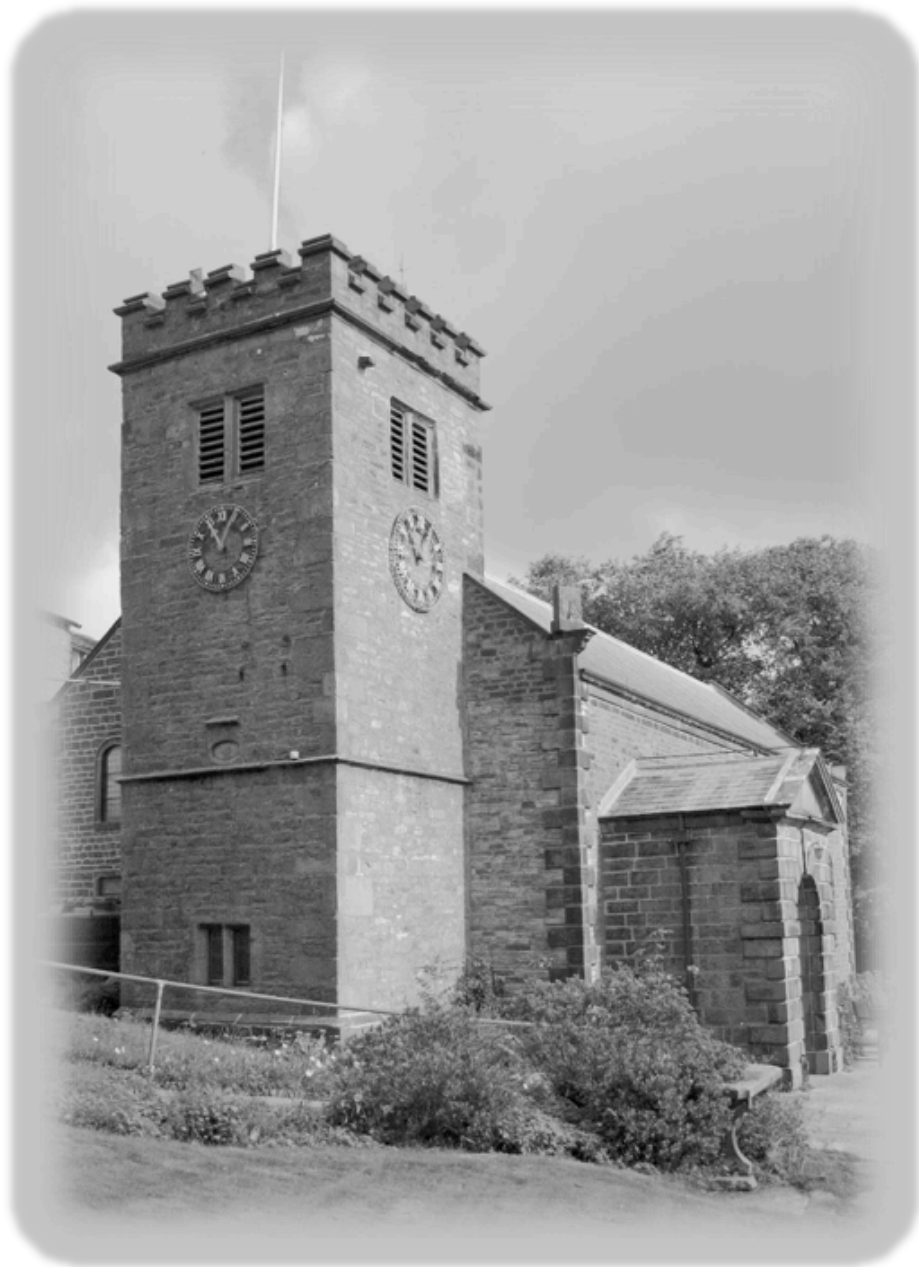


Parish News

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St. Mary's Church

Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

The Vicar's Letter

Paddington Bear, Peter Rabbit, Panda and Modern Pentathlon

Fans of the BBC2 series Only Connect will be familiar with the concept of finding the connection between four seemingly unrelated things. There is a connection between the things listed above and the thing that connects them celebrates it's 50th birthday on 14th October.

This was the day that the 50p piece was introduced, the first seven-sided coin in the world. In the intervening 50 years many designs have been on the reverse of the coin including the four things listed above. These coins become highly desirable amongst collectors with people willing to pay much more than 50p to own one!!!

The Royal Mint says that the 50p has become one of its most popular coins despite people being very wary of it at first. Most of us probably have a few of them either in our purse or in a jar somewhere. I wonder what we would do if we found one of the sought-after rare ones lurking there.

Do we ever stop to think about the money that we have be it in a jar or in the bank? Do we realise that if we have money in the bank or rattling around in a jar that we are fortunate for many people in our world do not have that luxury?

As Christians what should our attitude to money be? Does our faith have an impact on what we do with our money or is it a topic to be avoided? Jesus didn't think so! Many of his parables concern money and the Bible is full of verses regarding money however the best known one is often misquoted!! For it is the love of money that is the root of all evil not money itself (1 Timothy 6:10).

The Church of England offers some advice as to how we should use money and suggests that once a year we review our financial giving. We are encouraged to do this annually as an act of good stewardship. We are also encouraged to consider giving generously not just of our money but of our time and our talents in order to further the mission of the Church. We are called to be a Church that seeks to be transformative by sharing the Good News of the Gospel which means that we face a challenge to do whatever is needed to align ourselves with 'ways of living and giving that release rather than obstruct the flow of God's generosity. Doing so helps to create a social order that not only provides for the needs of all but also redefines abundant living from the accumulation of consumerism to the fulfilment found in Christ centred lives' (Giving for Life Leaflet Parish Resources Website).

Why not make October when we once again give thanks for the Harvest and this year 475 years of St Mary's Newchurch in Pendle the time to review our giving?

The following may help.

Our giving should be proportionate....a realistic proportion of our income.

Our giving should be planned but not prescriptive and allowing spontaneous generosity.

Our giving should be cheerfully and joyfully given.....whether giving of money, time or hospitality we give with grace from the heart as an offering to God.

Thank you to all who give of their time, talents and money to further God's mission through St Mary's and the wider church. I pray that this will continue for many years to come as we gather together to worship God and serve him in the community. We are always keen to welcome new people in this task why not be one of them?

Revd Julie

Barley

By the time you are reading this I am hoping the car park improvements are well advanced or completed. The project involves introducing a macadam roadway around the first parking separator island which is the area most used on the car park. The introduction of a macadam road surface will reduce our expenditure on repairing pot-holes and encourage visitors to use the car park and pay a contribution to use it.

To undertake the works efficiently and safely it was necessary to close the car park even though this would put a strain on the village parking capacity but it is hoped any short term pain will be overtaken by the longer term benefits and I was pleased the "Cabin" were supportive of the works even though it might impact on trade.

The Council does not have the funds to tarmac all the car park or pay for the drainage works required if an impermeable surface was introduced. Hence the Council is just introducing a roadway, about 6m wide, to facilitate vehicle movements whilst parking will continue to be on a stone surface. The vast majority of potholes appear on the roadway and only a few on the parking areas. The works will not stop potholes forming on parking areas but these will be minimal and require only minor repairs.

The Council has also sought to maintain a rustic appearance to the car park and so have agreed to retain the separator landscaped islands and are confident the tarmac will soon turn grey to match the stone surface.

At the September PC meeting the Council agreed, by a narrow majority vote, to progress towards introducing a CCTV system at both ends of the village. As I wrote last month, there is much more to introducing CCTV into public areas than you might think in terms of purpose, privacy, consultation, individual councillor responsibilities, access to and storage of images etc along with significant penalties for breach of legislation. In agreeing to progress the project the Council has effectively agreed to tackle the above issues and so some residents can expect to receive consultation letters where your home might be in the sight line of a camera. There is still work to do and once we have some outcomes a final decision will be made on moving to purchase and installation.

Unfortunately, the County Council has not yet installed the road lining scheme that we were offered to tackle congestion caused by inconsiderate parking.

The Council has written to senior County Council Councillors in late September asking why the project has seemingly stalled. So, for now, we continue using the traffic cones.

Finally, I would like to wish Susan Fletcher a quick recovery after her recent fall and I hope to report on Cllr. Connor receiving the Best Kept Village trophy at October's finalist ceremony.

Derek Heap

Barley Village Hall

We regret that maintenance is still on going at the Hall, the lift, the floor in the downstairs hall and windows all require work at a total cost of approximately £10,000.

All this work is required so that we can continue to keep the hall open or do we close the hall? The Management Trustees of the hall are all volunteers and most have other commitments as well. We would welcome help we could call on at special times - no need to be on the committee.

Monday 1 -3 pm CRAFT GROUP: 1st & 3rd Monday check with Valarie for classes Tel. 691850
6-7pm PILATES Cathrine tel 07853176011
7.30pm YOUNG FARMERS.
8.0pm KEEP FIT: Monday weekly circuit training, Contact John Tel. 611517 for information.
Tuesday 1-5pm PENDLE PATCHERS: 2ND & 4TH Tuesday Call in and see us. Tel Audrey 613280
Wednesday 10- 12noon COFFEE & chat: 9th Oct.
Thursday 10 - 11am PILATES Tracy 07773785904
7.30pm YOGA Michelle Tel. 07710307563
8.00pm LINE DANCING 8pm Sally-Anne 1541303

Quite a few babies are arriving in the village, we would welcome a Mother & Toddler group back in the village hall.

MOBILE LIBRARY NEXT VISIT to Barley
30th Sept
Then 14th & 28th October

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

The Spen Brook mill development is still raising some concerns with residents. The parish council has written to Pendle Borough Council highlighting these concerns and hopefully, these issues will be addressed as appropriate.

The questionnaires have now been distributed across the parish asking for resident's thoughts on how the 106 monies for outdoor spaces should be best used. Following the closing date of September 22nd, the returned questionnaires will be compiled so that we can determine the best way in which to use the monies for the good of the parish.

Sadly, the removal of the large horse chestnut tree in the children's playground has become necessary as it was in a dangerous condition. With the arrival of the conker season, the parish council sought advice from Pendle Council. It was inspected and confirmed to be diseased and in danger of imminent collapse, therefore it left the council no option other than to remove it. We hope to replace the tree, possibly from its own conker seeds which would be fitting as the original tree was grown from seeds planted by a resident over fifty years ago.

The Best Kept Village competition has passed our parish by this year. It is a shame when so much effort is given by many people to improve the condition and appearance of the villages. Maybe it will be our time next year?

Bob Donovan

Pendle People

The son of Jade and Kristian Hiley
was baptised
Karter Michael
at St. Mary's Church, Newchurch

The 100 club

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

- Gill Collins with number 19, winning £25
- Sam Hooper with number 51, winning £20
- Claire Chilton with number 98, winning £15

Thanks to everyone who supports the school with this. There are some 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.

Pendle Forest History Group

Wednesday 16th October 2019 at
7.30pm in Barley Village Hall

"Items of Interest"

Members £2, Visitors £3

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

All Souls' Service

Commemoration of the faithful departed
Sunday 3rd November 2.30pm

During this service the names of the departed will be read out.

There will be a sheet at the back of the church during October for names to be included. Please add the name(s) of anyone you wish to be remembered or alternatively speak to either of the churchwardens. Names may also be submitted by email to:

chriswiddas@gmail.com

All are welcome to attend this and any other of our services

Roughlee Parish Council

As reported in last month's news the Parish Council have made representations objecting to two planning applications, both for two large detached houses, in open land outside of the village boundaries. One, on land to the east of Thorneyholme Hall, was a resubmission of an application which had been refused by the Borough Council earlier this year and this refusal has now been appealed to the Planning Inspectorate. The Parish Council have commented on the appeal to re-inforce our objections. The resubmitted application has now been refused by the Planning Officer under the scheme of delegation because it was not materially different to the first application.

The other application was for land off Blacko Bar Road on the south side of the river. Whilst the applicants sought to show a local justification for this scheme it would have resulted in highly intrusive development in open land within the AONB. Following strong representations by the Parish Council this application was refused by the Barrowford and Western Parishes Area Committee.

The Parish Council welcome both of these decisions which emphasise the threat to open land and the importance of protecting the AONB.

As part of our Capital Programme funding from the Borough Council we have ordered a new greenhouse which will be sited in the grounds of the Village Centre. This will allow us to grow more plants for display and fund raising purposes. However, we do need volunteers to help with watering and plant care at busy times of the year particularly to cover for holidays. Nigel Brotherton or Mary Reed would be happy to hear from you if you can spare a few hours throughout the year.

Whilst the results have not been formally announced we know that we have not managed to repeat our winning ways in this year's Best Kept Village Competition. We will receive feedback from the judges which will inform our efforts for next year. Whilst winning is good the main purpose of the competition is to engender pride in our area and engage the community in looking after village. The efforts of so many people in this year and previous years' show how valuable this is. Thanks to all concerned.

ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE EVENTS

Two important dates for your diary. The Halloween Festival will be held on Sunday 27th October. This will include a bar and café at the Centre with entertainment by the Stone the Crows Morris Dancers. The village Scarecrow Festival takes place on the same day and given the number of visitors this attracts we would really like to encourage villagers to participate to ensure a successful event. Further information and an entry form are on the website at www.roughlee.org.uk/scarecrows. Please have your scarecrows up before 10am for judging from 11.30am. If you don't live on the inspection route, scarecrows can be placed at bus stops, benches, railings or plots at the Village Centre.

The second date is Saturday the 2nd November when the ever-popular Witch Wines tasting event will be held in the evening. This may be regarded as an educational event but it is much, much more. A great fun evening is in prospect. Look out for details.

Andrew Walker

Garden Party at Thorney Bank Farm

Thank you to all our guests for their attendance and helping to raise over £900 for St. Mary's Church kitchen and toilet fund.

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

Pendle Halloween Festival Sunday 27 October

Choose a spot and register your spooky scarecrows online at www.roughlee.org.uk/scarecrows by Wed 23 Oct to be included on the official map. Get them up by 10am on Sunday for judging at 11.30.

If you don't live on the route, scarecrows can be placed at bus stops, benches, railings or larger 5m plots at Roughlee Village Centre.

FROM 10.30AM AT
ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE

Stone the Crows

Morris Dancers

Plus Cafe & Bar

ROUGHLEE
VILLAGE
CENTRE

Enter online at www.roughlee.org.uk/scarecrows

Witch Wines

Sat 2 Nov, 7.30pm

Wine & Cheese Tasting at
Roughlee Village Centre

by **MajesticWine**

Followed by a Quiz

Tickets £12.50 from Glen
07849 774438



So you think you know the
Christmas Carol story?
Bah humbug!

Sun 19 Nov · 7.30pm · £10
www.roughlee.org.uk/scrooge

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 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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Parish Council Clerk Vacancy

Goldshaw Booth (Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spenbrook) www.goldshawbooth.org.uk

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

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Council Clerk Jennifer Sutcliffe clerk@goldshawbooth.org.uk

Roughlee Booth www.roughlee.org.uk

Council meetings are held at 7pm in Roughlee Village Centre on the 1st 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

will be on the 15th October, 3.30pm to 5pm in Barley Village Hall,
Crafts, fun and fellowship for all.

Lancashire Night

Friends of St. Mary's Saturday 12th October

“Lancashire Night”

Traditional Dinner and Entertainment
7.30pm Barley Village Hall

Tickets £17.50

Tel. 01282 691850

email chriswiddas@gmail.com

This year Tackler's Brew have invited us to choose some of the songs to be included. If you would like to suggest a song please email Chris Widdas for a list and return your request by 4th October.

WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

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