



ST. MARY'S CHURCH

NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE



The month of May sees our two organisations hold their AGMs where reports of the year and financial accounts are presented and people take their places for the coming year. The Parish Council and Village Centre Committee work hand in hand to provide Villagers with both an effective running of the village, and for those who want it, an active social life. We think that we do a good job on both counts and, for the size of the Village, much happens over the course of the year. We know that we can't please all of the people the whole of the time and we are not complacent but, as our primary aim is to connect with as many residents as we can, we are constantly seeking ways to encourage more to take a part in village life.

The 'Seniors' are well catered for at the Centre; with their fortnightly Tuesday Club, their Weekly Luncheon and the monthly Age Concern meetings. The 'money-making' Social events are reasonably well attended by Villagers but could be better. The annual Parish Council Christmas Lunch and the monthly Second Friday meetings are successful. The fledgling 'Friends of Roughlee' group will add an added boost to our campaign to win the Best Kept Village and the amount of project grants received by the Parish Council, in the last 18 months, is getting close to £100,000 - a massive amount. So, where do we go from here? By the end of the summer, we will have an enlarged Village Centre with a state-of-the-art kitchen, designed so that we can hold regular, perhaps different types of events. They needn't be money raising affairs;- mother & toddler, gardening clubs, classes whatever, but we do need to keep an eye on fund raising as it costs over £2000 per annum just to keep the doors open. What we ideally need is input from people who can offer a bit of their time to continue to make these things happen, taking on an odd job tidying in the Village or helping in the kitchen etc. We will be also looking for people to come forward to help with specific events; this already happens with several of the things we do where residents come together for just one event a year - be it the Village Fayre or the Duck Race or the Ball. We are convinced that many more Villagers would lend a hand in this and just need a little persuasion. If you are that way inclined please contact Elaine Todd, James Starkie or any member of the Parish Council or Centre Committee. Alternatively why not come along to the annual Parish Meeting which will take place on the Second Friday of May, the 12th at 8pm, when all the above will be discussed. Supper will be provided, just bring an odd drink or two.

**ROUGHLEE
Parish Council**

**Mondays May 8
& June 5**
at 8pm in the Village Centre

Next Meetings - All welcome

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**'Roughlee
Review'**

Annual Parish Meeting
Friday May 12
at 8pm in the Village Centre

PARISH NEWS
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ST. MARY'S PARISH

BARLEY - NEWCHURCH - ROUGHLEE

Your Parish Church exists to be the people
of God through faith in
Jesus Christ in the power of
the Holy Spirit, worshipping Him, making
disciples and serving others.

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CALENDAR FOR MAY

Sunday May 7	Easter 4 9.30am Holy Communion
Monday May 8	PCC meeting 8pm School
Saturday May 13	Lambing Service 2.30pm Hargreaves Farm, Barley
Sunday May 14	Easter 5 9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday May 21	Easter 6 9.30am Holy Communion
Tuesday May 23	Mothers Union meeting 7.30pm St Thomas', Barrowford
Sunday May 28	Easter 7 9.30am Holy Communion

Next issue Please have your articles for the June/July Magazine to Chris Widdas by
Monday May 15. They can be sent by email to cwiddas@beeb.net

Barley Village Hall ~ May

Regular Events

- Mondays:** 7.30pm Pendle Young Farmers. Enquiries, tel Claire 447556
8-9pm Circuit Training ~ open to males and females.
Check with John on 611517
- Tuesdays:** 7.30pm Whist Group
- Wednesday:** May 3. 7.30pm. W.I.
May 10. 10 - 12noon Coffee & Chat
These are proving very popular - come and enjoy
the company. CAB in attendance
- Thursdays:** 10 - 12noon Pendle Pumpkins Mother & Toddler Group
7.45pm. Line Dancing
8pm Keep Fit Check with John before attending as they
may be starting the summer programme of cycling.

Tuesday 16th May is the date of Barley Village Hall's Annual General Meeting at 8.00pm. Everyone who is interested in the Village Hall is very welcome to come along and help us plan the future for the Hall. The committee are always looking for new ways to make the Hall a sustainable asset for the Village and surrounding area. Work on the Hall was almost complete when an offer of some extra money to be spent very quickly led to a complete refurbishing of the upstairs Hall, new oak panelling and removal of the internal porch have given us a room which would not be recognised as the Old Village Hall. All work should be finished by the first week in May. There will be an "Open Afternoon" on Sunday 21st May at Barley Village Hall 12 noon until 4pm with Cream Teas for all, call in and see the improved Hall and discuss further uses of the new facilities.



Because of recent theft of number plates the Police are offering to secure the number plates on cars, FREE, with special screws and are doing it at the following sites

- Fri May 26. Fence Scout Hut (opp Bay Horse) 10.00---1.00
- Sat May 27. Barley Village Car Park 10.00--1.00
- Fri June 2. St Thomas Church Barrowford 10.00--1.00