

# ST. MARY'S CHURCH

## NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE BB12 9JR

Your 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.

### Dear Friends

I'm writing this from my annual stint with Army Cadets, this time in Lydd right on the English Channel. As usual the young people are impressive by their commitment and behaviour, although there are some wobbles with homesickness and lack of fitness.

I spent one afternoon watching some cadets on a climbing tower. For many it was their first experience. And while some went up like Spiderman, others had to overcome their fear. Helping them up with encouragement and astute belaying were instructors who knew how to stretch them beyond their limits, but were also affirming when the cadet had had enough and came down.

Good instructors in the ACF are exceptional people. Not saints – off duty, they can drink and swear with the best. But they often embody the values and standards that the Army is promoting among its personnel.

One of these is selfless commitment: commitment because it involves sticking at the task irrespective of the cost; and selfless because it puts other people at the centre. Good instructors find their fulfilment when their cadets achieve beyond expectation.

As the padre, I see these values grounded in the teaching of Jesus. On leadership, Jesus said, If you want to be the greatest, you must make yourself the servant of all. And on self, he said, If you want to preserve your self, you will end up losing it. But if you risk your self for the Gospel you will preserve it.

God bless you

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The marriage of Lauren Gould and Justin McQuestion took place at St Marys on August 3.

The funeral of Eva Hay nee Pidwell was at St Marys on August 23

**Next issue** Please have your articles for the next issue by **Friday September 20.**

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# Parish & CHURCH NEWS

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## 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 more modern hymns and sermon for young and not so young.

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

**5th Sunday** (when applicable): Morning Prayer

## In Pendle's Shadow Walks

Short 11 mile walk or longer 20 mile walk, from  
**BARLEY VILLAGE HALL**

The route is mainly fell & track with views of Pendleside.

Home made refreshments en route & hot snack at finish.

Start: 08.30am. Entry: *In advance* 20m = £7; 11m = £4;

*On the day* = £9; All inclusive plus a certificate.

**Saturday Sept. 21 ~ Proceeds to St Mary's Church**

## PATRONAL FESTIVAL CRAFT EXHIBITION 7th & 8th September.

If anyone would like to exhibit their craftwork please contact Valerie Widdas on 691850 or email: [chriswiddas@gmail.com](mailto:chriswiddas@gmail.com)

We also need helpers to steward the exhibition in church. Please contact Valerie if you can help, even for just an hour or so.

Wednesday  
4th Sept at 7.30pm

**theWI**  
INSPIRING WOMEN

"Trace your Ancestors"  
with Pam Roberts  
Visitors welcome

**BARLEY VILLAGE HALL**

**LOCAL HISTORY  
GROUP**

[www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk](http://www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk)  
Wednesday 18 Sept. 7.30pm  
Ron Frethy  
Lancashire During the War

**BARLEY VILLAGE HALL**

WE ARE **MACMILLAN**.  
CANCER SUPPORT

WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE POTTY  
LET'S MAKE IT THE BIGGEST EVER

Sunday 29th Sept. 10am - 2.30pm

**BARLEY VILLAGE HALL**

**WEEKLY EVENTS  
FOR THE OVER 50s**  
Every Tuesday ~ 2-3:30pm

**Exercise** Visitors welcome

Every Thursday 12-1:30pm

**Lunch** **ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE**

Elaine 618430

**Farmer's Market, Craft Stalls  
& Sheep Racing**  
Sunday Sept. 22 from 1pm

**ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE**

# BARLEY

September already! At least we have had a better summer this year with plenty of lovely weather in which to enjoy our wonderful countryside, including last weekend which made a welcome change for a bank holiday.

You may recall that issues with the cleaning of the public toilets in the car park were mentioned last month. In the run up to the bank holiday weekend, Councillors made strong representations and there appears to have been a positive outcome - with some redecoration and plumbing works being carried out and new dispensers installed – many thanks to those who have helped to make this happen. They're much pleasanter now and the cleaning contractors seem pleased about the new appearance and we all hope that this will assist them in their duties and will foster better and cleaner times for the toilets. The Council will continue to monitor and review the situation.

At the recent council meeting, Colne Noyna Rotary Club put forward a proposal to construct a wishing well on the car park / village green to raise money for local charities such as Pendleside Hospice and the Air Ambulance. Similar schemes have been introduced in other parts of the country and Councillors gave their support in principal, subject to a suitable design and an appropriate location being found. The Rotary Club would provide all labour and materials to construct the wishing well should the proposal go ahead.

Councillors also discussed a mooted proposal to amalgamate the parishes of Roughlee, Goldshaw Booth and Barley into a single administrative entity. It was felt that some of our individuality and effective representation would be lost if the amalgamation was to progress and that there would also be legislative and other issues to be fully investigated. For the present, Councillors agreed that they would continue to work closely with our neighbours on issues of common interest to our three parishes.

You may also recall that there was a proposal being investigated to replace some of the lighting columns in the village. This was only going to be possible if LCC was able and willing to joint-fund the project but unfortunately they have now confirmed there are no funds available to make a contribution and so it has been decided that the project will be shelved for the time being.

Angela Hargreaves would like to thank all those who supported the recent jumble sale at Barley Chapel which raised £1010 for Chapel funds.

BPC

Village Hall events may be subject to holidays - telephone Audrey 613280

**Next BPC Meeting: September 18 at 7.30pm**

# Goldshaw Booth

It's amazing how the closure of the Roughlee bridge has affected life in Pendleside: so many simple journeys have had to be re-thought and Barrowford now seems miles away. One of the consequences is the re-routing of the bus service which has been using Jinny Lane regularly since the closure, to the vast - and sometimes forcibly expressed - annoyance of the bus drivers who seem to regard the turn on to Cross Lane in Newchurch as being deliberately set to annoy them, so we hope that villagers will put up with the temporary parking restriction which we have tried to impose.

There has been much favourable comment on the new garden at Spen Brook which has looked so good over the summer and we are grateful to those who have added plants to it and worked to keep it tidy.

There has been no progress on the mill re-development and the appeal drags on; I fear that, in the current national climate when building is being encouraged across the country, the appeal may be successful but it will be some months yet before we know whether there will be a public hearing.

The hot summer brought campers to Barley Bank wood. I have no problem with that but why do they have to make such a mess? It's quite unbelievable what they leave behind and Julie and Bob did a brilliant job in removing eight bags of rubbish. If anyone has any idea who these people might be, please let us know.

We have replaced the mats under the swings in the playing field and we hope that more people will use the facilities. The field and equipment is clean and tidy and the walk down through the wood below is delightful and it's such a shame that it's not more popular. It costs a lot to maintain: let's use it more!

The newly installed 20mph school warning signs on Spen Brook Road are disliked by almost everyone. There is no power supply to the lower one so it has to be tall to facilitate its solar panel but is a bit of a monstrosity. The other, at the junction of Well Head and Cross Lane, is ghastly. It obliterates the finger post and, grouped with the other signs and the lighting column, looks industrial. We met an LCC engineer on site last week to discuss what can be done and are hopeful of a resolution; it may be that a 20 mph limit right through the village would be a better answer.

Bill Mayor

**Next GBPC Meeting: September 10 at 7pm**

# ROUGHLEE

The 'division' of our village continues and there's no doubt that it has been inconvenience for many; a major diversion - some sixteen minutes by car - to get from one side to the other! Happily, the end is in sight, and, despite a slight delay because the beams needed re-aligning, it's due to re-open w/c September 9. Those of you in the 'east' will have followed with interest the ongoing redevelopment of the Bay Horse. A great deal of money is being spent, inside and out, the latter being treated to stonework renovation, new signs and new windows in a pleasant pale olive colour. The proprietors are delighted with the welcome they have already received; opening date is early October and we should try to support it. For those in the 'west' who haven't seen it, it's a treat!

The Village Centre Committee has been buoyed by a summer of success: we received the good news that a grant application of £3000 to Pendle BC was approved and this will be match-funded for the building of a porch and mobility ramp at the front entrance. It is hoped to use local suppliers to do some of the works. Our funds are from the receipts of the two excellent summer events that we held - the fun day and the duck race.

The new team has pushed the boat out and there are **FOUR** more exciting events coming up before the year end! On Sunday September 22 we are holding a Farmers' Market with craft stalls and **Sheep racing!**

On Saturday October 19 there will be a **Witch Wine Evening**, - basically a wine tasting night with local foods. Last but not least, we are resurrecting the idea of having **Two Balls**. In the olden days, two events took place in the same week, held around the time of a new moon.

The committee took the view that the costs of the annual Ball could be subsidised by using the marquee twice; consequently we are delighted to announce that on Saturday November 23 there will be a **Posh Peoples' Ball** which will be similar to previous events, albeit trimmed back a little on price.

The following Saturday will be the **Paupers' Ball** a more casual event to attract the younger set.

James Starkie

**Next RPC Meeting: September 2 at 8pm**