

# Parish News

Barley - Newchurch - Roughlee - Sabden Fold - Spensbrook

December 2021 & January 2022

## HAPPY CHRISTMAS



St. Mary's Church

Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

# The Vicar's Letter

There's not really any such thing as an average day for a Vicar. There may be some days when I do the same things such as Collective Acts of Worship in the schools or services on a Sunday but in the main I don't always know what any one day will bring.

Today (19th November) has been a prime example of that. The early part of the morning saw me dealing with baptism and wedding enquiries then it was over to St Thomas Church to help put up a display about modern day slavery then a quick bite to eat and off to Roughlee Church of England school to join the children and staff for a World Toilet Day Party complete with 'poo' cupcakes (don't worry it was chocolate icing!!).

The early part of the evening will be given over to this article and answering the emails that have come in whilst I was enjoying myself at the party and getting very excited that Roughlee have now twinned one of their toilets.

People are now beginning to get excited about Christmas Day and hoping that things will be better than they were for many in 2020. Last year we were encouraged to have a simple Christmas. I love this quote from Andrew Roberts a Methodist minister writing for the Roots magazine, 'Simple need not be spartan though. I suspect the shepherds may have gone a bit wild when they went back to the hills and probably imbibed a good measure of their favourite tipple'.

In the same article Jeremiah (aged 8 years) says, 'We should prepare our heart for Jesus during Advent. We should share our blessing with the homeless and those who don't have a lot' Christmas Day 2021 may still be different from previous ones but one thing never changes, not even in the grip of a deadly pandemic we remember that on the first Christmas Day God sent the best present of all Jesus.

We are told in Luke's Gospel of the birth of Jesus (Luke 2:1-23) and he paints a rather calm scenario. I suspect it was anything but and Mary and Joseph must have been overwhelmed at times. Yet Mary 'treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart' (Luke 2:19 NIV).

As we move from 2021 to 2022 will you be able to take time to treasure things?

The Christmas story is an appealing one with donkeys, a new baby, visiting shepherds and eventually some Wise Men but what happens when the child grows up?

Perhaps 2022 will be the year when we all ponder more deeply on Jesus the greatest gift to the world. My prayer for us all is that in 2022 we will seek to learn more about Jesus through prayer and worship so that the Vision 2026 prayer below becomes a reality.

Heavenly Father, we embrace your call for us to make disciples, to be witnesses, to grow leaders and inspire children and young people. Give us eyes to see Your vision, ears to hear the prompting of Your Spirit and courage to follow in the footsteps of Your Son our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

God Bless

Rev'd Julie

(Roots Adult & All Age Magazine Nov/Dec 2021 Issue 116 page 3)

For more details about Vision 2026 see the Diocesan Website [www.blackburn.anglican.org](http://www.blackburn.anglican.org) and follow the links for Vision 2026. You might also want to check out the Advent Resource for 2021 After God's Own Heart which will be available on the Diocesan website soon and looks at King David as we reflect on the coming of the Messiah King Jesus.

# Goldshaw Booth Parish

## Council

**Silence.** You know winter is coming when Remembrance Sunday is upon us again, but what a beautiful day - crisp and sunny - to remember the fallen. With a hushed silence Ted played the Last Post and, joined by Andrew Stephenson (MP), Carlo Lioni (PBC Councillor), Nadeem Ahmed (PBC Councillor) and Andrew Walker (Roughlee PC), the Community at St. Mary's listened attentively as David, in his Service, reminded us of the possibility of peace.

**What the blazes?** The wind and rain stopped and the bonfire went up with a *crackle!* and a *fizz!* as the Community gathered to warm themselves - front, and then back! Caroline surprised us all with pizza and Katy kept the children's hot chocolate topped up with squirty cream - thank you. Thank you also to Anthony and the team for putting together a brilliant Bonfire night, and for tidying up afterwards!

**Sunday 5th December (3.45pm)**  
**Newchurch Village Centre** - Teaming up with St. Mary's Church Goldshaw Booth is pulling out the Christmas lights for the BIG switch-ON followed by a Christingle service in the Church. We look forward to seeing you all as we celebrate being able to come together again (and being able to eat too many mince pies!)

**Saturday 11th December (5pm)**  
**Newchurch Village Centre** - Sshhhh.... Don't tell everyone but Santa's coming to Newchurch!!! Anthony has a hot-line to the Big Man himself and with the help of a team of merry (but not too merry) elves (Laura, Isla, Deb, Liz, Chloe, Hailey, Martin, Bev, Michelle and behind the

scenes, Frank and Ruth) preparations are being made for Santa to 'Stop Here Please' to find out who has been 'naughty' or 'nice' and to enjoy (more) mince pies and merriment!

**What else??** The Parish Council has been working hard to bring a number of Community projects together; Sparable Lane (work for resurfacing the footpath starts 22nd Nov.), play equipment in the park, CCTV (coming soon) and, for the future, we are consulting on access-for-all to Newchurch park.

You can keep up to date with these and much more, and, inform us of any issues... (as well as offer ideas) on the **Goldshaw Booth Parish Council Facebook Group** page.

**Just a moment!** On a personal note, I'd like thank my fellow Councillors, particularly the newbies, and our new Clerk, Heather, for your continued hard work and support over the last 6 months - it's been busy, and at some times stressful, but I hope the Community agrees that it has been very much worth it. Thank you. I'm sure Anthony will be also prove be a valued member of the GBPC team. Thank you, also, to Andrew Walker for his guidance.

Massive thanks to John, the outgoing editor of this magazine, and best wishes in your new home.

All that remains - for the time being - is to wish you a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Very Happy New Year!!

Kind regards,

Ainsley Macadam

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

Tuesday 11th January 2022, 7pm, Barley Village Hall

*Please note, there is no December meeting but you can continue to contact us as usual.*

**Copies of Meeting Agendas & Minutes from Previous Meetings (etc.):**

[www.goldshawbooth.org.uk](http://www.goldshawbooth.org.uk)

**Planning Applications (at the time of writing):**

Ref: 21/0832/FUL - Proposal: Full: Installation of replacement oil storage tank - Address: Saint Marys Church Newchurch Newchurch In Pendle

Ref: 21/0887/HHO - Proposal: Full: Single storey rear extension. - Address: 4 Goldshaw Court Newchurch In Pendle BB12 9NB

Ref: 21/0874/ARD - Proposal: Prior Approval Notification (Agricultural): Diversion of the existing access track - Address: Sabden Old Hall Farm Well Head Road Newchurch In Pendle BB12 9LR

Ref: 21/0765/FUL - Proposal: Full: Construction of a 30m x 60m menage with 1.2m high timber post and rail perimeter fencing - Address: Agricultural Buildings To The East Of Moss End Spenbrook Road Newchurch In Pendle

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

[www.goldshawbooth.org.uk](http://www.goldshawbooth.org.uk)

## **BARLEY VILLAGE HALL**

### **COFFEE AND CHAT**

WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> December and 12<sup>th</sup> January 10am – 12 noon

Coffee and Chat is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month.

Everyone welcome so why not come along for very informal and enjoyable chat time with coffee and home made scones, cakes and biscuits.

We ask for a donation of £2 towards the cost of room hire and heating.

We meet in the Terrace Room in Barley Village Hall.

If anyone would like to come but needs transport please phone Chris or Valerie (Tel. 691850)

## **Pendle Forest History Group**

15th December - Christmas Social and Items of Interest

19th January - Harold Hoggarth "The English Civil War in Lancashire"

16th February - Annual General Meeting

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

## Roughlee Parish Council

This edition of the News covers the Christmas and New Year holiday period and takes us through to 2022. Let us hope that next year is a very big improvement on the last two! This edition is also the last to be co-ordinated by John Parsons who has acted as editor for very many years. John is owed a very big thank you from all who have enjoyed and contributed to the Parish News.

The subsidence which has threatened the Roughlee Fisheries car park has now been resolved, or at least we hope so. The car park surface had been slowly sinking for some months and recent investigations revealed that the foundations of Roughlee Mill and the mill race which were demolished over 60 years ago had not been filled in and compacted properly. The recent works have refilled the voids and the car park is now fit for purpose.

As previously recorded our long-time organiser of the Roughlee Best Kept Village group, Nigel Brotherton, has retired from the role to return to full time work. Having won first place in previous years his final contribution resulted in a highly commended third place in the 2021 competition. Congratulations to Nigel and his team for a very creditable effort. Nigel's place has been taken by Meg and Michael Davey who will take up the reins for the coming year, assisted by Ian Mortimer. The Parish Council are truly grateful to all who help towards keeping our village so beautiful.

Meg and Michael have also undertaken the organisation of this year's Senior Citizens lunch which will be held on Thursday 9th December. As in previous years the pupils of Roughlee School will entertain us with their Christmas concert. Invitations have been sent out so if you are a Senior Citizen and have not received yours please contact our Clerk, Mary, and let her know.

Arrangements are continuing for the Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations which are to be held on Thursday 2nd June 2022. This is a special Bank Holiday to celebrate the Jubilee. Full details will be available in due course.

The Roughlee Village Centre Committee has been busy over the past months with the Pendle Pub Walk and Halloween celebrations. The next big event is the Christmas Fayre which is on Sunday 28th November and the Christmas Boogie will be held on Saturday 18th December. Also of note is a very generous bequest from a benefactor who wishes to remain anonymous. The bequest is for the benefit of Roughlee Village Hall and will ensure a secure future for our Village Centre.

Finally, it is a great pleasure to report that the Bay Horse is now fully open again including for the service of food. It is difficult to over-emphasise the importance of the pub in the life of the village and we wish Adam and his team all good wishes for a long and prosperous tenancy.

In conclusion the Parish Council send best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all villagers, their families and friends.

Andrew Walker

### Magazine Editor

The new magazine editor will be

Lee Hunt

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His first edition will be

February 2022

7pm 18 Dec

  
**Roughlee**  
**Christmas**  
**Boogie**  
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## **MULLED WINE & MINCE PIES**

We will once again be holding our Christmas Social  
on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December

at 5, Osborne Terrace, Spenbrook from 7,00pm

All welcome Tickets £10 for adults.

Children welcome, all we ask is a small donation towards food and a  
small gift.

**All proceeds to St.Mary's Church.**

# Parish Contacts

## Barley with Wheatley Booth [www.barleyparish.uk](http://www.barleyparish.uk) [www.barleyvillagehall.org](http://www.barleyvillagehall.org)

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)

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Acting Council Clerk	Heather Robbins		

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

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.

## Services at St. Mary's this Christmas and New Year

Sunday 5th Dec	9.30am BCP Holy Communion
Sunday 5th Dec	3.45pm in Centre of Village Carols and <b>Switch on of Christmas Lights</b> followed by <b>Christingle Service</b> in church with mulled wine and mince pies.
Sunday 12th Dec	9.30am Common Worship Holy Communion
Sunday 19th Dec	9.30am BCP Holy Communion
Friday 24th Dec	10.00pm Common Worship Holy Communion
Sat 25th Dec	9.30am Common Worship Holy Communion
Sunday 26th Dec	9.30am All Age Worship
Sunday 2nd Jan	9.30am BCP Holy Communion
Sunday 9th Jan	9.30am Communion Service for Epiphany (Also incorporating Coffee, Cake, Crowns and Carols. Come to the service wearing your best crown, sing some Epiphany Carols and stay for Coffee and Cake after the service).
Sunday 16th Jan	9.30am BCP Holy Communion
Sunday 23rd Jan	9.30am All Age Service
Sunday 30th Jan	9.30am Morning Prayer

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