

Parish News

Barley - Newchurch - Roughlee - Sabden Fold - Spenbrook

December 2017 and January 2018

Happy Christmas



St. Mary's Church

Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

Julie's Letter

December and January can be the months of new beginnings. December brings with it the season of Advent which sometimes gets lost in the rush to Christmas and January sees the beginning of the year 2018 no doubt with some New Year resolutions broken by the 2nd of January!

Advent is the beginning of the Church's year, a season in which we prepare for the coming of Jesus our Emmanuel (God with us) not just as the baby in the manger but also for his second coming. For many the challenge of Advent is to stay focused on Jesus amidst the clamour of the Christmas adverts. One way you might consider doing this is to engage with the Bible Society's Advent Challenge. Sign up at #Advent Challenge to receive three biblically inspired challenges a day to help you bring the Bible to life every day of December. The challenges are simple and practical and this year includes child- friendly challenges for schools and families.

We may not keep our resolutions but God keeps his promises to us. Why not make 2018 the year that you discover what those promises were or if you already know make time to explore them more deeply.

May you have a blessed Christmas and New Year.

To a troubled world, peace from Christ.

To a searching world, love from Christ.

To a waiting world, hope from Christ.

Julie the Vicar



Julie, the Vicar, with her husband Mike and Bishop Philip at her induction in November.

Barley Parish Council

Barley held its Remembrance Service on Saturday 11 November and at the appointed time a sermon was read by our new vicar, Julie Smith, and after the last post wreaths were laid by our local MP, the Mayor of Pendle BC, our County Councillor and John Connor representing the Parish Council. About fifty residents attended and the event was a fine tribute to all those who gave everything. It was a fitting moment for reflection.

Barley is the winner of the Lancashire Best Kept Village (Hamlet Class) for 2017 pipping our neighbours in Newchurch and Roughlee and beating all thirteen entrants in the competition. The village has looked clean, tidy and looked after all summer and this was clearly appreciated by the judges and I am glad that the efforts of many villagers have been recognised.

The competition is designed to encourage community effort and involvement in keeping villages and their facilities tidy and well maintained and I believe the competition does provide a focus, but in the end, we all benefit from looking after our own patch. **The Pendle Inn won the BKV 'Village Pub of the Year award'** and there was also a "Highly Commended" award for our War Memorial from the judges.

On behalf of the Parish Council I would like to thank the villagers and businesses who contributed in some way and on a personal note to thank John Connor who was the lead Councillor on this project and Frank Wilkinson who kept on top of our landscape areas as our lengthsman.

Vehicles parking in the turning circle has again become a problem and so the Council has made representations to local businesses and residents to support us in retaining the turning circle as it's intended purpose. Letters have been sent out confirming this land is now in the ownership, by deed, of the Parish Council which gives us powers to decide what we do with it and that at the last two Annual Parish meetings (APM), attended by over 40No villagers, the PC has received unanimous support to retain the turning circle for the purpose it was intended and to retain an attractive village centre including our war memorial. The PC remains committed to retaining this land for the above purposes and not to it becoming a car park – we already have a huge car park.

I am pleased to report that the Parish Council and Lancashire County Council have worked together to improve the parking lay-by on Barley Lane by spreading road planings in the area to raise the lay-by back to road level.

Finally, the last time I wrote I reported a thief amongst us who had stolen money from the toilet donation boxes. The same person has tried to steal the car park takings and so we would be pleased if you could all keep an eye on these facilities and hopefully we can catch the thief that is stealing from all of us. To the thief – we now empty our boxes each day and if you are caught – we will not hesitate to prosecute you and name and shame you to all those you are stealing from.

Derek Heap

Barley Village Hall

CRAFT GROUP: 1- 3pm. 1st & 3rd Monday Valerie Tel. 691850

YOUNG FARMERS: Mon evenings in Village Hall see YFC Facebook

KEEP FIT: Monday. Contact John Tel. 611517 for latest information.

PENDLE PATCHERS Tues 12th Dec. 9th&23rd Jan. Tel Audrey 613280

COFFEE & chat: Wed 13th Dec & 10th Jan at 10am to 12 noon.

LINE DANCING: Thursday 7.00pm Sally-Anne 541303

YOGA : not in December Michelle 07710307563

PILATES every Thursday morning. Tracy 07773785904. 10 – 11am.

BURNS NIGHT

SATURDAY 20th JANUARY 2017

7.00 FOR 7.30pm

A GREAT SCOTTISH NIGHT

3 COURSE DINNER

Please bring your own drinks
tickets £16 Tel.613280 or 691850

Thank you to all who attended our Curry Night,
a great success.

St. Mary's C of E Primary Academy

After School Clubs

Netball- Drew 1 Won 3 Lost 1

Football- Drew 1 Won 1 Lost 1

Exceptional playing from both of our teams with great results!!

Create and Discover - Together Mrs Whittaker and the children have had great fun with science experiments, friendship bracelet making , model making and much more.

Coming soon: Maths on a Tuesday & English on a Friday with Mr Whittaker.

We continue with our FUNDA and Commando Joe clubs.

The Kinetic Theatre once again put on an exciting and informative performance of 'Down to Earth'. The children had lots of fun learning about the order and features of the planets in the solar system.

Some of our KS2 children represented our school at the Shekinah Ethos Worship Group Gathering. They worked together with other local church schools and planned a collective worship for St. Mary's. They wrote prayers on prayeroplanes and launched them outside, learning that there are many different ways to pray. Mrs Whittaker was very proud of them.

We celebrated harvest in church this year on two separate occasions: 5th October with all our children and invited parents and governors. Also on 8th October with our St. Mary's church community. We received a lovely letter from one of the recipient: Safenet. 'Many women and children arrive at the refuge with little or no belongings and your donation goes a long way to helping them to rebuild their lives.'

Our years 5 and 6 children went off to Low Mill with their many bags for a week of fun and new experiences. A time to team build, reflect and do the washing up!!

On 'Black History Day we had a visit from Sita Brand who captivated our children with 'mindfulness in the classroom', with meditation, songs and stories.

Our Aspirations Day was a huge success with representations from many professions, the majority being our own parents. We had a veterinary nurse, a plumber, an engineer, a doctor, a lady farmer, a truck driver, members of the police, PCSO, fire station manager and PE specialist teacher, all of whom spoke to the children about their chosen profession. Children and adults enjoyed a BBQ lunch.

As part of our RE syllabus and learning about other faiths we had a Diwali (Hindu Festival of light) food tasting day. The children also visited a Hindu Temple and learnt more about the connections between other faiths and Christianity.

We all welcomed Rev. Julie to her first collective worship at St. Mary's. The children participated, Rev. Julie told a story and Mr Whittaker was dancing!! We think she will be a fabulous member of the St. Mary's family.

As we come to the end of a very busy term we are looking forward to our Nativity performance, Beauty and the Beast Panto trip, Christmas lunch and party and our Carol service in church.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Peaceful New Year
Mrs Pauline Nightingale

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

Residents may have noticed that there is a new notice board in Spenbrook which adds character to the hamlet and means that the PC has now met its wish to renew the boards in Newchurch and Spenbrook. The boards have glass fronted doors, which means notices are now protected from the weather. There is also now a notice board in Sabden Fold, which previously did not have one. Individuals and organisations can use the boards for information notices and advertisements for their businesses but please be aware that notices concerning Parish Council business take precedence, so please do not remove them in any circumstances.

I have described previously that ash trees in Sparable Wood have been infected with ash die back disease and may well die as a result and the steps the PC wish to take to replace the dead trees. I have received notification that our application to the Woodland Trust for 420 saplings free of charge has been successful. The PC will receive them in March 2018 and then will be planted. We have already received generous offers to help with planting, which are gratefully received. Another suggestion has been made regarding donating trees, in particular in memory of a deceased loved one. All suggestions will be considered and acted on if at all possible. I have often considered that opportunities can present themselves when faced with a problem and in this case, the community can benefit as a result.

The bonfire was a success again this year and our thanks to Carl Ryder and Bob Donovan for organising it. As with many communities, it is the same people who volunteer and although our thanks go to those that are prepared to get involved, it does get wearing when others do not come forward to help. This year's results of the Best Kept Village Competition show that the hamlets of Newchurch and Spenbrook were again unplaced and although I think there is nothing obviously wrong with our hamlets, other local villages, which seem to have many more volunteers than us, were far more successful. If we want to be successful in the BKVC, as we have in past years, then our community will need to get more actively involved. If any residents would like to bring their ideas forward to parish councillors, we would be pleased to hear them.

Chris Burt

Roughlee Parish Council

As you will see this News covers a two month period and, as is usual, it is being written two weeks before the publication date. As such it is much more a prediction than a news report but with so much happening in Roughlee there is much to be excited about.

The big News item relates to the Bay Horse Inn. The huge effort put in by villagers to restore and reopen the pub have received extensive publicity at both local and national level. The formal opening is scheduled for the 25th November after which it is all systems go including a Christmas Day lunch. In times past the Bay Horse was famous for its Sunday lunches and this tradition will be reinstated from 26th November when Sunday Roast will be served between 12 noon and 8pm. The Parish Council and, I am sure, the whole of the village wish every success to Jack and his colleagues.

The senior citizens Christmas lunch this year is confirmed for Thursday 14th December and invitations have been sent out. If you have not received yours but would like to attend please let us know. The Mayor and Mayoress will be joining us and Roughlee School will entertain us after the meal. Something to really look forward to!

Earlier this year the Parish Council commissioned work from Lancashire Wildlife Trust to look at habitats in the Parish area. The importance of protecting and enhancing the natural areas around us, to know what species we have and how we can improve their habitats is, I think, something that most of us would agree with. The starting point is to know what we have and the first report by the Trust will address this. The report, prepared by John Lamb of the Trust, will be presented to the Parish Council meeting on 4th December when we will discuss how to take things forward. Measure could include engaging local people to observe and record plants and animals seen in the Parish area. If you are interested in looking after our countryside with its many different species of plants and animals, please join us at 7pm on the 4th December to hear the presentation and join in the discussion.

As you may have noticed from the stop press in the last Parish News, Roughlee was runner up to Barley in this year's Best Kept Village competition. Well done to Barley who won by the narrowest of margins but I know that the villagers of Roughlee will be back next year to keep up the good work. The aim is to take care of our village and the competition is a means to this end.

Openreach have been very active in and around the village over the past few weeks and we remain

hopeful that super-fast broadband will be available by Christmas as promised.

As well as events at the pub the Roughlee Village Centre committee have an exciting social calendar in the period running up to Christmas. Details are elsewhere in the News, on the website and on local notice boards. In the meantime the Parish Council wishes you all a happy and peaceful time over the Christmas and New Year celebrations. I hope to see you at one or more of the many events.

Andrew Walker

WI

October 2017

In October Barley WI celebrated their 75th Anniversary in style with a themed AGM 'Putting on the Ritz' Over 50 Members past and present enjoyed an afternoon tea style dinner followed by cutting of the anniversary

cake by member & former President Audrey Weatherill MBE & fellow member Nicola Ogden. The Club has had a particularly successful year with membership growing and many interest groups have been formed including the Special Events Group,



Barley WI – November 2017

November meeting was a 'Bake & Take' with members sharing samples of their favourite recipes that will be collated for the New Barley WI Recipe Book. In true WI tradition, nearly 30 cakes were sampled along with copious amounts of tea whilst sharing the stories and traditions of the recipes. The Special Events group visited Trapp Forge for a demonstration then supper at the Higher Trapp Hotel. Three of our more energetic ladies took part in a 'Clubercise' exercise class which involves dancing in the dark with glo sticks! The walking group have completed a brisk 5 mile walk around the hills and moors of Trawden and the dining group met at the Hare & Hounds in Foulridge. The Knit and Natterers continue to meet on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month and a reminder that Non-members are welcome so if you knit, crochet or stitch or would like to learn – please come along!

The next meeting is on Wednesday 6th December at 7.30pm which is the Christmas Party. Members will also be collecting toiletries for the Nelson Womens Refuge. New Members Welcome, Please contact Sally Anne Middleton - iansallyanne@icloud.com or Claire Milligan – s.c.milligan@talktalk.net

Christmas Fayre

Sunday Dec 3 • 11am-3pm

● Arts & Crafts ● Stalls ● Café
£2 Santa Grotto ● Carol singing etc.

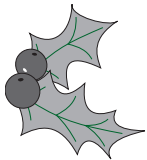
● Santa arrives at 12 ●

Christmas Trees & Wreaths

FREE ENTRANCE

Enquiries to Glen 07849 774438

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Profits to Roughlee Village Centre



The 100 Club

The 100 club draw on behalf of St Mary's School took place for November. Winners were:-

Cameron Hill with number 16, winning £25
Rosie Hudson with number 75, winning £20
Jay Gardner with number 90, winning £15

Thanks to everyone who supports the school with this. There are 9 numbers still available so anybody wishing to get involved with the fundraiser please contact Rosie Hudson on 07790 167590, or e-mail her at rosie.hudson@btopenworld.com

Grade 1 Christmas trees for sale

All sizes available including potted trees
FREE DELIVERY whenever you want
Non - drop. Graded the best £7 a foot Norddmann and Fraser Fir
GREAT TREES, GREAT PRICE
CALL 01282 605090 OR MESSAGE ASAP TO ORDER -
Bob & Angie Hargreaves

Pendle Forest History Group

Wednesday 17th January 2018
at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall

Presentation by

Peter Del Strother

"The History of Clitheroe"

www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk

Barley Chapel

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

Regular Activities

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

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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.uk

Council meetings are held at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall on 1st Wednesday in the month

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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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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 Sunday: All Age Worship – a service with modern hymns and a sermon for the young and not so young

4th Sunday: Holy Communion from contemporary service book with hymns and sermon

5th Sunday (when applicable) Morning Prayer from the Book of Common Prayer

Services

2017

Sunday 3rd December at 4pm - Christingle.

Sunday 10th December at 6pm - Carol Service at Barley Methodist Chapel.

Sunday 24th December at 10 pm - First Communion of Christmas

Monday 25th December at 9.30am. - Christmas Day Communion

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Sunday 7th January at 4 pm - Epiphany Carol Service.

Events

Saturday 16th December

Mulled Wine & Mince Pies.

at 5, Osborne Terrace, Spenbrook

6.30pm - 7.30 pm. Parents to bring children.

Pre school children free - School children tickets. £ 2.50 each

7.30pm. Adults. Tickets. £ 7.50 each

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WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

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