



# ST. MARY'S CHURCH

## NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE

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.

### CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

Monday Oct 1	PCC Meeting	8pm School
Sunday Oct 7	Harvest Festival	9.30am Harvest Communion 4pm Choral Evensong with St Annes Tottington Church Choir
Sunday Oct 14	Trinity 19	9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday Oct 21	Trinity 20	9.30am Holy Communion
Tuesday Oct 23	Prayer Group	7.30pm 1 Gorrell Close, Spenbrook
Sunday Oct 28	Bible Sunday	9.30am All Age Service

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#### MESSAGEBOARD

JOHN H. HOPE 1930-2007  
The family of John Hope wish to express their grateful thanks for all the beautiful floral tributes and donations made to John's chosen charity, "The Mare and Foal Society". Our grateful thanks too for cards of condolence with so many kind thoughts expressed.

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# Parish NEWS



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## Dear Friends

As I write this there is bad news in the form of further outbreaks of Foot and Mouth disease on farms in Surrey. Restrictions on movements of livestock have been imposed, and a ban on the export of cattle which could run for a minimum of three months. It is an especially busy time of the year for farmers in this part of the country as the auction marts should be thronged with sales and farmers receiving the reward for their labours over the past year.

I hope that by the time you read this the outbreak will have been contained, and that like Scotland and Wales, our farmers in the Northwest and Yorkshire will be able to move livestock to marts and abattoirs.

The Arthur Rank Centre is the centre of the churches' rural ministry and is based at the Royal Agricultural Society for England in Stoneleigh Park. It is working with the Farming Help Charities to ensure that appropriate support and resources are available as and when they become necessary. Any farmer concerned should call Farming Help on 07002 326 326.

This latest outbreak is a reminder of just how delicate our natural world is. We have become so dependent on technology that we expect everything to work 'like clockwork'. We are nonplussed when things go wrong. The news of the outbreak has been accompanied by political questioning which boils down to 'How could it have happened?' what it really shows is that for all our science, we haven't got the world around us sussed. Although our scientific knowledge gives us insights into the world around us, we can't treat it like a thing that we can manipulate. Although the Bible teaches that God has given us the created world for our use, it is given to us as something to treasure. "The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land which his hands have formed." (Psalm 95 v.5) We need to treat it not just with care but with respect.

We need also to care about those whose job is to care for the countryside and provide our food.

And so I offer you this prayer:

Lord of all,

We pray for livestock farmers during yet another time of difficulty, stress and despair with this second outbreak of foot and mouth.

We cry 'not again Lord' as we ask your blessing

on those whose harvest this year is grief and sorrow.

We pray that the willing and loving support of friends and the wider community will be known by farmers.

Grant them endurance and strength to see them through this time.

Restore their faith and hope for the future.

God bless you *John*

### PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Thank you to all the people who brought pictures to our Art Exhibition. The church was an array of colour with subjects ranging from our own church through ships and animals to thought provoking abstract paintings.

### BIRTH

Congratulations to Brian and Wendy Nutter on the birth of a son on September 1.

### WEDDING

Jonathan & Helen were married in St.Mary's Church on 14th September.

### DOROTHY ROBERTS

Dorothy died on 23rd August just a few weeks before her 90th birthday. She was a well known and prolific artist, painting many houses and local scenes. She will be remembered not only for her paintings but for her enthusiasm and love of all local life. She was a great supporter and benefactor of the church where she served on the PCC for many years. She was also Life President of Barley Village Hall and always took a keen interest in events there.

We extend our sincere sympathies to Lisa and Lesley and their families at her passing.

Her funeral and burial were at St.Mary's Church on September 3rd.

### Sunday 7th October HARVEST FESTIVAL

9.30am Harvest Thanksgiving Service  
4pm Choral Evensong  
with St.Anne's Tottington Church Choir

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Saturday 13th October  
"LANCASHIRE NIGHT"

A three course meal with entertainment  
7.30pm Barley Village Hall  
Tickets £15 each  
Tel. 01282 691850

## mothers union

Blackburn Diocese Mothers Union 80th anniversary Celebration Service will be held in the Cathedral on

Wednesday 17th October at 7.30pm.  
Kathleen Wilkinson has some tickets if anyone would like to go.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 23rd October at St.Anne's Church, Fence. The meeting is "Meet the Mormons"

## WI

The Annual General Meeting will take place on Wednesday 3rd October in Barley Village Hall when the Ladies will review the last year's activities and plan for 2008.

The committee would very much appreciate it if other members would join them and give some fresh input. A hot supper with an Italian influence will be provided, not to be missed!

## Barley Chapel

would like to invite you to our  
Harvest Celebrations  
on the 6th/7th October

Saturday 2pm – Family Treasure Hunt.  
5pm – BBQ. 6pm – DVD nite.  
Sunday 10.30am – All Age Harvest Festival  
Service. 12noon – Jacobs Join Lunch.  
1pm, Dad v Lads Football (Rematch)  
Girls v Mums Rounders  
Boat Race for small children

These events are open to any member of our communities whether you attend church or not

## Kids in Kailahun

Invite you to their  
Grand Auction & live band nite  
At the Pendle Inn, Barley, Friday 19th October at  
7.30pm

Tickets are available from the Tea Room or the Pendle Inn cost £10 which includes supper  
All proceeds in aid of work with children in Kailahun, Sierra Leone.

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# Parish NEWS

BARLEY ~ GOLDSHAW BOOTH ~ ROUGHLEE

## CONTACTS

### Barley with Wheatley Booth

[www.barleyvillagehall.org](http://www.barleyvillagehall.org)

Parish Council meetings take place on the second Wednesday of every month at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall  
Next Meeting: October 10

Parish Council Chairman / Parish News co-ordinator:

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### Goldshaw Booth ~ Newchurch, Sabden Fold, Spen Brook

Parish Council meetings take place on the second Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm in Newchurch School  
Next Meeting: October 9

Parish Council Chairman: Kathleen Wilkinson Tel. 617971 [brianwilco@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:brianwilco@tiscali.co.uk)

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### Roughlee Booth

[www.roughlee.org.uk](http://www.roughlee.org.uk)

Parish Council meetings take place on the first Monday of every month at 8pm in Roughlee Village Centre.  
Next Meeting: October 1

Parish Council Chairman: Brian Nelson Tel. 697220 [brian.t.nelson@btinternet.com](mailto:brian.t.nelson@btinternet.com)

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# Barley Village Hall

Barley was the runner up in the Hamlet class of the Best Kept Village competition, a proud achievement for us all after 10 years absence from the judging.

Many local residents and visitors have commented on the improvements which have taken place in the village with benches and fences repaired, play equipment painted, borders planted up and many locals erecting hanging baskets, as did the Pendle Inn and the Barley Mow. The bus turning circle has never looked so attractive and it is a credit to the village and warrants a special mention to Frank Rigg for the garden and his neighbour Peter who has scrubbed the phone box to make it the cleanest and brightest in Lancashire!

We must also thank David and Audrey Weatherill for their dedicated work with the Village Hall which was Highly Commended by the judges. Too many residents to mention made a contribution and the Council wishes to thank them all.

John and Rosemary Connor have agreed to attend the presentation of a certificate and trophy to the village.

We also thank the Young Farmers for erecting ten bird boxes. Works are currently ongoing on the village hall roof to repair solar panels under warranty; and will continue throughout the winter with wild flowers planted and a residents meeting to be arranged in the autumn to plan for next year.

The Parish Council is considering options to erect a permanent memorial plaque to commemorate villagers lost in war.

The monthly PC agenda is posted on notice boards 2 days before meetings - all are welcome to attend.

DH

## Local History

Next Meeting:  
Group  
Wednesday Oct 17 at 7.30pm

## QUIZ

The last event at the Village Hall - the table top sale - raised £2500.  
Saturday 17 November  
Many local residents ring 613280 for details of this special event.

CRAFT GROUP: Monday 1st & 15th October 1 - 3pm. A small group making cards for all occasions or you can try your hand at Patchwork or bring along your own craftwork or just come and enjoy the company. Tea, coffee and biscuits are available.

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See separate panel for details

YOUNG FARMERS: Monday 8th October - Contact Charlotte 07732 148576

KEEP FIT: Monday 8pm weekly circuit training - Contact John Tel. 611517

WHIST: Every Tuesday and Sunday 28th October.

COFFEE & CHAT: Wednesday 10th October join us 10am to 12noon.

PENDLE PUMPKINS: every Thursday 10am - 12noon .

Contact Jan. Tel. 613564.

LINE DANCING: every Thursday 7.45pm - Contact Ruth 69683

AW

# Goldshaw Booth

Parish Councillors: Kevin Hiley, Bill Mayor, Malcolm Nutter, Margaret Sainter,  
Dr. Ruth White, Kathleen Wilkinson.

Parish Councillors welcomed His Worship Councillor Allan Buck, Mayor of Pendle, to their meeting on 14th August as part of his tour of the Parishes of Pendle Borough. Cllr Buck explained that one of the aims of his journey was to draw attention to the work done by the Parish Councils in local communities and to emphasise the contribution they make to local government.

Parish Councils often labour in isolation and lose sight of their role in the larger community. Sometimes their only contact with the outside world is through the greatly appreciated visits of their County and Borough Councillors, and through an apparently endless flood of directives, requirements and admonishments which the Clerk receives from Pendle Borough. The public perception of Parish Councillors as being a self-elected self-serving clique is an unfortunate one and is inaccurate as well. Councillors are chosen by the electors of the parish every four years and any elector is eligible to stand for office: that not many do so is a sad comment on today's society. But all electors living in the Parish are free to stand if they wish and, if elected, they will become part of a chain of government extending from Parish to Borough to County to Westminster. And will be continuing those roles and responsibilities of parish representation which have been in force for well over a hundred years.

Goldshaw Booth councillors appreciated both the Mayor's visit and his message.

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to the sort of topics which Parish Councils are elected to consider: small items of local concern, the nuts and bolts of local administration, things which affect all of our community but are too small to interest the

Borough. The scope of these items is wide: How can you reconcile volunteer work with Health and Safety legislation? Why aren't the lights at the end of Well Head Road working? What are we going to do about car parking in Newchurch?

Other topics covered were the probable extension of the speed limit on Spen Brook road; cows leaping over walls; boughs overhanging roads; the use of the playing fields and the problems of access to them; the proposed alteration and improvement to Newchurch village centre; the possible rebuilding of the stone staircase adjacent to the toilets and the cutting of grass on the bends on Spen Brook Road to enable the splendid work of re-painting the railings being done by Keith Blamire to continue.

All these things were discussed sensibly and responsibly; it maybe that not everyone will agree with the Councillors' conclusions, but at least the problems of your Parish are noted and considered by people who care.

If you care as well, why not join in and make your views known?

The news is now out that Newchurch has won the BEST KEPT VILLAGE competition for the Hamlet category, together with Witches Galore The Best Kept Shop and a highly commended for our School. Many congratulations to all who helped. The wins reflect the efforts of many people who give up their time and their energy over the whole of the summer to ensure that the village looks at its best at all times. This is not just a week-end's work but a long time commitment.

If we can do it this year – WE CAN DO IT AGAIN NEXT YEAR!!  
Well done everybody!!

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# ROUGHLEE

The Big News of the month came of course with the announcement that we had been voted as Champion Village in the annual Lancashire Best Kept awards. This is just one year since winning the Small village which meant that we were 'promoted' to this top class. It really is a massive achievement and a feather in the cap for all of us, particularly when you study the list of entrants. Wrea Green was the runner up and the village that pipped us two years ago, Chapelton, on the moors near Turton, came in in 14th position - such is the progress we have made. How pleasing it was too that our easterly neighbours (and inspiration for a lot of our endeavours in the competition) Blacko, picked up our title from last year. What this means is that Roughlee and Blacko will 'fight it out' in the Champions class next year. The full list in this category comprised twenty eight villages and Pendle's only other entrant, Cotton Tree, propped up the list at 28!

Our congratulations also go to our westerly neighbours, Newchurch and Barley, for their first and second places respectively in the Hamlet class. Fighting off Wycoller, Welch Whittle & Bashall Eaves this was also a tremendous effort. Roughlee had the added bonus that the Hartley family's Pendle Caravan Park was again voted Top in their class.

What all this does is to put into perspective how we sit with our neighbours and the rest of the county. There's no doubt that a bit of healthy competition and inter-village rivalry has culminated in such good results for four adjacent villages and we can sit back and enjoy the warm glow of success. Thanks to all concerned who did their bit and helped to keep us on the map! What it doesn't mean though is that we sit back to rest on our laurels - there are still areas of neglect and work yet to be done.

The Last Night at the Proms event proved to be most enjoyable and the new projector was used to the full. A music quiz featuring pieces & composers that everyone has heard but sometimes can't put a name to, added to the fun!

The Village Centre continues to be used for all sorts of events, the latest being the recent Macmillan Nurses Coffee morning. It also

attracts a range of meetings for local organisations and we are happy for it to be used in this way, more often than not for a peppercorn hire fee. We are fortunate in having such a facility and we welcome similar requests, as well as offering it as a venue for private hires, weddings & christenings etc.

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Second Friday for October is at 8pm on the 12th and will be a Quiz.

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The seniors groups are the most prolific of users and the weekly luncheon club now attracts sufficient numbers to keep it ongoing, numbers that exceed many of those in towns. Every fourth Thursday it is followed by an Age Concern meeting which passes on advice and information. Twice a month there are informal gatherings on Tuesday afternoons. A warm welcome is extended too to our neighbours.

A recent successful grant application means that we can extend the heating system and this work is due to commence shortly.

Fundraising events then go into quiet mode for the next couple of months, returning on November 24 with the annual Ball. This year we aren't going for the 'bigger than ever' tag. Instead, it has become so popular that it became a victim of its own success and last year we probably packed in just one too many a table. Consequently this year's limit is 140 and we urge all Villagers who haven't been before, to get their names on the list by phoning Pam on 614755.

The Village Centre Committee continues to meet on the first Tuesday at 8pm and soon we shall be starting to think about events for 2008. It is not a closed shop and we do welcome input from anyone living in Roughlee. Whilst it is a strong committee, a few people 'hover' on the outskirts - to these, and others, come forward and be part of the community that is the Champion Village of Lancashire!

Finally the Parish Council welcomes Gail Carson of Judson, as a new Councillor. JKs