

Friends of Bolton Priory

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Revd Jonathan Cain

Assistant Curate - Bolton Priory



Revd Jonathan Cain

The Revd Jonathan Cain joined Bolton Priory as Assistant Curate following his ordination at Ripon Cathedral on July 4, 2015.

Jonathan is a civil engineer, and prior to responding to the call to ordained ministry he worked in the UK water industry. He started his professional career at Yorkshire Water, moving to Skipton based JN Bentley Ltd in 1994, where he served as Engineering Director. He resigned his post in 2013 to commence ordination training on the Yorkshire Ministry Course.

Jonathan's early years were spent in the London and the south-east; he moved to Yorkshire after university to follow his future wife Rebecca. Jonathan and Rebecca have four children – Arthur, Nicholas, Bill and Charlie.

Last Christmas Eve, Jonathan slept out in the Priory Tower in order to raise awareness of the Bradford-based charity Inn Churches. The charity provides food, shelter and support to the homeless during the winter and for the rest of the year the charity works in partnership with other agencies to help provide a permanent change in the lives of the guests they have hosted.

Jonathan is delighted to be starting his ordained ministry at Bolton Priory. The Priory building is a wonderful silent witness to Christian faith and resonates with his own experience of the constancy of God's presence in the world and in our lives. For the many pilgrims who enter the Priory Church the weekly worship and the daily guiding enable an encounter with centuries of Christian witness, with a living community and, we pray, with the living God. The work of the Friends in supporting this witness is hugely valuable.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 15th May 2016

Our AGM will be held in Bolton Abbey Village Hall following the Morning Service on the 15th May, starting at 12.15pm

As usual the AGM will be followed by lunch which will include a vegetarian option.

The AGM is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the past year and enjoy a delicious meal in the company of friends.

Obviously all members are entitled to attend the AGM whether or not they are able to join us for lunch. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible so please put this date in your diary.

Tickets for lunch are excellent value at £12 per person. Please complete the Events Form attached.

2016 SPRING LECTURE

Friday 18th March at 7.30pm

SIR HARRY OGNALL - "MY LIFE IN CRIME"

We are delighted that the Spring Lecture this year will be delivered by Sir Harry Ognall in Bolton Abbey Village Hall on Friday 18 March at 7.30pm.

Entitled "My Life in Crime" isn't quite how it sounds though! Sir Harry Ognall is a retired High Court Judge who lives in Ilkley. Before being appointed as a High Court Judge, he was a well-known barrister dealing mainly in criminal cases both as a prosecutor as well as for the defence. Initially on the northern circuit and then at the Law Courts in London, as a judge Sir Harry Ognall heard many high profile cases including the Rachel Nickell murder case.

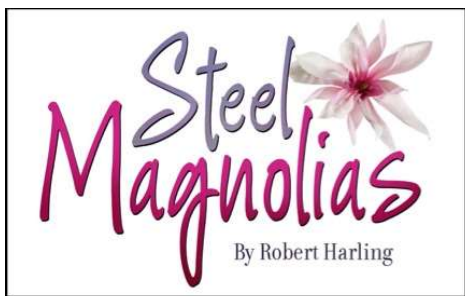
We guarantee that Sir Harry Ognall's lecture will be informative and entertaining.

An extremely good evening awaits you!

Wine and light refreshments will be served after the presentation. **Tickets are available at £5 per person. Please order by the Events Sheet which is attached.**

Theatre Visit to Ilkley Playhouse

Our theatre visit this year was to see a production of Steel Magnolias by Robert Harling at the Ilkley Playhouse. Set in a beauty salon, the true story depicted gossip and humour, friendship and trust amongst a group of women and the comfort they share when tragedy strikes.



Before the play, thirty Friends enjoyed a wonderful supper which had been arranged by Margaret and Barry Cody. "Thank You".

OBITUARY

JOHN RUSSELL ROSE

1935 – 2016

Churchgoers will know John by his comfortable dimensions and his gravelly West Yorkshire voice as he read the lesson at Sunday Morning service. He also made his mark with his wife José on church pilgrimages to The Holy Land and Assisi.

John was born in Bradford and educated at Worksop College and as an apprentice at Austin Motors at Longbridge in 1951. His life in the motor trade took him to Canada where he married his first wife Marion and where the first of his two children was born. His long and energetic business life included Rocars in Huddersfield and many other motor trade interests.

Amongst a myriad of enthusiastic outside interests, his greatest love was sailing culminating when in 1991 in "Midnight Stroller" he literally sailed around the world.

He was always a dedicated family man, and his children enjoyed annual pre-Christmas trips to London always including a show and Annabel's Club, and unforgettable summer stays in the family home on Majorca. His "family" extended well beyond his front door being the founder of a charity for underprivileged children which has already raised £100,000 since its inception.

He married José 24 years ago, a marriage definitely made in heaven, and appreciated hugely by an ever widening circle of friends evidenced by the great throng which attended John's funeral at the Priory on January 18th.

Their travels in their retirement were legendary not least being the European tours the couple completed on the biggest motorbike available on the market, just like John's character, so much larger than life.

By Andrew Hartley - Chairman

SUMMER VISITS

Two summer events have been arranged. The first is on Friday June 10th to Bowes Museum and Markenfield Hall. The second trip is on Thursday 8th September to Burton Constable Hall.

Friends will have an opportunity to visit these properties and have guided tours as well as free time to explore. Coffee and lunch is also included in the cost. Full details to be announced in the April Newsletter.

BOWES MUSEUM AND MARKENFIELD HALL

Friday 10th June

The Bowes Museum has a nationally renowned art collection and is situated in the town of Barnard castle, Teesdale.



Bowes Museum

Described as “only three miles from Ripon but hundreds of years away from civilization”, Markenfield Hall is a delightful medieval manor house which is only open for a limited period.

BURTON CONSTABLE HALL

Thursday 8th September

The Friends' late summer visit will be to Burton Constable Hall, 10 miles from Beverley.

2016 is a particularly special year for heritage gardens as it marks 300 years since the birth of Lancelot “Capability” Brown. Burton Constable

Hall is considered to be one of the best examples in Yorkshire of the landscape worked on by Brown. The Elizabethan mansion has over 30 rooms crammed with fine art, furniture and many surprises.



Burton Constable Hall

ADVENT SUNDAY PARTY

Over fifty Friends gathered for a finger buffet after the Advent Sunday Service in November. Jill Riley and Jenny Laycock have been responsible for the catering arrangements for many years and once again their flair, talent and expertise ensured a stylish spread that was not only a feast for the eye but also tasted delectable as ever.

Both Jill and Jenny are standing down and the Chairman thanked them for their consistent hard work and culinary expertise.

On behalf of the Friends: Thank you Jill & Jenny

SUGGESTIONS PLEASE

Do you fancy a trip to Castle Howard this Christmas to see the decorations and enjoy the Christmas Fair?

Have you visited a stately home, tiny church, magnificent gardens or galleries that you would recommend as a trip for the Friends?

Please let us know. Your suggestions would be welcomed. Comments or ideas to the Editor.

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BECOME INVOLVED!

Would you like to join the Friends' Executive Committee?

With this year's AGM fast approaching, we are looking for more Friends to join the Executive Committee.

It's not onerous: Five meetings each year.

Help with the catering and organisation of events throughout the year.

Share your ideas and help at Friends' events

Help to approve the distribution of funds in aid of Bolton Priory

Contact Membership Secretary

Keith Simpson: kandas1rl@btinternet.com

Subscription Rates

Ordinary Member

Individual : £10 per year

Husband & Wife : £15 per year

Senior Citizen-Individual : £5 per year

Senior Citizen-Husband & Wife : £10 per year

Students : £5 per year

Corporate Member

PCC's, Schools, Companies & other bodies : £25 per year

Life Membership

Individual : £100 single payment

Husband & Wife : £150 single payment

Our thanks to Keith Simpson for arranging the distribution of the newsletters: to James Pearson for his photography and Edward Nicholl for maintaining the Friends' website

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

- Current membership stands at 265
- 385 if joint members are counted separately
- Two new members have been recruited in the past four months: one lives in North Carolina and is the second member of the family to become a Life Member of the Friends. Welcome.

Our Newsletter is prepared for you!

Have you some stories, memories, pictures or indeed issues, which you would like to be included? If so, please contact the editor at jean_crawford@rocketmail.com

WILLS

Not an easy subject to bring up and discuss but may we make a plea for you to remember "The Friends of Bolton Priory" when you review your affairs?

Legacies make a huge difference to our funds. Thank You.

The Website for the Friends

www.prioryfriends.org.uk is open to all to read on the Internet. There you will find past Newsletters, stories, pictures of events and lots of information.

You can also use the link from the Priory website www.boltonpriory.church to the Friends' website. Do visit these sites and see what's there.

Postage costs

Thank you to all of you who have asked to be e-mailed when the next Newsletter is available on our website. If you want to be included too please let me know. Over 80 households now access the Newsletter in this way, what a saving!

(Because some people have difficulty opening the newsletter as an attachment, rather than send a copy as an attachment, you are notified that it is available on the web to read and/or download).

FRIENDS OF BOLTON PRIORY

EVENTS BOOKING FORM

Spring Lecture

On Friday 18th March 2016 @ 7.30pm in Bolton Abbey Village Hall

Name:
Address:
Telephone:
Number of tickets at £ 5.00 per person _____
Cheque: payable to <u>FRIENDS OF BOLTON PRIORY</u> enclosed for £ <i>Please enclose a stamped, addressed envelope</i>
Please apply for tickets from : Andrew Hartley, Netherwood Farm, Skipton Road, Ilkley LS29 9RP Tel: 01943 600645

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