

We hope this finds everyone well. **November was a month of Remembering**, both through our wonderful poppy display and around the war memorial on Remembrance Sunday. Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to the display. It looked wonderful and there have been lots of great comments. If you weren't able to call in to Church, here are a couple of photographs, and there are a few more on the website at:

<https://www.escrickheritage.org/heritage/poppy-display-2020/>

If you took any photographs that you would be happy to share, please do get in touch and we will add them to the website for all to see.

It has been suggested that we now make this an annual November event, so we look forward to an even bigger and better display next year, when hopefully we will all be able to enjoy it, while chatting over tea and cake!

All the poppies and painted stones will be taken down this week and carefully stored ready for next year.... And if you have any red wool, please do feel free to keep knitting poppies so we can add to the display for 2021.



The War Memorial

Following the end of the First World War the idea of war memorials stemmed from the needs of communities across the country to address the huge loss of loved ones during the Great War. This all took place when the country was financially and socially in a very bad place.

While struggling to come to terms with the unprecedented loss of life and pick themselves up, the British people also had to contend with the Spanish 'flu' pandemic which also generated a heavy death toll amongst an already devastated population. During this period the government issued guidelines for communities to form War Memorial Committees to determine the design, location, fundraising initiatives and the names that should appear on the memorial.

Poor communications, unclear guidelines and other obstacles meant many Committees failed to produce a balanced representation of a community and confusion arose about the eligibility of names to be included on memorials. Such was the case with Escrick and Deighton when the general thinking at that time was – if in doubt, leave it out - meaning that the names of some of the young men associated with this parish were not included on the memorial.



Following some valuable research by members of our community we have drawn up a Roll of Honour – well in fact two. Both of these include men who served in the armed forces during WW1 who were born, or lived part of their life in Escrick or had direct associations with this parish. One list gives details of those who paid the ultimate sacrifice and the second lists those who served in the Great War but were lucky enough to survive.

The fallen remembered by name at this year's Act of Remembrance, included all the additional people we have become aware of. We have put together a little booklet containing details about the Escrick and Deighton War Memorial and the two Rolls of Honour. Here is link to the booklet:

<https://www.escrickheritage.org/heritage/heritage-highlights/>

Thank you to Christine for drawing the booklet together from information shared with us by volunteers. We hope that this is just the first step to learn more about all those with Escrick and Deighton associations, who in one way or another have served their country and their community in times of conflict, right up to the present day. We feel it is an important project for the whole of the parish and we would like to make it available for generations to come..... Lest we forget!

If you would be happy to get involved and undertake further research, or have information about people we should include, please do get in touch.

Escrick Parish Magazine 1897

Below is a copy of the November 1897 Escrick Parish magazine from the bound copy shared by Eileen. The bound copy of the magazine would have cost '1s 2d'!

Sounds quite expensive for 1897. Wonder what the average weekly wage was at that time?

Second Lockdown by Audrey Harrison

*I've never washed my hands so much
I'm washing them away!
And then I have to sanitise
To keep the Covid bug at bay
A short time later on and then
I've got to do it all again!!*

*I am allowed to shop for food
A plain and simple task,
But then besides the washing hands
I've got to wear a mask!*

*So I wash my hands and mask my face
And set off to the store,
Lo and behold when I get there
I'm instructed to do lots more!!*

*Please sanitise the trolley
Cleanse hands and cover face
And as an extra caution
Keep two metre space!*

*I hurry round to make my buys
As quickly as I can
Searching out for friendly eyes
Before my goods go through the scan
And the battle will be won.*

*We're living in a different world
Where one can't meet or touch
I hope it won't last very long-
I don't like it very much!!
So it's hands, face and keep a space
Until this thing is gone*

ESCRICK PARISH MAGAZINE.

DECEMBER, 1897.

S.P.G. MEETING.

The Rev. de W. Cowie, from San Francisco, California, gave an able address in the Schoolroom on the evening of Nov. 4th, dwelling chiefly upon the history of the American Church and how it was indebted for its first start to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and showing how, in helping this Society, we were helping the spread of Christ's Church amongst our colonists in all parts of the world. He described England as the "heart" and centre of life of the great body of the Apostolic Church which reached into all lands. £1 13s. was taken at the door, and the Missionary Boxes produced £7 os. 6½d.

THE ADVENT SERVICES.

The following are the Advent Preachers:—

At 7 o'clock on Thursday, 2nd Dec., the Rev. F. Wrangham, of Wentbridge.
On 9th Dec., Rev. Canon Keble, of Bishopthorpe.
On 16th Dec., Rev. E. Pierson, of Rothwell.

CONCERT.

The annual School Concert will be given on Friday, 10th of this month.

BINDING OF THE MAGAZINE.

All who wish to have the numbers of the Parish Magazine bound (1s. 2d. each) are requested to send them to the Rectory before Dec. 31st. Missing back numbers supplied when required.

BURIAL.

Nov. 2—Ann Lazenby, aged 71 years.

ESCRICK PARK SCHOOL.

REGULAR ATTENDERS.

The following children have not missed a single attendance for the past four weeks—from Oct. 17th to Nov. 12, 1897:—

Mixed School—Arthur Colley, Arthur Skilbeck, Richard Ellar, J. H. Hughill, Geo. Goodall, Sam. Goodall, Er. Monkman, Sam. Pennington, Charlie Ellar, John Hy. French, Wm. Monkman, Wm. Mason, Albert Goodall, Arthur Pennington, Herbert Hiscock, Janie Colley, Hannah E. Bell, Louisa Goodall, Emily Leaf, Cerridwen Gilbert, Emma Laycock, Dorothy Gallimore, Annie Dowson, Edith Leaf, Edith Whitfield, Edith Harrop, Helen Gibson, Violet Etherington, Alice Durrant, E. Jackson, E. Gallimore, Nellie Nutbrown, Maggie Preston, Annie Barker.

Infants' Class—Arthur Ellar, Herbert Bridges, Willie Goodall, Edwin Reader, Willie Preston, Albert Colley, Walter Bridges, Thomas Ellar, Arnold Hiscock, Walter Hughill, Jim Preston, Reginald Rochester, Kathleen Goodall, Kate Colley, Tamer Preston, Alice Gibson, Emily Cooper, May Butterworth, Edith Pennington, Ada Laycock, Florrie Cooper, Florrie Ellar, Mabel Gallimore, Eliza Durrant, Keziah French, Florrie Dixon, Annie Nutbrown, Ethel Etherington, Alice Preston, Lillian Hall. Total, 64.

Website

As you know we continue to add things to the website. Some of the recent additions include:

- * The history of Yorkshire Gents Cricket club:
<https://www.escrickheritage.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Brief-history-of-The-Yorkshire-Gentlemens-Cricket-Club-.pdf>
- * Background to the funeral bier in Church, which is now used as the 'Welcome table':
<https://www.escrickheritage.org/heritage/heritage-highlights/>
(then click on the green writing to read more)

Photographs are regularly added to our Community Archive on the website too.... We can't have Christmas plays in Church this year.... but here is a photograph of the Escrick Sunday school Christmas play from the late 1960's.... I am sure there may be a few people you can recognise!! (No prize.... but can you find Caroline Wandless?)



Christmas will of course be very different this year for all of us, but may we wish everyone a safe, happy and peaceful Christmas, however you are able to spend it.

We look forward to keeping in touch and to meeting up at some point in 2021.

**Happy Christmas
Stay Safe**

