

# Parish

# CHURCH NEWS



## March 2015

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# Dear Friends



There has been a lot about wealth in the news recently. According to a study by anti-poverty charity Oxfam, the wealthiest 1% will soon own more than the rest of the world's population. And leaked documents have shown that banking giant HSBC has helped thousands of its clients hide their money to evade paying hundreds of millions of pounds in tax.

Wealth is a sensitive issue. On the one hand it is good for us. Wealth creation has enabled us to enjoy a quality of life beyond the imaginings of our great-grandparents. On the other hand, too much wealth in the hands of too few people benefits nobody. Robert Peston argues that it locks up money which could otherwise be used to kick-start economies. And if the other 99% had more they would spend it, and what western economies need is high consumer spending.

The reason that wealth is so sensitive is that it raises questions of my entitlement versus the demands of other people. At that point it becomes an ethical issue as well as economic. Is my wealth primarily for my benefit? How far can I resist attempts by other people getting their hands on it, especially governments in the form of taxes? Is there a moral imperative that I should use my wealth for the common good?

The Bible gives us a perspective. Psalm 24 reminds us, 'The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it'. Wealth is something we hold in trust. Jesus points out that treasure is not the best security. Our most important possession is our very self - our integrity and goodness. Jesus says that you could be the richest person on the planet, but if you have lost the very thing that makes you precious in the eyes of God and of others, what's the point?

Lent is a good time for taking stock of what we value and why. To reflect on our own attitudes to our wealth might be a useful exercise.

God bless you.

*John*

# Parish NEWS

BARLEY ~ GOLDSHAW BOOTH ~ ROUGHLEE



## DAVID WEATHERILL

St Mary's Church was packed to the balcony rafters as friends and family gathered to celebrate the life of David Weatherill and to pay our respects to a man well known in our community. David was badly injured in a fall at home at Christmas and sadly he never made the recovery we had all hoped for.

The size of the congregation at the church and at the Village Hall afterwards - David's second home - reflected the loss being marked, the respect he had earned and the gratitude and admiration of those who knew him.

To most he was the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, a position he had held for decades. He put so much into making the Hall the success it is today and for that we all owe him a debt of gratitude. It takes commitment and energy to keep it going but to keep improving it year on year needs even more, and David and Audrey had bags of what it takes. They organised events for us, raised money for its upkeep through special events and ensured the plans of the committee came to fruition. Thank you David on behalf of us all.

Beyond the Hall many of us knew David as a cheerful character, always finding time to have a chat with you and always willing to help if you needed anything. He would fix things and carry out occasional repairs for the Parish Council - repair a sign or a bench - without ever asking for recompense and he also might have helped you get your internet connection going or fixed something that was broken.



At St Mary's I learnt he was a Yorkshireman, he had three sons and a daughter, he was Chairman of the Wetherby Motor Club for the last 30 years and he was also an aviation enthusiast. The service included a rendition of the tune from 'Dambusters' and his family engaged us with amusing revelations that sometimes he did not get jobs done at home with the same enthusiasm he showed for the Hall. And that sometimes, he had a relaxed approach to health & safety not in keeping with 21st century! I have done a couple of jobs with David and the latter came as no surprise to me. I wish I had known him better. David will be sorely missed by his family, his friends and by Barley village to whom he gave so much over the last 50 years.

Derek Heap

# Barley Parish Council

The two big issues at the last PC meeting involved planning matters and parking. An application for outline planning permission to build five houses at Barley House, (the imposing building situated across the stream, in effect to the rear of the turning circle) on the site of the farmyard and agricultural buildings, has been submitted to Pendle BC (13/15/0030P) and is currently open to public response. The proposal is just to split the site into 5 self build plots with access and services to each. There are no details on the type of building, quality or style at this point, but if approved, each plot owner will be responsible for obtaining full planning permission for their dwelling.

This development is within the village settlement boundary and as such Pendle BC's planning policies are receptive to development. Following on from the eleven new homes in Barley Green, the PC has commented upon the over-development of the village and the change in character that can follow. Our full response can be found on the planning web-site. As you would expect traffic congestion and parking are mentioned and this leads on to the parking issues covered extensively in previous newsletters.

The majority of residents and the Council want the turning circle restored to its function as a turning circle and as a centre-piece.

Our first steps to achieve this will be with a signage campaign in early March to discourage parking on the circle and hopefully that will resolve the matter. We will initially allow parking after 6pm on the circle to take the pressure off residents in the vicinity competing for parking spaces outside their homes in the early evening. Residents from Pendle Row and from Pendle View/Beckside have applied, separately, for resident parking status and, if successful, this would restore some normality for them but it will bring road lining in to the village.

The decision on the Barley House planning application will be taken at a future public meeting of the Barrowford & Western Parishes committee at Holmefield House, Barrowford.

On a separate matter, and on behalf of some residents we approached LCC about the possibility of a 20mph zone through the village, but this was not supported.

Derek Heap

# BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

## David George Weatherill RIP

Together with the whole area, the Village Hall Committee was completely stunned by the accident which led to David's untimely death. A successful event had been held on Burn's Night but it wasn't the same without him and he will of course be sorely missed. There is no consolation, at all, to his passing - if there was, at all, it would only be that much of David's to-do list for the Hall had been completed. It is now for the next generation to take on his work as a lasting and permanent memorial to him.

Audrey has indicated that she will continue to take an active role, and for that we are thankful and she has the best wishes of us all.

**Monday** (1st & 3rd) CRAFT GROUP: 1-3pm.

Check with Valerie for classes ☎691850

YOUNG FARMERS: Monday evenings

KEEP FIT: 8pm weekly circuit training.

Contact John ☎611517.

**Tuesday** (2nd & 4th) PENDLE PATCHERS

1-5 pm. Call in if you would like to see what

we do. Audrey ☎613280

**Wednesday** (2nd) COFFEE & chat 10am-12.

**Thursday** am PILATES Tracy ☎07773 785904

LINE DANCING: **NEW beginners** class 7pm

from March 12 - suitable for all ages & abilities.

**Intermediate/advanced** 8pm.

Contact Sally-Anne on ☎541303 for further information or come along and join us.

BADMINTON: Contact John ☎611517

## Committee Meeting **Tues 10th March**

This will be an open meeting and we invite all to attend. We do need some new members and volunteers to help run and look after the hall. It is a great asset not only to Barley but to the Pendleside area and we wish to see this continue for many years to come. You don't have to live in Barley to become involved. We also need new ideas for the use of the hall and for fundraising events. Don't leave it to those who are of advancing years and in their dotage. Do come along to our meeting on 10th March.

## Table Top Sale **Sunday 29th March.**

Doors open from 10am-3pm Tables £10 each

Doors open for sellers at 9am

Refreshments available ☎606770 (after 5th March) or Margaret on ☎640420

## BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

### St. George's Dinner Sat. 25th April

Tickets £17.50. Please book early as numbers are limited, contact Chris & Valerie for tickets.

## Barley Chapel

**Sunday School & Service** weekly at 10.30am

**Tuesday** - Adult Table Tennis 7.30 to 9pm

**Wednesday** – Ladies fellowship. Have a brew and share your week. 7.30 to 8.30pm

**Thursday FOG club** Christian Youth Club for ages 7 to 13 (6.30pm to 7.45pm)

**Friday** Junior table tennis 7.30pm to 9pm

## GOLDSHAW BOOTH PARISH COUNCIL

The **Heart Start Course** that was held on 28th January was a great success with around 35 persons attending. I am sure we were all impressed with the NWS practitioners who came along and put us all through the routine, everyone who came learned quite a lot about how to keep someone alive in an emergency, also general first aid. Thanks to Cllr John Parsons and Borough Cllr. James Starkie for arranging the event. Thanks also to Roughlee Village Centre for the use of their facilities.

**Sparable Wood** Pendle Environmental Action Group have been doing forestry work on the trees in the wood.

**Planning** Application 13/15/0052P at Douglas Hall, Spenbrook Road "Request Formation of Vehicular Track and Access". After discussion the Council decided to object to the plan on the grounds of Highway Safety and the affects on footpath No.38, also that part of 15 on the application was factually incorrect.

**Spenbrook Mill** All members' concerns were raised with regard to the demolition work being carried out on the mill site. No formal permission had been granted from the Borough of Pendle Planning Department to Ingham & Keers for work to commence, as set out in the long list of conditions set by the Planning Department when planning permission was granted. Council agreed to send a letter of complaint to the Planning Manager to express our dismay that the correct procedure is not being carried out.

**Invitation to tender** Notices are displayed on village notice boards for mowing of the playing

field between Newchurch and Spenbrook for the summer months.

**Best Kept Village Competition** Council agreed to enter again this year. Kathleen Wilkinson

## MESSY CHURCH

Thurs. March 10; 3.30pm in Barley Village Hall.

Contact Mandy 0779 0341542

## LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

[www.pendleforesthistrorygroup.co.uk](http://www.pendleforesthistrorygroup.co.uk)

Wed. 18th March at 7.30pm. Barley Village Hall.

## ROUGHLEE

My first comments this month are thank you to the residents that have come forward in relation to my request for additional volunteers in striving to win this year's BKV competition. When the nights start to pull out a bit more I will get in contact with you to see what can be done. That though does not let the rest of you off the hook, come on, step forwards as a few more hands will definitely help. The defibrillator fund, thanks to Linda for having the idea and kick starting it, has reached just over £1,250. A lot of local people have contributed to this and yet more thanks should be given to the Keep Fit Club and Roughlee School for their splendid efforts and the Bay Horse for allowing a collection bottle to be placed on the bar.

The more observant of you may have noticed the appearance of white marker paint on the black railing's throughout the village, this, I am assuming is LCC making them good again after we had asked them to investigate this, let's hope they have some black paint available for when they have finished.

Martin Schofield

On hearing the sad news, and on behalf of the Parish Council and the whole village, the Centre Committee took flowers to Audrey. The Weatherills were a major inspiration for much of the work that has been done in our Centre.

**A successful Curry Night** was held in the Centre, with Chris Manley singing, and enjoyed by all.

**Thieves** have stolen a 3 tier set of aluminium ladders from premises in Roughlee. The ladders were secured by a chain, which is also missing.

**Village Centre Hire** See [www.roughlee.org.uk](http://www.roughlee.org.uk) for rates or telephone Gail on 696997. James Starkie

## St. Mary's Church

### COFFEE MORNING AND QUIZ ANSWERS

Saturday March 7th. 5, Osborne Terrace, Spen Brook. 10am - 12 noon. Tickets £2 each

Sunday 19th April – 9.30am Annual St. Mary's Parish Meeting.

## St. Mary's Primary School, Newchurch

We have had yet another busy half term.

Liam and his team of 'Super Heroes' visited school and kept our children active in various sporting challenges. This was a sponsored event with the children raising £731!! There were prizes for all and the overall winner was Abigail Harper who raised £108, WOW. She wins a new pair of trainers & a football.

As part of our connection with the Faith Centre we invited Abdul Gafar into school. Abdul is a calligrapher in Arabic Script. All the children had the opportunity to copy their own name in Arabic script. They were shown how the script has developed over the years and became decorative as well as precise.

A selection of year 5 and 6 children were chosen to represent school at an Indoor Athletics event at Park High School, Colne. They competed in a range of events such as track, javelin throw, triple jump, vertical jump and a speed bounce. The 6th February was British Heart Foundation Day which is one of our School Council's chosen charities. The Council suggested that they all made a beautiful heart to wear on their sleeve to

raise money for the charity. Jake and Sam Thornton brought in heart shaped buns as a treat for the children on the day. £160 was raised for this worthy cause.

KS2 children have been actively involved in an enterprise project this term. They have planned a healthy menu and then cooked the meal (with a little help from the adults)! They then served the meal to the Infants.

Mrs Townson accompanied two children: Abigail Harper and Lee Hudson, on a Collective Worship Day Conference for children at Mytton Fold Hotel, Langho. This was what they thought: Lee Hudson year 5. "I enjoyed watching the Comic Relief videos because it is quite inspiring and touching. I also found it interesting when I read the story, 'A Bible that Saved His Life'. Abigail Harper year 5. "I enjoyed drawing in the eggs, the Easter Story in symbols. It was really fun and I enjoyed all of it".

Susan Hasler-Cregg

## Womens Institute ~ WI

Wednesday 4th March

"Eating my Words" with Jill Collins

Stall: Donations for food bank

Wednesday 1st April

"A Journalist's Life" with Tracey Johnson

Both at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall.

Visitors most welcome

Sincere condolences to Christian Wakeford and Jackie Rogers on their recent loss

# 2015 Elections

Thursday May 7 is Election Day this year, and votes will be cast\* in the four-yearly cycle for Parish Councillors and all incumbents are due for re-election. There has been a vacancy in Goldshaw Booth for some time and Cllr. Elaine Todd has indicated her intention not to seek re-election in Roughlee. Nominations will be required to fill the seven positions each in all our three villages. \*In the event of more than 7 names in each coming forward, an election will take place. Otherwise the vacancies will be filled by co-option. Please consider the democracy of local government, help shape the future of our area and put your name forward. If you are interested please contact the relevant Chairman or Clerk of your designated parish, details are opposite.

Additionally, voting will take place for the Member of Parliament and the Pendle Borough Councillor. Both incumbents - Andrew Stephenson and James Starkie - will be standing again.

# Parish Dates & Contacts

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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](http://www.barleyvillagehall.org)

Parish Council meetings take place on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall.

Next Meetings: March 11 & April 8

Parish Council Chairman: Derek Heap Tel. 692264 [derek.heap@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:derek.heap@lancashire.gov.uk)

Parish Council Clerk: Vicky Thorp Tel. 449912 [vicky@oldhamsweb.co.uk](mailto:vicky@oldhamsweb.co.uk)

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## Goldshaw Booth

~ Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spen Brook [www.goldshawbooth.org.uk](http://www.goldshawbooth.org.uk)

Parish Council meetings take place on Tuesdays every month at 7pm in Newchurch School.

Next Meetings: March 10 & April 14

Parish Council Chairman: Kathleen Wilkinson Tel. 617971 [chairman@goldshawbooth.org.uk](mailto:chairman@goldshawbooth.org.uk)

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## Roughlee Booth

[www.roughlee.org.uk](http://www.roughlee.org.uk)

Parish Council meetings take place on Mondays every month at 8pm in Roughlee Village

Centre. Next Meetings: March 2 & April 13

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# ST. MARY'S

## NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE

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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): Prayer Book Mattins  
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15TH MARCH 9.30AM MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE  
WITH MESSY CHURCH

29TH MARCH 9.30AM PALM SUNDAY SERVICE WITH PALMS

THURSDAY 2ND APRIL 7.30PM SEDER MEAL AT ST. THOMAS'S

FRIDAY 3RD APRIL 11AM PASSION PLAY  
PERFORMED AROUND THE VILLAGE – MEET IN CHURCH

5TH APRIL 9.30AM EASTER SUNDAY WITH EGG HUNT FOR CHILDREN

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**Next issue** Please have your articles for the next issue by **Thursday March 20.**

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