# St. Mary's Church

#### Newchurch-in-Pendle BB129JR

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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### WORSHIP IS HELD EVERY SUNDAY AT 9.30AM

1st & 3rd Sunday: Holy Communion from the 1662 Prayer Book, with hymns and sermon.

2nd & 4th Sunday: Holy Communion from contemporary service book, with hymns and sermon.

5th Sunday: Morning Prayer

#### Sunday November 4th 2.30pm ALL SOULS' SERVICE All welcome.

There is a sheet at the back of church for you to write down the names of any deceased friend or relative you wish to be remembered at this service.

Or email to chriswiddas@gmail.com by 6pm on Saturday 3rd Nov.

# Saturday November 17th FESTIVE FAIR

11.30am - 1.30pm in the School All the usual stalls and hot lunch from 12 noon

# Sunday November 11th REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

There will be an Act of Remembrance at St Mary's beginning at 9.15am

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 2nd December Pendleside Group Ministry Advent Carol Service at St. John's Church, Higham.

Sunday 9th December St. Mary's Christingle 4pm Sunday 16th December St. Mary's Service of Lessons

and Carols 4pm

#### CHURCH WARDENS

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## Dear Friends

Recently the Prime Minister announced the lead-up to the centenary commemorations of the outbreak of the First World War. No doubt this will be a controversial time trying to find the right balance between a serious reappraisal of what led to such a bloody conflict and the lessons we still need to learn,



and an emotional remembrance of millions losing their lives and their hope.

It is a constant tension that surrounds our annual Remembrance Day events. Are we celebrating war, and patriotism, or are we reflecting on how diplomacy is so easily short-circuited by recourse to arms and the inevitable waste of human lives?

One of the hymns we use at this time, 'I vow to thee, my country' focusses these issues. Even as recently as 2004 it was lambasted by the Bishop of Hulme as being heretical because it put love of God before love of country. Bishops do get it wrong. What Cecil Rice Spring was trying to articulate was precisely the opposite. In 1918, he had experienced the personal loss of many friends in the war, and yet believed that serving one's country was noble and did sometimes demand the 'final sacrifice'. And yet all such judgments are subject to a higher value which he sets out in the second verse. As a Christian he believed that our commitment to country is secondary to our commitment to what St Paul calls being 'citizens of heaven'. All our political views and decisions must be shaped by a vision of a Kingdom of gentleness and peace.

One of the casualties of the First World War was Edith Cavell. She was a British nurse working in Belgium who chose not to be evacuated when the country was occupied by Germany. She nursed allies and enemies without discrimination but was executed as a spy for helping allied soldiers escape. Her death was used shamefully for allied propaganda. If only they had listened to what she said to a friend shortly before her death:

"But this I would say, standing as I do in view of God and eternity, I realise that patriotism is not enough. I must have no hatred or bitterness toward any one."

God bless you

John

# ROUGHLE BALL Saturday November 24 7 for 7.30pm - Carriages at lam - Bring your own drinks

Theme Royal Plue Diamonds

Entertainment

\_Cavin Young

Dinner b

On the Rall



Tickets £40 from Pam on 614755



Wednesday 7th November
"Hot Air Ballooning around the
World" with Robert Jones at 7.30pm
in Barley Village Hall
Stall: Secondhand Books
Visitors welcome

## mothers union

Pendle Deanery Mothers Union invite you to an Autumn Gathering at Holy Trinity Colne

**Tuesday November 13** at 7.30pm. Marjorie Holt, 'The Beat Goes On.' **November 27** at St Thomas 7.30pm. Jackie King is the speaker.

## LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk

Wednesday 21st November 7.30pm Barley Village Hall Portrait of Whalley by Clifford Astin

# Tai Chi for the Over 50s Organised by AgeUK Every Tuesday 1 - 2:30pm Roughlee Village Centre Fee £4 per session

Tai chi, also called tai chi chuan, combines deep breathing and relaxation with slow and gentle movements. Originally developed as a martial art in 13th-century China, tai chi is today practised around the world as a health-promoting exercise.

## MESSY CHURCH

BARLEY VILLAGE HALL
Takes place on the third Tuesday of
EVERY month at 3.30pm

FUN, GAMES, WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP
We ask parents to contribute to the cost of
the activities and meal that we have at
each session. MESSY CHURCH is organised
by Mandy Culshaw who can be contacted
by email on: a.culshaw635@btinternet.com



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 Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall. Next Meetings: November 14, December 12 & January 9

Parish Council Chairman:	Derek Heap	Tel. 692264	derek.heap@lancashire.gov.uk
Parish Council Clerk:	Vicky Thorp	Tel. 449912	vicky@oldhamsweb.co.uk
Village Hall Chairman:	David Weatherill	Tel. 613280	david.weatherill@cibluk.com

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

Parish Council meetings take place on Tuesdays every month at 7pm in Newchurch School. Next Meetings: November 13, December 11 & January 8
Parish Council Chairman: William Mayor Tel. 691369 chairman@goldshawbooth.org.uk
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### Roughlee Booth

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Parish Council meetings take place on Mondays every month at 8pm in Roughlee Village Centre. Next Meetings: November 5, December 3 & January 7

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#### Councillors

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Pendle Borough Councillor	: James Starkie	Tel. 699262	james.starkie@pendle.gov.uk

# BARLEY

Daylight saving time, or British Summer of our parish.

Time, has ended and we are all lamenting that it is used to be daylight at tea time and now it is not.

Now is the time to get ready for the winter and think about indoor activities for a while and start looking ahead to the festive season. Christmas cheer was in short supply at a recent Pendle BC meeting as budget cuts threatened our Christmas decorations so this year the PC will have to fund the "star of wonder, star of night" on the Village Hall.

Village Hall are now completed and it is ready to host activities and festivities again. The Parish Council was able to contribute £4.000 to the work and this enabled the VH Committee to attract other financial support that required match funding.

The annual Remembrance Service will start at 10.30am inside the Village Hall on Friday 9th November leading on to a short ceremony and two minutes silence at the Memorial Stone at 11am.

Our local Vicar, the Mayor - represented by our Councillor - and a bugler will all contribute to the service - please come along and wear your poppy in memory of local people who gave everything.

Most of you have probably seen the mobile eatery that has recently be stationed at the entrance to Boothman Wood. The vendor has now applied to PBC for consent to trade at the roadside and this will be considered by the Licencing Committee on 29th October. Barley PC has objected to the licence on the grounds that the appearance and location of this outlet (on a permanent basis) will be a significant intrusion which will detract from the natural environment the council seeks to protect and enhance through the projects we undertake to improve the rustic image

The Council has recently considered a planning application to build a large Barley Road off Narrowgates. The barn will be 80ft long, 40ft wide and 20ft high and will be used as a midden store. This barn was refused planning permission in 2011 and has been resubmitted again without any amendments. On this occasion the Council voted 3 to 2 not to object to the development but there has been a number of objections posted on the PBC We are pleased to see the works on the website by local residents (9No) who are concerned about the visual impact this will have on the Barley to Whitehough bridleway and from Barley Road.

> The PC is waiting for the Planning Inspectorate's decision on the appeal submitted by United Utilities regarding application to build properties adjacent to the Village Hall. congratulations Finally, Marshall (nee Lowcock) who triumphed at the Horse of the Year Show. Laura won her "Novice Rider Search for a Star" class and progressed Championship Final with 9 other class winners where she picked up the Championship Reserve Champion award – Well done Laura! Derek Heap

> At last we can see the hall without scaffolding and portaloos etc! Work has been going on since February and apart from some very minor details, our projects & repairs are completed. Next year's events are already being planned. User Groups such as Young Farmers, Keep Fit, Pendle Patchers, Line Dancers, Card Class, Pilates & Coffee mornings are all back using the hall. If you are interested in using the just phone 613280 for details and bookings. **Audrey Weatherill**

# Goldshaw Booth

#### PARISH COUNCIL

The clocks have gone back to bring in winter; why this silly system is still in operation I don't know. It increases the number of road accidents, it makes us use more power, it deprives us of precious light at a time when we and the children can enjoy it - and it, at least psychologically, means that winter is here. And that brings in the snow and ice with their attendant problems. Lancs CC will carry the brunt of the work of keeping the roads clear with its fleet of 49 vehicles and 33,000 tons of salt and, for the first time, is offering our parishes a contract to enable us to extend the service beyond the present primary and secondary routes. If we undertake to keep an agreed stretch of road clear they will provide the salt and bins - all we need is willing volunteers. Can you help?

The Spen Saga continues; the developer

has had further meetings with PBC Planning Officers and we now await plans; consequently application will not be heard at B&WP in November. The PC will keep everyone informed through briefing notes; we intend to hold a further public meeting before the hearing to consider our community is considerable response. There disagreement about what our position should be: outright opposition, or acceptance with influence over design and layout. I, personally, do not believe that we can successfully challenge on the number of houses; the proposed density is well below the government maximum. But we could influence, should we choose to, the appearance of the development and its compatibility with the landscape. To this end we have had alternative plans drawn which show what an attractive hamlet we could produce. The alternative is to argue that the site should just be allowed to rot away: do we want that? Is our legacy to be a heap of decaying steel and stone, or an example of how co-operation can produce an attractive residential environment?

Bill Mayor

#### **EVENTS COMMITTEE**

Newchurch Events Committee held a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 28 September and raised £130. A big thank you to all who supported this worthy cause and especially to those who baked the fantastic cakes and helped out on the day, it was greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Bob Donovan

## ROUGHLEE

Two pieces of news escaped us last month and for that we apologise.

Firstly it was with great sadness that we heard the news of the passing of Florrie Duerden. Born in 1908 in the West Riding, she was Roughlee's oldest resident. her younger days she, and now-deceased husband James, had had a variety of occupations around butchery that also included a two-year stint in New Zealand. As she approached her centenary her one aim had been to receive her telegram, which of course she did and she continued in rude health for a couple more years. Of late, life hadn't been too kind though and she died at the grand age of 10412. She leaves her son, Edward and grandsons Simon & Mark and families - all of whom have close links with the farming fraternity.

And, we are proud to announce that the Hartley family has won, for the seventh time in the last 8 years, the competition for the Best Kept caravan park in Lancashire and were presented with their cup (again!!) at a recent ceremony held at Wrea Green.

It is that time of year again when the final preparation is being made for this year's Roughlee Ball which will be held on Saturday 24th November.

James Starkie Joyce O'Sullivan tells us the tradition of the Ball being held the last week in November goes back to the 1850s when it was held at Roughlee School. There was no lighting but always a full moon to light your walk or carriage home.

A more recent tradition is to have a colour and theme for the marquee decoration, and this year, following on from the Jubilee it's going to be Royal Blue and Diamonds. So ladies - lets see those tiaras and diamonds!

#### ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

What we have done this term...

\* Global Renewables visited our school to talk with the children about recycling and this began our Eco themed week. In school we have an Eco Council. We held an election of members where the children had to do a short presentation followed by a ballot. Well done to our new Council:

Peter Davenport, Archie Whittaker, Harry Wilkinson, Harry Barnes, Jack Rothwell, Logan Harper, Joseph Collins, Harriet Haigh, Eddison Holmes-Dennett, and Luke Starkie. Wendy Bell, LEA Sustainability Officer, lead a Collective Worship. She then worked with the Infants, designing posters telling others how to save the planet. All the children, staff and some parents made pledges promising to try to re-use, reduce, recycle and repair.

- \* In September the Infant children were entertained by, & involved with, a session of Samba drumming. Then they had a visit from our Community Police Officers & were treated to a demonstration from a police dog handler, with his two beautiful dogs. They also had a turn in the police car using the siren & flashing lights!!!
- \* Debbie Barker from MedEquip4Kids delivered a presentation to highlight the importance to children of choosing to adopt a healthy lifestyle. This was followed by our Walk to School, raising funds for the MedEquip Charity.
- \* October saw the start of our 'Arts Around the World' week with presentations from: Lancashire Library Service with a talk on Indian stories and art. Helen Plummer gave a Fair Trade

talk Magdalen from Wise Moves, taught African dance & story telling.
Sportscool taught Bollywood & Street Dance. Infants were involved in African & Aboriginal Art and KS2 in Japanese Art & Mexican jewellery. The week ended in a Celebration Day for Year 5 who went to the Ace Centre, with the remaining children dressed in costumes from different cultures.

Many thanks go to Mr Alan Bland who came into our Collective Worship and talked about his wonderful skill of wood turning & the things he makes.

Mrs S Hasler-Cregg