

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.

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

Palm Sunday 13th April 9.30am Holy Communion

Good Friday 18th April 10am Reading of the Passion around Newchurch

Easter Sunday 20th April 9.30am Holy Communion

Next issue Please have your articles for the next issue by Friday April 25.

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Dear Friends

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity... we had everything before us, we had nothing before us, we were all going direct to Heaven, we were all going direct the other way."



Needless to say I have just finished re-reading Dickens' Tale of Two Cities. It's a story of contrasts, most importantly between love and hatred. As you probably know, the climax is the substitution of Sydney Carton for Charles Darnay at the guillotine with the other memorable words, "It is a far, far better thing that I do, than I have ever done; it is a far, far better rest that I go to than I have ever known."

Dickens is wrestling with some important ideas in the novel—what happens to people when you oppress them beyond bearing, and what makes a good person. Throughout the novel Carton is presented as self-indulgent, but is touched by the love of someone he knows is beyond his reach. In the end he is prepared to give his life so that she might have the object of her love who is condemned to death.

Powerful stuff. It captures the words of Jesus, "The greatest love a person can have for his friends is to give his life for them." In Jesus' case, this is a promise. We are fast approaching the time when Christians celebrate Jesus' gift of his life for us on Good Friday. But unlike Sydney Carton, Jesus did not go to 'a far better rest'. Carton's hope was that in the afterlife his conscience would bring him peace through knowing he had done just one generous thing. In Jesus' case, there was a far greater conflict going on — not getting one over on some French revolutionaries, but provoking a revolution of death itself.

"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

A very Happy Easter and God bless you.



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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: April 9, May 14 (APM) 21 (PC)

Parish Council Chairman: Derek Heap Tel. 692264 derek.heap@lancashire.gov.uk
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$Goldshaw\ Booth \sim {\tt Newchurch, Sabden\ Fold\ \&\ Spen\ Brook\ } \underline{www.goldshawbooth.org.uk}$

Parish Council meetings take place on Tuesdays every month at 7pm in Newchurch School. Next Meetings: April 8 & May 13

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Roughlee Booth

www.roughlee.org.uk

Parish Council meetings take place on Mondays every month at 8pm in Roughlee Village Centre. Next Meetings: April 7 & May 12

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Planning Applications

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

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Secretary

As always we will be seeking help and assistance with both of these events. James Starkie

St. Mary's Primary School, Newchurch

During February we have been lucky enough to have many visitors to enrich our school curriculum: Andrew Taylor, a Primary Maths consultant, spent a morning with KS1 children making maths fun with lots of activities. Andrew has spent 12 years in Lancashire working as a teacher across the primary range, as a member of the school leadership team and as a consultant.

We had a collective worship lead by Cath Greenlees from Blackburn Diocese who talked to us about Fairtrade, with many examples. This was followed by work with the children in Key Stage classrooms. Our School Council met with her to discuss their research into Fair Trade and ideas to take our work further.

Sue Allonby visited school once again. Sue is a storyteller with a real enthusiasm for traditional stories and sharing them. Infant children enjoyed her time in the classroom.

As a change from our regular 'sports based' visitors, we tried an alternative children's programme of Tai Chi. Lighthouse Tai Chi came into school to provide an alternative session to competitive sports and team based exercise activities, especially suitable for children who do not always engage with regular physical education provision. Tai Chi can help to increase flexibility, suppleness, balance and exercise the muscles.

This Half Term continues to be a busy one! During Fairtrade fortnight we held 'The Big Brew'. KS2 children made buns & brownies to sell to their families after school with a 'brew'. Their aim was to raise awareness of Fairtrade. Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service once again gave very informative safety talks to the children.

Blanaid Dennon an RSPB officer gave a talk in Collective Worship about their 'Skydancer project'. Now in its third year the project seeks to raise awareness and promote hen harrier conservation in the North of England. She also delivered classroom workshops, providing a

unique and engaging forum for our pupils to learn about the nature of their local uplands.

Susan Hasler-Cregg

Safe Lanes In Pendleside will be holding their first meeting of this year at Roughlee Village Centre on Tuesday April 29, starting at 7pm. There will be an update about what has been happening over the winter months and also planning for the year ahead. Anyone interested in keeping our country lanes safe for ALL users, be they driving vehicles, riding bikes or horses, or out walking would be most welcome to attend the meeting.

Womens Institute ~ WI Wednesday 2nd April. Easter Cake Decoration by Bernadette Hadfield. 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall

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Three letters that for some are as much the norm as tablet, app and social media. For others they are to be shunned as they are frequently misunderstood. It is encouraging though that many more people are latching onto the internet and for those that do, here's a short list of sites that have local interest.

This magazine itself is available to read anywhere in the world and I can almost predict when, each month; ie about 8pm on the last Friday of the month before the first Sunday of the new month!?!

John Parsons kindly uploads it onto the church website;

www.stmarysnewchurchinpendle.org.uk John is also responsible for the new and expanding site for Goldshaw Booth www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Roughlee has a comprehensive site at www.roughlee.org.uk

Also on the internet are two FaceBook sites of local interest, with photos and comment.

Barley Past and Present & Roughlee Then and Now

Finally, new resident to Roughlee, Chris Walker has just launched a new Flickr site with fabulous pictures of Roughlee & Barley.

www.flickr.com/groups/2561656@N24/



Barley Parish Council

The clocks have just leapt forward and we are in to British Summer Time, this has been happening for the last 98 years but I am sure someone has just emerged from their bed and found this newsletter on the mat and thought "that delivery boy was up a bit early" not realising what the day has in store for them. The rest of us will be fiddling with all sorts of clocks for a while this Sunday morning but we can look forward to being awake for more daylight hours.

On the clock issue, a new black & white faced clock will soon be appearing on a garage near you.

At the Parish Council we are preparing to take on the management of the toilet facility on the car park. I have used my domestic chores experience in these matters to pull together a cleaning plan, there is a bit more science and legislation to it than meets the senses but I look forward to the day when local gentlemen can tuck their newspapers under their arms and cheerfully march off for a quiet hour on the edge of the village green.

Much has been written and said about the three properties constructed next to the Village Hall. At numerous Pendle planning meetings it is cited as a development not in keeping with the locality, even by other developers trying to convince that they can do better. The houses are now completed and they are what they are. We were pleased the wooden fence was rejected but again disappointed that the stone used to construct the boundary and especially the screening wall matched nothing in the vicinity. The planners think the "contrast" is fine and you can come to your own opinion.

On Saturday 5th April, Barley is the venue for the "English & Lancashire Championship Fell Race" which will be as big a race as we have hosted, so expect some congestion. This will continue on Sunday as we host the junior event. We are trying to influence arrangements to minimise the traffic issues which could arise over the weekend.

Many of us will have known Peter South who lived on the Bullion for many years and was often seen walking his dogs, fiddling with his classic cars, cycling round our lanes and chucking darts and pints down in the Pendle Inn. He passed away in late January and many of you attended his funeral and the gathering at the Pendle Inn later. Peter was a good friend of mine since I arrived in Barley. On behalf of all that knew him we pass our condolences and best wishes to Julia and Martin.

Heap

BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY 19th 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.

Please bring your own drinks.

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY 3RD, 4TH & 5TH MAY will see our 21st MODEL EXHIBITION.

Each year we welcome a select few such as Peter Coughlin of Darwen with his Museum Quality Model Boats, we also have new faces, people who come and display their skills, many are local but we also have exhibitors from Cheshire and Anglesey. The usual wide range of interests, Dolls Houses, Trains, Planes etc. will be on display. We are always looking for new exhibitors, if you have an interest in anything in miniature or can recommend anyone who maybe interested please phone David 613280 or Chris 691850.

We are always looking to make each year an even better Exhibition. Homemade refreshments are on sale during the three days, come & visit & enjoy some time away from home. Steve & Tony will be there with their Scalextric racing track.

Regular Hall activities:

Card class: 1st & 3rd Monday 1pm tel. 691850

Young Farmers: Monday 7.30pm

Keep fit: Monday 8.00pm

Pendle Patchers: 2nd & 4th Tuesday 1pm Tel.

613280

Coffee & Chat: Wednesday 8th at 10am

Line dancers: Thursday 7.30pm

Pilates: Thursday 10am Audrey Weath-

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CHURCH DATES

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

Friday 18th April

10am Passion Play performed in Newchurch Village - meet in church

Sunday 20th April 9.30am Easter Sunday - with egg hunt for the children

Sunday 27th April - 3.00pm

Deanery Confirmation at St. Thomas'

Saturday 10th May - 2.30pm LAMBING

SERVICE at Ruth Nutter's Farm, Sabden Fold

Saturday 19th July - 2.30pm Crowning of the

Rushbearing Queen with Bishop Julian

Sunday 20th July - 9.30am Rushbearing Service, with bacon butties afterwards

2nd 3rd & 4th August - WW1

Commemoration - Church Open to visitors

Saturday 6th September - Patronal Festival

Church Open for History Exhibition
 Sunday 7th September - Patronal Festival

- History Exhibition & 4pm Songs of Praise

Saturday 20th September

In Pendle's Shadow Walk

GRASS CUTTING

Already the grass is beginning to grow and we will soon have to start mowing once the ground has dried up.

We will be cutting the grass on the first and third TUESDAY evenings from 6pm to 8pm. Please come along and help if you can. We will have plenty of mowers available.

Refreshments provided. Please note that this a different night to what we have previously done. If you can't come on a Tuesday but would like to help at any other time, please contact Chris Widdas (tel 691850) or email chriswiddas@gmail.com

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

On going to press we still have a vacancy on the council, so if you are interested please come along to our next meeting April 8th at 7pm in St Marys Schoolroom, or contact the Clerk Mrs Sheila Grindrod on 693857.

LCC Highways Department has diverted all the water that was running over Spenbrook Road footpath into a drain.

Best Kept Village Competition, Councillors agreed to enter the competition once again. Last year Newchurch was awarded Highly Commended Certificate, let us aim to go at least one better than that this year. Judging takes place any time between June 7 and July 20.

Tenders for mowing the Playing Field are on the notice boards, closing date is Friday April 4. Contact Mrs K Wilkinson for more details, on 617971.

Toilets, the Parish Council is taking over responsibility of the toilets, from Pendle Borough Council from April 1. Any offers of help with cleaning would be most welcome. Parish Council web site has been rebuilt and can be seen at www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Kathleen Wilkinson

Local History Group

www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk

Wednesday 16th April 7.30pm at Barley Village

Hall. Business & discussion session.

Mother's Union Tuesday April 22, 2pm at St Annes Church Hall the speaker is Marjorie Holt. Have you been served. Anyone is most welcome to come along and join in.

ROUGHLEE Parish Council

By the time that you read this I am hoping that spring has finally sprung and that we are enjoying our annual change to British Summer Time. We have at the PC entered our village into the 2014 Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition. Now we all know that judging will take place sometime in June, does this mean that we have to wait until the 1st of June. to start to spruce up the village?, I would say NO! We have a very nice village that is a credit to the band of volunteers and everyone that helps to keep it this way, however, I would like to throw down the gauntlet and challenge each and every one of you (our residents) to make it an even more special and beautiful place to live and WIN this coveted prize. If we all start to do our bit now by making sure that our communal areas are tidy and well maintained and keep any an eye on litter and weeds in the village we can make that difference. Our annual village tidy-up will take place on Saturday May 17, but let's hope that we have come together before then to make it a non-event.

Our weekly Luncheon Club continues to thrive and I am pleased to say that this will continue throughout 2014 into 2015. This is held every Thursday at the Village Centre and run by a very dedicated band of volunteers who provide an excellent service. It is open to all over 60's and all we ask for is a contribution of £4.50 for this lunch and social occasion. Please feel free to come along and join us.

Roughlee School

Indoor Athletics. A team of six boys and six girls from year 3, 4 and 5 entered an Indoor athletics competition which was held at Pendle Vale Campus on March 11th. Despite competing against children who were older than themselves, the children took part with great determination and enthusiasm.

Martin Schofield

Courtney, age 8 said "I was excited and a little bit scared. The chest push was very hard. In the relay, I was the first runner and I came first. At the end, I felt very tired."

Zeenat, age 7 reported "I was very nervous but it was still awesome. I did triple jump, vertical jump and a two lap relay in which I think that I might have come last."

Dylan age 9 felt pretty confident after winning the vertical jump, but then the batton was dropped in the relay which slowed him down. All the children are looking forward to taking part again when they are older.

On the same day, all foundation and KS1 children visited Helmshore Textile museum, to complement their recent work on materials. The children took part in specifically designed workshops for Science Week using pulleys and magnets, experiencing the textile machines at work and role play with Richard Arkwright! The children really enjoyed their visit.

Roughlee Village Centre

It seems that the lure of a bet is as popular as ever, judging by another full house at the Village Centre last week. Well done to the 'Team' who put on another excellent event, that was enjoyed by all. Even those who had spent more than they probably wanted to went home smiling, though we did find a couple of worn shirts the other day after! Thanks to the local businesses for sponsoring and supporting it, and to all those that came along; it was particularly nice to see our friends from Spen Brook and Newchurch again. Thanks too to the individuals who took part in the extra race auction and to Nigel Brotherton of Old Hall who donated £50 back into the kitty from his winnings. A healthy profit was made towards the upkeep and projects at the Centre. We can now take a breather for a week or two, as our next event is over a month away, but as we know time flies so work will be going on in the background for the next two;- '

Sunday May 18th
Flowers & Plants / Coffee Morning
& Farmers's Market.

There's also the thought that we move the popular Dog Show to this date too.

Sunday June 15th is FunDaySunDay