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



Curate's Thoughts

In school this week, I asked the children what they would like to pray about. It didn't come as much of a surprise that the word on all their lips was "Ukraine". At their prompting we prayed for peace, for safety for the people of Ukraine, that they have enough food to eat and water to drink, and that we can help them. All very much as I would perhaps have expected.

But then, out of the silence, a 7-year old voice piped up:

"Lord, please don't let the war get any bigger, as we don't want World War 3. Amen."

Amen, indeed. For me, this was a truly heart-stopping moment, reinforcing how much this terrible and pitiless war – taking place over 1,500 miles away – is affecting us and touching us personally. In under a month it has come to dominate all our thoughts and prayers, even those of a 7-year old in rural East Lancashire.

Noticeably absent from their prayers, however, was one set of people, people who need our prayers as much as anyone else. And those are the aggressors – by which I don't just mean the Russian soldiers, sailors and airmen, but also their leaders, their Generals and Admirals and, yes, even President Putin himself.

Back in the darkest days of World War 2, CS Lewis – best remembered today as the author of "The Chronicles of Narnia" but also a noted theologian – wrote about the difficulty of praying for one's enemies:

"When you pray for Hitler and Stalin, how do you actually teach yourself to make the prayer real?"

He suggested that there were two things that helped him. First, he constantly remembered that in praying we are "only joining our feeble little voice" to the ever-lasting involvement of Christ, "who died for those very men". Because we can be in no doubt that Christ is there; he is not simply standing back, watching cruelties being inflicted from afar. He's there in the bombed-out cellars of Mariupol; the shattered hospitals of Kyiv and Kharkiv; He's bringing comfort to the wounded, the dying, the homeless and the dispossessed. It was for this very purpose – to share our pain and ease our suffering – that God took on human form and suffered the cruellest of deaths on the cross. And in rising from the grave on the first Easter morning, He gave us hope to sustain us through the darkest of days.

Secondly, Lewis faced up to the uncomfortable truth that each and every one of us has the ability to be cruel and to sin. He argued that, under different circumstances, any of us might have developed into "something terrible" – another Stalin, a Hitler, a Putin. He concluded that, at bottom, we are not "so different from these ghastly creatures". It's a truly sobering thought that, in praying for our enemies, we are also praying for ourselves and what we might have become, had things been different:

Merciful Lord,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for the leaders of every nation, that you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice and truth.

We pray for our enemies, and those who wish us harm, that you will turn the hearts of all to kindness and compassion.

We pray for the wounded and the captive, the grieving and the homeless, that in all their trials they may know your love and support. Amen.

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

As we listen to the early morning choir of birds and lambs we might also be fortunate to catch site of the boundless young deer which visit the Parish on a near daily basis and to realise what a Spring it is!....

Let's hope it continues...

The Parish gardens are springing back to life with primrose, daffodils, strawberries and herbs, and the first bees of the season are making their rounds. Thank you to Ruth and Kathleen for tending the flower boxes over winter and to Ruth for sharing her plant knowledge with those who are looking to help as Goldshaw Booth explores more sustainable living. Thanks also to Caroline for coming forward with ideas for the Community Garden and for ways forward with Sparable Wood.

The Newchurch Park Access-4-All project is progressing well and provides the opportunity to consider areas of Communal Garden. Already we have the fruit trees which the Community planted in the Park last year, plus we have donations of blackcurrant, gooseberry and rhubarb ready to plant. At the next meeting we will be looking at the Community's wants and needs for vegetable gardens, herbs, wildflower areas and potentially bee hives. Feel free to let us know your thoughts and ideas, either at the meeting or through the Goldshaw Booth Parish Council FB page.

We will also be looking at introducing educational elements to the Sparable Wood area and potentially working with St. Mary's school to complement their Forest School projects.

As part of the Community projects we are looking for volunteers to help paint the Newchurch Park play equipment which is remaining (in readiness to complement the new equipment) and to help create the Communal Gardens etc. - all in exchange for tea and cake!

Thank you to residents for observing the dog ban in Newchurch Park. Based on representations made by the Community last year, the Parish Council voted to protect the Park area for children (in-line with other play areas), and to retain dog access to Sparable Wood and the Football Pitch areas. The refurbishment of Sparable Lane has made walkers access (and the avoidance of the park for dogs) much easier.



On Easter Sunday (17th April) residents, friends and neighbours are invited to the Easter Extravaganza! on Newchurch Park for; games, a nature treasure trail, tea & cake, cookie fun and more! - please see the advert adjacent (many thanks to Chloe for the artwork).

The Newchurch Village

Easter Eggstravaganza

April 17th
At the shed at the bottom of the park
From 12pm

Activities Include

- Newchurch treasure trail quiz
- Cake and sweet treats stall
- Easter cookie decorations
- Hot drinks available
- Egg & spoon race

Donations of baked goods for the cake stall will be greatly appreciated.
Newchurch treasure trail will be £1 to enter.
All funds made will go into future events.

A cartoon illustration of a pink rabbit wearing a green shirt and a yellow skirt, standing next to a row of five decorated Easter eggs. The eggs are in various colors (yellow, pink, blue, green) and have different patterns and designs on them.

Preparations for the Platinum Jubilee celebration continue. It's incredible how much hard work residents of Goldshaw Booth, Barley and Roughlee are putting into the event! It promises to be something special and I know many people are looking forward to seeing it all come together. Join us for the fancy dress procession - kings, queens, princesses and knights in shining armour are all welcome! (Please see the FB page for more information Pendleside Platinum Jubilee

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/866141237381629>.

If all this sounds fun and you'd like to help drive some of these projects (and more) forward why not join the Parish Council?

There are Notices placed on the Parish Notice Boards or you can contact Heather at clerk@goldshawbooth.org.uk

for more information. Being a Parish Councillor takes commitment, time and enthusiasm for the Community but, equally, you can help support the Parish Council as a volunteer in projects of your own interest.

And, last but not least... a BIG thank you to Barley Parish Council and the kind individuals who contributed to the Pendle Swimming Initiative for St. Mary's school children.

The children have been collecting their vouchers and will be benefitting from extra swimming soon. Thank you.

Kind regards,

Ainsley Macadam
s.a.macadam786@btinternet.com

Next Parish Council Meeting

(please check social distancing/requirements nearer the time)

Tuesday 12th April 2022, 7.15pm, Barley Village Hall

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

www.goldshawbooth.org.uk



Planning Applications:

22/0060/FUL | Full:

Demolition of existing barns/cattle sheds and the conversion of the redundant agricultural barn into four dwellings including the re-routing of the existing access road, erection of a garage block and the removal of 2 trees and the reduction of 25% of the canopy in the remaining tree. | Sabden Old Hall Farm Well Head Road Newchurch In Pendle Lancashire BB12 9LR

A link for further details of any planning applications can be found here:

www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council Facebook page

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

Newchurch Notices

**Service in Memory Of
David Groombridge**

Friends and neighbours who would like to say farewell to Dave and to celebrate his life are invited to attend.

**St Thomas C of E Church
Wheatley Lane Road
Barrowford**

Friday 10th June 2022 at 11 o'clock

**Wake: Fence Gate
Wheatley Lane Road,
Fence**

**Please text R.S.V.P to
Rachael:
07984 730682**

PARISH OF GOLDSHAW BOOTH

Newchurch in Pendle · Sabden Fold · Spenbrook

Ideal for those wanting new experiences, to build their CV and to contribute to the Community

Goldshaw Booth is the Parish of Newchurch-in-Pendle with the hamlets of Spenbrook and Sabden Fold. We are approximately 1 mile from the Barrowford-Padiham bypass at the Fence junction. The Parish has a population of approx. 220 villagers.

We are a Parish rich in natural resources and ideas, and have plans to make the most of our opportunities for the Community.

To help us achieve this we are looking for a Clerk to the Parish Council.

Hours: approx. 3 hrs weekly (inc. monthly meetings - no meeting in December)

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of each month 7.15pm

Remuneration: £1404 per annum.

Overall Responsibilities

To be accountable to the Council (and legislation) for the record keeping of its resources and business.

To be responsible for the upkeep of the Council's financial records.

For further information please email

**Ainsley Macadam (Chair of Goldshaw Booth Parish Council) at
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Newchurch Primary School



We have enjoyed a very active and fun filled half term.

Our strong relationship with the Pendle Sports Partnership has further developed now that most COVID restrictions have been relaxed. All of our pupils have taken part in UV dodgeball and extra dance sessions. Our football team have continued to play games at Fisher Moore and our Year 4 pupils have taken part in an Indoor Athletic Competition – all of these events have been organised by the Sports Partnership and facilitated by Mr Whittaker. Thank you.



Our Gardening Club recommenced after half term – there has been a lot of weed-ing and planting seeds all with big smiles on our faces– gardening is good for the soul, thank you Pete and Gin.

We had a special visitor on 17th March – Paraolympian Beverley Jones, who had competed at four Olympic Games in the Discuss event. She talked to the children about her sporting experience, the basic skills of her sport and their progress through to more difficult skills. Beverley also discussed with the children the four key elements of SUCCESS: Teamwork, Responsibility, Communication and Creativity.

Wishing you a happy Easter, Mrs Nightingale.

Friends of Newchurch



Our fashion show which is taking place on Thursday 28th April now has extremely limited availability! Thank you so much to everybody that has bought tickets!

It promises to be a fantastic night. We have all the latest fashion looks provided by EQ Woman in Clitheroe plus the wonderful food provided by the Pendle Inn.

Raffle tickets will be on sale at the event, and we have a variety of prizes all very kindly donated by local businesses and local community.

Ashton & Lea Golf Club have very generously donated a round of golf for 4 people which we are holding an auction for. Please visit the Friends of Newchurch School facebook page for the link to bid on this great prize.

If you are unable to attend but would still like to purchase a raffle ticket, please contact Laura Standring, Hailey Hermansen or Joanne Hunt.

100 Club

The 100 club results for school for March were:

1st Prize £25 No.75 Thomas Moffett

2nd Prize £20 No. 72 Gail Procter

3rd Prize £15 No. 67 Sharon Barnes.

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.

Last month was correctly guessed as the Postbox in Newchurch by the entrance to St Mary's Church! Congratulations Helen Norris! A £20 Voucher is winging it's way to you!

This month the prize is a £20 voucher to be spent at the Bay Horse in Roughlee. If you think you know where the picture to the right 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!

Pendleside Jubilee

Pendleside Platinum Jubilee Thursday 2nd June

As the Jubilee is fast approaching, we have more exciting details to reveal about the Pendleside Jubilee celebrations.

The day event will include wonderful entertainment suitable for all the family. This includes:

- Parade of Floats
- Children's Fancy Dress parade
- Punch and Judy
- Face painting
- Stalls
- The "real" village people!
- A variety of food options
- It's a Knockout
- Birds of Prey plus much more.....



Please do join our Facebook page search for to keep up to date with all the latest details just search for the Pendleside Platinum Jubilee group.

We hope you can all join us on this fantastic occasion



Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership

The Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership is now in its final year of operation, but we still have lots to do and news to report on.

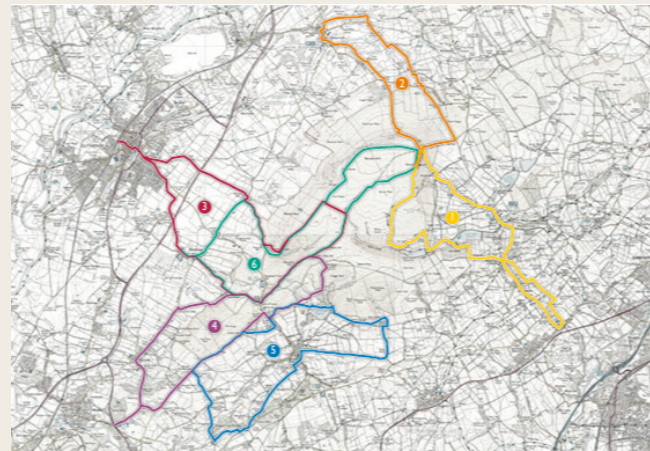
We are very aware of the increased number of visitors to Pendle Hill, particularly since Covid. One of our objectives has always been to 'spread' this pressure around the wider landscape and to offer activities and opportunities for visitors and residents in areas and villages other than just Pendleside.

To this end, we're producing a new printed walking series: 'Walking the Pendle Hill Landscape'. The new series includes 12 new routes graded from easy to difficult which explore the villages around the hill as well as 5 routes to the summit. The new series aims encourage visitors to think about an alternative route to the summit or be inspired to try a valley or village walk with wonderful views of the hill.

The new series will be in print from Easter 2022. It can also be viewed on our project website and via the Outdoor Active app now!

<https://www.pendlehillproject.com/explore-walking>

'Summit Else' walking routes in the Pendle Hill Landscape



We have also been busy planting trees and hedgerows this spring. Volunteers helped at two local farms in Roughlee, planting hundreds of hedgerow plants. In addition we created over 800m of new hedge near Higham and laid over 150m at Overhouses Farm. This will all have a really positive impact on the landscape and wildlife of the area.

We have also continued with a woodland management scheme for United Utilities up at Ogden Reservoir over the winter: improving the woodland for wildlife.

This summer our volunteers will be back out removing Himalayan balsam again: and you are VERY welcome to join them! For all enquiries please contact us at pendlehill.lp@lancashire.gov.uk

Barley Parish Council

I have been covering Covid in the newsletter since CV started so an update is due. Travel restrictions have been removed in the UK, there is little regulation left (only guidance) and so if you have it, there is nothing to stop you going out and about and spreading it – except your conscience. No surprise then that 1m cases were officially reported last week plus those who did not bother reporting. Of course, the good news is that for those vaccinated it should be no more than a bad cold; it was for me recently. However, for some it will be acute and for others chronic with long covid a proven reality, so as I have said before, still be careful out there.

Spring weather is about and as mixed as ever. Last weekend we had temperatures of nearly 20°C and at the time of writing it is snowing. Along with the daffodils and the blossom we have a new addition to spring this year – Valais blacknose sheep. They are a Swiss breed providing wool and the occasional home for mint sauce but most of all they are good lookers so watch out for them, but beware they have a vicious bite!

The Council considered a planning application to develop Cross Lane Farm at our last meeting; this is the white house on the rhs as you climb the hill to Newchurch. It has a prominent position overlooking Barley and is one of the most visible properties in the area. The application is to almost double the size of the existing dwelling and for the extension to be predominantly glass.



Whilst the building is probably in need of renovation there will be some considerations for the borough councilor's planning department to make.

I have just attended a meeting of the Barrowford & WP Committee at which the waste tipping at Boothman Wood and the related road flooding were discussed. The outcome was not wholly conclusive but the matters are now on the Borough Council's radar.

The process of introducing parking enforcement on the turning circle is still painfully slow but enforcement signs have now been erected (they are covered by bags) and we are awaiting the delivery of supporting IT equipment. Similarly slow burn for resident parking.

Please be aware that the annual Pendle Fell race will be held in the village on 2nd April.

Finally, the Council would like to congratulate one of our members, Daniel Goldsbrough, on his upcoming engagement to Louise. Best wishes to you both.

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 20th April 2022

7.30pm at Barley Village Hall

Business meeting with items of interest.

Members £2.00, Visitors £3.00.

Email: pendleforesthstory@gmail.com

Pendle Patchers

Pendle Patchers will be meeting again in April at Barley Village Hall on Tuesday, 12th and 26th April from 1.00pm and we would welcome anybody who wants to drop in with any sewing or knitting craft and join us for convivial company and a brew.

The group has decided to try new crafts and last month we enjoyed a workshop on crochet. On 26th April we will be having a tutor to lead a wet felting workshop. If anyone would like to join us for this, or wants any other information about Pendle Patchers, please contact Gil Beeke.

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



**ROUGHLEE
VILLAGE
CENTRE**

2 April, 7.30pm

RACE NIGHT

**8 RACES • TOTE BETTING • PIE & PEA SUPPER
MUSIC 'TIL LATE • BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS**

£10 - Order by 31 Mar from Glen on 07849 774438

COFFEE AND CHAT

Second Wednesday of each month
at Barley Village Hall

10am – 12 noon
All welcome, not just the old folk

£2 gets coffee (or tea) and cake!

CARD MAKING CLASS

First and Third Monday of each month

1pm – 3pm

For details contact Valerie

Tel 01282 691850

Roughlee Village Centre – Dates for 2022

Sat 2nd April	Race Night
Fri 29–Sat 30 April	Beer & Gin Festival charity event
Thu 2 June	Pendleside Platinum Jubilee
Sat 18 June	Pendle Pubwalk
Sat 13 August	Duck Race
Sun 30 October	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.

Roughlee Parish Council

An ongoing problem relating to parking at school drop off and pick up times has been the subject of a meeting attended by representatives of the school, of the Parish Council and the immediate residents. The problem is not unique to Roughlee School and there are no easy answers. Various ways of improving the situation were discussed and a follow up meeting has been arranged for 31st March to progress matters.

As reported in last month's news, the Luncheon Club has been reinstated with a different format. A community lunch will now be held at 12.30, every other Thursday, at the Bay Horse. The price for a two-course lunch is modest and local villagers of pensionable age will benefit from a small Council subsidy. Details of dates and prices are available from Adam at the Bay Horse. The lunches so far have been well attended and enjoyable.

Future relationships between the Parish Council and the Village Centre Committee (VCC) are being formalized to clarify responsibilities but the work of the VCC continues to make a huge contribution to the social life of the village and to local charities. Of particular note was the sum of £4,356 raised for Pendleside Hospice from the Pub Walk event at the Village Centre. A further charity event is planned on the evening of Friday 29th April and all day on Saturday 30th April. This will take the form of a Beer and Gin Festival with proceeds going to the British Heart Foundation and to Cancer Research. It will also serve as an opportunity to remember Brian O'Sullivan and Paul Dainty, both long standing stalwarts of the VCC who sadly died in recent months.

The Parish Gathering is held annually and is an opportunity for villagers to hear, first hand, about the work of the Parish Council and to enjoy presentations on topics of interest, for example the local history of Roughlee. The Gathering normally concludes with a social get-together over a glass of wine. This year's event is planned for Monday 20th June at 7pm so please make a note in your diaries. So far we plan a presentation on the Sky at Night but the Parish Council would welcome ideas for topics of interest from local people. Please let us know if you have topics you would like us to address.

Walking and Cycling Survey



Everyone is invited to take part in a survey to help shape future plans for cycling and walking in Lancashire.

Lancashire County Council wants to join up the gaps in our existing network of footpaths and cycle routes and provide safer, direct and more convenient routes.

Working in partnership with Blackpool Council, they are developing Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans, providing long term solutions for our future cycling and walking networks throughout Lancashire.

A plan will be produced for each of the following seven geographical areas of the county; Central Lancashire, Ribble Valley, Hyndburn and Rossendale, Burnley and Pendle, West Lancashire, Fylde Coast and Lancaster. The Fylde coast plan will include Blackpool alongside Fylde and Wyre.

To help the council, they are asking for feedback from across the county on current cycling and walking provision in their area. They want to know what the gaps are in the network and what facilities would enable people to walk and cycle more.

The survey will be available on the council's website until 5 May 2022.

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.

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in 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.

Services at St. Mary's in April

3rd April	9.30am BCP Holy Communion
10th April	Palm Sunday 9.15am Palm Procession to Church (from opposite the toilets!!) followed by Holy Communion.
15th April	Good Friday Walk of Witness beginning at church 10am and ending in church with coffee and hot cross buns.
17th April	Easter Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion Service followed by Easter Egg hunt
24th April	9.30am A Service of the Word

Everyone Welcome to any of the services.

Contact the Vicar for more details

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