



# 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): Prayer Book Mattins

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THURSDAY MAY 14 - ASCENSION DAY DEANERY SERVICE

SUNDAY MAY 24 - 11AM PENTECOST JOINT SERVICE AT ST. THOMAS

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Saturday May 9th at 2.30pm

## Thanksgiving for Lambing Service

at Hartleys' Farm, (Pendle Valley Caravan Park) Roughlee

The next issue will be published on Friday May 22.

Please have your articles for the next issue by Friday May 15.

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# Dear Friends



The next few days will continue to be dominated by one major story affecting all of us – which party or parties are going to form the next government?

Gone, it seems, is the two party option. Now there is a plethora of choices. Publicly the large parties talk down coalition but who knows? As well as the big issues like the economy, the NHS, welfare reforms, there are the additional forces of cynicism and nationalism. What impact can we have on May 7th? Is it surprising that one feature of elections in recent years, local as well as general, has been the rise of voter apathy?

So how should we respond? Winston Churchill once stated, “Indeed it has been said that democracy is the worst form of Government except for all those other forms that have been tried from time to time....” We have an opportunity with our vote to exercise democracy. But which outcomes do we want?

Like it or not, how we vote is a statement about our own vision and values. What do I want from the next government in terms of my needs, wider society’s, the nation’s and even the world’s needs? And importantly any vision has to be grounded in realism. Who is best placed to deliver what we believe is best for ourselves and society?

The Bible can help. Three things are required of us – to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God (Micah 6.6). Not a manifesto, but a guide. It doesn’t tell us which candidate or party to vote for. But it may work as a spotlight as we review our options as we cast our vote.

God bless you.

*John*

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Every English Parish must hold an Annual Parish Meeting. They are open to residents registered for each parish and are convened by the Parish Council. They are an opportunity for the Parish Council and organisations and charities within the villages to report on their activities during the year. It has also an opportunity for residents to ask questions and provide feedback to all those groups. Check locally for times. They are not the Annual General Meetings which are different and are also held around this time.

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

Parish Council meetings take place on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall. Next Meetings: May 13 (AGM) & June 10 **Annual Parish Meeting May 20**

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

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

### 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: May 12 (AGM) & June 9 **Annual Parish Meeting tbc**

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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: May 11 (AGM) & June 1 **Annual Parish Meeting June 1**

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### Councillors

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Quiz Night. Saturday 30th May in Roughlee Village Centre at 7.30pm. Supper included, bring your own drinks. Entry £5 each.  
Barbecue. 4th July. At 5 Osborne Terrace, Spen Brook starting at 5pm. Tickets Adults £12.50 each, includes food and drinks.  
For children we ask for a donation towards the food cost.

#### GRASS CUTTING.

If anyone would like to help with the mowing of the churchyard please contact Chris Widdas % 691850.

All help will be much appreciated. We will soon be having a regular mowing programme, dates to be advised in the next magazine.

#### St. Mary's Primary School, Newchurch

Mrs Janet Kerr visited Year 4 & year 5 to show them how to use the library system. The children found favourite books and enjoyed reading them. Philip - the new Bishop of Burnley visited us and led our palm cross collective worship. He left a lovely message in our visitors' book: "My first school visit in the Diocese of Blackburn and what a wonderful school. The children were wonderfully well engaged and there was a very precious atmosphere of prayer and engagement. You'll all be in my prayers" KS2 children visited Manchester Museum. The children were shown an artefact, the Thunderstone, and had to work out what it was via a series of clues. They became archaeologists for the morning! They then had a series of objects to find in the museum before finally presenting their findings to the rest of the group.

On Monday 20th March the children took part in a sponsored 'Bunny Hop' & raised £82 for Pendleside Hospice. They each received some bunny ears & a

chocolate egg. Many thanks to Mrs Zoe Rothwell for organising this event.

We held our Easter egg competition on the last week of term and what a wonderful effort was made by the children. The winners won a chocolate Easter egg. Our Easter Service was held in St. Mary's Church. The children told The Easter Story through songs, readings and prayers.

Susan Hasler-

C Friends of St. Mary's School, Newchurch Annual Barley Boat Race, Saturday May 23 at 2pm. Boats £1 from Witches Galore & Pendle Inn

#### SAFE LANES IN PENDLESIDE

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 26 May at Roughlee Village Centre at 7pm. Anyone wishing to attend would be most welcome. The April meeting was very well attended, with over 20 enjoying slides on the recent gathering with two of Lancashire Police's finest horses.

#### Womens Institute ~ WI

Wednesday 6th May. 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall. Visitors most welcome

"Put on your Dancing Shoes"

Easy routines, great music with Alisia Gilda

## 2015 Election update

Thursday May 7 is Election Day this year, and the Polling Stations at Barley Village Hall, Newchurch School and Roughlee Village Centre will be open from 7am to 10pm.

You will be voting for one of the five candidates in the General Election and one of the two candidates for Pendle Borough Council. In Barley, votes will also be cast for seven Parish Councillors out of nine candidates. Nominations for Goldshaw Booth and Roughlee did not meet the target number and the vacancies will be filled by co-option.

**Publisher Comment:** Whilst it is likely that Roughlee will fill their vacancy, I appeal to residents of Newchurch & Sabden Fold to consider taking up the vacancy for Goldshaw Booth PC. This has been vacant for over a year and whilst the Council runs perfectly well, there is no one from these two hamlets.

# Parish NEWS

BARLEY ~ GOLDSHAW BOOTH ~ ROUGHLEE



The Pendle Family Running Festival will be held over Saturday and Sunday 18/9th July. There will be a 10k road race, a half marathon road race on the Saturday.

**Councillor Comment:** Chairman of Barley Parish Council, Derek Heap and I met with the organisers requesting reduced times for the road closures and this was accepted. More details will follow but, **on Saturday July 18, the road from Whitehough to Roughlee will be closed from around 0915-0945** and then for a similar period up Stang Top Road to Black Moss Road. At the time of going to press there will be no closures at all from Annel Cross back to Barley and there will be no closures at all affecting Newchurch and Jinny Lane.

<http://www.runbritain.com>

James Starkie

On Easter Saturday we found ourselves in a visitor storm, it was a glorious day attracting bank holiday visitors to our footways, byways and hostleries plus well over 500 junior and senior runners to races on our fells and fields. Not many saw this coming, certainly the Parish Council was not aware of the major race event. The main issue became parking - we had cars parked all the way down to Thorneyholme and a collection of inconsiderate people parking all over the village constricting the flow of traffic - they could have been visitors or runners. The debris was also a problem.

This issue dominated our last meeting and the PC now recognises we will have to be more proactive in event management in the village - an issue we never even thought about until the last couple of years. The number and scale of events have increased dramatically as well as the number of day visitors.

This involves meeting organisers and liaising with PBC and the Police etc. and we are getting quite a taster as we get involved in the "Pendle Family Running Festival" planned for 18th July. This event had road closures planned with LCC/ Police which would cut the village off from traffic for 4 hours - the PC and Cllr. Starkie have worked with the organ-

isers to significantly reduce the period of the closures. You must now know there are Parliamentary and Borough election on 7th May. On the same day there will be an election for the Parish Council. All current councillors have put their names forward and there are two new candidates. The green voting paper will have nine names on it and you will be asked to vote for a maximum of seven people. The Count is staggered and I know you will be watching Mr Paxman on the Friday afternoon, making his exit pole predictions and following the Barley Swingometer!

Derek Heap

#### BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

Bank Holiday Weekend

May 2nd, 3rd & 4th.

22nd ANNUAL MODEL EXHIBITION

Homemade refreshments are on sale during the three days, come and visit and enjoy some time away from home. Details from Chris % 691850.

Monday (1st & 3rd) CRAFT GROUP: 1-3pm.  
Check with Valerie for classes %691850  
YOUNG FARMERS: Monday evenings.

% Chairman Alex Nutter 07896 598811  
KEEP FIT: 8pm weekly circuit training.

John %0611517.

Tuesday (2nd & 4th) PENDLE PATCHERS 1-5 pm. Call in if you would like to see what we do. Audrey %0613280

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

Thursday am PILATES Tracy %07773 785904  
LINE DANCING:

**Beginners** 7pm - suitable for all ages & abilities.

**Intermediate/advanced** 8pm. for further information or come along and join us.

Sally-Anne %0541303

**BADMINTON:** John %0611517

The Annual meeting for the Hall will be held on Wednesday 17th June  
Please put this date in your diary.

## 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



There should have been an envelope within this 'News'. They will be collected between 10th & 16th May

**Defibrillators.** As mentioned last month one is due to be fitted to the Bay Horse Roughlee very shortly and the other two for Barley & Newchurch are in the NHS queue for release. We are still working on finding Community First Responders and intend to hold some form of event next month.

Goldshaw Booth  
Parish Council

At our March meeting the Council discussed the

Spen Brook Mill Variation of Conditions notice. We objected to specific changes to conditions and this item was on the agenda at Barrowford and Western Parishes meeting on April 1st. At the meeting, three of our Councillors spoke about our concerns.

The Chairman of B&WP proposed that the variation of conditions be granted because of the timescale and this was agreed. To say we were disappointed is an understatement.

Planning Application 13/15/0110P Douglas Hall Cottage. An inaccuracy regarding the vehicular access was noted and this has been notified to Pendle Planning Department.

Complaints have been made again with regard to dog fouling in and around the area - owners take notice! Pendle Environmental Action Group will be planting wild flower seeds in the Millennium Garden. There will not be an election for Parish Councillors in Goldshaw Booth as the number of persons nominated is fewer than the number of vacancies, this means there is one vacancy on the council.

Our next meeting, The Annual General Meeting, will commence at 6.30pm not 7pm on May 12th

Kathleen Wilkinson

## Local History Group

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

Special Event Wed 20th May 7.30pm

Barley Village Hall

Presentation by Les Hardy Countrywide expert in Historical Farm Buildings Entry £3

## MESSY CHURCH

Tuesday May 19; 3.30pm in Barley Village Hall.

## Pendleside Mothers Union

Pendle Deanery Festival May 12th at 7.30pm at St. Thomas' Barrowford

23rd May Walk a Mile at Morecambe  
"Fund Raising for a Caravan"

26th May at St. Annes Church Hall 2pm  
Speaker Karen Hawthorne

## ROUGHLEE

The number of interested parties for the forthcoming Parish Council Election did not exceed the number of places available. One of our midst was on an extended holiday and couldn't sign his papers. Technically there is still a vacancy if someone makes themselves known to me before

our AGM on May 11.

The vacancy will then be filled by co-option.

So, I am afraid that since the other six of us put ourselves forwards you are stuck with the same team. This could be construed in the positive way in that you are happy with what we have been doing. At the AGM we will "divi" the duties up amongst ourselves. As previously stated the Best Kept Village competition judging will commence on the 6th of June. With this in mind, we are going to move away from our traditional Saturday tidy-up and replace it with 2 EVENINGS on MAY 14th and May 21st, meeting at the Village Centre at 7pm. This we hope will generate more hands and maybe more of a social occasion, you never know, we might even have a pint afterwards. (orange juice of course). Prior to these two THURSDAY evenings, I would like to challenge clusters of residents to look after the public areas in their immediate vicinities, either by weeding, picking litter or even planting shrubs / flowers. Painting a few railings or sign posts in black is also on our list. It doesn't matter whether you are on Jinny Lane, Happy Valley, Dam Head, Crowtrees, Waterfall Cottages, Judson Fold, the Pub, Pasture Lane, Old Hall Close or Blacko Foot, if each of you does your own patch it will make a huge difference.

This leads me on to benches. The Parish Council does its bit, but a number of residents who have their own have requested that we do not maintain them, well, this is fine if they look after and repair them. Please do not be offended if we feel it necessary to take control of this, and ask for a contribution. The ball really is in your court!

The PC will take on some of the larger jobs, and, don't worry if you think the tourist map opposite the school has been stolen, fear not. It has been removed for restoration and updating.

Finally we have set Monday the 1st of June 8pm as the date for our Annual Parish Meeting, so once again a chance to find out what we do and have YOUR SAY.

Martin Schofield

## Roughlee Village Centre

As with most committees who are coming up to annual meetings, it's time just to reflect on what we have achieved over the year. The whole essence of what we do is to maintain and improve the fabric of the building and my thanks go to all the team who helped and supported it. Hopefully you may have a little look on polling day and appreciate what a fine facility it is - for events and for any

PLANTS

ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE

Crafts

Pottery - Portraits - Cards - Jewellery - Fashions etc.

FARMERS MARKET

Butcher - Cheese - Pies etc.

Novelty Dog Show

Organised & Sponsored by Linda Croft House Centre, 01682 747900



Bar - BBQ - Café - Cakes

Sunday May 10

Roughlee Village Centre From 12 noon FREE admission Further details / Enquiries: Glen 07849 774338

private hires. It is there for all to use and enjoy. Our AGM takes place on Tuesday May 5 at 7.30pm and if you'd like to join us, you will be made very welcome.

## SundayFunDay on June 7.

More details next month. James Starkie  
St. Mary's Church Fundraising Committee.  
The next meeting of this group will be on Monday 12th May at 7pm in St. Mary's School. All are welcome to attend this meeting and we are always pleased to hear of new fund-raising ideas. The meeting will be followed by the May meeting of the PCC at 7.30pm

The next Fund Raising events are:  
Organ Recital and Afternoon Tea. Sunday 17 May.  
St. Mary's Church 2.30pm. Tickets £5

Roughlee Village Centre Committee requires a  
**COMMITTEE MEMBER**  
to join our group for the general running of events throughout the year but especially to oversee all aspects of health & safety to include risk assessments, food & fire regulations etc.  
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