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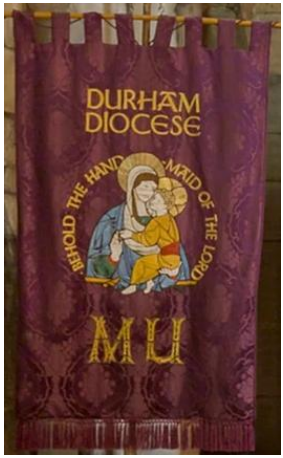


150 YEARS

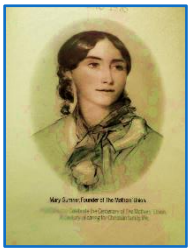
Join us, Join in

Presidents Letter.

Dear Members and Friends.

'Happy New Year'!
We promote and celebrate 150 years of our Wonderful Mothers Union!
Looking forward to new beginnings. A time ahead of Hope, Courage and Positivity.
A respect on the past. Our roots and foundations for the future of the organisation.
Work continues in our local communities and diocese.
Hospitals, Intensive Care areas, Refuges, Care Homes, Prisons and Schools. They are well supported in their general requirements. To include Overseas connections. Thankyou.
Later in the year. Representatives from Provinces ,and Mary Sumner House to attend a Global Gathering in Durban, South Africa. Looking forward to their reports.
Membership. We will endeavour to encourage membership . Suggested 150 or more ! I think we can do that! We are a welcoming space to everyone.
Thank you for all you that you do in your projects, fundraising and 150th Celebrations.
In this Newsround. There is diary information on the 150 years programme.
We can pray and socialise - Together. United in Prayer and Worship.
Enjoy this memorable time as we look ahead to new adventures and friendship and the continuation of Mothers Union.
Founder Mary Sumner's words: 'Make each new action sound and true. Then leave it in its place unscanned'.
As we approach Lent, spend some quiet prayerful time with your God, who listens, and is always there. Prayer is Powerful.
Psalm 119 -V105.
Your word is a lamp for my feet.
A light on my path'

My Love and Prayers.
Kathleen.x

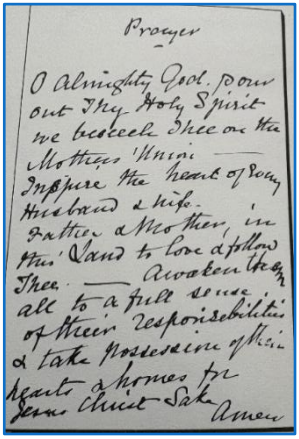


Mary Sumner

Mother's Union. . 150 years!

Let the celebrations begin!!
We have a full year of services and celebrations planned. Your Deanery/ Branch Leader will have given you the diary dates. Update on the Festival service. All banners. There will be a display of project work and archive material. An extra date to add;
Mary Sumner Day August 9th Cathedral Evensong 3-30pm. We will be welcomed to the service and Mothers Union mentioned in the prayers please try to attend.
We will enjoy all these celebrations together.
Please forward your photographs and articles on your branch and deanery festivities to Joan Parr for the Newsround.
Enjoy all that you do at this very special time for Mothers Union.
Thankyou. Blessings.
Kathleen.x

Mary Sumner, her husband and family



Prayer written in Mary Sumners own handwriting

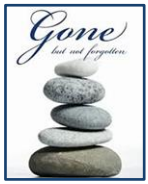
O Almighty God pour out Thy Holy Spirit we beseech Thee on the Mothers Union- Inspire the hearts of every Husband & Wife.
Father & Mother in this Land to love & follow Thee - Awaken them all to a full sense of their responsibilities & take possession of their hearts & homes for Jesus Christ Sake. Amen.

All photos taken from MU Centenary Brochure 1876-1976

BERYL WILSON. R.I.P.

We were all sad to hear in October of the death of Beryl Wilson.
Our condolences to Brian and the family.'
Beryl, a lifelong member of Mothers Union.
Beryl held senior posts in the diocese. A long time Treasurer , who helped many branches complete the 'Forms' ! and worked with the Charity Commission making sure MU got what was due to us! A member of the Trustee board , a wise and knowledgeable person about MU business. If you were not listening, Head teachers hat went on — You listened!! Both at Diocesan and Conferences, to include The House of Lords on a visit for MU prison work , a professional person.
Beryl participated in Low Newton Branch where she built up a good relationship with the women, as a confidant and listener.' Very well respected by both women and the clergy.
Beryl was a prayerful person, and loved time with Brian and her family, and liked to hear about your family.
Her work with Mothers Union was valuable and still is. If Beryl has met up with Ivy Gilby, there will be a Mothers Union branch opened.!!
We thank God for Beryls life and time with us and always remember her smile.
We are all proud to say. - Beryl Wilson was our Friend x May Beryl Rest In Peace and Rise In Glory.
Every Blessing.
Kathleen Wilson. Diocesan President.

St Andrews Chilton Moor are very sad to report that our Branch Secretary Audrey Tinkler and Mothers Union member for 55 years died early January 2026 .Audrey was faithful Church member loved her Beetle Drive and good friend to many will be sadly missed by all at St Andrews .
Gone but not forgotten.



Margaret Jean Porter Obituary

7th September 1941 – 14th January 2026
Norton St Mary

We were saddened to hear of Margaret's death on 14th January 2026.

Margaret had been a member of our branch for 39 years during which time she became very involved in St Mary's Mothers' Union being Treasurer for many years and a member of the committee. Her funeral was held at St Mary's on Tuesday 3rd February attended by all our members able to be there.

At our meeting on Wednesday 11th February, we held a minute's silence as we remembered her and her work in the branch.

Val Swansbury

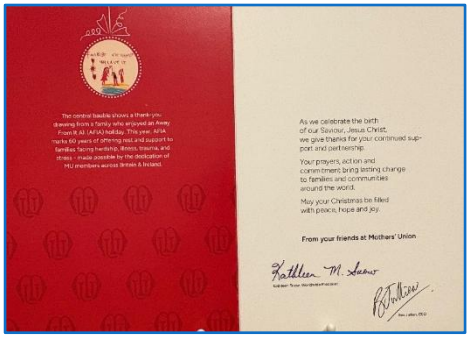
Norton St Mary's Party at member Ruth Lyddiard's home on 14th January was enjoyed by everyone.

Houghton Mothers Union branch bought a mat and toys for young members to use at the back of church.

You won't be able to avoid information about this amazing event, all this year there will be events to mark the 150th anniversary of Mothers' Union. It is a so good that this organisation has been in action all this time – it has grown, changed and developed to suit the needs of different countries and times. So, we are celebrating, there are many ways you can join in. It is very likely you know about them and have already begun to make plans.

There are ideas for large and small branches and for individuals; if you would like information about them just ask your Deanery leader or contact a Trustee.

And….we'll see you in the Cathedral on Tuesday, June 16th at 2.00pm do try to make the journey, hire a minibus, join together with others, book a taxi. There are plans to display many of our projects that day – come and look, see all we do I think you will be impressed and then you really can share the great news of Mothers' Union.



Christmas card to members from Worldwide President Kathleen Snow and Bev Jullien. CEO.

Christmas Card to All Mothers Union Members from Low Newton prison.

Wearmouth Branch Leaders and Lydia Armstrong with beautiful blankets for hospital baby unit made and donated by Lydia and Barbara Armstrong.

Marjory Cooper receiving flowers on her 90th birthday from Kathleen Wilson, at Holy Trinity Southwick, Mothers Union Christmas lunch. At Bedes Bakehouse, St. Peters Church, Monkwearmouth.

Margaret Kidd, Deanery Leader Darlington with donation of over 130 pairs of socks from her deanery. Given to Kathleen Wilson President for Low Newton prisoners.
Thank you to All members and congregation.

Sylvia Thompson and Kathleen Wilson.
Kathleen delivered Toiletries to the hospital and met Sylvia a Mothers Union member and a patient in the hospital while in the in the hospital cafe . We had a good friendly chat.

At our "Rise Up" service held at Christ Church Lumley each member was given an origami Dove. At a point in the service, we were asked to write on each dove the name of someone for whom we wanted to pray. They were collected in and kept until Christmas. Then when our Christmas tree was erected they were added to the stars that were filled in at our Christmas Eve Family Carol Service. All our prayers were sent to God.

Each family at the Women's Refuge in Durham received a tub of chocolates as a Christmas gift from the members of Durham Deanery. Doreen Sams is our contact person with the staff at the Refuge and I'm sure their eyes light up when she arrives knowing that Mothers' Union is touching the lives of their families. Doreen is a regular visitor supplying various items that the Refuge needs as well as gifts on Mothering Sunday and Easter. The branches in the Deanery are very grateful to Doreen for her ongoing commitment.

Houghton branch Christmas meal at The Bistro, Houghton. It was enjoyed by all.

Mothers Union 150th Anniversary Provincial Prayer for the Province of York

Lord of all life,
we give you thanks for the 150th anniversary of the Mothers' Union.
We bless you for the vision of Mary Sumner,to share the love of Jesus in support of family life.
We praise you for the mission and service of the Mother's Union across the world.
As we continue in the vision of our founder in this land,
we especially offer to you our work of outreach in prisons
and campaigns against domestic abuse, gender-based violence and modern slavery.
We pray that you will pour out your Spirit upon us,
to bless, renew and refresh the work of the Mothers' Union in the Province of York.
Together and dispersed, may we bring glory to Jesus and hope to our communities.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Christian care
for families worldwide

Congratulations and our love and prayers to The Venerable Rick Simpson Archdeacon of Auckland ,on his appointment as Bishop of Durham designate.
We will look forward to working with him.
Blessings and Prayers.
Kathleen Wilson.

MOTHERS' UNION

Province of York

Voices of York

News From Around the Province

York Province Team Conference
Hinsley Hall
October 27th/28th 2025

Our Team

Provincial President
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Chaplain
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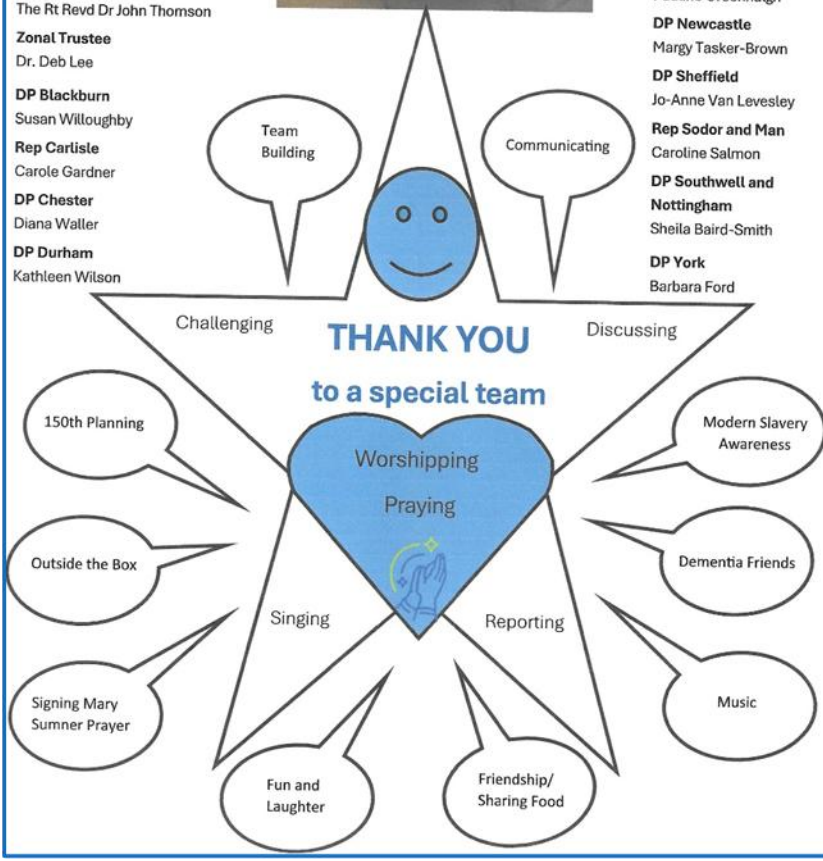

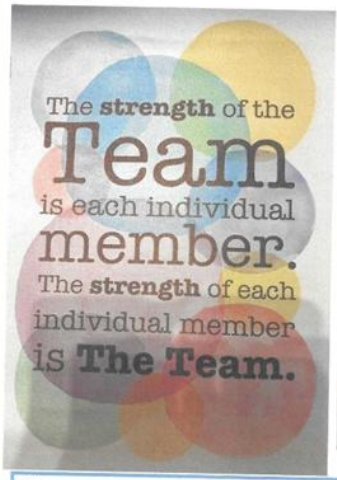

Our thought on the music we heard

"I'm thankful I have felt the love of God in my life."
"Help us bind together and build." "We are special together."
"God will make a way." "He is there even when we cannot see him."
"Change is difficult." "Everything changes, everything flows. We need to trust."
"He will be my guide each new day." "Step out in faith and make it real."
"Always with us, walking beside us." "All manner of things will be well."
"Creation is so much bigger than me."

"Have faith in what you are doing."
"He never leaves us."
"Bless the Lord, o my soul."
"Reassuring, peaceful, calming."
"I'm so unworthy."
"Heavenly courses, a declaration of greatness."

"We are upheld by God's love as the sea upholds us when we relax, float."
"The vastness of God's love as the vastness of the universe."
"Driving rhythm like a flowing tide drawing me on."

"We live in an amazing world and we should be guardians of it, not destroy it."
"Give thanks for the wonder of nature."
"Wonderful, creator God."
"Keep moving forward."
"Relax and renew."

NEVER
ALONE

"God is walking beside us in all we do and in our most difficult moments he will carry us."

Hey! Hey! Hey! Step to the left, step to the right. Give God the praise!

PS: Not forgetting Deb's 150th celebration socks

CDS 2025

Alleluia! Alle-alle-alleluia!

100 year birthday celebration for Audrey Bloomfield (9th October 1925) at St Mary Magdalene, Belmont, Durham. Audrey has been a member since 1986 and not long after took up the post of secretary and took over the post of Branch leader (formerly Enrolling member) at the sudden death of Hazel Shield. One of the highlights of her leadership was a new Branch banner embroidered by ladies from Hartlepool at no cost to the branch. A wonderful gesture and the banner is still carried at special services. When Audrey handed over the leadership of the Branch she still hosted the committee meetings at her home, supplying tea, biscuits and words of wisdom on Mothers' Union matters. Audrey continues to attend the Branch meetings and long may it continue. God bless you, Audrey.

Valerie Swinburn from Norton, St Mary's writes

Last year our member, Joan Lambert together with other ladies made Nativity figures that were placed outside our church gates on Norton Green. The magnificent figures of the shepherds, angels and wise men were much admired, photographed and talked about in our village. This year she added Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus in a manger.

Province of York Capsule Liturgy for the 150th Anniversary of the Mothers' Union

Welcome *by the Chaplain of the Diocese handing over the Capsule.*
A Hymn/Song

Psalm 100 *led by the Chaplain of the Diocese handing over the Capsule.*
Make a joyful noise to the Lord all the earth, **Hallelujah!**
Serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song. **Hallelujah!**
Know that the Lord is God, **Hallelujah!**
It is he that has made us and we are his, **Hallelujah!**
We are his people and the sheep of his pasture. **Hallelujah!**
Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise, **Hallelujah!**
Give thanks to him and bless his name. **Hallelujah!**
For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting, **Hallelujah!**
And his faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Hallelujah!**

Bible Reading: Matthew 28 vv. 18-20
Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.' *(NRSV)*

Short Reflection by both Diocesan Presidents

Prayers

The Chaplain of the Diocese handing on the Capsule:
Our loving God we thank-you for your faithfulness,
We praise you for all you have done for us in Christ
and thank you for the privilege of sharing in your mission
as the Mothers Union of the Diocese of ……
As we hand over this capsule of prayer
and it continues its journey across the Province of York,

we pray your blessing on the Mothers Union of the Diocese of …….
We make our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Chaplain of the Diocese receiving the Capsule:
Lord of the Church we thank you for Mary Sumner.
We thank-you that she responded to your love
and founded the Mothers' Union 150 years ago.
As we receive this capsule of prayer
may we share your love with others throughout the Diocese of …….
We make our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

The Capsule Prayer of each Diocese led by the Diocesan Presidents who then place them into the Capsule.

The Mothers Union 150th Anniversary Prayer led by the chaplain of the Diocese receiving the Capsule.
Lord of all life,
we give you thanks for the 150th anniversary of the Mothers' Union.
We bless you for the vision of Mary Sumner
to share the love of Jesus in support of family life.
We praise you for the mission and service of the Mother's Union across the world.
As we continue in the vision of our founder in this land,
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We pray that you will pour out your Spirit upon us,
to bless, renew and refresh the work of the Mothers' Union in the Province of York.
Together and dispersed, may we bring glory to Jesus and hope to our communities.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Mothers' Union Prayer
Loving Lord,
We thank you for your love so freely given to us all.
We pray for families around the world.
Bless the work of the Mothers' Union
as we seek to share your love through the encouragement,
strengthening and support of marriage and family life.
Empowered by your Spirit,
may we be united in prayer and worship,
and in love and service reach out as your hands across the world.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

The Mary Sumner Prayer
All this day, O Lord,
let me touch as many lives as possible for thee;
and every life I touch, do thou by thy spirit quicken,
whether through the word I speak,
the prayer I breathe,
or the life I live.
Amen

The Lord's Prayer
As our Saviour taught us, so we pray
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Handover Liturgy

Chaplain of the Diocese handing over the Capsule

Take this capsule as a sign to families and communities in your Diocese
that Jesus came that all may have life.
And have it abundantly.

Take this capsule as a sign to prisoners,
those who suffer domestic abuse, gender based violence
and those caught up in modern slavery
that Jesus came that all may have life.
And have it abundantly.

Take this capsule as a sign of the global mission of the Mothers' Union
as we proclaim that Jesus came that all may have life.
And have it abundantly.

May God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer
Equip you to live out the calling of the Mothers' Union today.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you always.
Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

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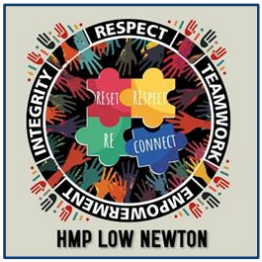
Michelle Dundas from St Mary and St Cuthberts branch writes:

At one of our meetings recently we talked about each individual members uniqueness and how God used each one of us to further his kingdom in many different ways .Each member was asked to draw round their hand and decorate the hand and write their name on .These were then cut out and put together to create a wonderful collage showing that we are all unique and different but together we are truly Gods masterpiece!

This is the closing sentence and prayer from our talk to go with the collage and I think it relates to all members across the world " When I look around this room I see so many spiritual gifts, I see compassion, deep listening, time giving and hospitality, evangelistic gatherers , talents such as music ability, artistic skills, speakers, carers, friendship and love. You might think you don't have the courage to do something, but Compassion is even more powerful than courage, sure with courage you can conquer the world, but only with compassion and love can you heal and rebuild it. So never forget You are unique and that God has a plan for everyone and we are all an individual member of the body of Christ and I hope you know that your heart is enough"

Norton MU,this year took part, again ,in their church's Christmas Tree festival



Low Newton Branch.

Monthly meetings continue in the Chapel and well attended. Two new members admitted and one 5year long service certificate presentation. Prayers are written monthly and one of them 'Springtime ' is published in the New Prayer book, now out to buy. Members are very pleased about this. A great encouragement.

I was invited alongside Rev Rebecca to switch on the Cathedral Christmas Tree Lights . A packed Cathedral with many members present. A wonderful, humbling experience.(photos etc in this edition). Thank you.

The members participate in the branch readings and prayers. Any special services (as they are unable to attend) we use the prayers and songs from there. Low Newton was represented with their banner at the Festival Service. They have a good knowledge of our Founder Mary Sumner and MU history.

Linda Ferries talked to the women about her visit to Alresford. An interesting talk. Many questions asked. Thankyou.

Members are excited about 150th Celebrations and keen to be part of them.

We continue to support members where we can on their release. Much appreciated.

We have enjoyed general discussion followed by refreshments. Strawberry Tea. Christmas festive food. Participated in their Carol service.

Thank you to all for your donations of socks very well accepted. Toiletries too.

Your prayers are a great help; your kind thoughts are valued.

It is a busy progressive branch with keen members, who reflect, pray , trust and respect each other and us too. All as a team! That can only be good.

Love and God Bless.

Kathleen Wilson.

Holy Trinity Southwick .
Mother's Union Christmas Carols and Readings with the Inspire Choir. An afternoon of praise and thanksgiving. Followed by festive tea. We were joined by our friends from Bryony Park Care Home, who enjoy their visit every year. A tradition!

Vera Bernard receiving her 50 years' service award from Barbara Hall President of St Andrews Chilton Moor and Kathleen Curry

Blessing of the Crib and Switching on of the Christmas Tree lights in Durham Cathedral.

The Christmas tree is lit by Chaplain from HMP Low Newton and Mothers' Union Representative

Published: Friday 19 December 2025 Durham Cathedral Website

On Sunday 15 December, Durham Cathedral Christmas tree was illuminated at festive service by Chaplain from HMP Low Newton and representatives from Durham's unique Mothers' Union branch.
During the Lighting of the Tree and Blessing of the Crib service, Rebecca Feeney,

Chaplain at HMP Low Newton, alongside Kathleen Wilson, President of the Diocese of Durham's Mothers' Union turned on the lights of the 17ft Norwegian Spruce Christmas tree, symbolising the hope of Christ for the world at Christmas time. The Very Revd Dr Philip Plyming, Dean of Durham, blessed the crib while the choir of Durham Cathedral sang a variety of festive carols.

Each year, Durham Cathedral invites special members of the community to light the tree and the tradition continued this year, with Rebecca and Kathleen invited to the service to mark and celebrate Christian ministry in prisons.

Christian ministry in prisons is an important part of the care of prisoners and aids their rehabilitation. As part of that ministry, Mothers' Union in Durham has set up a branch in HMP Low Newton, which is unique in England and Wales, being the only branch in the world to meet in a prison, with a mix of members from the community and HMP Low Newton.

Revd Canon Michael Hampel, Vide-Dean and Precentor at Durham Cathedral said, *"We're delighted that Rebecca and Kathleen were able to light the Christmas tree this year. Statistics tell us that 45% of people lose contact with their families when they go to prison. However, research also shows that maintaining contact between people in prison and their families and friends is essential - not just for the well-being of prisoners, their resettlement and reduced rates of reoffending, but also for the development, well-being and social inclusion of children.*

So much of the work done by Mothers' Union centres around supporting the

continued connection between people in prison and their families, which is why we want to continue to support and highlight Christian ministry in prisons."

The service began with a procession and the Cathedral Choir singing O Little Town of Bethlehem, followed by a prayer from the Dean of Durham and reading from the Revd Kathryn Tiernan, Cathedral Curate. A highlight from the service involved the Dean blessing the Crib, which was carved by a local Durham miner, with holy water, followed by the choir singing In the Bleak Midwinter.

Philip Plyming, Dean of Durham, gave an address highlighting the importance of Christian ministry in prison and its proclamation of the redeeming love of God, symbolised in the birth of Christ at Christmas. He said,
"Our Christmas tree here in Durham Cathedral is not just a beautiful sight. It is also a reminder of the good news of Jesus as light for all the world. We are honoured and delighted that Kathleen as President of Durham Diocese Mothers Union and Rebecca Feeney as Chaplain are lighting the tree for us this afternoon. Theirs is a ministry which lives out the good news of Jesus as light in the darkness: Jesus as God with us, and Jesus as God for us. Christian ministry in prisons is valuable and needs our prayers."
During the service, the choir spread festive cheer with carols including Hark the Angels Sing and The Shepherd's Pipe Carol. The service ended with prayers led by children from the cathedral community and Rebecca and Kathleen lighting the tree.

Next year the Mothers' Union celebrates its 150-year anniversary, serving all people in many difficult situations. The anniversary will be marked with a special celebration in St Paul's Cathedral, as well as a Special Festival Service in Durham Cathedral on 16 July 2026.

The Norwegian Spruce Christmas tree was generously donated by Wards Bros and a cherry picker to install the tree was kindly provided by Tyne and Wear Access.

St Cuthberts, Darlington Mothers Union welcomed Kathleen Wilson in September 2025 to tell them all about the Mothers Union work in Low Newton prison They had a very interesting afternoon, and it was lovely to see their Banner that Kathleen brought along to show them.

St Andrews Church Chilton Moor Brenda Ludigsen join the Mothers Union with Cannon Rosalind Brown

Norton MU took part in their church's Advent Window Village Trail. This year's theme was A-Z of Christmas, and they were given the letter G.

The vicar Steve Edge held a Remembrance service for St Andrews Chilton Moor Mothers Union . Barbara Hall president with Mother Union members .

Just a thought:

It is not easy to get to grips with technology sometimes and, I know, some of you have a problem with sending me photographs. For me it is best if you can send them as an attachment to an email but if you can't and the photos are on a mobile phone why not 'WhatsApp' them to me if you use that app. The write up can be in an email, just let me know the photo is in a WhatsApp. In that way I can use the original photo which gives a better end result in the magazine. You could also send in a text but beware your mobile provider will charge you! I have included my mobile number in my contact details. I look forward to all your news over the next few months. Thank you for all the contributions. We have had some wonderful comments from York Province, as various leaders are emailed a copy, on how good the magazine is. Keep up the good work everyone . Joan

Deadlines for Newsround 2026 are

5th June
2nd October
Please send entries to:

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" WE CAN'T DO EVERYTHING"

Sometimes when I read Connect or Newsround, I feel a bit disconsolate 'cos so many people seem to be doing amazing things, while I'm doing simple, ordinary, may be old fashioned things. I can't do some of the clever things or I don't have the time, GRR!!. Then I remember I am not the only M.U. member trying to carry out Jesus' commandment (to love one another) or the M.U. aim to help in adversity, create stable family life. It can be equally good to support other individuals or groups.

African families value sewing machines and related items – of course I could start a collection of machines, materials, scissors and so on, then arrange to send them out to those who need them. As my car, garage, spare room are already filled with items for the Diocese I have no space for more. Then as always I find a way….there is a group (some of you already know of this one) TWAM that's Tools with a Mission who will collect, check, repair, pack and send. They do it better than I can, it isn't always down to us as individuals to "DO IT"; that can be akin to re-inventing the wheel.

TWAM
Tools with a Mission

A branch can have a day to have things brought in, arrange for collection by TWAM, might be an idea to do it beforehand – such an easy way to have a clear out while helping others. Have a think and who knows…..
Websites for information : twam.uk/donatetools, mbfc.org.uk/twam.htm.

Members ,Friends and Volunteers.
Holy Trinity Church MU receiving a framed poster, a thank you for the donation and a further 700 hearts to the project.

Diary Dates 2026			
Council & AGM	10th March	Waddington Street	10.30am -1pm
Provincial Service	14th March	Manchester Cathedral	2.30pm
IPCM	14th May	Cathedral	2pm
17th May – 24th May MU 150yrs Time Capsule in the region			
Celebration Service	10th June	St Pauls Cathedral	5pm
Annual Gathering	11th June	Emmanuel Centre, London	10.30am
Festival Service	16th June	Durham Cathedral	2pm
DL Lunch	14th July 26	Waddington Street	11am -1pm
Mary Sumner Day	9th August	Cathedral Evensong	3.30pm
Mary Sumner Day Service	11th August 26	Waddington Street	2.30pm
Council	20th October	Waddington Street	10.30am - 12.30pm

Members who have celebrated special birthdays

Sandy Jackson	70yrs	All Saints Lanchester
Margaret Brown	90yrs	All Saints Lanchester
Janis Brown	80yrs	St Mary's Cockerton
Margaret Bott	80yrs	St Pauls Spennymoor
Hilda Edgar	90yrs	Burnmoor
Wendy Eggerton	90yrs	Burnmoor
Jenny Dixon	102yrs	Holy Trinity Southwick.
Sheila Hutchinson	80yrs	Holy Trinity Southwick
Marjorie Cooper	90yrs	Holy Trinity Southwick
Enid Atkinson	90yrs	St. Cuthberts Darlington
Mary Parlett	94yrs	St. Cuthberts Darlington
Audrey Bloomfield	100yrs	St Mary Magdalene, Belmont
Doris Carr	80yrs	St Mary's Sherburn
Joan Mayhew	75yrs	St Mary's Sherburn
Joyce Siddle.	95yrs	Christ Church, Consett
Ella Green.	90yrs	Christ Church, Consett
Maureen Davison	80yrs	Holy Trinity South Hetton

We give thanks for the life and witness of those who have died

Mary Reynolds	93yrs	All Saints Monkwearmouth
Leanora (Lynn) Wingate	87yrs	All Saints Monkwearmouth
Beryl Wilson	88yrs	St Mary and St Cuthberts
Audrey Tinkler	88 yrs.	St Andrews Chilton Moor .
Marjorie Johnson	85yrs	Christ Church Great Lumley
Edwina Lawson	96yrs	Christ Church Great Lumley
Pat Pilkington	89yrs	St. Cuthberts Darlington
Margret Porter	85yrs	St Marys Norton
Marion Sleeman	95yrs	Houghton

Congratulations to all who have celebrated special wedding anniversaries

Margaret & William Campbell	70yrs	St Pauls Spennymoor
Linda &Raymond Hughes	60yrs	All Saints Monkwearmouth
Edna & Gordon Anderson	65yrs	St. Mary & St Cuthbert

New members

Gladys Wills	St Aidan's & St Cuthbert's, Durham
Jean Seath	Holy Trinity South Hetton
Alison Conway	Holy Trinity South Hetton
Julie Stainsby	rejoining Holy Trinity South Hetton
2 members	Low Newton Branch.

Members receiving long service awards

Margaret Brown	70yrs	All Saints Lanchester
Margret King	30yrs	All Saints Lanchester
Judith Jobling	40yrs	All Saints Lanchester
Angela Lee	40yrs	All Saints Lanchester
Member	5yrs	Low Newton
Maureen Davison	55yrs	Holy Trinity South Hetton
Sheila Ledger	55yrs	Holy Trinity South Hetton
Vera Bernard	50yrs	St Andrews Chilton Moor

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