



ST. MARY'S 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 CHURCH NEWS



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

SPECIAL SERVICES

Wednesday 5th March 7.30pm Ash Wednesday Service

Sunday 30th March 9.30am Mothering Sunday Service

Next issue Please have your articles for the next issue by Friday March 21.

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WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

Dear Friends

I've just got back from a few days away. I stayed on a farm just a few miles outside Brecon, with wonderful views of the Brecon Beacons when you could see them. Signs of the ravages of recent weather were everywhere – field paths under thick mud, water meadows where the Usk had broken its banks. And yet optimism when the sun shone. An odd job man happily informed me that Tuesday was the first day it hadn't rained since Christmas. I didn't have the heart to remind him that it had actually rained that morning. The sense that maybe spring was on its way, and that the bad news of floods and storms was past, was mirrored in news about the economy. Inflation down, employment up. Maybe we have turned the corner, and maybe we can look forward to enjoying the benefits of growth once more. But if you ever needed a reminder that we are still in it together – whatever that meant – I had it sitting in a pub in Cardiff reading a newspaper article about Matt Barlow. This Matt Barlow is the CEO of 'Christians against Poverty.' He is an unlikely champion of the poor. He went to university with one thought in mind – securing a good job and making lots of money. His mistake was to fancy a girl who suggested coming to church. Anxious to please, he went and had a conversion experience. He saw his new Christian identity leading him into a life of service to those in need. The article made for thought provoking reading in a week when bankers' bonuses were making news again. The Christians against Poverty helpline had 155 calls last week, a 50% increase on this time last year. The predominant difficulties are linked to benefit changes, and people sinking into debt with payday loans just to buy food. We are about to embark on that time of the year Christians call Lent. Traditionally Christians practice self-denial for the good of their souls. For years now I have seen it as a time to say no to myself and yes to people in need. Generally it is cutting down on wine with meals to send money to Christians in Jerusalem. It needn't be that. But I think the principle is a good one – showing compassion for others in a practical/financial way. So why not? One less bottle of wine at £6.99, or one less pint at £2.50. [Editor's note; £2.50?? -it's obviously a long time since John bought a pint!] Or if you don't share my vices, the cost of a magazine or a bar of chocolate would make a real difference to someone you may never know.

God bless you

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John

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: March 12 & April 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

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Goldshaw Booth ~ Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spen Brook

Parish Council meetings take place on Tuesdays every month at
7pm in Newchurch School. Next Meetings: March 11 & April 8

Parish Council Vice Chairman: Kathleen Wilkinson Tel. 617971
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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: March 3 & April 7

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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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'

Church

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Secretary

BARLEY VILLAGE HALL continued
CRAFT GROUP: 1-3pm. 1st & 3rd Monday
Check with Valerie for these very popular
classes Tel. 691850

YOUNG FARMERS: every Monday

KEEP FIT: Monday 8pm weekly circuit training
Contact John 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: Wednesday 12th at 10am to
12 noon.

PILATES Thursday.. Tracy 07773 785904. 10 –
11am.

LINE DANCERS: Wednesday 7.30pm
Tel.867438

BADMINTON: contact John for availability
Tel.611517.

Audrey Weather-

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CHURCH

COFFEE MORNING AND QUIZ ANSWERS.
Saturday 15th March. 10am – 12 noon
5 Osborne Terrace, Spen Brook £2

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING Sunday 6th April
9.30am in Church.

St.Mary's church members extend their sincere
thanks to the organisers of the Roughlee
Centre Christmas Market for their provision of
a stall for the church at the event. The Bottle
Stall was well supported by all present. Our
thanks also go to the ladies who ran a cake stall
in aid of the church funds and to Roughlee
Village Centre Committee for their donation.

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

With the recent resignation of another
councillor we now have one vacancy. Details
are on the notice boards, if you are interested
come to next meeting March 11 7pm in St
Marys school.

PLANNING. At Barrowford and Western
Parishes meeting 6 February re Spenbrook Mill
Development The plan for ten three bedroom
residential units in the former mill building,
plus seventeen five bedroom detached houses

to the west, and one four bedroom unit. Eight
local residents spoke at length to oppose the
plans, for various reasons. A proposal was
made by a Borough Councillor to reject the
application, was seconded by another, all were
in favour. Mr Mousdale Executive Director of
Borough of Pendle said final judgment would
be made at Planning and Development control
meeting at Nelson Town Hall 24 February 7pm
this would be an open meeting.

TOILET BLOCK To keep the toilets or not after a
lengthy discussion the consensus was that we
keep them open. We are hopeful of any offers
of help with cleaning in order to keep costs
down to a minimum.

VACANCY, Two local residents attended our
meeting they were very interested in being
co-opted members onto the council, Mr John
Parsons, a former clerk with the council and Mr
Christopher Burt, paper work completed they
were duly welcomed.

24 FEBRUARY SPENBROOK MILL,
First of all I would like to thank all the residents
who have taken the time and trouble to come
along to all the meetings, to speak and make
our views known to the planning committee
and the owner Mr Ingham. After almost two
hours of discussion, when it came to the vote,
four councillors voted for the application with
three against.

The type of stone to build has to be decided at
a Barrowford and Western Parishes meeting in
the future.

Kathleen Wilkin-

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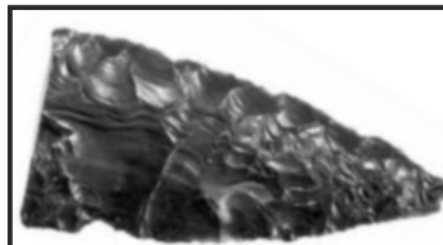
MESSY CHURCH

March 18th; 3.30pm in Barley Village Hall.

Mother's Union Family Fun Night Beetle Drive
St Thomas Church Barrowford Shrove Tuesday
4 March 7pm. Children £1 Adults £2 includes
hot supper.

ROUGHLEE Parish Council

As I reported in last month's edition, we had at
our last meeting to decide on the precept for
the next 2014/15 financial year. Having



Local History Group

www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk

Wednesday 19th March 7.30pm

Talk by Mesolithic expert Alex
Whitlock on Prehistoric Stone
Tools in the Pendle Area.

Members £1 Visitors £2
including refreshments

BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

scrutinised our current financial position and
looked at our budget for 2014/15 I am pleased
to announce that we have taken the position
of keeping the precept at last year's level. This
however, will be detrimental to us, in that we
will have to "cut our cloth accordingly" and
look at various ways to balance our books.
If anyone out there either from a business or
private point of view would like to sponsor any
activities, such as maintaining flower beds via
donation then we would be delighted to
discuss this with you. On a more sticky note, I
have been approached by a number of villagers
regarding the amount of dog poo that is
currently prevalent throughout our village.
This I am led to believe is not just being
deposited by visitors but some of our residents
pooches too. Please could I ask all of you with
canine poo-ing machines to be responsible and
pick up after them, we have a number of doggy
bins within the village and any bagged mess
can be left in any litter bin available. We are in
the process of replacing all of our notices
respectfully requesting owners to pick up and
I am also led to believe that the PBC dog

warden has been active within the village even
to the point of asking dog walkers if they have
a supply of poo bags on their presence.

Let us hope that in next month's edition I am
writing about lambs gambolling in the spring
sunshine. (forever the optimist}

Martin

Schofield

Roughlee School

On Friday 17th January, the whole school went
to Blackburn Cathedral to receive The Salt and
Light Award for The Fruits of Friendship, which
was presented to us by The Bishop of Lancaster.
A number of other schools were there as well
and the award ceremony was part of a wonder-
ful service which all the children enjoyed.
Jonah, age 7 reported "The Cathedral was
massive, it was about five times the size of a
church and there was a giant seating area with
about a hundred chairs. I loved the
Cathedral" Bill, age 8 added "I really liked it.
Bishop Geoffrey was there. He was really nice.
We sat on a heated floor and got breadsticks,
pretzels and a glow stick" Joseph, age 7
summed up the trip "The Cathedral was a nice
place. It had colourful windows. We sang
hymns, had food and got a certificate."
For most of the children it was their first visit
to a Cathedral and from the comments made
the memories of the visit will stay with them
for a long time.

Roughlee Village Centre

As I explained last month, there is a lot of
fellowship and comradery involved with this
committee. We have had several new faces join
us in the past months and I'd like to think that all
had received a warm welcome (they keep com-
ing back so we must be doing something right!)
However, we are not complacent and wish to
extend this welcome to more - particularly as we
have such a busy schedule - and to the
newcomers to Roughlee (of which there are
quite a few). Often the hardest part of joining in,
is that initial step of walking through the door for
the first time, so particularly welcome would be
more partners/husband/wife combos. We meet
every first Tuesday in the Village Centre at 7.30pm.
A major project still in the planning stage is the
provision of a mobility ramp and porch at the

front of the Centre. Funds for this are all-but in place and were buoyed recently by a very generous financial offer by a local resident. We are finalising the exact specifications and hope to have it finished in the summer.

Thanks to all for attending and the team for working hard, preparing the food, setting up and of course tidying up the day after, our first event of the year - the Spanish style Valentine's night. It was a most enjoyable evening and 'Adriano' the marvellous saxophonist played all night. It was lovely to see (and listen to) a young man who genuinely loves his craft.

We have booked him again to appear at our June 'FunDaySunDay'. Talking of which, at our last meeting, t'committee went through a list of dates and events for 2014:-

March 22nd	Sat	Race Night
May 18th	Sun	Flowers /coffee /FMC
June 15th	Sun	FunDaySunDay
July 19th	Sat	Duck Race
Aug 3rd	Sun	WW1 100 years / FMC
Aug 16th	Sat	Black Cats Boogie
Sept 14th	Sun	Sheep Racing / FMC
Oct 25th	Sat	Witch Wines
Nov 22 or 29		Roughlee Village Ball
Dec 7th	Sun	Christmas Fayre / FMC

FMC = Farmers Market & Crafts

(Most are definite dates but there may be an odd change)

James Starkie

St. Mary's Primary School, Newchurch

We said goodbye to our Site Supervisor, Mr Howard Boden, at the end of last term and wish him well in his new job. We welcomed three new children into our school last term: Lewis & Emily White and Elena Morris. They have settled in well to our 'school family'.

Our Christmas performances of 'Prickly Hay' were enjoyed by all and the after concert collections in church raised £218. This will be split between the two charities chosen by our School Council: Parkinson's & St. Philips Grass Roots Centre, Nelson. Many thanks to those who attended and donated generously.

We are looking forward to another busy half term with: Dr Martin visiting to deliver: MATHSterclass activities for KS2.



Roughlee Race Night

Big screen Racing
with the odd flutter!
Sat March 22 ~ 7.30pm

Tickets £10 includes Pie & Peas
Supper from Pam 614755

Key Stage 2 children will also be involved in Bikeability during the 10th to 13th February. Bikeability is 'cycling proficiency' for the 21st century, designed to give the next generation the skills and confidence to ride their bikes on today's roads. Our children will be involved in Education Sunday on the 9th February in St. Mary's Church. Please come along and join the service.

Mrs S Hasler-

Cregg

Womens Institute ~ WI Wednesday 5th March. Belly Dancing with Kate Reid & friends Stall: Plants. Wednesday 2nd April. Easter Cake Decoration by Bernadette Hadfield. Both at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall

Womens World Day of Prayer Friday March 7 at 2pm, at St Annes Church Fence, all are welcome. Tuesday 25 March Lady Day Service at Holy Trinity Colne.

In Memorium

Stephen Haigh of Roughlee
Paul Harper of Sabden Fold
Peter South, late of Barley

Parish NEWS

BARLEY ~ GOLDSHAW BOOTH ~ ROUGHLEE

Barley Parish Council

February is now behind us and we can start moving in to Spring. We should be getting a breath of fresh air and the pressure of the new year's resolutions has either incorporated itself into healthy habits or dropped by the wayside. If it is the latter then with the recent drier and milder weather this is a good time to try again. As I have reported previously, times are hard down at the Town Hall and our Borough Councillors have decided they are no longer able to support public toilets, so they are to close unless the local Parish or Town Councils are willing and able to offer the convenience of "spending a penny" to its visitors. This has created a dilemma for us – our parishioners do not use them but those living in the village centre do not want to see our visitors bobbing in and out of the bushes to do their thing.

We have been engaged in discussions with senior PBC officers, which initially went well and we thought an agreement was made where Barley PC would take on the responsibility for our car park toilets, with some limited financial support from them. However, since then they have reneged on the agreement and are now offering meagre financial support which is limited to two years. It appears we have been "dumped on" and the Council will have to look at how we can "raise a penny" in the future to maintain this facility. The planning application relating to the Barley Mow is being recommended for approval by officers and will be considered, in public, by Councillors at the next meeting of the Barrowford & WP on Thursday March 6 at 7pm. The proposal for timber lap fencing outside the three new houses at Barley Green has been refused..

Derek Heap



Making a welcome return to
BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

The Houghton Weavers

ON FRIDAY 28TH MARCH
£15 INCLUDES SUPPER
Tickets tel. 01282 613280

BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

We have two further major events coming up:-

*ST. GEORGE'S DINNER

Easter Saturday 19th April 7.30pm
3 course meal Roast Beef of Old England
Tickets £17.50 Chris 691850 David 613280

*21st MODEL EXHIBITION

Saturday 3rd May Noon to 5pm, Sunday 4th
May 10am to 5pm & Monday 5th May 10am
to 4pm.

New exhibitors always welcome
Tel. Chris 691850 or David 613280.