



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 NOVEMBER

Sunday 7th	3rd before Advent	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 14th	Remembrance Sunday	9.15am	Act of Remembrance
		9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 21st	Christ the King	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 28th	Advent Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion

ST.MARY'S FESTIVE FAIR SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 11.30AM - 1.30PM
ALL THE USUAL STALLS PLUS RAFFLE & TOMBOLA. HOT LUNCHES FROM 12 NOON
ANY DONATIONS TOWARDS THE RAFFLE, TOMBOLA AND CAKE STALL WILL BE MOST WELCOME.
FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT EITHER OF THE CHURCHWARDENS

NEWCHURCH SCHOOL

Children from school, and their families, joined in the Harvest Festival at St. Mary's Church on Sunday 3rd October. The children sang songs and presented readings and prayers. The generosity of the community provided many dried and tinned foodstuffs for Open Door in Colne, which runs an emergency food store for needy people in Pendle. Science week was a very busy and productive time in school. The children were highly motivated and involved and we all enjoyed the visitors who really enriched our learning. Especially the Lancashire Owls demonstration and bread making with the ladies from Warburtons!

On Friday 8th October we held a Walk to School as part of Science Week and to raise funds for MedEquip4Kids. Half the school walked from Barley and the other half from the Fence Gate. We raised a wonderful £343.43.

If you have any Morrisons 'Lets Grow' vouchers, and no one to pass them on to, we would be very grateful for them in school.

Mrs S Hasler-Cregg

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Parish NEWS



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BARLEY ~ GOLDSHAW BOOTH ~ ROUGHLEE

Residents are welcome to attend their local Parish Council meetings. There is a Public Question Time at the beginning of each meeting and there is no need to make a prior arrangement to speak.

Barley with Wheatley Booth www.barleyvillagehall.org

Parish Council meetings take place on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall. Next Meetings: November 10 & December 8

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Parish Council meetings take place on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm in Newchurch School. Next Meetings: November 9 & December 14

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Parish Council meetings take place on 1st Mondays of every month at 7.30pm in Roughlee Village Centre. Next Meetings: November 1 & December 6

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Dear Friends



The past days have been dominated by the Spending Cuts! Experts have been estimating who is going to be much worse off, and who is going to be less worse off. There are differing views over who is going to bear the brunt of the cuts - pensioners, the rich, middle class families.

The word 'fairness' has been used by all sides - but as a bit of a blunt instrument. How can you assess the impact of reduced income on a family which already finds it hard to make ends meet? Or how fair can it be when you face losing your job if you live in an area of high unemployment?

What does fairness mean anyway? The problem is that it is a word that encourages a self-centred perspective. Usually when we say something is unfair, the subtext reads 'to me'. And again fairness sits uncomfortably with David Cameron's Big Society.

If I read it right it means local communities taking on the caring roles that were once concentrated in Big Government. It will depend not just on funding - and Cameron has managed to safeguard a little. It will depend on the generosity and compassion of the millions of volunteers who are prepared to give something for nothing. People who are inspired by generosity and compassion interpret fairness as relating to what people really need, not just being even-handed. For Big Society to work, two false gods of this age will need to be toppled: the god who tells us having lots of stuff makes you happy; and the god who says the only worthwhile incentive is cash. At the end of this month we will begin a time of the year known as Advent. It covers the four weeks leading up to Christmas. Christians see it as a time of preparation. Not so much anticipating the birth of Jesus the Saviour as reflecting on the God's purpose running through the whole of time and human history. In spite of the destructive forces that are the warp and weft of the universe, God intends harmony and reconciliation. He includes us in this project as agents of reconciliation. And he holds us to account.

Jesus tells a story about the return of the enigmatic Son of Man as king. Judgement takes place and people are divided into two groups. The discriminating factor is being able to act out of compassion to those in need - the hungry, the homeless, prisoners, the sick. If we are compassionate we are able to share in the bliss God has prepared for us. If we are not, then we are excluded - not so much by a judgmental God, but more as a result of our hardness of heart. Maybe in a time of spending cuts, politics and religion need to buddy up.

God bless you,

John

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The Best Kept Village Competition prize giving was held at the Gibbon Bridge Hotel at Chipping. Pictured l-r; Borough Councillor James Starkie. John O'Connor, Barley. Roughlee's Bruce & Pam Hartley, best Caravan Park. The Mayor & Mayoress of Pendle Cllr. Tony & Margaret Beckett. Frank Rigg, Barley plus two members from Higham Parish Council who were second in the Medium size class.

noticeboard

mothers union

At our October meeting we all enjoyed Rev J Preston informing us about his life and family living in the former Rhodesia. Thanks also to Pam Saville for bringing M U literature for us to browse. Tuesday 23 November at St. Thomas Our next meeting
A Trip down Memory Lane with Beryl Thane.

Barley Chapel

There will be a special service on November 28th at 10.30am (1st Sunday in Advent) to celebrate 100 years of worship at Barley Chapel. The service will be led jointly by Revd. Andrew Turner (retiring) and Revd. Derek Oldham (new minister)
The first service was held 100 years ago on November 26th 1910.

We are a family friendly church that meets every Sunday at 10.30am for Worship, and Friends of God Club for children. 10.30-11.30

Safe Lanes in Pendleside 7.30pm Wednesday

Local History Group

Next Meeting: 7.30pm Barley Village Hall
7.30pm Weds 17th November
Our Speaker is local resident and Group member, Edward Padgett whose talk is entitled "Arthur's Airship!" This relates to the life of Edward's grandfather between 1900 and 1930 and his involvement with an airship in WW1! There may even be a flying display and examples of other equipment of the time. Edward is an entertaining speaker and has his own brand of humour, as was evident when he spoke last on the history of the loo! We are sure that it will be a most interesting talk and we are pleased to welcome any non-members who wish to attend.

BARLEY

The Parish Council is pleased that all the recent projects have now been completed satisfactorily. The replacement of the key clamp fencing with a wall at Whitehough became a much bigger project than originally planned due to the foundation of the wall collapsing! However Lancashire County Council has contributed fifty per cent of the total cost. Also thankyou to Mark Hartley who contributed some matching coping stones enabling the work to be completed.

The recent planning application for a new dwelling within the village was discussed at Pendle Borough Council's Development Management Committee where it was rejected.

John Connor and Frank Rigg attended the Best Kept Village awards ceremony at Chipping, collecting the plaque for the winner of the hamlet class (pictured left). This is the third year on the run that Barley has won the competition. The Parish Council wishes to thank Frank Rigg who cares so diligently for the flower beds; Peter his neighbour who cleans the telephone box and all residents who have done their bit!

All residents are invited to the annual Remembrance Day ceremony which will take place at the bus turning circle at 11am on Thursday the 11th November. Local councillors and clergy will be attending. Meet at the Village Hall at 10.40am to walk to the service for 10.55am. It will be followed by tea, biscuits, coffee & cake in the Village Hall.

The Pendle Borough Council tourism officer is considering the establishment of a sculpture trail within Aitken Wood. The Parish Council will discuss it at the November meeting. Several of these sculpture trails have already been established in certain other popular areas e.g. Bolton Abbey.

Sadly the carcasses of three mutilated hares were found dumped in the car park a couple of

weeks ago. The police attended and they suspect that coursing had been taking place in the area and then the bodies disposed of in the car park. If anyone has any information they should contact the local police. The environmental health department removed them.

John Connor

Village Hall

Regular Events as normal, plus

CHRISTMAS BAND CONCERT:
Saturday 18th December 7.30pm with Burnley Alliance Silver Band. This event is in aid of Pendleside Hospice & supported by Barley Parish Council.
Tickets £3 inc. mince pies & drinks, obtained from David Tel. 604301, Chris Tel. 691850, Margaret Tel. 690420

BURNS NIGHT:
Saturday 22nd January 2011 Haggis, Piper & all the rest.

ST.GEORGE'S DINNER: Saturday 16th April, NOTE 1 week early because of Easter.

Audrey Weatherill

Goldshaw Booth

A strong westerly whips the leaves from the elms in the churchyard and carries them erratically to swirl over the bonfire and entangle in the briars; starlings gather on the wires and sparrows chatter in the shelter of the vine. Autumn is here, all of a sudden. A week ago we sat out in the warm sunshine; today we bow into the gale and my friends the crows come searching for food. The crows get tamer every year and this summer their three chicks have stayed with us, so five black shapes wait every morning for scraps. They have been joined lately by four magpies and one white pigeon so it's a bit like a fluid chessboard on the playing field as they move, sometimes sliding sideways down the wind like bishops, sometimes hopping like pawns. It's been a great summer for birds; lots of chattering from finches throughout the day and the call of the little owl hunting voles in Sparable Wood by night. And the clocks going back in that anachronistic fashion which dooms Britain to a longer and darker winter than necessary; what have we done to deserve this sentence? Is it another aspect of the hairshirt which we all now have to wear to attempt to repair the profligacy of the past? This burden could be easily removed, not like the billions of debt; all we have to do is move our clocks forward an hour, rather than backward, at the end of October, to enjoy lighter evenings and longer days. This winter's going to be gloomy enough without darkening it further!

Our Events Committee has built a splendid bonfire which will be lit at 5.30pm on the 6th; there will be burgers and sausages and soft drinks and beer; do come along, it will be a great night. And Santa Claus is coming to Newchurch at around 5pm on Saturday 18th December to partake of pies and hot chestnuts and mulled wine and to give presents to the children. Two cheerful parish events to brighten the winter and to

put us in the mood for Christmas; please support them.

Newchurch is now festooned in white lines, a bit bright for now, but they'll soon darken; please accept them as an attempt to help our terrible car-parking problem and try to park within the spaces when you can.

Spenn Brook road hedge has been dramatically trimmed and the footpath scraped and tidied by Lancs CC; it looks a bit raw at the moment but should be much better next year. And our new signs are installed and seem to be liked by all; the poles will be cut short soon.

The winter gritting schedules have been published and our bins have been replenished with stocks of salt and I understand that teams of huskies, backed by St Bernard's carrying ample supplies of brandy are being made ready by the coalition government. I, myself, am already laying in stocks of wine, just in case.

The Queen's Golden Jubilee in 2002 was celebrated – despite the rain – very successfully in Pendleside; a committee formed of three representatives from each parish organised the main event on Mark Hartley's meadow in Whitehough and also ran fundraising nights in their own parishes. Preparations for HM's Diamond Jubilee in June 2012 will start early in January next year: if you would like to be a part of this historic – and fun - occasion and have ideas about what we could do, please let me know. I know it sounds too soon to think about it, but Glastonbury has been cancelled because all the toilets are going to the Olympics . . . we mustn't let that happen here! (What a lovely image: lots of loos watching, leaping from their seats, flushed with the joys of victory.)

Bill Mayor

ROUGHLEE

A vigilant resident this month reported to us a serious case of fly tipping in the river adjacent to Jinny Lane. Some 30+ bags of rubbish had been dumped down the river bank. Fortunately our Borough Councillor James Starkie was able to quickly get a team from PBC Operational Services to clear the rubbish. Many thanks to them. They will try to find any evidence that can lead them back to the offender. I ask all residents to be equally vigilant and report any such instances and anything which can lead us to the people who do it.

Another issue which has been raised this month is the situation with the planning consent for the caravan park on Pasture Lane. The owners have permission for 12 month occupancy with the stipulation that each unit must be unoccupied for 28 consecutive days. They requested that the word consecutive be dropped from their conditions. The Parish

Council objected to this on the grounds that it may lead to permanent residency and thus be a cheap form of housing. Barrowford & Western Parishes area committee agreed with us and permission was duly declined. However Britanniacrest, the owners, have appealed against this decision and this appeal will be heard in the near future. We will write to the Inspector, setting out our arguments. I will advise the outcome through this newsletter when we are informed.

Marc Ford has resigned from the PC after 3 years, because of heavy work commitments. We wish him every success in his new job. Consequently we now have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor and I will be happy to speak to anyone interested in replacing him.

Brian Nelson

ROUGHLEE BALL
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27
7 FOR 7.30PM CARRIAGES AT 1AM
DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT
WITH
GAVIN YOUNG

THEME: 'PURPLE, SILVER & BLACK'
OPTIONAL MASKS

ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE



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