



# Deaf Church North East

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**Service Times:**  
**all 3 p.m.**

**York Diocese**  
**1st Sunday**

St. Denys' Church  
Walmgate, York

**3rd Sunday**

St. Francis' Church  
Barwick Way

Ingleby Barwick

**Last Tuesday**

Hull and East Riding  
Deaf Institute

**Durham Diocese**  
**1st Sunday**

Stockton Parish  
Church,

High Street, Stockton

**3rd Sunday**

Sunderland Minster

**4th Sunday**

Holy Trinity Church,  
Woodland Road,  
Darlington

**Newcastle Diocese**  
**2nd & 4th Sundays**

St. Andrew's Church  
Newcastle

**Mondays -**

**check website**

St. Luke's Church  
(at 12.15 pm)

Frank Street  
Wallsend

All services are followed  
by refreshments.

See dates on website

[www.ndm.org.uk](http://www.ndm.org.uk)

*Dear friends,*

*Summer is fast approaching and we have been blessed with some glorious weather, here's hoping that we have many more sunny days to come. In this newsletter we have some photographs of the Easter Story at Ingleby Barwick. Everyone had a great time. Deaf Awareness week is also this month and many Deaf organisations will be raising awareness of what it is like to be deaf. Alma.*

## Deaf Awareness Week 7 - 13 May 2007

Every year deaf awareness week gives the chance to raise awareness. There are local and national events across the UK throughout the week.

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This year, the RNID will be asking everyone to take one simple step a day to help change the world. The steps include learning to fingerspell, improving your communication skills or taking part in a big sound check.

### From Palms to Pentecost

In May the church celebrates the Ascension of Jesus into heaven. Then we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, 50 days after Easter. This is also a reminder of how the first Christians began the church. They were given power by the coming of the Holy Spirit from God and Jesus.

It seems a long way from our gathering at Ingleby Barwick. There we shared the story of Jesus with his disciples in Jerusalem. Over 30 people walked round the church carrying palms to recall Jesus riding a donkey into Jerusalem. We went into church to learn about Jesus ministry teaching and healing. Moving into the hall we sat down at tables to tell the Passover story, as Moses led the Jewish people out of slavery in Egypt. We ate the Passover meal. Then had our lunch.

Going into the church we had Holy Communion then went with Jesus into the garden to pray. Pictures on screen helped us see how Jesus was arrested, was taken before Herod, then Pilate and led out to be crucified. At Jesus burial we prepared to leave for home with invitations to go to Easter Day services. These were joyful celebrations of the Resurrection. It was then that Jesus friends found the empty tomb and some were lucky enough to meet the risen Lord, Jesus. Now we are ready to praise God as Jesus goes to sit on a heavenly throne at God's right hand. Thanks be to God for all his goodness!

By Rev'd Bill Rigby

(See back page for photographs).



Easter Story at St. Francis Church,  
Ingleby Barwick, March 2007



**Notice of Future events**

We have been invited to join with members of the Albany deaf church [Edinburgh] for a shared service and fellowship on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October in North Berwick. More details to follow.



**A Prayer for May**

God our Father, make us joyful in the ascension of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Be with us as we await the coming and prompting of Your Holy Spirit;  
give us eyes of faith to know what you want us to do;  
give us strength and courage to do all that you ask.  
Help us to work together to show your love and glory in all we do in your community of love joy and peace. Amen.

**Church Services:**

If you would like any of the following services signed:  
**Weddings Funerals**  
**Baptisms Confirmation**  
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**Have a look at the newly organised and updated website.**  
**See all the photos on the website.**

**Also posted on the website are our forthcoming events.**