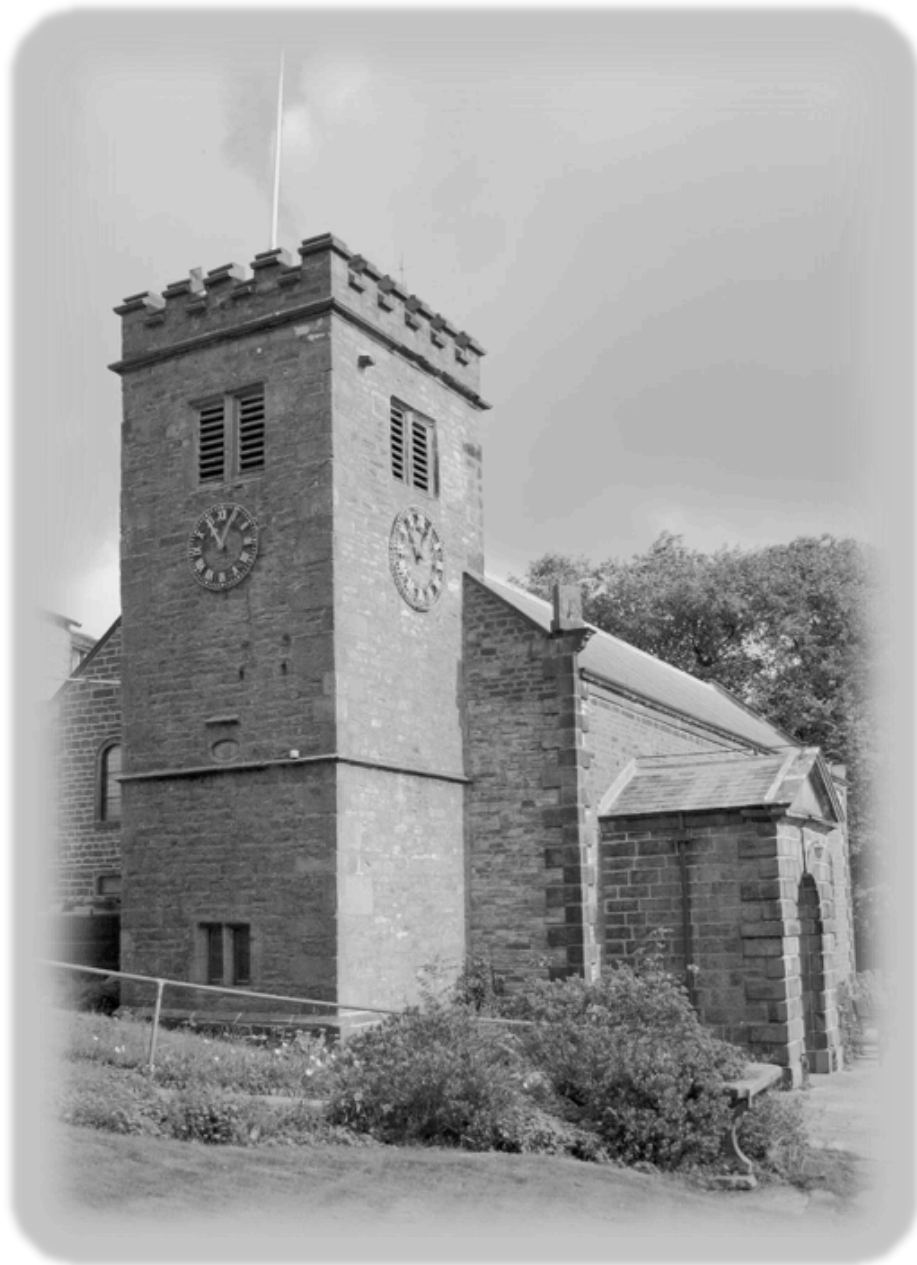


Parish News

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June 2021



St. Mary's Church

Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

The Vicar's Letter

Numbers and Prayers

If you've ever attended a Bible Quiz, you'll know that numbers have a huge significance in the Bible.

Many people know that the infant Jesus was visited by three kings (although the actual number isn't mentioned in the Bible just the number of gifts!), when he grew up, he had twelve disciples, healed ten lepers and once fed five thousand with five loaves and two fish.

There is a campaign held in June each year, which is part of the 1277 make them count national network.

The following is an explanation of their ethos etc from the website.

In the UK, on average a child has 1,277 days between birth and starting nursery school education. Together, we want to 'make them count' for the children, for their families and for the toddler groups that they attend.

The Christian church as a whole is the leading national provider of parent & toddler groups. 1277 exists to support these groups as they seek to provide a supportive, safe and fun environment that is welcoming to all, and which demonstrates God's love at the heart of their communities.

1277 was established in 2009 and brings together representatives from church denominations and other Christian organisations to coordinate strategic thinking, to signpost (and sometimes to develop) relevant resources/events and to facilitate networking between practitioners. **June is the National Month of Prayer for toddler groups**

Toddler groups offer an amazing space for babies, toddlers and their parents and carers to play, experience a warm welcome and develop a supportive community. They come in all shapes and sizes and during the Pandemic, many have adapted in incredible ways to offer support in the local community. They are a place where the love of God can be experienced in so many ways and they are a place where life in all its fullness can be celebrated.

That's why in June we put aside a whole month to focus on them in prayer. The National Month of Prayer (NMOP) is an initiative of 1277 Make Them Count. It encourages churches, individuals and toddler communities to pray 3 ways – in groups, for groups and across groups in the UK.

2021's theme is based on John 10:10 – 'Life in all its fullness'. Let's pray for Toddler groups to be places where children and adults can flourish as they experience the love and hospitality of God.

Currently there isn't a toddler group based at St Mary's or St Thomas' but perhaps this is something that would be a possibility in the future. In the meantime please look out for some Play and Praise sessions on our Facebook page during June and keep all children in your prayers.

We pray for our churches that we may have a Vision for our Under 5s ministry. We pray for our communities that we may reach out with love to all families so that we can see lives changed and society transformed in Jesus' name.

God Bless

Revd Julie

Barley

Best Kept Village judging starts in June so I would ask you all to do a little to keep the village tidy – pick up litter, clean a sign or a bench, pull out some weeds, cut some grass or splash a bit of paint. We would ask all residents and businesses to do their bit to keep the village as tidy and attractive as possible making it a better place for us all.

On 17th May we began Step 3 of the governments four step plan to ease lockdown which could lead to a return to some form of normality returning by 21 June. Restrictions on meeting other households outside were lifted for up to thirty people and you can meet indoors in groups of up to six or two households. We can now sit inside pubs and restaurants and stay overnight in hotels. Football fans have been allowed to attend matches in limited numbers this week. It is great that things are getting better and it has been good to sit in the Pendle Inn and the Barley Mow this week with friends – like most others I hope we all can be sensible and not let the virus get the better of us again.

As reported previously, the management of the car park payment arrangements will soon be taken over by a company who will use number plate recognition technology to determine parking charges to visitors. Installation work has started and we are expecting the new system to be introduced in early June. There will be free parking for 30 mins to allow visits to the toilets and the Cabin, a £1.50 charge for 30mins to 3 Hours parking and £3 for parking in excess of 3 hours. Please be aware that enforcement will apply and if the appropriate charge is not paid the parking company will be sending the vehicle owner a fine.

On the wider parking front, residents have been raising the frequent parking of vehicles on the Turning Area during the day (before 1800Hrs) since the pubs re-opened. Villagers and Businesses have been reminded that the land is owned by the Parish Council and it is our intention to keep the area free of vehicles during the day so that it can be a centre-piece to the village and function as a turning and passing area. The Council are monitoring the frequent offenders and it is regretful that some cannot respect the communities wishes which could lead to some form of enforcement action being taken if things do not improve soon.

Pendle BC are currently consulting on an Outline Planning Application to build fifteen houses on a plot of land on the Roughlee side of Whitehough. This is a major development in planning terms, in the context

of an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and certainly in relation to Whitehough itself as it would double the size of this picturesque hamlet. The scheme includes building a new access bridge to the development plot which would be close to and parallel to the existing masonry arch bridge which is circa 150 years old. The application, if approved, would change this landscape from many perspectives and would go some way to joining Whitehough to Thorneyholme. The PC will be formally commenting on the application before the response closure date of 4th June.

BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

Barley Village Hall RE-OPENING now that restrictions are easing we are open for bookings, Government advice will be followed.

CRAFT GROUP: check with Valarie for classes Tel. 691850

PENDLE PATCHERS: Tuesdays 8TH & 22ND JUNE 1 to 5 pm. Call in if you would like to see what we do. Tel Audrey 613280

COFFEE & CHAT: WEDNESDAY 14th JULY 10am to 12noon, all are welcome some of us who have not been out much over the past year have to pluck up courage to actually go out. There is space in the hall to cover Government Guide Lines, no need to stay all morning if you feel you only want a short break. If you require transport please contact Audrey 613280.

Pendle Forest History Group

joan@spenbrook.co.uk or
wendy.stansfield@live.co.uk

Barley Chapel

Angie Hargreaves 605090
Minister Revd Phil Taylor 01282 613165

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

Quite often some traditions can come to be seen as old fashioned or out-dated. Yesterday I received an education in why one particular tradition is important.

The Best Kept Village Competition is upon us again! Initially I groaned at the thought of weed killing and manicuring grass verges (I'm only human) but a wise-woman explained to me, it's not the 'Prettiest Village' it's the 'Best Kept'. On reflection I interpret this as the 'most cared for', the place where it is most evident that the residents work together to care for their environment... that they can then go on to enjoy!

Surely, now more than ever, this has to be the case, and, from this perspective it would seem that the Best Kept Village Competition, for us, simply provides confirmation of what we already aspire to and can readily achieve. The question for us is, how we do this?

We, as a Community, are all indeed blessed with the rich resources our natural environment provides and with the many gifted resources we have received over the years; the playing fields, Sparable Wood, the football pitch, the fund bequested to the Parish for the care of the public toilets and the gifts of time and energy by all those that have helped the Community over the years.

From the bonfires of the past to the wonderful tradition of the Rush Bearing, which continues (despite all odds) to this day. It is not isolated events that we are organising, rather, we are creating shared experiences that enrich the lives of our adults and children alike and which stay with us as lifelong memories.

Let's not get carried away though, these things don't happen by magic - even within the realm of Pendle Hill! There will be mowing, planting, weeding (and quite probably a few differences of opinion) but then, working together is part of the fun - once we get over the fear of talking to people outside of our usual 'bubble', and certainly now that we can interact more as a Community.

In many respects we have a blank canvas with which to work. The playground is bursting with opportunity, Sparable Wood offers the opportunity of greater eco-diversity and the play areas and football pitch are currently under-used for; kick-about, running/walking/rolling fitness venues (sign me up please), art/photography groups, and, apparently.... golf ranges.

Then there are the countless ideas the Community has shared on Facebook! All by enthusiastic, willing volunteers, that, if permitted by Parish and Borough regulations etc. (I'm still getting used to the correct terms - bear with me please), could perhaps come to fruition.

So, we have the resources, we have the ideas and we have the people. What's stopping us?.....Nothing, that a good conversation couldn't fix.

I look forward to joining with you all, at either the next or future Parish Council meetings so we can formulate a Plan. For those that find the timing of the meetings awkward, please give me a shout in between times.

I would also like to make special mention of our previous Chair, Bob Donovan and his wife Julie, who have both supported the Community (often above and beyond the call of duty) and continue to do so. Thank you x

So, in the interests of not over-running our allotted space in the magazine I will leave it there for now, apart from to say, "Hi, my name is Ainsley Macadam, and I am your new Chair of the Parish Council. I look forward to meeting or hearing from you all soon but, in the mean-time, I'd better go and tidy my yard!"

Yours Most Sincerely,

Ainsley Macadam
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Next Parish Council Meeting (please check the website for social distancing requirements nearer the time):

Tuesday 8th June, 7pm, St. Mary's School Hall.

News, Events and Copies of Minutes from Previous Meetings (etc.):

www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Planning Applications (at the time of writing):

Ruth Nutter, Sabden Old Hall Farm, Sabden Fold, the conversion of barns and outbuildings to 5 dwellings. Steve Worrall, Cappers Farm, Sabden Fold, construction of a manege

Further details of the planning applications can be found here: www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Best Kept Village Competition:

First Round (1st June - 18th July)

Points awarded for well-kept; houses, gardens, out-buildings, fences, walls, and the absence of litter and weeds on roadsides and paths.

Roughlee Parish Council

On Wednesday 5th May we held the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (AMPC) followed by our regular Parish Council meeting. Both events were held via ZOOM which has been the arrangement for the past twelve months. For all its limitations this method of virtual meetings has served well and the Parish Council has discharged its duties and introduced a number of new initiatives throughout the year. However, the days of ZOOM are now past and for our next meeting, scheduled for the 5th July, we expect to be back in the Village Centre.

The AMPC is something we are required to hold by law and includes a number of statutory duties including the receipt of accounts and the appointment of Council Officers. This year the existing members of the Parish Council all indicated their wish to serve for a further term. There were no external candidates for membership and the Council continues without the need for elections. After calls for nominations Andrew Walker was elected Chairman and Colin Williams Vice-chairman for the forthcoming year. The Council was also pleased to welcome Jon Bailey as the new Responsible Financial Officer and the Chairman expressed his thanks to the Council Clerk, Mary Reed and to Council Members for their hard work during the past year.

The regular meeting of the Parish Council reviewed a number of on-going projects including the proposed village green and the Roughlee Industrial Heritage Project. Both will be progressed during the summer. Funding for the Heritage Project is now available and the siting of two new benches on highway land at Thorneyholme has been agreed and they will be ordered for delivery within the next few weeks.

An important discussion took place on the future of the Village Centre. The Centre has its own organising committee but due to the restrictions of the past year activities have been almost totally curtailed. The Centre performs a vital role in the life of the village and engages with all sections of our community, for example the luncheon club and senior citizens Christmas lunch, exercise classes and Morris Dancing for the more energetic, quiz nights and fund raising events including support for

Pendleside Hospice, arts events and the base for Parish meetings and the annual Parish Gathering which welcomes a large percentage of our residents. I have listed these to show how vital this facility is in the life of the village.

What is now clear is that the Centre is suffering from a number of maintenance issues due to the passage of time and general wear and tare. Particular problems relate to external rendering and water leakage from the elderly roof. It has, therefore, been decided to make an application to the Lancashire FCC Communities Foundation which offers grants to repair and improve community buildings such as the Village Centre. It also offers the possibility of a scheme to provide a better link between the building and the outside space which would greatly improve the potential for social and community gatherings. The grant applications have to be submitted by the beginning of June so fingers crossed and watch this space!

The Parish Council are committed to our work on behalf of the village but feedback on our work of any thoughts you may have for future schemes or changes would be welcome. Please contact Mary with your thoughts. Many thanks.

Andrew Walker

The 100 club draw on behalf of St Mary's School took place for May. We had all 100 numbers in the draw so there were five prizes, the winners were:

- Chris & Valerie Widdas with number 71 winning £40
- David Lowcock with number 61 winning £25
- Pauline Nightingale with number 9 winning £15
- Moira Mortimer with number 73 winning £10
- Davina Barraclough with number 18 winning £10

Thank you to everyone who helps support the school with this. If anyone would like any details please contact me on pialyle@gmail.com or 07872610118.

Thank You Pia

Site Supervisor Job Advert

Role: Site Supervisor

Dates: 1st September 2021 – 31st August 2022

Pay Range: Grade Foundation Living Wage (FLW) - £9.50 an hour

The Head Teacher and Governors of Roughlee CE Primary School, are looking for an enthusiastic Site Supervisor who is experienced, hard-working, reliable and flexible.

The contract will be term time only, 15 hours per week, 3 hours per day. Extra cleans/duties during school holidays will be paid as additional hours.

The hours of work will be Monday to Friday 7.30am – 8.30am and 3.30pm – 5.30pm (these times are flexible and can be discussed at interview). The position is initially temporary for 1 year with a view to becoming permanent.

The successful candidate will:

- (Ideally) have school caretaking experience or equivalent
- Have a keen eye for detail to ensure school is safe, clean and well maintained
- Have experience with carrying out first line repairs and maintenance
- Be able to manage their own workload and priorities

If you are interested in applying for this role, please contact Miss Hayley Lord in our school office on 01282 613613 or bursar@roughlee.lancs.sch.uk.

Friends of St. Mary's

Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-St-Marys-Church-Newchurch-in-Pendle-103354884984464>

Friends will:

- Receive invitations to join annual events
- Receive regular communications giving details of services and events
- Be part of the Christian Fellowship of St. Mary's
- Help maintain the fabric of the building by their contributions.

Please feel free to visit the page, add comments, pictures, advice and share it far and wide to anyone, in any country, who might like to support our lovely, tiny, traditional church in any way.

Parish Contacts

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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

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Roughlee Booth www.roughlee.org.uk

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

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MP for Pendle

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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.

For information about services at St. Mary's please follow this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-Church-Newchurch-in-Pendle-111894550353183/>

Saint Mary's Newchurch in Pendle Services in June

Sunday 6th June 9.30am BCP Holy Communion

Sunday 13th June 9.30am Common Worship Holy Communion

Sunday 20th June 9.30am BCP Holy Communion

Sunday 27th June 9.30am All Age Service of the Word

Cherish Your Churchyard Week 5th-13th June- See Facebook page for more details after 30th May.

Churches Count on Nature 5th-13th June-See Facebook page for more details after 30th May.

Our open garden event on the church calendar will not take place on 19th June, as govt restrictions are not especially helpful. (Well we did plan it last November.) We are looking for a later date but holding fire until restrictions are lifted. Please see the Facebook page for any update.

St. Mary's Facebook Page

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