NOTICES

Marmalade:

It's not quite that time of year yet! But it will be soon after Christmas. So I have done my homework. All jars of marmalade for the Festival have to be at Dalemain by 10th February at the latest, so do gather together all your pots and pans and get making once we are into the New Year. The Festival week-end is 18th/19th March. The leaflet with all details is already on the website. Please contact me if you have any queries. I am sure there are others who would like to try their hand at marmalade-making and sending a jar to the Festival, if so do please contact me if I can help (666629). Also many thanks and congratulations to all this year's entrants, we have a new local champion in Elizabeth Mosley who was just half a point from gold. The rest of us all achieved bronze certificates. Well done everyone!

Mary Stapleton

Yorkshire air ambulance:

I recently heard it rumoured that the Yorkshire Air Ambulance was not collecting bras any more. However there is no truth in this. In fact the YAA personnel are desperate for all the bras they can get, literally in any condition, to send out to West Africa. So please, please do continue to let me have your cast-offs. Many grateful thanks to all those of you who still continue to put them in the box at the back of St.Mary's or leave them behind the pots by our front door at 20 Marsh Gardens. Thank you so much for all your support which is greatly appreciated, particularly in Africa.

Mary Stapleton

The Khomas Trust:

Henry and I, together with our daughter, Helen Cooper, are holding a Coffee Morning here at Rockland House, 20 Marsh Gardens, Honley, on Saturday 28th January 2017, 10-12 noon, in aid of the Khomas Trust. Everyone is very welcome. In fact, please do put the date in your next year's diary and come and support this very worthwhile cause. The Khomas Trust is a Namibian Charity which provides assistance for GCSE students, their hostel fees, living expenses, books and stationery, etc. The Government only provides tuition fees. Some students have single beds, five to a room; others are in bunk beds, fifty to a room. This is a very worthwhile charity, so do please support us in helping to make the lives of young students in Namibia so much better.

Mary Stapleton

New website:

The new parish website has now gone 'live'. It is not yet the 'finished article', work on it is still in progress, but the old website is no longer in use so please alter the address in your 'favourites' to www.hwbparish.org.uk and have a look at it. Any comments, questions or suggestions to Jane Wardman please.

Jane Wardman

New Daytime Bible Study Group:

A new daytime Bible study group, led by the vicar, has started at St Mary's, every Thursday from 12 noon to 12.50. Everyone is welcome.

Jane Wardman

PCC Agenda:

In future, the PCC meeting agenda will be posted at the back of both churches as well as being sent to PCC members. This is to allow members of the congregation to see what is coming up and discuss relevant matters with members of the PCC before the meeting. The dates of meetings and list of PCC members are posted in the porch.

Jane Wardman