family Service, as we celebrate our church patronal festival!

Advance notice that there will be no morning service at St Peter's on 12th July because of the cycle race. Instead we will meet to worship at 1pm. It will be a **Picnic Praise**, so bring along your picnic!

Christ Church Over Wyresdale

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A big thank you to **Harry and Emily** for coming to give a youth perspective at our Deanery Synod and thanks to **Rob** for his part and the leaders who came to support. Special thanks to **Caroline** for the strawberries and cream and the amazing cakes, to **Ken** for setting up the screen and projector and to **Pippa** for getting them to work!



Next Week's Services & Readings

**6th Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 12 July 2026**

**Dolphinhome St Mark's
11am Eucharist**



**Quernmore St Peter's
1pm Picnic Praise**



**Christ Church, Over Wyresdale
5.30pm Family Service**



Isaiah 55: 10-13; Romans 8: 1-11; Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Please take this sheet home with you or pass it on to someone you know who could not be here today. You can also find the pew sheet on the website. If you have any items for this pew sheet please contact graham.rigney@gmail.com by the end of Thursday to ensure inclusion on Sunday

To receive a digital copy of the pew sheet every week simply subscribe via the website at dgowbenefice.co.uk (on the Blog page)!

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PRAYER CONCERN

Please pray for all, in the deanery, attending the Diocesan Conference next week.

Please pray for the young people of our Benefice.

WINDOW ON THE WORLD please pray for

Peace in the **Ukraine**

Peace in the **Lebanon & Iran**

All those negatively affected by rising fuel & food costs
The people of the **USA** as they celebrate their 250th birthday

All affected by the bus crash in **Pakistan**

HEARING LOOP IN OPERATION

