

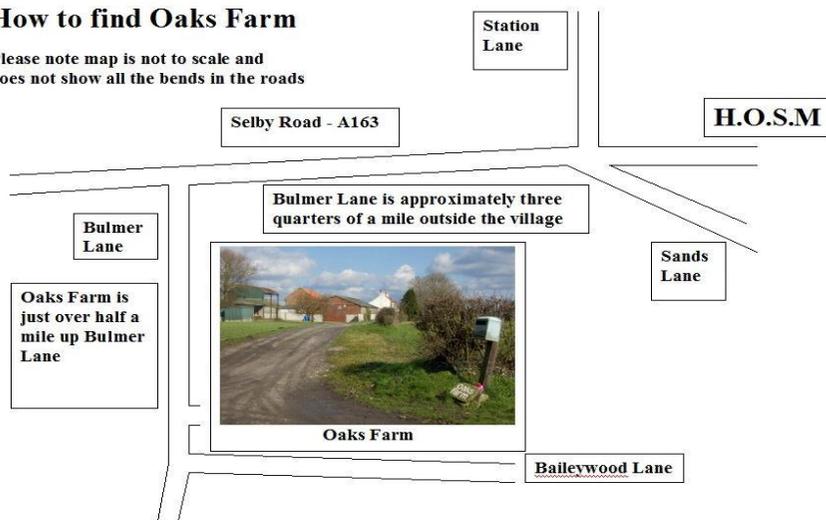
## Fellowship Activities

### Church Services

Morning services start at 10.30 am each Sunday. We meet at Oaks Farm, located in Bulmer Lane. There are special activities for children. Services are followed by light refreshments and a time to chat. All are welcome.

### How to find Oaks Farm

Please note map is not to scale and does not show all the bends in the roads



### Coffee Shop in the Village Courtyard

This is run by volunteers from Monday to Saturday 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

Everyone is welcome to come in, enjoy the relaxed atmosphere and have a hot or cold drink. A wide range of snacks are served.

### We also run...

- Coffee Shop Lunch Club - first and second Fridays of each month (12 noon).
- Tuesday afternoon Craft Club (2.00 pm to 3.30 pm).
- Thursday afternoon Art Club (2.00 pm to 4.00 pm)
- Café Church 5.00 pm - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month (July 28th)
- Café Healing 2.00pm - 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month (July 17th)

If you would like more information on any of these activities please ask in the Coffee Shop or contact either ...

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*There's a new day dawning*

## August 2019

### Do you enjoy watching athletics?

This time of the year we see more athletics on the TV. Whether this is track and field events or marathons, we all have favourite events that we like to watch. Mine are discus, hammer, javelin, swimming and diving. Some of you will enjoy the track events.

This year, do look at the running events; particularly the long distance ones. These can seem rather dull at times as the runners set a steady pace for the first laps, but as they approach the last lap, they speed up. Their minds are focussed on the tape at the end of that lap and all their energy is focussed on crossing that winning line. They do not allow themselves the luxury of looking round to see how others are doing, nor do they take it easy on themselves because their muscles ache and they are feeling tired. This is what they have trained for and their goal, the prize, is in front of them.

When Chris and I retired, many people expected us to take life easy and to sit back and enjoy ourselves. However, retirement is not a word found in the Bible. God showed us that this is the 'last lap' of our race and that we are to head for the winning tape.

As with athletes on the track who speed up as they approach the winning line, so we are to seek to do all the good work that God has planned for us to do. We are to 'go for it' knowing that, on the other side of the tape, Jesus is waiting for us and wants to welcome us with the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant".

Paul says in **Acts 20 v 24**; *I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus Christ has given me.*

How are you progressing in your race?

*Sandra*

## The North Coast 500

**O Lord my God!** When I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars; I hear the mighty thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed;

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee,  
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee,  
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

Robert and I have recently had the pleasure of doing the 'North Coast 500'. Going up through the highlands of Scotland to the start at Inverness, then up the east coast to John o'Groats and across the top taking in Castle Mey (home of the late Queen Mother - which has to be said was my main motivation for doing the road trip).



And then down the west coast including Applecross pass which is definitely not for the faint hearted! The '500' is approximately 516 miles Inverness to Inverness but it was of course longer for us, being 1450 miles in total.

The days were long and the nights short; at dawn the birds just seemed to be praising God - this year the bird song has been remarkable, at home as well.

(Or it might just be my age and I am awake to hear it!) We had torrential rain, high winds, glorious sunshine, clear skies, and amazing sunsets.

We saw mountains, waterfalls, sandy coves, beautiful coastlines, deserted islands, inhabited islands, lush pasture, barrenness and ruggedness. We visited fantastic castles and beautiful gardens.

It was an awesome road trip which constantly reminded us of our awesome God. Who is not only Almighty God but also our heavenly Father who loves us with a passion. We are all children of God created by Him in a unique way. The mountains are awesome but so are you! I pray you too can sing 'How great Thou art!'

Helen Templey

## To think about ...

Mark Twain said that the two best days in a person's life are the day they are born and the day they discover why they have been born. And the only person who can tell you the second of these is your Creator.

C.S. Lewis wrote "He who has God and everything has no more than the person who has God alone". At death your fame and fortune will not matter. The thing of eternal value will be your answer to this question: "Did I live my life in the presence of God and for His purpose?"

## A teenager is ...

A whizz kid who can operate the latest computer or Smart phone, but cannot make a bed.

A youngster who receives their pocket money on Monday, spends it on Tuesday, and borrows from their best friend on Wednesday.

Someone who can hear a favourite song being played at the other end of the street, but cannot hear their mother asking them to help from the next room.

A youngster who suddenly gets interested in joining the church choir when he discovers that a particular young lady has joined.

A connoisseur of two kinds of music – loud and very loud

Someone who can be very creative with reasons for being late back home after a night out with their friends.

A person who is often late for dinner, but never for a date.

An enthusiast who has the energy to ride a bike for miles, but is usually too tired to dry the dishes.

An original thinker who is certain that parents have never been teenagers.