

#### WORSHIP IS HELD EVERY SUNDAY AT 9.30AM

\*\*Ist & 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

Advent Service Sunday 1st December 6pm at St. Mary's together with St. Thomas', St. Anne's and St. John's. Sunday 8th December 4pm Christingle Service

#### Saturday 16th November 11.30am – 1.30pm Festive Fair at St. Mary's School.

Hot lunches from 12 noon (different types of pies with peas)
Cake stall, Tombola, Raffles, Handicrafts, Bric-a-brac stall, Messy Church stall, Games,
Books, CDs, Jewellery etc. All contributions gratefully received.

## November 2013



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WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

# Dear Friends



Already the nation (and Jeremy Paxman) is gearing up for a significant anniversary – a hundred years since the outbreak of the First World War.

As part of my preparation I have been reading up on history and literature from that period and am discovering things I had forgotten or perhaps never knew. For example the cynicism of German High Command in avoiding a military defeat in 1918 so that in Hindenburg's words, 'The army might be more ready to fight in twenty years' time'. The exasperation of the French who had lost most and contributed most to the German defeat at being left high and dry in the armistice and later peace negotiations by the United States and Britain. The vilification of returning soldiers by civilian males which perhaps stemmed from guilt or an inferiority complex. The resulting Depression, stock market crash, and outbreak of war in 1939, all direct if not necessary consequences of decisions made in 1918 and 1919. Commemoration is so important to us. But there is always the danger of glorifying the past and overlooking the facts. We can't airbrush out the arrogance, indifference and complacency that leads to wrong decisions. What is left? During the Second World War T. S. Eliot wrote, A people without history is not redeemed from time. I think he was influenced by a phrase from the Letter to the Ephesians in the King James Version – 'redeeming the time'. There Paul is saying that time is not unlimited. Every moment is under God's judgment. We have only a moment to do the right thing and avoid appalling consequences.

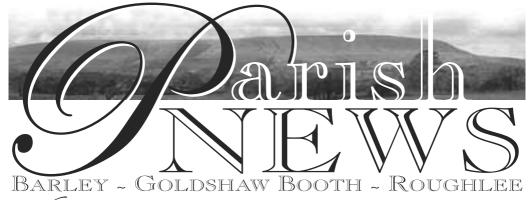
Our history carries with it a massive legacy, for good and for bad. In commemorating events past we need to be honest and humble, and mindful of getting it right in the present.

God bless you

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Next issue Please have your articles for the December / January issue by Friday November 22



elcome to this new style of Parish News. It is meant to increase the number of contributors and thus the amount of interesting articles. Please send in your snippets, stories and/or photos to your Parish Chairman.

Barley Parish Council Frank Rigg has stood down from the PC after eight years of dedicated service. Frank lives on Pendle Row, just opposite the bus turning circle which he has tended by weeding, cultivating and planting the landscaped areas keeping them in first class condition for many years. He has similarly tended to the raised planters on the car park and I believe he has made a major contribution to the appearance of the village and to assisting us to win the Best Kept Village competition so frequently in recent years. Thanks for all your efforts Frank.

The PC is therefore looking for a new Councillor and would ideally like to attract another "do'er" on to the Council. In John Connor and Frank Wilkinson we have two such Councillors who you will all have seen tending to the appearance of the village and a similar replacement for Frank Rigg would be most welcome. Speak to a Councillor if you are interested and want to know more.

If you have walked up to Lower Ogden Reservoir in recent days you will have been as dismayed as many others about the loss of mature woodland and the scar left on the landscape. A fungus-like disease, Phytophthora ramorum, is affecting the larch trees in the three woodlands on the north side of Ogden. In trying to manage the spread of the disease, the Forestry Commission requires United Utilities to fell (or kill) all the larch trees in the infected areas.

At the next PC meeting I will be informing

councillors of the County Council's approach to maintaining highways free of ice and snow, so come along for the first 1/2Hr if you want to know a bit more.

Derek Heap

Barley Village Hall 11th November Remembrance Day. All are invited to meet at 1030am in the Village Hall for tea if cold, before proceeding through the village to a short service at the War Memorial, followed by tea and cake in the Hall.

We already have a number of bookings for 2014 – Burns Night 25th January, St. George's Dinner 19th April, Model Exhibition 3rd, 4th & 5th May – our 21st. Some promotion of our hall for weddings has resulted in three bookings. Couples appreciate that they can set up their own personalised event in the hall and by making some of their own arrangements can save on the multi-thousand pound events offered by "packaged" wedding venues.

CRAFT GROUP: 1- 3pm. 1st & 3rd Monday, check with Valarie for classes Tel. 691850

KEEP FIT: Monday 8pm weekly circuit training, Contact John Tel. 611517 for information.

PENDLE PATCHERS 2ND & 4TH Tuesday 1 to 5 pm. Call in if you would like to see what we do. Tel Audrey 613280

COFFEE & chat: second Wednesday at 10-12. LINE DANCING: Thursday 7.30pm contact Ruth 867438

PILATES every Thursday morning. Tracy 07773785904.

BADMINTON: contact John for availability Tel.611517. Audrey Weatherill

**Children's Society** Boxholders please let Margery Williamson have your box this month. The Children's Society is very grateful for your contributions. New holders are always welcome.

Friends of St. Mary's Lancashire Night Thank you to all who helped with and attended the Lancashire Night. We all enjoyed a superb meal of Lancashire hotpot and entertainment from "Tacklers Brew". The evening also raised money which goes into the main funds.

Whilst this and the Walk (qv) raised a considerable sum for church funds it is only part of the money we need to raise each year to cover our running costs. We do need and appreciate the continued support of our fundraising events.

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council As I write 16 goldfinches arrived in a purposeful flutter and sit on the wire outside my window for a moment before departing urgently on some avian purpose. Today, against a threatening sky, their bright red caps, stained with the blood of Jesus, are reminders of a brilliant summer. Our wildlife delights in the playing fields and woods of the parish; it's a shame that so few people enjoy them! And, for the first time since I came to Newchurch we have not had some sort of summer celebration in which all could join. Let's try and arrange something for next summer.

We daily expect a call from PBC about the future of the toilets; the likely closure will bring to an end a public service valued by visitors and walkers, many of whom who have already objected. The facility cost £4100 last year and this is too heavy a burden for the PC to carry: even if we charged £1 for entry we would still make a loss. Personally I would like the building to be replaced by a new one – possibly in wood – which could be used for the village community and incorporate a toilet, but it's difficult to see how that could be financed: even if the capital could be raised the business plan doesn't add up. (Possibly we could get a licence and have a part-time pub!).

There is a problem with dog bins: surely it is better to have all the stuff in a clean receptacle rather than scattered along roadsides and paths? But where to put these regularly emptied and odour-free bins?

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team for their help and hope that this will a rewarding experience for those involved and a benefit to the parish.

Spen Brook residents recently received notification from the developers of Spen Brook Mill of a new application indicating conversion of the mill into 7 townhouses - rather than the previous commercial use - and the building of 21 3 and 4 bed-roomed houses. The developers will make a presentation of their initial proposals at our next PC meeting but, as this will be an ordinary meeting, there will not be time for questions. When the application goes to PBC it is likely that amendments will be suggested by the planners but when, and if, the application is accepted by PBC and the full detail of the application revealed, we will arrange for a public meeting to be held at which the proposals can be fully questioned. The Appeal against the refusal of the earlier application is still proceeding.

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The remainder of the income was from the entry fees, most of which came from people from outside our parish and usual church circle.

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### Christmas Farmers' Fayre Sunday December 8, 11-3 Crafts & arts. Santa sleigh / grotto. Carol singing etc. ROUGHLEE Birds of prey display. Christmas tree sale. Wreaths etc. CENTRE More details next month. Enquiries to Glen 07849 774438

Profits to be split equally between St Marys Church, Pendleside Hospice & Roughlee Village Centre

Roughlee Parish Council It is great to see that our village pub, the Bay Horse, has reopened and that the car park always appears busy, let us hope that this continues. The interior decoration and style has generated some lively debate from both within the village and our neighbouring villages, the best advice I can offer on the subject is go and see for yourself and maybe sample some of the hospitality and fayre on offer.

One of our projects for 2013 has just been completed but it's likely that many of you will probably never see it. Not only that but it isn't even in Roughlee! Intrigued? Venture up behind the pub up Stang Top, right up to the end where it meets Black Moss & Wheathead and you will see it - another of Duncan Armstrong's famous period fingerpost creations.



As you see it mentions Roughlee which is why we did it, it is now sited in Blacko and replaces one on the opposite side of the road - which is actually in Barley.

Tuesday the 17th of December is the date that has been set for our "Seniors Christmas lunch". This is open to all villagers and is free to the over 60s, this year's event will be attended by the Mayor of Pendle and it is he who will

provide some of the entertainment on the day. Formal invitations will be sent out within the next few weeks, and if we accidently miss inviting someone, please let me know.

Martin Schofield

#### **Roughlee School**

As part of our partnership with the Pendle Network for small schools, our Year 5 children have recently taken part in a number of maths activities joining with year 5 children from other schools in the area. Here are some of their comments;

On Wednesday 2nd October, Roughlee year 5's went to Marsden Forest School with children from St Thomas', Barrowford, to do maths activities outdoors. Me and Skye built a den with a tree swing in. it was really good! We collected conkers which had fallen off the trees. We played a quiz, built tents, solved a murder mystery by finding clues hidden in trees, and went on a treasure hunt. We had to estimate how far we could throw things, then throw them and measure to see if our estimate was right. We were in the forest all day which was good. Zeeshan, George, Skye and Luke age 10 On Friday 4th October, we went to the ACE Centre, Nelson. There were about 200 pupils from other schools there. We were all put in different groups and I was in Archimedes. When we went to the ACE Centre we went into a massive hall and said hello to all the schools by saying "jambo", "moshimoshi" "bonjour." We did maths activities all day with the other children. Everybody had a great day doing magic maths and other maths things.

Dylan and Francesca age 9

#### **Roughlee Village Centre**

Our season of fundraising activities continued last month with wine tasting & northern nibbles- Chilean vino & Sabden's malkin pie made a great combo!

Our next two 'Balls' are fast upon us and we look forward to good times for both.

# Parish Dates & Contacts

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 20 & December 11

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 12 & Dec 10

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:	John Parsons	Tel. 699580	john@spenbrook.co.uk

#### Roughlee Booth

www.roughlee.org.uk

## Parish Council meetings take place on Mondays every month at 8pm in Roughlee Village Centre. Next Meetings: November 4 & December 2

Parish Council Chairman:	Martin Schofield	Tel. 691482 roughleechair@btinternet.com
Parish Council Clerk:	Carol Donohoe	Tel. 07769 857595 caroldonohoe@msn.com
Village Centre Chairman:	James Starkie	Tel. 699262 james_k.starkie@yahoo.co.uk

#### Councillors

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#### Planning Applications

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

#### Church

#### Wardens

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Tel. 01282 699580

#### Treasurer

Ronnie Williamson, 6 The Meadows, Colne BB8 7QT

Tel. 01282 864847

# JOSEPH & THE AMAZING TECHNI-COLOURED DREAMCOAT

Performed by the young people of Barley FOG club

## at Barley Chapel

Thurs & Friday 14/15th Nov. at 7pm Saturday 16th November at 2pm

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ANGIE 605090
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Black Cats Boogle Saturday November 30

Roughlee shindig featuring

# The Jack Rabbits'

Black clothing or a Witches and Wizzard fancydress

Bar & Hot Grill BBQ available

**Tickets from Glen 07849 774438** 

