

BARLEY~NEWCHURCH~ROUGHLEE~SABDEN FOLD~SPEN BROOK









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

Saturday 13th May at 2.30pm Lambing Service at Hargreaves Farm, Barley with the Bishop of Burnley

- Thursday 25th May Ascension Day Service 7.00pm AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HIGHAM OR 7.30PM AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S
 - SUNDAY 4TH JUNE PENTECOST JOINT SERVICE AT 11AM AT ST. THOMAS' (NO SERVICE AT ST. MARY'S)

Thank you to the "Flower Fairies" who made Church look so beautiful for Easter and for the time and effort they put in to making St Mary's so bright and beautiful.

This, and past issues of 'News' can be found on WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

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Dear Friends

Now we have had our Annual Meeting we look forward to the next twelve months as a year of growth within our church. Once again the two Churchwardens have been re-elected to serve for another twelve months, the same two having served for the entire duration of John Hallows' incumbency and several years during the time of predecessor giving a total so far of almost 20 years. Anno domini is catching up with us and much as we feel honoured and willing to continue to serve God and St.Mary's the time will come when there must be some new leaders in our parish. The Bishop of Blackburn said some time ago that Churchwardens should serve a maximum of six years without a break. A good many years before that a resolution was passed by the PCC of St.Mary's that wardens would serve only four years and should not be reappointed for a further two years. This is why a resolution must be passed at each Annual Meeting to allow wardens to be reappointed the following year. It was passed again this year but it does not mean that wardens are automatically reappointed the following year.

In our prayers let us ask that in due course someone, who may or may not already be a member of St.Mary's may be guided to take on the role of Churchwarden.

At the time of writing there is no news as to the appointment of a new incumbent to our two parishes so let us all continue to pray that God will soon bring forth a suitable candidate to assume the mantle of Vicar for our combined Benefice.

In the meantime it is good to see so many worshipping in St.Mary's week by week. The vacancy can be a difficult time in many ways and as Wardens we do appreciate the help given to us by the senior clergy of the diocese. We particularly look forward to welcoming Bishop Philip to our Thanksgiving for Lambing service at Hargreaves Farm, Barley on Saturday 13th May. This service is always well attended so please do come along.

In his report our treasurer reminded us that we still face challenges and must not be complacent. Our budget for 2017/18 is predicting that we may have a shortfall of some £4000 of income to balance our books. Whilst this is not a huge problem and we do have funds to meet our commitments a shortfall means that we may have to dip into our reserves. As most of our reserves are invested and the interest used to help pay our running costs then any reduction in reserves means that our other income must bring in more cash for us to pay our way. This year our Parish Share, which is the amount we have to pay to the Diocese to cover Clergy Stipends, pensions, vicarages and other Diocesan running costs, is almost £18,000. When we add in our running costs (heating & lighting, insurance, organist fees and other sundry items) our annual costs total £29,000. This equates to £550 per week to keep our church going.

We endeavour to raise as much as we can through our fundraising events but the income from these cannot be guaranteed. What we rely on is the regular giving generously given by so many which is increased further by the Gift Aid Scheme so please, if you are a taxpayer, do please gift aid your giving. As for fundraising, if anyone has any ideas for fundraising events please bring them forward to either Chris or Kathleen.

As we enter the fourth month of this vacancy let us continue to pray that a new incumbent may soon come forward.

With every blessing.

Kathleen & Chris

(Wardens)

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. They are not the Annual General Meetings which are different and are also held around this time.

BARLEY

Two week ago we were enjoying sunshine over the Easter Bank Holiday, minding our own business, relaxing and perhaps not even thinking about politics. We were probably all getting a little tired of the continual Brexit and Trump news flow. Then last Tuesday at 11am we had a WTF moment as Theresa May made her announcement from Downing Street that we are going to have an election. From now until 8th June we will have to endure Brexit, claims and counter claims, those pushing their politics on others and the pollsters... ... and who will win – Who The Flip knows!?

On to local politics and the **Annual Parish Meeting** is scheduled for Wednesday 17 May at 7.30pm and you are all invited to attend. We will be talking about improvements to the fabric of the village and a couple of important planning issues affecting us all.

Others will be speaking about events in the village and we will finish with wine and nibbles and a chance to catch up with those we do not see often enough – come and join in, those who make the effort always enjoy it.

Around the village the car park pot holes have been filled, we have cleaned out some debris from under the chapel bridge to reduce the risk of flooding and cleaned out the gullies on the village green. Richard Hargreaves has offered to jet blast the drains on the green and hopefully we will be able to get them cleared and working soon.

It is with sadness that I report the passing of Mike Goldsborough from the Tea Rooms. Mike was well known to many, a pleasure to meet and always willing to give you some time. He has served the village on the Parish Council and was Youth Leader at the Chapel where he ran the FOG club for 26 years, a great community servant. He will be missed and our condolences go to Lorraine, Daniel and Sally.

Barley Chapel

welcomes everyone. Sunday services are family friendly and are held at 10.30am. Refreshments are provided after the service and there is a Sunday school for younger members. Angie Hargreaves \$\mathbf{a}\)605090

VILLAGE HALL

MONDAYS

CARD CLASS: 1-3pm
YOUNG FARMERS: 7.30pm
KEEP FIT Circuit training:

Valerie ☎691850 ☎07811 666790 Iohn ☎611517

TUESDAYS

M£SSY C₩URCH 3.30pm. 3rd PENDLE PATCHERS: Audrev ☎613280

WEDNESDAYS

COFFEE & CHAT 2nd Wednesdays 10am-12 KNIT & KNATTER 2nd & 4th. 7-9pm WI 3rd May Talk from our Wildlife Officer. Visitors welcome. 7.30pm

<u>LOCAL HISTORY GROUP</u>

www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk Wednesday 17th May 7.30pm

Peter Del Strother

Cement from Roman to present times

THURSDAYS

PILATES: Mornings Tracy ☎07773 785904
CRAFTERNOON TEA: 2pm every 1st & 3rd

LINE DANCING: 7.30pm

YOGA: 8pm **☎**07890 372180

Barley Boat Race 3pm Saturday May 6

£50 for the Winner ~ Refreshments ~ Boats £1 from Witches Galore & Pendle Inn, plus Bev \$\opin\$07443 484723 & Mandy \$\opin\$07790 341542 Proceeds to St. Mary's School

Barley Crafts BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

Crafternoon Teas. Booking essential Thursday 18th May 2pm Wet Felt Soaps Thursday 1 June 2pm Little Wool Birds

Craftbox Party - Come and join us for an evening of mystery make and take and homemade refreshments. Booking essential Tuesday 23 May - 7pm

Spend Friday evenings in June at Cobblestone Cottages, Beck Side, Barley, learning how to crochet each part of a garland. In 4 weeks you will be able to complete a stunning vintage flower garland.

Contact SallyAnne willowwitchofpendle@gmail.com

Friends of Newchurch Group

The Winners for February of the 100 Club draw on behalf of School are:-

1st: £25 – Davina Barraclough (parent) 2nd: £20 – Margaret Simpson (resident) 3rd: £15 – Kathleen Wilkinson (resident)

Anybody wishing to get involved with the school fundraiser, please contact Rosie Hudson for available numbers;- she still has 17 to sell and promises that prize money will increase if she ever does sell all 100 numbers! Numbers still available are: 1, 31, 32, 51, 53, 61, 63, 67, 73, 76, 78, 84, 91, 92, 93, 94 & 96.

☎07790 167590 or email her at rosie.hudson@btopenworld.com

GOLDSHAW BOOTH

The Parish Council is pleased to announce that Christopher Stuttard has been co-opted as a Councillor, filling the vacancy following Ann Norris Johnson's retirement last month.

As we approach the **Annual Parish Meeting** to which all residents are invited, it is an opportunity to reflect a little on the last 12 months. Two new councillors have been appointed and more recently a new Parish Clerk, and it is good to see the end of the year with no vacancies. With a diverse range of

expertise that the councillors are able to contribute, residents can be sure that any subject will be fully discussed.

The Council has made a number of improvements to the Parish; to the village gardens we are responsible for, the increased amount of mowing we undertake and capital expenditure on projects throughout the year. We have to undertake work that used to be carried out by Lancashire County Council, such as cutting the verges on Spen Brook Road and yet we have only increased our precept by a marginal amount.

The Best Kept Village Competition is with us again and judging will start in June, so we ask everyone to try and present their property to the best of their ability. If a resident identifies any job that needs attention please contact any councillor who will be please to help.

The Council looks forward to seeing you at the **Annual Parish Meeting** on 9 May at 7.45pm.

It is with very great sadness that I report the passing of our former Clerk, **Sheila Grindrod**. Our condolences go to her husband Frank and family. She will be fondly remembered and greatly missed.

Christopher Burt

ROUGHLEE

As, I hope, most of you will know, the Village website is now up and running and has been very well used by both villagers and visitors. Thanks to Simon and Mary for their efforts.

As well as my monthly contribution to the written Parish News, which will continue to be circulated at the end of each month, I will add updates to the website news page so that it remains fresh and topical.

The Bay Horse and attempts to save it as a pub continue to be the main topic of interest. The formal designation as an Asset of Community Value has now been confirmed and a public fundraising meeting, chaired by Paul Dawson, was held on 6th April. Over 50 villagers attended and support for the retention of the pub was evident. Pledges are progressing well but there is still a little way to go. If you can help, even in a very modest way, it could make all the difference. This is a live, realistic project but a little more support is needed - please talk to Paul, 77 07810 698694, to see if you can help.

Progress on bringing super-fast broadband to the village now looks more promising. Geoff Hook, whose home based business relies on broadband, has been in touch with the CEO of Openreach with the result that the service is now promised for July / August this year. Let us hope this happens.

Following some discussion at the last Parish Council meeting a few of us held a meeting with the Pendle Hill Partnership to hear about their work relating to natural habitats in Roughlee. Whilst much of the open land within the Parish boundary is improved grassland used for grazing there are areas of woodland and river bank which are important habitats for both plants and animals. We have a public duty to protect and improve them and further work will be commissioned to help us assess what is required. In many cases they overlap with adjoining parishes so we will be looking at where joint working and co-operation is needed. I will report back when I we have more details. I have recently attended a meeting of Pendleside History Group to discuss arrangements for their presentation to our Annual Parish Meeting to be held at 7pm on 5th June. Did you know that Roughlee once had five mills? How were these powered? Not what you might think. There is much of great interest to learn about the history of our village and 5th June should be a great starting point. More details later but please make sure keep the date free for a good night out!

Arrangements for this year's hanging basket competition were decided at the last FoRA meeting. Judging will take place in early July and two prizes of Salterforth Garden Centre vouchers are on offer. Please look out for further details; on the website or contact Nigel Brotherton on **a** 07913 805871.

Finally, please note that due to the Bank Holiday falling on a Monday our next regular Parish Council meeting, which will include the formal business AGM will now be on 8th May. Villagers are welcome to attend and contribute.

Andrew Walker

Village Centre Hire

Available for parties, christenings etc. Day time or evenings. Inside and out with space for parking & marquees. Discounted rates for residents.

www.roughlee.org.uk/roughlee-village-centre-hire/

Roughlee Village Centre

Committee:Tuesday May 2 at 7.30pm Onlookers / all are welcome

The Centre continues to open every second Friday, usually with a quiz but you don't have to take part. It's a simple night out in the village, do come along! Dates are May 5, 19, June 2 etc. We showed the film 'Addicted to Sheep' which was most enjoyable - thanks to all concerned for organising and coming along. We continue to look at different events to suit all.

Our next major event is

VICTORIAN FAYRE SUNDAY JUNE 11

and the Centre is one of the venues for the Annual Hospice / Rotary Pub Walk on Saturday June 18 - Volunteers are required

Roughlee School

Welcome back! I entrust you have all had a lovely Easter. It was a very busy and exciting end to term last month. We held our Spring Term Awards service in church on the 31st March 2017, with children receiving awards for academic progress, sports, creativity, courtesy and wide range of other achievements. It was clearly evident within this service that our school is blessed with very talented children and dedicated staff. This service was well attended by family and friends. It was lovely to see the church decorated with all the children's beautiful Easter gardens and bonnets. A special mention must be made to all those children who entertained us all with their wonderful solo performances.

During the Spring Term the children celebrated World Book Day by dressing up as their favourite book character and participating in various reading activities throughout school. Thank you to all our parents for supporting this event, their costumes were fantastic! As part of our World Book Day celebration we also launched our new reading scheme in school. As part of our annual Drama Project children of all ages performed their own spectacular drama performance, linked to our local history, at the Burnley Youth Theatre. I'm certain all the parents will agree it was outstanding. The PAIS Team and Bible students from Capernwray Hall, Cumbria, have delivered

wonderful and inspiring worships in school linked to our focused value on 'Justice'. The children also supported Red Nose Day, discussing how we can help make the world a better place for all of God's people.

Five of our children participated in the annual Small Schools Swimming Gala at Colne Leisure Centre. The children performed remarkably well, coming 3rd overall. They were a credit to our school and their families, with the children being praised by the organiser for their team spirit and impeccable behaviour. Thank you to all the parents and staff who came and supported the children.

The children and staff alike are looking forward to the challenges and exciting opportunities this term will have in store for us here at Roughlee. On Friday 24th March we held a Red Nose fundraising day. Children and staff dressed in their pyjamas and donated £1 towards this worthy cause, helping children less fortunate than ourselves have a brighter future. We also held a 'Coffee and Cakes' afternoon in which parents, arandparents and other friends of St. Marv's were invited. Mark Elliott

SAFE LANES IN PENDLESIDE

The Group got off to a good start at their first meeting of the year, at the end of March, which was held as usual at Roughlee Village Centre. A sheet detailing SLIP's finances for 2016 was presented which showed £778.08 was spent on leaflets, road signs and the mirror at Black Hill crossroads. £354.20 was raised through Tombolas and donations. Items for Tombolas are required for this year, so if anyone has anything suitable we should be very glad to have it. Contact Janet Myers 207990 508003 or Sheila Clegg 207773 074985 if you could help the Group in this way.

There was an update on leaflet distribution, with members taking leaflets to be distributed as and when required. Last year's events attended were discussed and forward planning was made for this year. There was an update on the movement of the Group's mobile road signs. At present signs depicting a Sheep - very appropriate at this time of year, Cyclists, Expect the Unexpected and Please Ślow Down are in David Tatham's field on Noggarth Road. Do contact us if you would like

some of our signs put up near where you live. Many of you will recall that the road traffic mirror at Black Hill crossroads, which the Group had provided, was stolen last year. A replacement mirror and metal post is now in situ. The mirror has been etched on the front with SAFE LANES IN PENDLESIDE and the same has been painted on the reverse in large letters in black paint. We hope this will act as a deterrent to thieves. The farmer whose land the mirror is on told us he had really missed the old mirror and was very pleased with the new one. Whilst the mirror was being put up, passing walkers and cyclists were given leaflets and made aware that the Group were responsible for purchasing and erecting the mirror. There has been positive feedback from horse riders from New Hall Farm in Read and at the meeting Anne Banks passed on their gratitude. She also brought with her items for Tombola stalls donated by the riders. Ben Shaw has posted photographs of the mirror on the Safe Lanes Facebook page.

Sarah Metcalfe, a SLIP member, is a Rural Mounted Volunteer. It was explained to the Group what this police initiative involved. Janet Myers and Claire Milligan are undergoing to become a RMV.

To further promote the message to SLOW DOWN on our country lanes the Group is looking into producing stickers to place onto refuse & recycling bins.

The next meeting of SLIP will be on Wednesday 5 July at Roughlee Village Centre at 7pm.

Sheila Clegg

Lancashire County Council Election Polling Day

Pendle Hill Division

Thursday May 4, 2017 Voting from 7am - 10pm at Barley Village Hall, Newchurch School, Roughlee Village Centre

Ian Royston BARNETT	Green
Manzar IQBAL	Labour
Christian WAKEFORD	Conservative
James WOOD	Liberal Democrat

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

Parish Council meetings take place on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall. Next Meetings: May 10 & June 14.

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Goldshaw Booth ~ Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spen Brook www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Parish Council meetings take place on Tuesdays every month at 7pm in Newchurch School. Next Meetings: May 9 & June 13.

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Roughlee Booth

www.roughlee.org.uk

Parish Council meetings take place on Mondays every month at 7pm in Roughlee Village Centre: May 8 & June 5 (incl. APM).

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