



# 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,*

*Welcome to June's newsletter. There are a few important announcements in this newsletter of forthcoming events. We hope that you will be able to attend some if not all of them. Best wishes Alma x*

## Forthcoming Event

### Northumbria Deaf Church

**Annual General Meeting - Thursday 19th June 2008 at 7.00pm**

**held at St Andrew's Church Hall, Newgate Street,**

**Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 5SS**

## Summer

We often think of June as being the start of summer. I do hope that there will be some warm sunshine and bright sunny days to enjoy. Of course, the longest day will be on 21<sup>st</sup> June. After that we will slowly begin to notice that the days become shorter and the nights longer. Hopefully we'll not notice until some time during August or even later!

During June there are several major saints' days. On 11<sup>th</sup> we shall remember Barnabas, the apostle. His name means 'son of encouragement'. He is known for the way that he boldly spoke about Jesus. Then on 21<sup>st</sup> the Church celebrates the birth of John the Baptist. John points the way to Jesus before his own birth, as part of the Christmas story [Luke chapter 1]. Then as a grown man he is the wild, hairy prophet who calls people to repent and be baptised for the forgiveness of sins. John is the man who offers Baptism to Jesus in the river Jordan [Matthew chapter 3 & Luke chapter 3]. But the biggest celebration is on 29<sup>th</sup> June.

This is the day that the Church remembers the Apostle Peter. He was a close friend of Jesus. Peter was outspoken and often spoke before he thought. Despite this Jesus gave him a special task to build up the faith community. This meant holding the disciples together after Jesus death and resurrection. Then Peter was the first Christian to preach the Good News about Jesus after the coming of the Holy Spirit. We can read about this in the Acts of the Apostles chapter 2.

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus says to [Simon] Peter, "You are Peter, the Rock; and on this rock I will build my church. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven." This gives us a link with the symbol used for Peter, a bunch of keys or crossed keys.

This weekend is sometimes called Petertide. Women and men will be presented before the Bishop to be ordained as deacon or as Priest. Like Peter, they believe that they have been called to serve the church of God in particular ways.

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The laying on of hands at Ordination is a formal start to this new work begun many years before at their own Baptism and confirmation. Please pray for all Bishop's as they prepare to lead special acts of worship. Also remember the people who will be ordained, their families and the people they will serve.  
*By Rev'd Bill Rigby*

### Forthcoming Event

*Deafblind Awareness Week*

**Deafblind Event - Monday 23rd June 2008**

**10.30am - 12.30pm**

At St Andrew's Church, Newgate Street,  
Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 5SS

### Forthcoming Event

**Wednesday 9th July - Quiet Day, Wydale Hall**

*(The Lords Supper)*

(Anyone interested please see your Chaplain for more details and to book places on the bus)

### Church Services:

If you would like any of the following services signed:

**Weddings    Funerals  
Baptisms    Confirmation**  
or for more information please contact:

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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.**

### **A Prayer for Strength in Serving God**

Lord God, you make your messengers like winds and your ministers like flames of fire;  
stir up and strengthen the gifts of grace in all people whom you call to serve you; help them to remove from your kingdom everything that prevents growth and love; make the flame of your love fill our hearts that we can serve you more and better in Jesus name. Amen.



Photos from  
Ecumenical Service  
Pentecost at  
St Clare's Church,  
Newton Aycliffe

**More Photos next  
issue**



### Northumbria Deaf Church Service Dates

**Sunday 1st June**, 3.00pm, Stockton Parish, Stockton.

**Sunday 8th June**, 3.00pm, St Andrews's Church, Newcastle upon Tyne

**Sunday 15th June**, 3.00pm, Sunderland Minster, Sunderland.

**Sunday 15th June**, 3.00pm, St Francis of Assissi, Ingleby Barwick.

**Monday 16th June**, 12.15pm, St Luke's Church, Wallsend.

**Sunday 22nd June**, 3.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Newcastle upon Tyne

**Sunday 22nd June**, 3.00pm, Holy Trinity Church, Darlington.

**Sunday 29th June**, 3.00pm, St Margaret's Church, Durham.

