

Parish News

Barley - Newchurch - Roughlee - Sabden Fold - Spenbrook

August 2021



St. Mary's Church

Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

Vicar's Letter

Give us this day our daily bread.

During the first lockdown many people turned to baking, social media was full of pictures where people proudly displayed their efforts, banana bread recipes became a hot topic of conversation.

August begins with Lammas Day (1st August) or Loaf Mass Day. In the Book of Common Prayer calendar this was when a loaf baked with flour from newly harvested corn would be brought into church and blessed.

I must admit my bread making skills are a bit erratic even when I use my modern bread-making machine (my grandmother would be horrified!!). Usually although the loaves may not look very pretty, they taste okay. There's something quite soothing about making bread by hand, perhaps it's the fact that you have to wait for the dough to rise or that your frustrations can be turned into the energy needed to knead.

The smell of freshly baked bread is one of my favourite smells but I must admit that I also like the smell of fresh yeast. According to Ann Lewin's book *Seasons of Grace in the Middle Ages* one of the names for yeast was 'goddisgoode' written as one word as though it were God's email address because people said, 'it cometh of the grete grece (*sic*) of God. She explains that nobody understood the chemistry or its origin, it was a gift from God. Like the manna of Old Testament times, pure gift. God is good. That is what lies at the heart of bread.

Jesus used yeast as one of his illustrations about the way the kingdom of God works. He also said that he is the Bread of Life. We remember this every time we share in Holy Communion.

Long before the Coronavirus pandemic Ann wrote, 'God is good. World events and the circumstances of our lives will often knock that truth about, knock it down as dough is knocked down. But God's goodness is irrepressible. At the heart of evangelism is the desire to help people know the goodness of God.'

The task of evangelism is to share the good news of God's goodness and invite others to enjoy the Bread of Life too. I can't promise freshly baked bread every Sunday at St Mary's (although watch out for Scone Sunday soon!!) but all are welcome to come and celebrate the goodness of God through worshipping together.

Feed us now, Child of God, as you fed your first disciples.

Feed us with that soul-food which nurtures enough love within us to outstrip the fears and enmity that ties the world up in knots.

Feed us with that spiritual bread which strengthens our hands for serving those broken and lost people whom this world deems a waste of space.

Feed us, so that we may be fulfilled with some of that joy which the universe cannot contain.

For your love's sake.

Amen

God Bless
Revd Julie

Seasons of Grace Ann Lewin Canterbury Press
Prayer written by Bruce Prewer

Barley

So CV19 "Freedom Day" arrived on the 19 July but I think it is now being called "Cautious Freedom Day" by government and I know many residents, including me, will probably not be rushing around hugging strangers or getting involved in events where overcrowding is obvious. The strange thing for me is that CV19 has not been too close to me in terms of friends, family or associates catching it until the last few weeks and it now seems a bit too close for comfort. As a double jabber I now know from experiences (our Health Secretary is a double jabber Javid) that I am not immune to Covid but I hope that I have some protection against it...so you might at least take some comfort that I am not about to hug you just yet!

The Parish Council hosted an extraordinary meeting of the Council on 7th July to discuss the parking and traffic congestion issues in the village centre. It was attended by a dozen residents and representatives of the Barley Mow, the Garage and the Pendle Inn. Events to date were recapped including the Council's decision in 2016 to allow parking in the evening on the Turning Circle to support the Barley Mow and local residents, the Council's attempts to discourage parking on the Turning Circle during the day to allow it to function as a turning and passing area, and the residents desire for a resident parking zone. Pendle Row residents also raised concerns about noise levels from the Barley Mow car parking area, which is now a beer garden, and suggestions were made it closed after 9pm to limit noise. The meeting was intended to promote exchanges between businesses and residents with the aim of a promoting a better understanding of others and more neighbourly considerations in relation to the parking problems. Time will tell and I hope the situation improves. The Council confirmed that, with drivers continuing to disrespect requests not to park on the turning circle, they are working towards a "no parking enforcement" arrangement being introduced on the Turing Circle and residents left thinking about a formal application for a resident no parking zone.

The major outline planning application to build fifteen houses on a plot of land on the Roughlee side of Whitehough has been withdrawn and we wait to see if another application is to follow or not.

The new parking management system on the car park seems to have become established with a limited number of issues arising that the Council are aware of. Visitors seem to have generally accepted the new arrangements and compliance with paying is very high. No doubt some bad press will arise in the future because nobody puts their hands up to a 'fair cop' over parking fines, but we encouraged the management company to put up more signs than they normally would on the car park and we have communicated the new arrangements as widely as we can so hopefully few people will receive parking fines.

Finally, what a great job the WI have again done on the car park with their Barley Boots display, it looks terrific and great calendar setting. And a reminder, the ladies are doing a sponsored walk around Pendle over the next couple of weeks raising money for Breast Cancer, please dig deep if you can to help in this most worthy cause. Last thing, look out for the advert on the notice board for a new Clerk.

BARLEY VILLAGE HALL

Most of the Pilates classes are running at the hall.
PENDLE PATCHERS 2ND & 4TH Tuesday 1 to 5 pm. Call in if you would like to see what we do. Tel Audrey 613280
COFFEE & CHAT: Wednesday 8th September

Pendle Forest History Group

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

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

We commonly say 'time flies' but who knew it was supersonic!

Already the end of July and there is so much going on; meetings with St. Mary's PCC to explore the possibility of creating a jointly funded disabled access to the playing field, discussions with Pendle Borough Council about improvements to Sparable Lane footpath, talks about possible improvements to the pond area and, thanks to the guiding hand of some of the Mum's of the Community, renewed clarity in the placement of improved play equipment for the park - a massive thank you to Laura, Rosie, Naomi, Helen and Hailey for this one!

You may have also seen, in the Parish Council meeting Minutes, that plans are beginning to develop for the Queen's 70th Jubilee celebrations of next year and, for this, we thought you would like to help too?

What do you want? Where do you want it? Who do you want to do it with?

We are looking for members of the Community to help bring the park & woodland ideas together and to help plan the Jubilee weekend (June 2022).... whether you are connected via the school, the church or the villages you are most welcome - and don't worry, you won't be press-ganged into joining the Council too, unless you want to...

Which brings me to Frank - our newest Parish Councillor! Frank Shiers and his lovely wife moved into the Community earlier this year and love it so much he's already signed-up. Well done Frank, and thank you. We look forward to working alongside you, for the Community, in the future.

In other news, it has proven useful for the Parish Council to use FaceBook to announce news and for members of the Community to give the PC a shout regarding maintenance issues etc. We are currently using the Community pages, thank you Julie, so please feel free to continue to do this as well as using email - with the recommencement of the Spenbrook Mill development we may see more communication than usual! We shall see...

Anyway, as time marches on, so must we.....
Warp speed ahead!

Kind regards,

Ainsley Macadam

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Next Parish Council Meeting (please check social distancing/ requirements nearer the time):

Tuesday 10th August, 7pm, Barley Village Hall

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

www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

New Planning Applications (at the time of writing):

21/0536/VAR - Spenbrook Mill - Variation of Condition: relocate the site compound adjacent to the Mill - of Planning Permission13/13/0531P

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

www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

Barley Chapel

Angela Hargreaves 605090
Minister Revd Phil Taylor 01282 613165

Roughlee Parish Council

I don't like starting our monthly village news on a negative note but as of today, 20th July, our village is very badly impacted by the works being carried out by United Utilities at the Happy Valley junction. The extent of these works affects all four routes at the junction. The works have resulted in the formal closure of the road for three weeks from 12th July and whilst arrangements are in place to allow some traffic to pass the local bus service has been reduced or cancelled. The loss of the bus service has created particular difficulties for those residents who rely on the busses for hospital appointments and other vital services.

From what I understand the works to the water connections were largely finished by 16 July so the road could and should have been opened and bus services resumed within one week instead of the three weeks closure. However, worse was to come and on the 15th July the water contractor managed to sever the telephone and internet line serving a great many residents at Thorneholme, Whitehough and beyond. The lack of decent mobile signals in these areas exacerbates the problem suffered by residents. On the 18th July I was able to talk to the engineer looking into restoring the telephone line. He thought it was not a big job but could not give a date for completion. I hope that by the time you read this the service will have been restored and that United Utilities, who have been conspicuous by their absence in the past few days, may return and finish off their works to reduce further inconvenience to residents.

What I find particularly annoying is the total lack of information and communication from Lancashire County Council who authorise road closures or from United Utilities. Some months ago the Parish Council, following the closure of Pasture Lane, received assurances from LCC that we would be consulted and kept informed of future closures. Clearly this has not happened but we will try to make the system work in the future. To this end we are seeking support from our new County Councillor, Howard Hartley.

Another new development in the village is the proposal by the Forest of Pendle Leisure Park to create four additional caravan plots. Many will be aware that in September last year the site owners began to carve up the south east corner of the site creating an ugly scar and damaging some existing planting. An application has now been made to regularise these unauthorised works and to create

the four new plots. The application includes proposal to retain the area around the plots and to protect the existing trees. Whilst the approach of carrying out the works without first obtaining approval is to be deplored, what is now proposed will remove the ugly scar. The options would seem to be the restoration of the original ground levels or approval of the proposal. This decision will be made by Pendle Council but the Parish Council will formulate its response in due course.

On a more positive note the meeting of the Parish Council on 5th July was held in the Village Centre. Whilst we followed the necessary safety precautions it was good to meet face to face again. We had a full agenda and continue to progress proposals for the Heritage Project and the Village Green. Dates for the Parish Gathering and the Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch will be promulgated soon. As a further sign that normality is returning a few of us adjourned to the Bay Horse after the meeting.

The Village Centre Committee is also back in action and are hosting a number of private events including weddings. They are also preparing a number of social events to take place in the next couple of months. Details of these will be circulated separately so please look out for details. Let us also hope that these and other activities can go ahead without further coronavirus restrictions.

Andrew Walker

The 100 club

draw on behalf of St Mary's School took place for July. The winners were:

- Sam Hooper with number 32 winning £25
- Joanne Lowcock with number 19 winning £20 •
- David Lowcock with number 61 winning £15

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.

Reuben Burton Trust Fund

Former pupils of Newchurch and Roughlee Schools, who are undertaking a course of study at University or other Higher Education Centre, are invited to apply for a small grant from the Reuben Burton Trust on sending details of their intended course and post academic career to :

Mrs M Kobak,
145 Gisburn Road, Barrowford,
Nelson BB9 6HQ
MKobak81@hotmail.com
before 1 September 2021.

The grant is payable at the end of the year's study, subject to confirmation of successful completion, and candidates may apply for each year of the course duration.

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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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Village Centre Chairman			

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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/>

August Services are as follows-

1st August 9.30am BCP Holy Communion
8th August 9,30am Holy Communion
15th August 9.30am BCP Holy Communion
22nd August 9.30am All Age Service
29th August 9.30am Morning Prayer

During August we are exploring the story of Joseph.....so much more than a boy with a special coat.

Please note that the Rushbearing Crowning and Service will now take place on the 4th and 5th September. More details will follow.

St. Mary's Facebook Page

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