

# The Rambling Rector

Definition: *A White Flowering Climbing Rose Or A Vicar With No Sermon Notes!*

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## This Week

### Sunday 17th

- 9.15 Holy Communion at Finningley
- 9.15 Service from Finningley Live on YouTube - search FABParish
- 11.00 Holy Communion at Auckley
- 12.30 Baptism at Finningley

### Wednesday 20th

- 10.30 Natter at Finningley

### Sunday 24th

- 9.15 Holy Communion at Finningley
- 9.15 Service from Finningley Live on YouTube - search FABParish
- 11.00 Holy Communion at Auckley
- 3.30 Cafe 3:30 at Finningley

## COVID Protocols

For everyone's health and wellbeing please observe the following protocols.

- Please sanitise your hands on entering
- Please wear a facemask unless you are exempt
- Please respect a 1m social distance
- If you are sat eating or drinking then face masks can be removed

## Memorial Service

**We are planning to hold our annual Memorial Service on Sunday 7th November at 6.30 in St Oswalds.**

If you would like a loved one's name, who passed away in the past 12 months, including, then please let Neil know by Sunday 17th of October at the latest please.

If Margaret, Carol or Neil took their service, then we will ensure their names are included.



## COVID Survey - Final Call Please

There has been a good response to the short COVID survey so far, and today is your last chance to get your replies in.

We want to understand how everyone is feeling about the current protocols in both churches. We will use your responses to help us in our review and work out any next steps.

We need your replies by **TODAY PLEASE**, either physically or via email.

Neil is taking the remainder of his annual leave soon, so there won't be a notice sheet for a couple of weeks. Carol and the Wardens will be holding the fort, so do get in touch if they can help.

“ A curate's egg is something that is both bad and good. ”



## Black History Month Celebration

**23rd October 2021**

Sheffield Diocese UK/ME working group is Celebrating Black History Month. This year's theme is: **Proud to Be Diverse?**

A day of celebrating our diversity in Christ as a people of God with shared conversation, music and worship.

The first guest speaker will be The Ven Karen Lund, Archdeacon of Manchester.

The second guest speaker is currently TBC.

**All are welcome!**

Starts at 10am, online via Zoom.  
(Email [Miriam.e.cavanagh@gmail.com](mailto:Miriam.e.cavanagh@gmail.com) for zoom code and password)

## Coming Up

Did you know that 2021 marks 100 years since the poppy was introduced as a symbol of remembrance?

Due to COVID, this years Remembrance Sunday is not possible in our church building. However, working closely with Finningley and Blaxton parish councils, and with the kind assistance of the licensee of the Bluebell, and Hill House School, the service will be held entirely at Blaxton War memorial.

We hope to begin at 10.45 and it will be slightly longer than usual. We will include hymns, the national anthem, a short reflection and of course an act of remembrance.



Afterwards the uniformed organisation are invited to send representative to Finningley Churchyard to lay the poppy crosses on the war graves.

We are awaiting full confirmation of the details and will of course let you know of any changes.

*N.B There won't be a service in our churches that day.*

LEST WE FORGET

## TUESDAY CLUB

Our next meeting is on 19th October and features Sue Woodcock, columnist for the Yorkshire Post, author and public speaker.

She will tell us about "The Joy of being Eccentric".

We gather at 1:45 in the Village Hall, fee £2 including refreshments. Please come along and join us for what we hope will be an entertaining afternoon.

# COVID Review - October 2021

I thought it was time to ask again how you feel about the worship in our church buildings as we continue to move through this COVID pandemic.

So, it would be really help me in understanding how everyone feels if you could complete this short questionnaire please. If you could return it to me by Sunday 17th of October please that would be great - either physically or via email. ***If responding via email simply reply with a list e.g. Yes, No, Yes, Yes, No relating to the 5 options/questions***

Thank you for your input and help.

God bless,

Neil

First, there are somethings that we will be continuing.

They are:

- **Live streaming and recording the service on YouTube**
  - **Asking that everyone continue to sanitise their hands**
  - **Respecting social distancing for those who would prefer to.**
- Now we have a few options to think about, and they are based on the following statement:

If...

- ***The government don't introduce and new restrictions***
- ***COViD rates remain similar to now or fall***
- ***All those over 12 eligible for a COViD jab have had the opportunity to do so***

***Then I feel we should...***

THEN I FEEL WE SHOULD...	YES	NO
1. Make the wearing of face masks a personal choice for all activities		
2. Continue as we are i.e wear masks for all activities unless exempt		
<b>In addition:</b>		
A. Are you ready for refreshments to be served at Finningley with suitable protocols in place?		
B. Would you be interested in social gatherings e.g. a quiz, performance?		
C. I would like to receive wine from the shared chalice i.e. everyone drinking from the same cup like we used to.		

Any other thoughts, ideas or comments?

Name : (optional, but will help Neil)

