

# Parish News

Barley - Newchurch - Roughlee - Sabden Fold - Spenbrook

May 2019



## St. Mary's Church

Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

# The Vicar's Letter

It is thought that at any time of the day or night throughout the year there will be someone somewhere saying the Lord's Prayer. This short prayer takes just over a minute to say but it often the first one we learn and the last one we will ever say.

Between Ascension (30<sup>th</sup> May) and Pentecost (9<sup>th</sup> June) we are all encouraged to join in with the global prayer movement Thy Kingdom Come.

Dr Krish Kandiah the Founding Director of Christian fostering and adoption charity, Home for Good says, "When we pray 'Thy Kingdom Come' and pray for our family, friends and neighbours to come to know

Jesus Christ, we're offering up our broken world for God to fix. And as we pray, we're learning to trust a Father who has adopted us and to embark on an adoption adventure that can change the world'



Who could you be praying for during this year's Thy Kingdom Come so that they may come to know the Father's love?

There are many different ways to be involved as an individual, a family or through church. Watch the church noticeboard for more details of things happening locally and check out the website ([www.thykingdomcome.global](http://www.thykingdomcome.global)) for other events and inspiring stories of prayers answered.

As this year's event takes place during half term you might like to try some of the ideas on the website from the Bright Prayer Ideas for families at home (or on holiday!!!) booklet.

Watching seeds grow over a period of time can help us all remember how God's kingdom grows. You could plant quick growing seeds like cress or mustard or sunflowers which will take longer. Caring and nurturing plants can be a useful reminder that we need to continue to care and nurture the people we are praying for, although Paul reminds us in his letter to the Corinthians that it is God who brings the growth.

'I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow' (1 Corinthians 3:6)

God Bless

*Revd Julie*

# Barley Parish Council

**There will be an election in Barley for new Parish Council on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.** To my surprise 10No residents have put their names forward for 7No positions on the Council. I say surprise because we had a vacancy for 6 months before we could persuade Victoria Mager to join us back in January. I guess the issues of congestion; parking, litter, dog fouling etc have lifted the profile of the local Councils.

For those who will vote the main considerations should be how well the PC represents the village when dealing with other bodies such as LCC, PBC and United Utilities, how effectively it deals with planning matters and how well it maintains the local infrastructure it has influence over. That about sums up the PC's role.

To function effectively the PC needs to form as a team and have the range of hands on, technical and professional skills. The current Council includes John Connor (Deputy Chairman) who you will see leading on many maintenance issues in the village and David Goodger who brings technical skills too (and good contacts for) some of our projects – both have served the PC for circa 12 years. Derek Oldham represents Whitehough and has a broad knowledge on planning matters so providing a valuable lead and advice to other Councillors on this very important function of the Council – 11 years' service. Ian Milne (3 Years) is a senior manager with a large international manufacturer and brings project management skills and good contacts to the Council. He is currently working with Narrowgates residents on a project to manage inconsiderate parking at their gateway. Victoria Mager joined the PC in December'18 and brings business skills from her role in a property development company – she is the youngest Councillor and has brought a new perspective to the Council. The new candidates are Rita Seymour, Joanne Lowcock, Danny Goldsborough and Richard Fowler.

Frank Wilkinson is stepping down from the PC in May after 16 years and so is James Starkie from PBC and they have both been great servants to the village, I will say more after the election.

I wrote about the use of social media in the last newsletter and whilst the PC appreciate not everyone in Barley uses social media, the PC has started to use the "Barley Past & Present" and "Barley Residents Group" (BRG) Facebook pages

to share information with residents. For now, this is limited to statements only. We have reported that LCC are preparing plans to introduce white road lines through the village to deter inconsiderate parking and that following a meeting with PBC we are informed that the future of Phase 3 of the Sculpture Trail (scheduled for Autumn 2019) is being considered. The PC position has been that Barley does not want any more tourist attractions; we are already beyond capacity at some weekends. For now, the Parish Councillors will continue to place cones each weekend when good weather suggests high volumes of visitors.

Finally, it is with sadness that I report the passing of Stewart Bateman. He was well known to many in the village centre and seen daily walking his spaniels. Although I did not know him well, I remember his willingness to step in and assist the Council on a couple of occasions. Our condolences are with Annette and the family.

Derek Heap

## Pendle People

Stewart Bateman of 6 Pendle Row, Barley, died on 10/4/19, due to complications following a heart operation in Blackpool. He was a familiar figure in the village, always accompanied by his beloved spaniel, Baz. He was also a former local postman.

His funeral is at Accrington Crematorium on Friday 26/4/19 at 1 pm, followed by a gathering at The Pendle Inn.

## Barley Chapel

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

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

## Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

The Parish Council has received two donations this month, the first of £100 from Burnley and Pendle Ramblers Association for the upkeep of the toilets. The second is an anonymous donation of approximately £41,000 to be spent for the good of the parish and specifically to keep the public toilets in Newchurch in good condition. Goldshaw Booth Parish Council is very grateful for these donations and will no doubt spend this money wisely over the coming years.

Spennorth Mill continues to cause concern and the Parish Council has reported the unsafe nature of the fencing to Pendle Borough Council for them to take further action. At the time of writing PBC is about to go down the enforcement route to make sure the fencing is made safe. No further information has been received from the developer about when building work will commence, although an application was made to PBC for planning permission for an additional house on the site.

The Parish Council is to have a 'tidy up day' to support the Best Kept Village Competition. We would like to invite residents to volunteer to give up some of their time to tidy up the area and volunteers are requested to meet at the entrance to St Mary's school at 10.30am on Saturday, 18 May. Refreshments will be provided.

This article is my last as Chairman of the Parish Council as I am not seeking re-election at the forthcoming elections in May, and there are a number of people I would like to thank for their help over the past few years. There is a special mention to Alan Taylor for his help to me with a number of projects and to Jim Tunstill for his work at the pond in Sparable Wood. I must also mention Michael Astin for his ongoing safety checks on the playground equipment and Alison Cook for the enormous amount of work she carries out maintaining the gardens in Newchurch and Julie Donovan for assisting her husband Bob with the barrier baskets and general tidying up in the village. One particular highlight for me in my time as Chairman was when the community was involved in the tree planting in Sparable Wood last year, with several

hundred saplings provided free of charge by the Woodland Trust. As part of this project, I worked with Pauline Nightingale, the Head of St Mary's School, who enabled each pupil to plant a sapling, an experience that everyone enjoyed and I hope the children will remember. I worked with Pauline again when she organised the pupils to design and make the bunting that was displayed in Newchurch last summer to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the RAF.

Residents may know that James Starkie is standing down as Borough Councillor and will be aware that he has had a very successful year as the Mayor of Pendle. He has been an outstanding public servant in his time as councillor for the past 12 years and will be missed.

Finally I would like to thank everyone for the many e-mails and messages of support I have received and wish the parish council well for the future.

Christopher Burt

### Best Kept Village Competition

Newchurch and Spennorth have entered as one community and Sabden Fold as a separate community.

Judging starts from 8th to 21st June with final judging 29 and 30th August.

For more information contact Kathleen Wilkinson

### The 100 club

draw on behalf of St Mary's School took place for April. Winners were:-

- Sylvia Broughton number 44, winning £25
- Douglas Bull with number 84, winning £20
- Clark Nutter with number 33, winning £15

Thanks to everyone who supports the school with this. There are 2 numbers still available. Anybody wishing to get involved with the fundraiser please contact Rosie Hudson on 07790 167590, or e-mail her at [rosie.hudson08@hotmail.com](mailto:rosie.hudson08@hotmail.com).

# Roughlee Parish Council

The Merry Month of May, and changes are afoot! Truthfully, not much is changing on the Roughlee Parish Council front. The existing seven members of the Parish Council have all put themselves forward for re-election and, because there are no other candidates, they are all dully elected to serve again. This is not the case with the Borough Council Ward Member for Higham and Pendleside. Our long standing Ward Councillor and the outgoing Mayor of Pendle, James Starkie, is retiring from Pendle Council and on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and an election will take place for his successor. There are two candidates, one labour and one conservative. They have a very hard act to follow but, whoever is successful, they will be welcome to attend out Parish Council meetings and we look forward to a long and fruitful working relationship.

The April Parish Council meeting was dominated by consideration of a planning application for three large houses to the south of Blacko Bar Road, essentially filling in the space between Happy Valley and the woodland opposite Dam Head Farm. The meeting was attended by the applicants who argued their case on a local needs basis and emphasised the quality of the design. Whilst acknowledging the detailed merits of the design the Parish Council were unanimously opposed to the application which would be highly damaging to the landscape and character of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. There are other major concerns relating, for example, to habitat damage and access arrangements. The full text of the Parish Council objection can be viewed on the Pendle Planning web page and search for application 19/0133/FUL. A number of individual objections can also be viewed and it is encouraging that local people are willing and able to articulate their thoughts in this way.

Normally the next stage would involve the Borough Council's planning officer considering the objections and making a recommendation to the Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee. In this case the application has been withdrawn on 16<sup>th</sup> April, possibly because of the highway issues, so the matter now ends unless the application is resubmitted.

In the event of a resubmission we would very much hope that the planning officer will agree with the objections raised but this is by no means guaranteed. Indeed a similar application for two large houses Off Barley Road, south of Thorneyholme Hall, was initially recommended for

approval but, following strong representations and a large petition from villagers, this was refused by the Committee. The concern relating to intrusions into our valued countryside is shared by neighbouring villages and we need a common purpose to protect the AONB. What these applications show is that opportunistic attempts by land owners and developers will continue until there is a firmer planning policy basis for controlling development. This basis will be provided by the forthcoming Local Plan Part 2 but this is now well behind schedule. In the meantime the Parishes have a key role in the protection of Pendleside.

Due to the local elections and the May Bank Holiday the date for the next Parish Council meeting is now Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May. This will incorporate the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council which is a statutory meeting where the various officers of the Parish are appointed. Whilst this and every other meeting of the Parish Council is open to the public, and we very much welcome your involvement, the big one is the **PARISH GATHERING** which is arranged for Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June. This is an open meeting to all residents of Roughlee and we aim to make it an informative and entertaining event. A number of speakers and presentations are in hand followed by wine and nibbles. Further details in the next Parish News but please make a note of the date.

Andrew Walker

## Pendle Forest History Group

[joan@spenbrook.co.uk](mailto:joan@spenbrook.co.uk) or

[wendy.stansfield@live.co.uk](mailto:wendy.stansfield@live.co.uk)

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm

Barley Village Hall

Presentation by Bernard Bond  
"The East Lancashire Railway Loop  
Line"

Members £2, Visitors £3

# PLANT SALE

MASSIVE SELECTION of Bedding & Perennial Plants & Hanging Baskets

ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE  
FROM 11:30

PLANTS CAFE CAKES HOT FOOD



## Novelty Dog Show



1. Cutest Puppy (under 1)
2. Prettiest Bitch (any age)
3. Best Scruff (any age)
4. Golden Oldie (over 8)
5. Most Handsome Dog (any age)
6. Best Rescue (any age)
7. Best Ball Fetcher
8. Junior Handler (Child under 12)
9. Dog with Waggiest Tail
10. Most Obedient Sit
11. Best in Show

Register your dog on the day for £2  
(enter as many classes as eligible)

All registered dogs will receive a goody bag

Rosettes for the Winners

**SUN 19 MAY • 11:30am**

**Full details at [www.roughlee.org.uk](http://www.roughlee.org.uk)**

### St. Mary's Academy

It was lovely to see all our children return to school after the Easter holiday with a sun kissed glow – having clearly made the most of the glorious sunshine during the two weeks off.

Before the holidays our Netball, Swimming and Football Teams enjoyed success in local tournaments and a swimming gala. We may not have won the competitions out right, but our pupils gained the respect and admiration from the supporters of the other schools for their sheer determination to succeed and team spirit, which they demonstrated in abundance. We are all very proud of all they have achieved this year. Thank you Mr Whittaker for your tireless enthusiasm in developing St Mary's children's sporting skills.

The 4<sup>th</sup> April was a bitter sweet day for everyone at St Mary's – after 25 years loyal service our School Business Manager, Mrs Hatfield retired. A Cream Tea was held in her honour, during which pupils, staff and Governors spoke fondly about all the different ways Mrs Hatfield had contributed to school life over the years. Many parents and past members of staff also attended the Cream Tea, this being a clear indication as to how well

liked and respected Mrs Hatfield is. We will all miss Mrs Hatfield, but wish her all the very best for her retirement. During the last week of April we have two visiting speakers coming into school. Simon Entwistle will be talking to our Infants about the history surrounding the village of Newchurch and Pendle Hill. This will provide a strong foundation for their local history topic. Scott Cunliffe will be talking to all of our pupils about his Runaway Challenge. Mr Cunliffe is raising money in support of local charities by running to all Burnley FC 2018/19 Premier League away fixtures, setting off from Turf Moor each time. He will be explaining to the pupils how running and other physical activities can be powerful tools in achieving a positive mental and physical well-being.

Our school will be used once again as a Polling Station on 2<sup>nd</sup> May for the local elections.

Please can we ask that you to remember all Year 6 pupils in your prayers, as they will be embarking on their SATs during the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May.

Thank you.

Best wishes, Mrs Nightingale.

### Christian Aid Week

Please find enclosed a Christian Aid envelope. If you wish to give please have your envelope ready for when the collectors come round during the week beginning 12th May.

# Parish 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.barleyparish.uk](http://www.barleyparish.uk) [www.barleyvillagehall.org.uk](http://www.barleyvillagehall.org.uk)

Council meetings are held at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall on 2nd Wednesday in the month

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## Goldshaw Booth (Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spenbrook) [www.goldshawbooth.org.uk](http://www.goldshawbooth.org.uk)

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

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## Roughlee Booth [www.roughlee.org.uk](http://www.roughlee.org.uk)

Council meetings are held at 7pm in Roughlee Village Centre on the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 & 4th Sunday: Holy Communion from contemporary service book with hymns and sermon

5th Sunday (when applicable) Morning Prayer

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

## Rushbearing at St Mary's, 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

Malkin Morris, based in Roughlee and Barley,  
and Newchurch St Mary's Academy

are working together to make this year's

**Rushbearing**  
a traditional event but with a new twist.

The Rushbearing will take place as usual but will be combined with Malkin's first day of dance with visiting teams Belfagan from Cockermouth, the Craven Flag Crackers, Kitchen Taps and Hebden Hill Millies

## MESSY CHURCH

10th Anniversary Celebration

a happy service for all ages  
9.30am Sunday 19th May

## Lambing Service

Please watch the website for  
further information

[stmarysnewchurchinpendle.org.uk](http://stmarysnewchurchinpendle.org.uk)

This and past issues of the Parish News can be found at

[WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK](http://WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK)

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