

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 JUNE

Sunday 5th	Easter 7 9.30am Holy Communion
Monday 6th	PCC meeting in School 7.30pm
Sunday 12th	Pentecost 9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 19th	Trinity Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 26th	Trinity 1 9.30am Holy Communion

WHIT SUNDAY

SONGS OF PRAISE with The SALVATION ARMY BAND JUNE 12 at 2-30pm in ST MARYS CHURCHYARD

mothers union

Our light hearted evening of Holy Beetle was enjoyed by all. On June 28 our outing will be to Towneley Hall for lunch and to view the exhibitions.

CHURCH WARDENS

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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 second Wednesday at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall. Next Meeting: June 8

Parish Council Chairman / Parish News Co-ordinator:

John (Connor Tel. 611	517	barleyjudge@aol.com
Parish Council Clerk:	Vicky Thorp	Tel. 449912	vicky@oldhamsweb.co.uk
Village Hall Chairman:	David Weatherill	Tel. 613280	
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Goldshaw Booth ~ Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spen Brook www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Parish Council meetings take place on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm in Newchurch School. Next Meetings: June 14 & July 12

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Parish Council Chairman:	William Mayor	Tel. 691369	cambilodia@hotmail.com									
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Church News Co-ordinator	: Chris Widdas	Tel. 691850	chriswiddas@gmail.com									

Roughlee Booth

www.roughlee.org.uk

Parish Council meetings take place on the first Monday of every month at 7.30pm in Roughlee Village Centre. Next Meetings: June 6 & July 4

Parish Council Chairman:	Brian Nelson	Tel. 697220 t	brian.t.nelson@btinternet.com					
Parish Council Clerk:	Carol Donohoe	Tel. 07769 857595	caroldonohoe@msn.com					
Village Centre Chairman:	Michelle Harvey	Tel. 619602	m.harvey@cobra-at.com					

Councillors

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Pendle Borough Councillor: James Starkie									Т	e1. (699	262	2		ja	am	es.	sta	rki	e@	per	ıdl	e.g	ov.	uk			

Dear Friends

So the rapture didn't happen on May 21st at 6pm. Not that I was expecting it. I'd travelled the length of the country for a dinner night in Bassingbourn Barracks, and didn't see any point in changing my plans. Of course, due to a mathematical error it was out by six months, so we can look forward to it all again.



According to Harold Camping, I probably would not have been one of the blessed crew to have been gathered up. Anglicans, even vicars, don't make the cut. Like most of the people I know, I would be one of the godless people awaiting Armageddon. Should I be worried? For one thing, I take Jesus at his word when he says only the Father knows when the end will come. And I also take the apocalyptic imagery used by Jesus and the Book of Revelation to refer to specific historical events in the first century. But it also serves as a warning to us that God is not indifferent to the political turmoil going on in our own day.

In the West we used to believe that God was on our side. In some instances like the Second World War it was easy to make a moral case. In recent conflicts it is more ambiguous.

Perhaps the key question is not whether God is on our side, but whether we are on God's side. The Kingdom of God which Jesus said was in our midst is not so much a place, as conditions of peace, justice, freedom, and compassion which prevail when God is at the heart of society. The Kingdom might even require us to take risks to make these conditions happen. The story of the Good Samaritan teaches us about the importance of neighbourly love crossing religious and racial divides.

So instead of getting out my calculator and totting up numbers in the Old Testament and hoping I will be one of the good guys, I shall use Mr Camping's story to check whether my social and political attitudes and choices measure up to the Kingdom.

I think that's the calculus God is interested in.

God bless you,

Rev John Hallows, St Thomas' Vicarage, Wheatley Lane Road, Barrowford, Nelson BB9 6QS Tel. 01282 613206 Email jhallows@tiscali.co.uk

Goldshaw Summer Fête

Saturday Jung 4 at 3pm BBQ, (BURGERS n SAUSAGES), TUCK SHOP, SOFT DRINKS

& BAR!! 'DUCKING STOOL' plus other fun games & activi-

Roughlee Village Fayre

Sunday June 12

SChildrens' Games SPole jousting STombola SDrinks to SAnimals SBirds of Prey SRefreshments SBurnley Alliance

Wednesday 1st June "Better Health thro' Exercise" with Chris McManus Stall: A good holiday read! at 7.30pm at Barley Village Hall Visitors most welcome



Local History Group

7.30pm Wed 15th June Update on Project Booklet and Business Meeting. Barley Village Hall

The QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE 2012 CALL MY BLUFF Wine Tasting with a twis by Turners Wine & Coffee Shop, Barrowford

FRIDAY JUNE 24th 7.30 for 8pm Roughlee Village Centre

All proceeds to PENDLESIDE VILLAGES DIAMOND Wine Tasting & Supper Tickets £10 from Brian Tel. 697220

ELECTIONS & VACANCIES

In both Barley & Roughlee, there are still vacancies for one parish councillor each and these positions now need to be filled. Please contact John Connor for Barley on 611517 and Brian Nelson for Roughlee on 697220.

The results for the Pendle Borough Council, Higham & Pendleside Ward were as follows;-Conservative: James Keith Starkie 625 votes Elected. Labour: Robert Oliver 152

BARLEY

The Parish Council hosted the Annual Parish Meeting on the 11th May. It was well attended by a good number of residents. A review of completed projects took place and suggestions for new projects were received for the coming year. The meeting finished with wine and nibbles.

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday the 18th May when the Council re-elected the All existing mem-Chairman John Connor. bers chose to stay on for a further term. The current vacancy which had been advertised has resulted in three expressions of interest. We hope that a new member will be appointed in the near future.

Best Kept Village. As you know we have won for three years in succession and work has started to spruce up the village for the competition. We would ask all residents to do what they can to maintain a clean and tidy environment.

Barley has joined with Roughlee and Newchurch to create 'The Pendleside Villages Diamond Jubilee Fund' to organise an event in June 2012. Many residents will remember the celebrations for the Golden Jubilee in 2002 and we want to make next year even better if possible. Any ideas for floats, PILATES every Thursday morning. Tracy events etc will be gratefully received, we would welcome as much interest and ticipation from residents as possible.

Finally a suspicious vehicle has been observed around the village and we wish to remind all residents to be vigilant and to report any suspicious behaviour.

John Connor

Village Hall

The AGM was held last month when the committee was re-appointed for the coming year. It was noted that there are now 14 regular user groups including the new Zumba fitness class run by Charlotte De Curtis, already very popular with energetic ladies from the villages.

The Hall Committee is constantly working to reduce costs where possible and is funding for further environmental improvements. Frequent bookings by Cubs & Brownies are rapidly filling spaces between local bookings and make a welcome contribution towards running costs. CRAFT GROUP: 1-3pm. 1st & 3rd Monday, Tel. 691850

YOUNG FARMERS: every Monday contact Judging begins in early June for Lancashire's Charlotte Hargreaves. Tel. 603682 or Bev. 604634 KEEP FIT: Monday 8pm weekly circuit ing, Contact John Tel. 611517.

> PENDLE PATCHERS: 2nd & 4th Tuesday 1-5 pm. ZUMBA: every Tuesday 6-7pm. Tel. Audrey 613280 or Dorothy 709780

> WHIST: Last Sunday in the month. Jean 615089 COFFEE & chat: Wednesday 8th. 10am-12 noon. No Pilates or Pendle Pumpkins on 2nd June PENDLE PUMPKINS: every Thursday 10-12 noon Tracy tel. 690884

> LINE DANCING: 7.30pm Thursday contact Ruth

07773785904. 10 – 11am.

BADMINTON: contact John for availability Tel.611517.

PENDLE PATCHERS NATIONAL PATCHWORK & QUILTING DAYS. SATURDAY & SUNDAY 4TH & 5th JUNE 10.30am to 4pm. Call in & see your local Quilting Group at work.

Sales tables, fabrics, wall hangings & guilts. Entrance 50p

Audrey Weatherill

Goldshaw Booth

Last month saw much excitement with the election of four new councillors to the Parish Council following the first election for 16 years. An election with a 72% turnout! It shows how much interest there is in what the Council has done and plans to do, and it is a very encouraging mandate to the new Council to proceed with the confidence that it represents a very substantial majority of our electorate.

The new councillors are Bob Donovan from Newchurch, Ann Norris and Chris Hudson from Spen Brook, and Bob Robbins from Wellhead, who join re-elected Kathleen Wilkinson and Barry Starkie and me. It is a council of talents and of good intention and I hope that it will be given time to establish itself and polish its procedures and rules before getting down to dealing with the hordes of admin and the new projects which we have in mind.

Our Village Meeting in May was not particularly well attended – we must do better next year, with food and wine and plenty of publicity – but came up with some interesting comment. One topic, which will be debated at the next meeting, is whether our funds should be spread equally throughout the parish, not "lavished on Newchurch". This will provoke a lively discussion so please come and listen and take part: Public Ouestion Time is your time. Bill Mayor

NEWCHURCH SCHOOL

Since returning to school following the Easter holiday the children have enjoyed various out of school activities: On Wednesday 27th April our year 4 boys joined other schools at Blackburn Cathedral to celebrate Easter. We had a wonderful time singing, dancing, praying and praising God. Part way through the service the children were given 5 minutes to make a written or artistic response to a film clip of the resurrection story.

On 5th May we visited RSPB Leighton Moss. Our party was split into three groups: Bitterns, Otters & Marsh Harriers. These three tures can all be found there. The children carried out various activities: pond dipping, sensory walk, investigating local minibeasts and exploring paths and hides of the reserve. Thankfully the weather was kind to us and the day was great fun. To round off the work that we have been doing in school with the RSPB we visited Cobble Hey Farm where the children enjoyed a morning of observing birds in their habitat as well as seeing a working farm in action.

Despite inclement weather our KS1 children took part in a Multi-Skills afternoon at Park High School on Friday 20th May. The rain did not dampen their enthusiasm!

In the run up to the WW2 event we invited the 'Take Away Theatre Company' into school to entertain the children with their thoroughly enjoyable performance of 'During the War'. The school, church and community have put a lot of effort into the preparations for the WW2 Day and we are hoping for good attendance on the day.

Mrs S Hasler-Cregg

ROUGHLEE

For the Village Fayre, we require donations of books and tombola items. Please leave any items at the Village Centre which will be open on Saturday June 4 from 10am-2pm. Alternatively, with Joyce O'Sullivan at Yew Tree Cottage, Judson Fold or Pam Hartley at Pendle Valley Caravan Park.

Thank you to all who attended the Annual Parish Meeting. We hope it was interesting and informal. It was a wonderful opportunity to see the work done in the village by the various committees and groups and we hope it has encouraged more to participate in the various village activi-

Can I remind all villagers we still have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor and if anyone feels they can make a tribution, please phone me or come along to our next meeting on June 6th at 7.30pm in the Village Centre.

Judging for the Best Kept Village starts mid-June so please all villagers make an extra effort to keep our village looking its best over the summer months. We are holding a Tidy Day on Saturday June 4 and warmly invite residents to come along and, either do the jobs there and then, or to do them in your own time.

I have been asked by the Luncheon Club to promote their recently-started Book Club which operates in the Village Centre every Thursday from 1145 to 1215pm.

And, I've also been asked by Barry & Hazel Watson, to inform villagers that Linda is once again looking after dogs, at her new kennels off Stang Top Road.

Brian Nelson

ROUGHLEE SCHOOL

Well done to our Year 1 children who have won "Champion School in the Year 1 Virtual Multi-skills Competition". Robin and Melissa took part in a series of running and ball skills activities to win the title.

Robin has since flown to America to have an operation. He is recovering well and we are looking forward to his return to school in a few weeks time.

Manchester Camerata held a music and maths workshop in school which involved the children in using mathematics for musical composition. Working in groups the children composed rhythms and tunes which were then put together to make a complete piece.

The children will be performing several musical pieces at the Pendle Schools' Festival on Tuesday 14th June at Colne Muni. The pieces which include violin, recorder, keyboard and singing have been prepared by Mrs Spall, our music teacher. The Festival, which includes several evenings of performance in music, dance and drama, is held each year at this time and is well worth a visit. An exhibition of children's art work is displayed in the Lesser Muni during Festival Week too.

Carolyn Potts

Goldshaw Race Night
7.30pm Saturday July 2 at Barley Village Hall
Ploughmans Supper Bring Your Own Drinks!!
Tickets £5 Contact: Chris/Ann, 3 Gorrell Close 699065

Bob/Julie, 45 Newchurch 697176

The Parish Council invites you to participate in a Tidy Village Weekend

congregating at the Village Centre on Saturday June 4 at 10am Weather permitting, if not then on Sunday June 5 at 11am.

Rather than 'buy in' these services, which adds to your precept tax, here's the opportunity for Villagers to do their bit. It's not just litter picking, it's a range of tasks that need doing to preserve the upkeep of our Village:-

1 Repainting black sign poles 1 Cleaning of road name signs 1 Touching up white railings at school l Weeding l Touching up of walls at Village Centre l Cutting back of overgrowing grass l Litter