



Lesbury



Alnmouth



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Longhoughton



Howick

## Newsletter Sunday 14 June

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Messy Church

From the Vicarage

### Opening the Churches for Public Private Prayer

It must be noted that the current instruction to open the Churches is to allow **for private prayer and nothing else**. The churches are as yet not open for regular Worship and services. Furthermore, the churches are not a tourist attraction for visitors to walk around access is allowed for prayer and reflection only.

Plans to open on 15<sup>th</sup> June **Alnmouth and Longhoughton** are similar and in summary

1. Door to be open from 9.00/ 10.00 am – 3.00pm
2. All books, candles and prayer sheets to be moved out
3. Clear signage and instruction
4. Entry is directed to a prayer area for 2 people
5. No one to enter the building if 2 people already in
6. Sanitiser available at entry and when leaving
7. Accessible pews to be cleaned on closing the church.

**Lesbury** needs to finalise arrangements but will be on similar lines but may not open until later in the week.

**Howick Church** will not open; all other buildings on the Estate are closed and with more visitors to the gardens along with the “tourist” atmosphere it was felt that there would be difficulty in controlling admission to the building without supervision.

Notices to be placed on the church to explain this and directing anyone who wish for time to pray and reflect to go to Longhoughton church.

Thought there are notable concerns about the churches being unsupervised during the opening times, it was generally agreed that Alnmouth and Longhoughton Churches would open on 15<sup>th</sup> June as arranged and that Lesbury would follow when plans were complete. It was suggested that an email review in a week would help and that serious problems should be shared immediately.

with every blessing

*Ian*

### THE BRIDGE AN APPEAL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS:

**NEXT ISSUE AUGUST 2020**

It will now be possible to print the Bridge again for August. Currently we have no articles and we would like to appeal for **contributions for the next issue by the 10th July**. Please send in regular articles and bring your thoughts and experiences over the last 3 months and share your hopes for the future.

### Subscriptions 2021

Given we have been unable to print and distribute the Bridge for the last three months, the Editorial Group has decided that current subscribers who paid in full for 2020 will only have to pay £4.50 for 2021 when they are due on 1st January. Any new subscribers next year will pay the full £6.00.

### St Mary's Parish Church, Lesbury 100 Club Quarterly Draw June 2020

The second of this year's Draws was made on 4th June 2020, under Covid19-compliant distancing at 2 School Lane Lesbury, by Rev Ian and Mrs Claire MacKarill. The winners were as follows:-

1st Prize	£100	29	Ray Brunton
2nd Prize	£80	2	Andrea Barber
3rd Prize	£60	97	Phil & Paula Mackie
4th Prize	£40	20	Sue Baylis
5th Prize	£20	68	Roger Styring

We hope the next Draw will take place in more normal circumstances, at a date yet to be arranged.

### DIOCESAN LINK NEWSPAPER for JUNE

[https://cofenewcastle.contentfiles.net/media/documents/document/2020/05/Link\\_June\\_2020\\_v3.pdf](https://cofenewcastle.contentfiles.net/media/documents/document/2020/05/Link_June_2020_v3.pdf)

### From the Royal School of Church Music The Big Music Sunday Service

14th June 2020, 6.00pm

Join us on the RSCM Centre YouTube channel at 6.00pm on Sunday 14th June sing with us, join the RSCM on Music Sunday.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdgrFIPAp\\_gzQ2oxfeoLLg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdgrFIPAp_gzQ2oxfeoLLg)