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St. Mary's Church Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR



The Vicars Letter

Followers of the Way

As you read the title, I wonder what pops into your head. It may depend on if you're a science fiction fan or not and have been watching the TV shows The Mandalorian and the Book of Boba Fett. For those of you who haven't a clue what I mean let me explain. Both TV shows are spin offs from the Star Wars franchise and the Mandalorian appears in both. During both shows the Mandalorian wrestles with the rules of the Mandalore and often you hear the phrase 'This is the Way'.

Every time I watch an episode this makes me smile as in the bible in the Book of Acts early followers of Christ were referred to as 'Followers of The Way'. It is presumed that they referred to themselves as followers of the Way because of Jesus' statement in John 14:6 that he is 'the way and the truth and the life'. This title didn't stick and the reasons for that and the title Christians becoming the one we are all used to is another article in itself!

"In the TV series I'm not giving anything away by reflecting on the fact that the Mandalorian thinks deeply on what it means for him to follow the Way. During March Lent begins (2nd March) a time for many Christians to ponder on what their faith means to them.

That's why they undertake to do a Lent Course. This year our Lent Course will be based on the Monty Python film 'The Life of Brian'. There's a showing of the film on Thursday 3rd March at 7pm in St Thomas Church Barrowford and then Zoom sessions on Monday evenings at 7.30pm beginning on the 7th March. If you want to know more get in touch with Revd Julie or Revd David.

According to Stephen Mattson an American Christian writer there are 13 questions that people who follow the Christian faith and those who are exploring it ask.

I've listed them below.

Why not spend some time this Lent asking yourself how you would answer the questions? You might like to share your answers with other Christians you know, or you might like to talk about them if you come to a church service.

- What is salvation?
- 2. Do I own my faith?
- 3. Can I trust the Bible?
- 4. How do biblical texts apply to modern society?
- 5. Who is God?
- 6. Why does God allow bad things to happen?
- 7. Why is God so morbidly violent in the Old Testament?
- 8. How does free will affect my faith?
- 3. How can you believe in something that can't be scientifically proven?
- 10. What makes Christianity different than any other religion?
- 11. How has my faith been influenced?
- 12. Am I using my faith to serve another agenda?
- 13. What is the point of following Christ?

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

Three storms, near blizzard conditions and torrential rain! Spring has perhaps never seemed so far from being sprung, but, here we are determined to enjoy the promise of longer days and daffodils.... Whatever the weather!

Firstly, a big thank you to former Parish Councillors Andy Cowell and Carl Ryder for their service to the Community. Although Andy (of Spenbrook) has very much been a behind the scenes contributor over the last few months he has provided valuable guidance and he continues to contribute to GBPC where he can; offering insight, checking the Spenbrook defibrillator and supporting us with the website. Similarly, thank you to Carl Ryder who has also been part of the Parish Council for a number of years. More of an upfront contributor Carl (of Newchurch) has more recently been involved in events and, of course, Parish maintenance (the mowing of the playing field etc.). Thank you both so much.

One of the notable things about Goldshaw Booth Parish is the enormous wealth and diversity of characters. From the behind the scenes, to the quietly heroic, to the larger than life - each of us, individually, holds an important place in the Community and, combined, can offer a wealth of experience, a library of knowledge, an array of skills, a tsunami of enthusiasm and a quiet respect - together, Community.

We have seen this in lively debate, in the Community coming together to; grit roads, clear gullies (a massive thank you to Antony and the group of Osborne Terrace residents for their work in this), to reporting issues, to supporting the school and the Church, to anonymous donations, to the planning of events, to the attending of events (in the chucking down rain!), to checking on each other in power-cuts, snow, floods, in illness and during the threat of illness.

Through all of these acts, individual and collective, we are reminded that the positive will always outway the negative and that truly #communitymatters!

And what better way to celebrate this and the dawning of a brighter, freer and healthier future than with a gathering and some chocolate?



Pic-nic at the Park!.... Easter Sunday will see a celebration of friends and Community with food, games, music and merriment - watch this, and the GBPC FB group, spaces for more information.

One of the driving forces of the recently (re)formed Events Committee is Anthony Dawson (who is also, apparently, close friends with both Santa and the Easter Bunny!). Anthony so loved his work as part of the Committee that he recently went on to join the Parish Council (I have been remiss in welcoming him so far so apologies for that). As well as taking part in general Parish Council duties Anthony will continue with the Events Committee (providing a valuable link between the two) and, is part of the Platinum Jubilee Committee involved in the organising of the 2nd of June celebration.

Would you also like to help represent your Community and to support its continued growth? As we saw above, we now have 2 Parish Councillor vacancies. Notices have been displayed on the notice boards (and the website) for further information, but as an insight; being a Parish Councillor takes commitment, time and enthusiasm for the Community. It means finding solutions whilst being mindful of Community wishes and expense. It can be challenging at times but, overall, is hugely rewarding.

You are aware of the achievements of GBPC in recent months and over the years, and there are still some potentially exciting projects to help bring to fruition: community garden (incl. reviving the BBQ area), woodland improvements and education boards, pond/wetland area and community indoor space - as well as the more usual Council business and upkeep. If this interests you please email clerk@gold-shawbooth.org.uk for more information or contact myself for a chat.

Ongoing Parish projects include the improved play equipment and Access-4-All to the park/play area.

Initial findings from the topography report for Access-4-All are encouraging.



We will keep you posted through the usual channels as and when things develop. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could make some significant progress before the Pic-nic on the Park!

So as we look forward to those longer days, to spending more time outside, to enjoying more sunshine.... to bumping into and catching up with neighbours, to gathering in celebration and becoming friends, let's take a moment to be grateful for where we live, for all that we have and for the Spring that will, inevitably, come.

As always, you can keep up to date with news, events and projects (and inform us of any issues and ideas you may have) on the Goldshaw Booth Parish Council Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/ groups/915228842660833.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Kind regards,

Ainsley Macadam

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Next Parish Council Meeting

(please check social distancing/ requirements nearer the time):

Tuesday 8th March 2022, 7pm, Barley Village Hall

Copies of Meeting Agendas & Minutes from Previous Meetings (etc.):

www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Planning Applications:

No planning applications at the time of writing.

www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

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Newchurch Notices

A holiday let has been opened at Number 5 in the village and the owner has asked that if anyone has any questions or needs to get in contact, you can contact them on

liam@fivescottage.co.uk

Newchurch Primary School



Friends of Newchurch School are pleased to announce a fundraiser for St Mary's Primary Academy Newchurch-in-Pendle in conjunction with EQ Woman of Clitheroe. We will be holding a fashion show at the Pendle Inn on **Thursday 28th April 2022.**

Featuring:



- fashion and styling ideas from EQ Woman
- · music from our resident DJ Natalie
- fabulous food from the Pendle Inn

It really is an event not to be missed! Tickets are just £12 and all money raised will go straight to our wonderful school.

For tickets, please contact Laura Standring, Hailey Hermanson or Joanne Hunt (joanne@underpendle.com)

Tickets are also available from the Pendle Inn and the Cabin



What's On

Barley WI

The Barley Women's Institute meet on the first Wednesday of the month at the Village Hall. In February we had a great evening in the company of Malkin Morris Dancers and in March we have a demonstration on Felting. Each month is very different. We have a great age span from 20 somethings to 80 somethings so ladies please come along and spend an evening with us and try before you buy.



In September this year Barley WI celebrate 80 years since its formation and we have held our meetings at the Barley Village Hall ever since!

Pendle Forest History Group

Wednesday 16th March 2022 7.30pm at Barley Village Hall.

A talk by Linda Sawley

"Where did that come from?"

The origins of commonly used phrases. Members £2.00, Visitors £3.00

Email: pendleforesthistory@gmail.com

Pendle Patchers

Pendle Patchers will be meeting on Tuesday 8th and Tuesday 22nd March at Barley Village hall from 1.00pm onwards. Anyone is welcome to come along, just to meet us and have a brew or bring some sewing or knitting craft and join us for the afternoon. If you want to know any more about us, please contact Gil Beeke

tel. 01282 602449 email : gilbeeke@btinternet.com.





Roughlee Village Centre - Dates for 2022

Sat 2nd April Race Night Fri 29-Sat 30 April Beer & Gin Festival charity event Pendleside Platinum Jubilee Thu 2 June Sat 18 June Pendle Pubwalk Sat 13 August **Duck Race** Sun 30 Ocober Pendle Halloween Festival Sat 5 November Witch Wines Fri 2 December Dickensian Christmas Fayre Sat 17 December Roughlee Christmas Boogie

Full details will be advertised at www.roughlee.org.uk

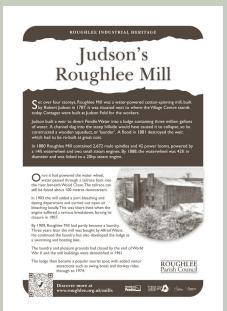
Don't forget! RVC is available for hire to private events at very reasonable prices. See the website for further details or call Gail on 01282 696997.

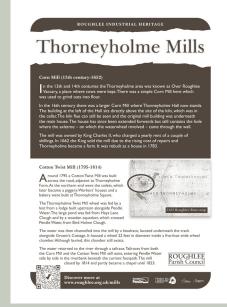
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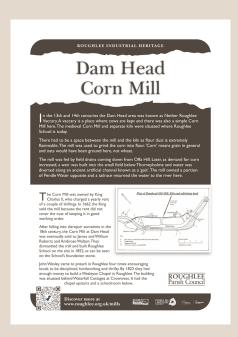
First I have to report the very sad loss of Councillor Linda Crossley. Linda, a member of Pendle Borough Council, was for many years the Chairman of the Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee and was always very supportive of Roughlee and the other Pendleside villages. In particular she was committed to protecting the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and other countryside areas. Linda will be greatly missed.

Now that the pandemic seems to be on the wane the Parish Council have decided to support a restart of the village Luncheon Club but with a slightly different arrangement. Traditionally the Luncheon Club has provided an opportunity for more senior members of our local communities to meet and enjoy a lunch at the Village Centre. Even before the virus restrictions numbers attending the lunches were in decline and on occasions the catering arrangements became problematic. It is now suggested that the lunches will be moved to the Bay Horse where a subsidised modest charge will be levied on Roughlee residents. Residents of other local communities will be charged a little extra. It is expected that the new arrangements will begin in March on Thursdays on a twice monthly basis and will be continued if there are sufficient numbers attending. Please look out for further details or contact Gail who will continue as the main Luncheon Club organiser.

We are now making real progress on the Roughlee Industrial Heritage project and the three history plaques should be in place within the next few weeks. With great assistance from the Pendle Forest History Group the plaques have been designed and written by Mary Reed and Simon Cronshaw. An example of the plaques is below.







You can see them in more detail here: www.roughlee.org.uk/mills

A routine review of the defibrillator on the front wall of the Bay Horse showed that it was now due for replacement. A new updated model has recently been fitted with assistance from the North West Ambulance Service. Thanks are due to Meg Davey and Adam Marshal for their hard work in making this happen.

A couple of ongoing matters to report. The Roughlee Village Centre Committee is drawing up a new constitution which will clarify its relationship to the Parish Council. Things should be sorted out in the near future.

Finally the planning application for some 257 houses with access off Pasture Lane has been the subject of a massive number of objections including from Roughlee Parish Council. So far the application has not been decided and will be the subject of a Committee report in due course. We will continue to put forward objections when it goes to the Committee.

Andrew Walker

Pendleside Jubilee

As the Jubilee event creeps ever closer, our preparations continue.

We are expecting a large number of visitors and we are hoping that local businesses would like to be involved in the day.

We have a variety of sponsorship packages on offer, which will enable us to put on the very best show possible. All profits made from the day will be split between the three villages of Barley, Roughlee and Newchurch-in-Pendle.

We are looking for a sponsor of the Show Ring!

The show ring is where all the day's activities will be taking place and is a main focus of the event. With this sponsorship package, you will also get a full page advert in our programme which will be on sale to all visitors.

You can get a stall and float thrown into the package too.

There will be publicity available – across all local Facebook groups plus our very own Pendleside Platinum Jubilee group.

If you would like to sponsor the event on a smaller scale, we have adverts available in our programme, with prices starting from just £10 for a simple business listing on the back page, all the way up to a full page advert!

We are pleased to announce that we currently have 2 main sponsors for the day. Codus IT and North Valley Metals have both pledged their support and we would like to say a huge thank you to them both.



Barley Parish Council

In the last newsletter and I lamented that the roaring 20's of one hundred years ago was not being repeated yet – then the weather changed and it has certainly been roaring. As you know we have had storm after storm bringing gale force winds, rain and snow in February. With wind speeds exceeding 45mph it has been a great time to fly your kite or settle in front of the television to watch the Beijing winter Olympics.

The weather has brought the now familiar flooding to Barley New Road. I attach a couple of photographs below showing the flooding, the left-hand side taken in February 2020 and the right side on 20 February 2022 – and there has been a few occasions in between



The Council have discussed the flooding and the tipping of materials on the embankment above the road in Boothman Wood – the height of the embankment has been raised by circa 2m in places and this is very obvious from the road. It is estimated hundreds of tonnes of material have been tipped in the woods and the Council think this might have damaged existing land drains and blocked highway drains leading to the repeated flooding. Blocked drains would have led to the

largest pond in the woods overflowing in January had it not been for the prompt action of the landowner when made aware of the situation; that could have washed tonnes of debris down on to the road.



The Council obviously considers this to be a serious matter as the regular flooding is clearly a hazard to users of the road, especially those who drive at speed on there, and it will be further damaging the unstable embankment which the road sits on. We have been in contact with the Borough Councilor's and they are aware of the situation and we wait to see if anything is done in relation to the tipping of materials and the obvious drainage problems.

Other things the Council is currently dealing with includes progressing parking restrictions on the Turning Circle (sign posts were erected last week), playground repairs are planned in March and we will be replacing the village defibrillator with a new one soon. As I reported in the last edition, PHLP and LCC are looking at undertaking some repair work on Heys Lane and I understand that some monies might be available this year. Finally, please be aware that the annual Stan Bradshaw fell race will be held in the village on 5th March.

Barley Village Hall

Barley Village Hall is open for hire! It's been a strange few months but we are open and have our regular groups using the hall every week. If you ever want to book the hall for a social event such as birthdays, christenings, weddings or various occasions then please feel free to email us.



We have various rooms to book and a kitchen to use if required.

The hall is the heart of the community. We will be investing in the hall over the coming year. If you would like to help out or join our committee then please let us know. You can contact us by emailing **barleyvillagehall@gmail.com**We have various rooms to book and a kitchen to use if required.

Competition

Each month I'll be posting a photo of an object in one of the three villages. If you can correctly guess where the picture was taken, you'll be entered into a draw to win a prize.



This month the prize is a £20 voucher to be spent at the Barley Mow in Barley. If you think you know where the picture to the left was taken, email me with your answer at

lee@underpendle.com and we'll draw your name out of a hat!

If you'd like to sponsor a monthly competition - please do get in touch!

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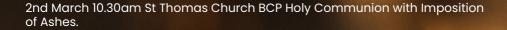
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St Mary's Church

Our 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.

Services at St. Mary's in March



6th March 9.30am BCP Holy Communion

13th March 9.30am Common Worship Holy Communion

20th March 9.30am BCP Holy Communion

27th March 9.30am A Service of the Word for Mothering Sunday.

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