

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE BB12 9JR

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.

Parish NEWS

APRIL 2013



Easter Greetings



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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 Sunday: All Age Worship – a service with more modern hymns and sermon for young and not so young.

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

5th Sunday (when applicable): Morning Prayer

HOLY WEEK AT ST MARY'S Good Friday 10am

Reading of the Passion narrative around the village. Please come and pick a part to read!

Coffee & hot cross buns to follow.

Easter Sunday March 31
9.30am All Age worship

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

April 21; Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

This will take place as part of the morning worship.

It is the meeting when wardens and church councillors are elected.

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WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

Next issue Please have your articles for the next issue by **Friday April 19.**

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Roughlee Parish Council & Roughlee Village Centre.*

Dear Friends



Just when we were looking forward to spring, and the first lambs were appearing in our fields, an arctic blast flung us back into winter. Roads into the villages were blocked by drifts, and even 4x4s were getting stuck in the snow.

In the middle of all the chaos, I had a vision of triumph. Maybe that's a bit dramatic, but I was visiting an elderly lady bringing her Holy Communion. In the flower bed there were some narcissi in full flower poking through the snow. The sunshine caught the colour and made it radiant. It was a reminder of the power of the natural world. In the darkest winter, there is still life, and it can survive even in hostile conditions.

In one of the hymns we sing at Easter, there is a connection to our spiritual lives.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
thy touch can call us back to life again.

The message is twofold: like the natural world we undergo experiences that can leave us feeling dead inside; but these experiences don't have to have the last word. Just as at this time of year we are touched by the beauty of spring flowers, and look for the greening of the fields, so we can experience new life in our hearts.

This weekend we celebrate a powerful drama of darkness and light, life and death. Sent to bring people back to relationship with a generous and loving God, Jesus fell victim to the 'arctic blasts' of people's hearts. It could have ended there, but the purpose of God is life-giving. First the women, then the men disciples encountered a living, powerful Jesus which brought them into a new life.

Why did God choose to do it this way? Christians have scratched their heads over this one through the centuries. In an enigmatic image from the world of nature, Jesus gave this answer, 'A grain of wheat remains just a grain until it is planted in the soil and dies. Only then it can produce a harvest. And so if we hang on to our lives we will be lifeless. But if we risk our lives, then we will have life in its fulness.' (John 12.24)

Happy Easter and God bless you

John

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Parish NEWS

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 Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall. Next Meetings: April 10 & May 15

Annual Parish Meeting - May 8

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 & Spennorth

Parish Council meetings take place on Tuesdays every month at 7pm in Newchurch School. Next Meetings: April 9 & May 7

Annual Parish Meeting - May 24

Parish Council Chairman: William Mayor Tel. 691369 chairman@goldshawbooth.org.uk

Parish Council Clerk: Sheila Grindrod Tel. 693857 sheila.grindrod@btinternet.com

Church News Co-ordinator: Chris Widdas Tel. 691850 chriswiddas@gmail.com

Roughlee Booth

www.roughlee.org.uk

Parish Council meetings take place on Mondays every month at 8pm in Roughlee Village Centre. Next Meetings: April 8 & May 6

Annual Parish Meeting - June 5

Parish Council Chairman: Martin Schofield Tel. 691482 roughleechair@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

Lancs. County Councillor: Shelagh Derwent Tel. 616064 shelagh.derwent@lancashire.gov.uk

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

Planning Applications

Applications are now easier to find on the Council website: www.pendle.gov.uk under 'My Area'

Goldshaw Booth

Four strong men (and me) braved the drizzle last Saturday to build the new rockery at Spen Brook. We were directed by Frank Grindrod in placing the boulders and preparing for the soil and planting and we hope to have it all finished well before summer. There have been suggestions that the garden could bear a plaque noting last year's Diamond Jubilee – any comment or other ideas?

We now have grit bins which will be placed at Gorrell Close, Wellhead Road near Goldshaw Court, and at the top of Jinny Lane; these should be filled in time for next winter bringing a long campaign to a close. Maybe a bit late, looking at the forecast today . .

Both Newchurch and Spen Brook have been entered for the Best Kept Village competition again; as far as I know SB has never won: it would be good to see a winner's badge of the new garden and our SB councillors will be organising a drive to get the work done and the village looking clean and tidy. I hope that similar efforts will be made in Newchurch which, for the first time for some years, will not be suffering from building work. The Parish was saddened to hear of the death of Alan Turpin on 9th February. Alan had lived, with his wife Valerie, on Gorrell Close for over forty years and had served as a Parish Councillor and as Secretary and President of Colne Golf Club. He will be much missed by his family and by his neighbours with whom he delighted in sharing a glass, or glasses, of wine on a summer's evening.

Bill Mayor

ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

The children enjoyed World Book Day on Thursday 7th March when they dressed as their favourite book character. We are also taking part in Readathon. This is the UK's national sponsored reading event, encouraging children to read for pleasure while raising money for seriously ill children. The charities supported are: Readwell, CLIC Sargent and Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's charity. The children will be reading over a 4 week period and hopefully being sponsored to do so.

We have many activities in school at the moment and for our Easter competition the children were asked to decorate their own Easter bonnet. They were judged on the last day of term with Easter eggs for the lucky winners. This was followed by our Easter service in St. Mary's Church.

Mrs S Hasler-Cregg

AUCTION OF PROMISES
at the Pendle Inn on Friday 26th
April to raise money to send
Henry Padgett and three fellow
students to Uganda later this year.
They are going to build a well to
guarantee water supplies to a
remote village and deserve your
support. If you could make a
promise or provide any other help
- and your support on the night -
please let Phil Sanderson know on
0797 344 3436.

BARLEY

The winter certainly had a sting in the tail, there was not a lot of snow falling last weekend but the wind made all the difference and main roads over the high ground became blocked to regular traffic. We had roads that were mainly accessible but for a short stretch where you needed a front loading bucket to dig your way through drifts which I measured at 6ft between Barley & Downham. What was particularly sad was a young man freezing to death in the Briercliffe area, we read about such events in the Alps and the Cairngorms but last weekend a devastating tragedy for a family happened right here because the forces of nature were under-estimated. The Planning Inspectors envoy from Bristol visited Boothman Wood in early March and he has supported the view of PBC and the Parish Council that the Camping Pods that have been erected without planning permission are not appropriate in the AONB and so enforcement action will be taken to ensure they are removed.

There are numerous reasons why the PC and residents objected to the proposed camp site and I am particularly pleased for the residents of Whitehough and Narrowgates that the likely intrusion will not be inflicted on them.

There is some good news on the Barley Green filter beds development, you will be aware that a different envoy from Bristol approved the building of three houses on this site, which was sold by UU. A new planning application has been submitted to build one dwelling, no details yet but this sounds encouraging as it could resolve many of the issues of concern raised by residents, including the over-development of Barley Green and increased traffic movements. More details awaited.

The PC is currently debating how to invest our funds to improve the fabric of the village. Projects being considered

include changing the street lighting columns and lanterns to be more sympathetic with the village setting, pothole repairs, improving landscaping round the car park area and footpath repairs. The Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for 8th May and you are invited to come along and put your views forward.

Derek Heap

Village Hall

ZUMBA will continue on Monday 6pm if there are sufficient numbers.

CARD CLASS: 1st & 3rd Monday 1pm tel. 691850

YOUNG FARMERS: Monday 7.30pm

KEEP FIT: Monday 8pm

PENDLE PATCHERS: 2nd & 4 Tuesday 1pm Tel. 613280

COFFEE & CHAT: Wednesday 10th at 10am

LINE DANCERS: Thursday 7.30pm

PILATES: Thursday 10am

SATURDAY 20th APRIL 7pm for 7.30pm.

3 course meal including

ROAST BEEF OF OLD ENGLAND,

Britannia will be in attendance to lead the singing. Tickets £17.50 from David 613280 or Chris 691850. Bring your own drinks.

20th MODEL EXHIBITION will be held on 4th, 5th & 6th May.

It is a credit to the Organisers Chris & David that this Exhibition is so well supported by the many exhibitors, new ones have been added this year.

Homemade refreshments are on sale during the three days, come and visit and enjoy some time away from home.

Steve & Tony will be there with their Scalextric racing track.

Friday 6th September
HOUGHTON WEAVERS

first time at Barley, part of their Village Halls tour of UK – 80 tickets on sale soon £15pp includes supper. Audrey Weatherill

ROUGHLEE

Wow, what a weekend the snowy weekend was, I think that someone must have forgotten to remind March that it should come "in like a lion and go out like a lamb." However, one thing that adversity does bring out is community spirit. Thanks to all of you, especially those with machinery, that gave their time to dig out those in need and clear the well and truly blocked roads. Let's hope that next month we are having similar conversations about how warm it has become and that March was a distant memory or should I just get with it and make sure that my wellies are handy.

We have once again entered the Best Kept Village competition - not just to keep our neighbours on their toes, but to try and ensure that we are all proud of where we live, this is something that we can all contribute to in simple ways - like just

picking litter around our own boundaries. We are organising a BIG village tidy up on Saturday morning the 18th of May (approx. 10am start at the VC) where we will attempt to target any less-than-tidy areas in a coordinated way, so please put this date in your diary, spare us a couple of hours to help us accomplish this. As Confucius said "many hands make light work".

Talking of which, the steering group for this year's Village Fayre will be meeting on Tuesday 2nd April at 7pm. PLEASE; if you'd like to put just one item / idea/ game etc. into this worthwhile family event, please come along.

Finally, budding restauranteurs or publicans may well be interested that the Bay Horse has just gone on the market for £294,000 - loose change for a consortium of our villagers, perhaps? Martin Schofield

We Invite you to these Events at **ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE** Phone Pam on 614755 for Tickets

Irish Night

Sat. 27 Apr.

- 7 FOR 7.30_{PM}

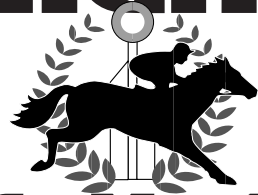
Millstone Ceilidh Band
plus Their Caller

♣ Hot Supper

♣ BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS

♣ Tickets £17

RACE NIGHT



Sat May 11

7.30pm - First Race at 8

Ticket price includes Supper

-phone Pam for availability

Fed up with expensive energy bills? Pendle Council has teamed up with other Lancashire Councils to get you a much better deal on your energy bills. 'People Power' is a collective energy switching scheme and all residents can sign up – even if you are a pre-payment meter customer.

All you need is information about your current deal such as the name of your energy supplier, your tariff type and your current consumption in kWh or spend (all of this can be found on your bill).

Then just register your interest online, by phone or face-to-face with a trained volunteer any time up until 8th April 2013. The more people that sign up, the bigger the potential savings will be.

On 9th April there will be an auction with a number of energy suppliers to see who can offer

the best deal. Only then do you decide whether you wish to accept the winning supplier's offer.

The scheme is free and there is no obligation.

You could save a lot of money by signing up. Switching has never been so easy!

www.pendle.gov.uk/peoplepower

www.peoplepower.co.uk

Telephone: 01282 661565



BRING YOUR OLD CLOTHES & RAGS TO BARLEY VILLAGE HALL AND PUT THEM IN THE RECYCLING BIN. ALL MONIES RAISED GO TO THE VILLAGE HALL. CONTACT ROD STATHAM. TEL. 606770

Wednesday April 3 at 7.30pm
Hearing Dogs for the Deaf with Norman & Elaine McLaren, plus four-legged helper

Stall: Secondhand books
Visitors welcome

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INSPIRING WOMEN

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.

LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

www.pendleforesthistrorygroup.co.uk

Wednesday April 17

7.30pm Barley Village Hall
Business & Project
Planning Meeting

mothers union

Tuesday April 23. 7.30pm.

ST MARYS School when Rev JANE BURY will be our speaker, all are welcome.

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