

Parish News

Barley - Newchurch - Roughlee - Sabden Fold - Spenbrook

April 2018



St. Mary's Church

Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

Julie's Letter

Holy Fools

Easter Day this year falls on 1st April also known as April Fool's Day.

In his letter to the Corinthians Saint Paul says, 'For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.' (1 Corinthians: 18 NRSV).

And yet this message of the cross, for all its foolishness, is the very essence of our Christian identity. This is who we are. It may be foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God.

No one in their right mind would believe that anything good could come from the crucifixion of their leader. But that's precisely what the early Christians boldly proclaimed.

Saint Paul looked at the cross of Jesus differently because he saw it through the lens of the resurrection (Romans 6:8-10). He, along with others, recognised that something new and wildly powerful happened when Jesus died and rose from the dead. It was the dawn of God's new creation that Jesus will one day bring to completion. Until then, God calls us to live as new creation people joining Him in the process of making His renewed creation flourish in our corner of the world. That's not foolish at all!

Alleluia Christ is risen.

May the risen Lord Jesus watch over us and renew us as he renews the whole of creation. May our hearts and lives echo his love.

Happy Easter

Revd Julie



Barley Parish Council

Hi everyone, walking through the park it's lovely to see the colours of the crocus and all the daffodils ready to burst into flower and especially the lambs in the fields. Spring is arriving at last, my favourite time of the year.

Telegraph poles, not much to report on this issue as it's still ongoing, but we are still lobbying to reduce the number of telegraph poles in our beautiful country side. We have been assured by LCC that we will be kept informed of developments.

Potholes!!!! well what can I say, this is a local and national problem and there is not a lot we can do only wait for our turn to have them filled. We will just have to be patient until the County Council can fit us in, but what we can do is ask our lengths-man to put some temporary filling in the worst ones through the village and hope for the best.

Whilst on roads, the Council have agreed to buy in to and share a "Speed Indication Device" with our neighbouring parish councils. We will share it throughout the year and we hope to see lots of smiley faces as people drive through the village within the speed limit.

The parish council has agreed to donate £350 to the Table Tennis club so they can buy a new table. The Council has some limited powers to make a donation of public money to local clubs and events. The club meets each Tuesday in the church and is open to any villager who wants to join.

We are also looking for volunteers to come Balsam bashing in May/June when Sarah Robinson, from ANOB, will be bringing her volunteers to help us try and get rid of these invasive weeds. If anyone is interested please contact me, or any other member of the council, and we will let you know when the "bashing" sessions are planned.

On reading the Goldshaw Booth newsletter I think it's a great idea to have a wish list and we should develop one for Barley. This is something the parishioners and councillors can discuss at our annual meeting in May. I hope lots of you can attend to hear what we get up to and also air your views. Refreshments will be provided and it will be a good social night. Sue Statham

Barley Village Hall

CRAFT GROUP: 1- 3pm. 1st & 3rd Monday.
Contact Valerie. Tel: 691850

KEEP FIT: Monday.
Contact John Tel. 611517 for latest information

PENDLE PATCHERS. Tues 10th and 24th April.
Tel Audrey 613280

COFFEE & chat: Wed 11th April at 10am to 12 noon.

LINE DANCING: Thursday 7.00pm
Sally-Anne 541303

YOGA : every Thursday evening 7.30pm
Michelle 07710307563

PILATES every Thursday morning 10 - 11am.
Tracy 07773785904. BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

**ST.GEORGE'S DAY
DINNER
Barley Village Hall
SATURDAY 21ST APRIL 2018
ROAST BEEF OF OLD ENGLAND**

3 course meal £18 per person

(Bring your own drink)

Pendle Forest History Group

We are closing our website from the end of this month
If you wish to contact us please email:
joan@spenbrook.co.uk or wendy.stansfield@live.co.uk

Wednesday 18th April 7.30pm, Barley Village Hall

"The Pendle Radicals"

at talk by Nick Hunt

Recycling in Barley

Rod Statham has been recycling rags at Barley Village Hall for approximately 3yrs now and all monies go to the village hall. Rod has raised over £2,200. Please consider recycling this way and if you need help ring him on 01282 606770.

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

I am afraid the weather has been influencing the day to day running of the Parish more than normal this month, starting with the heavy snow resulting in Spenbrook Road being blocked on Thursday, 1 March. Normally, of course, we would have waited for Lancashire County Council to come and clear the road but as conditions were so severe, LCC were dealing only with the main roads and we were on our own. The Parish Council decided to employ some local contractors to clear the road and first thing on Friday 2 March they arrived with diggers and snow ploughs and did just that.

These weather events are rare, but the question of gritting roads within our Parish, especially around Sabden Fold, arises more often. We are getting understandable complaints from residents stating that it is no longer acceptable for people who do not live on a main road not to be able to travel unless they have a four wheel drive car. Some thought will be given about employing a private contractor to grit roads not covered by LCC. As this would lead to an increase in the precept, we would very much welcome residents' views on this subject.

370 trees should have been planted on Sunday 18th March in Sparable Wood, to replace those trees killed by ash die back as well as extend the wood. This was prevented by another snow fall and was postponed to the following Sunday, 25th March. We were delighted with the number of residents who had volunteered to help with the planting and I hope that the event takes place as planned and volunteers are again willing to assist. The remaining 50 saplings are to be planted by the children of St. Mary's School, hopefully on 22nd March.

There has been some vandalism to the pond in Sparable Wood, which has led to Jim Tunstill who is the public spirited resident who is rejuvenating it, undertaking unnecessary extra work to clear up the damage. The Parish Council and other volunteers like Jim are doing their best to improve the area and it is dispiriting when other people do not share our sense of community spirit.

We are hoping for a better showing this year in the Best Kept Village Competition, with Sabden Fold being entered for the first time, so all the hamlets in the Parish are being represented. If anyone has any ideas of showing the area at its best then please let us know. Kathleen Wilkinson kindly agreed to be the competition co-ordinator.

Chris Burt

St. Mary's C of E Academy

Hello everyone,

What a fast and furious 2018 we have had so far...

The year began with our KS2 children enjoying a Shakespeare workshop given by teachers from Marsden Heights Community College. The tale of Macbeth brought witches and a gory murder to life in good Shakespearian fashion.

Once again we collaborated with Roughlee Primary to celebrate Education Sunday in St Mary's church. During the service we thanked everyone who is involved in educating children and celebrated all the different ways people learn. It is always enjoyable when our schools work together.

At the beginning of February, a coach from Burnley College came into school to teach the children boxing. Both pupils and staff learned some useful techniques and thoroughly enjoyed their sessions. See our Facebook page for pictures.

A Pobble Launch Day took place after half term. Pobble makes writing ridiculously exciting! Teachers can use the Pobble platform to find the best teaching resources, give pupils a global audience for their work, and to assess writing. Our pupils are really excited about their writing being published on a global platform.

Whilst Mr Duxbury has been recuperating following a knee operation, Mr Michael Jackson has been our replacement caretaker. As Mr Duxbury is now due to return to work, we would like to express our gratitude to Michael for looking after St Mary's during this period.

Despite our best efforts school had to close for four days due to heavy snow and impassable roads. Hopefully spring is on its way.

Wishing everybody a happy Easter, Mrs P Nightingale.

Roughlee Parish Council

As I write this News another arctic blast is ripping through Roughlee. Not, I hope, as bad as the last one in early March but certainly not Spring-like. Quite a few of us struggled in the snow and I would like to record thanks to those of our local farming community who helped to keep the village moving. It was a difficult time for all concerned but help was provided with cheerful willingness.

As a consequence of the foul weather the annual village Spring Clean organised by FORA, originally arranged for 4th March, was postponed to the following weekend. Even so the event was well supported by villagers and a huge amount of litter collected. Thanks to all involved.

We learned recently that the planning appeal to extend Pendle Leisure Park to provide additional caravan plots has been dismissed. The proposal was to extend the site towards the south-east which would have meant much greater visual intrusion into the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The Parish Council submitted a strong objection to the proposal and it is pleasing to see that the Planning Inspector agreed with our concerns.

Attempts to repair a key local footpath route have made some progress. The route in question runs along the west bank of Pendle Water and is an important link between Roughlee and Barley. It is heavily used by both local people and visitors. The section between Thoneytholme (in Roughlee) and Whitehough (in Barley) has suffered major collapse in three areas due to the river undermining the retaining walls and repairs could well be costly. There are a number of bodies involved in looking after this route with the danger that nobody takes responsibility and nothing happens. To make progress we have suggested a joint approach with Barley Parish Council. This has been well received and is being supported by Councillor James Starkie. The aim is to bring together the responsible bodies and potential funders to put together a package which will see the footpath repaired.

Most of you will have received your Council Tax demand from Pendle Borough Council. This includes the precept for your Parish services. The aim this year was to achieve a stand-still budget which has resulted in a modest decrease in the precept charge for Roughlee. For future years the Parish Council intend to review our level of services and

improvement schemes at an earlier stage of the budget cycle. The Annual Meeting of the Parish (reminder, 11th June 2018) is your opportunity to engage with this process.

Andrew Walker

Roughlee C of E School

Throughout the Spring Term school has continued with it's refurbishment project, with all children benefitting from new classroom furniture, additional iPads and laptops. A new 65" touchscreen Activpanel has also been installed in the Infant classroom. School had great fun participating in the NSPCC's Number Fun Day, which included the children playing a vast range of mathematical games and solving problems in a practical manner. The children also explored a variety internet safety topics as part of our Safer Internet Day activities. School celebrated World Book Day, with the children dressing up as their favourite book character and participating in various reading activities. Some children also attended school in their pyjamas, as school focused on educating the children about the detrimental impact of using electronic devices before bed. The PAIS Team have delivered a wonderful and inspiring worship in school linked to our focused value on 'Forgiveness'. The Police have also visited school recently to discuss the importance of road safety with the children.

As part of our Drama Project the children are extremely excited about performing on stage at the Burnley Youth Theatre before the end of term.

Our very supportive and dedicated FORS team have organised various Easter competitions for the children, ranging from decorating eggs to creating Easter gardens/bonnets. Preparations for our FORS Summer Fair is already underway. We will be holding our end of term Awards' Service at St Mary's Church on Friday 23rd March 2018, at 09:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate the children's many successes. Mark Elliott

From Judy to Bette

THE STARS OF OLD HOLLYWOOD

"Perry shows off her knack for making everyone forget they're watching a one-woman show."

★★★★★
-Torontoist



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Judy Garland, Bette Davis, Lucille Ball, and Betty Hutton:
Trailblazers who refused to be "just another ingenue" during the golden age of Hollywood.
An evening of scandalous headlines and marvelous melodies!

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At the March meeting we heard about The Chitepani Trust, who help poor villagers who live in Nepal. The members have sent toothbrushes and knickers to the village. Audrey Wetherill gave a short update from her visit to the Lancashire Federation AGM and was inspired by the enthusiasm of Beth Tweddle (Olympic Gymnast) and Helen Sharman (First British Female Astronaut). Our monthly Masterclass was led by Sarah Hartley who demonstrated the art of making ladies corsages.

Forthcoming events are: A card craft masterclass and a breadmaking masterclass. The Dining group will be visiting Thai Basil in Skipton and the luncheon club will be at the Bay Horse Roughlee. The walking group will meet after Easter once the weather improves. The gardening team are meeting to tidy up the flower beds on Barley Green and are pleased to see all the bulbs planted last Autumn are now emerging.

A Date for everyone's diary is the Barley Show which will take place on the 8th July. The schedule will be released soon and we welcome entries from all the villages! New members of all ages are welcome at this friendly & fun group. Our next meeting is Cyber Security Talk by Stonehouse Logic on Wednesday 4th April.

Sally Anne Middleton - iansallyanne@icloud.com
Claire Milligan - s.c.milligan@talktalk.net
Janet Thornton - janetthornton.wi@btinternet.com

The 100 club draw on behalf of St Mary's Academy took place for March. Winners were:-

- Beth Hill with number 100, winning £25
- Kathryn Musso with number 37, winning £20
- Cameron Hill with number 16, winning £15

Thanks to everyone who supports the school with this. There are 10 numbers still available so anybody wishing to get involved with the fundraiser please contact Rosie Hudson on 07790 167590, or e-mail her at rosie.hudson@btopenworld.com

Barley Chapel

Our family friendly Sunday Service is at 10.30am. Refreshments afterwards and Sunday School for younger members.

Regular Activities

Monday fortnightly Bible Study
Sally Wilshaw 617978

Tuesday Table Tennis Jnrs 6.30 pm Snrs 7.30pm
Ian Bennett 543616

Thursday FOG club 6.30 to 7.30pm
Angie Hargreaves 605090

Minister Rev. David Edmondson 843064

Parish 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.uk

Council meetings are held at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall on 1st Wednesday in the month

Parish Council Chairman	Derek Heap	692264	derekheap1@gmail.com
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Goldshaw Booth (Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spenbrook) www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Council meetings are held at 7pm in St. Mary's School on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

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Roughlee Booth

www.roughlee.org.uk

Council meetings are held at 7pm in Roughlee Village Centre on the 1st Monday of the month.

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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.

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 modern hymns and a sermon for the young and not so young

4th Sunday: Holy Communion from contemporary service book with hymns and sermon

5th Sunday (when applicable) Morning Prayer from the Book of Common Prayer

MESSY CHURCH is held in Barley Village Hall at 3.30pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the Month

Services and Events at St. Mary's

30th March Good Friday. 11.00am. Reading of the Passion around Newchurch

Sunday April 1st. 9.30am. Easter Day Eucharist

The Annual Parish Meeting will be at 9.30am on Sunday 29th April with a short Morning Prayer

The Social Committee of St. Mary's Church will be reforming in May.
If you would like to join or you have any ideas to put forward for new events you would be most welcome please contact:

Chris Widdas 01282 699580 or chriswiddas@gmail.com

Advance notice

The Lambing Service will be at Ruth Nutter's Farm, Sabden Fold
on Saturday 12th May.

It will be Revd Julie's first Lambing Service.

Toby James Hermansen was Christened on Mothering Sunday
Toby we welcome you

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WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

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