

# Parish

# CHURCH NEWS



## February 2016

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**ST. MARY'S**  
**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.

**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): Prayer Book Mattins  
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9.30am Sunday 7th February Candlemas with the Bishop of Burnley  
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10th February Ash Wednesday Service 10.30am at St. Thomas' Church  
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Friday 4th March 2pm Women's World Day of Prayer  
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Sunday 6th March 9.30am Mothering Sunday at St. Marys with Messy Church  
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**Barley Past & Present    Newchurch in Pendle    Roughlee Then and Now**

Please have your articles for the March issue by **Friday February 19.**

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*Dear Friends*



Have you noticed that supermarkets are restructuring the calendar according to seasonal merchandise? Instead of January, February etc., we have Christmas knickknacks, Hot Cross buns, Easter eggs, Hallowe'en. A new one has slipped in – Valentine's Day. So if you want to know where you are in the year, just pop into your local supermarket.

Not that I mind Valentine's Day. I don't go in for the sentimentality, and I never buy anything. But I like the surrounding ideology. In the Middle Ages it was thought of as the day the birds started mating. And certainly as the days get longer it is an additional joy to hear the sudden outbreak of birdsong. I also like the idea that humans in relationships are given an opportunity to celebrate that relationship or kick-start it if they need to.

Valentine's Day celebrates love. The feast was probably introduced by the Roman Church to cool the licentious behaviour surrounding Lupercalia celebrated on the Ides of February. But it is also an opportunity to celebrate what love is in its purest form. It is self-giving. Coming as it does usually around the beginning of Lent, Valentine's Day reminds us of an amazing love story, a love which was prepared to give without hesitation or restraint. St John's Gospel tells us that God loves the people of this world so much that he gave his only Son so that we might be saved. It is a love which is prepared to give its life for the life of the world.

God bless you.

*John*

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# Parish Dates & 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.barleyvillagehall.org](http://www.barleyvillagehall.org)

Parish Council meetings take place on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in Barley Village Hall.  
Next Meeting: February 10 & March 9.

Parish Council Chairman: Derek Heap ☎ 692264 derek.heap@lancashire.gov.uk

Parish Council Clerk: Vicky Thorp ☎ 449912 vicky@oldhamsweb.co.uk

Village Hall Chairman: Chris Widdas ☎ 691850 chriswiddas@gmail.com

## Goldshaw Booth

~ Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spen Brook [www.goldshawbooth.org.uk](http://www.goldshawbooth.org.uk)

Parish Council meetings take place on Tuesdays every month at 7pm in Newchurch School.

Next Meetings: February 9 & March 8.

Parish Council Chairman: Kathleen Wilkinson ☎ 617971 chairman@goldshawbooth.org.uk

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## Roughlee Booth

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

Parish Council meetings take place on Mondays every month at 8pm in Roughlee Village Centre. Next Meetings: February 1 & March 7.

Parish Council Chairman: Martin Schofield ☎ 691482 roughleechair@btinternet.com

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# Parish NEWS

BARLEY ~ GOLDSHAW BOOTH ~ ROUGHLEE



## BARLEY

### VILLAGE HALL REGULAR ACTIVITIES

**BADMINTON & KEEP FIT:** John ☎611517

**CRAFT GROUP:** Valerie ☎691850

**PENDLE PATCHERS:** Audrey ☎613280

### COFFEE & CHAT

Second Wednesdays 10am to 12 noon.

**CRAFTERNOON TEA** 18th February at 1.30pm. Come and enjoy a relaxing afternoon making lavender bath bombs and gift boxes £6 includes materials and refreshments. Booking essential as places limited.

**PILATES:** Tracy ☎0777 378 5904

**YOUNG FARMERS:** ☎ 0789 659 8811

## MESSY CHURCH

Third Tuesday 3.30pm in Barley Village Hall.

## Barley Parish Council

After the excitement and indulgence of Christmas celebrations here we are in quiet January where we are all trying to recover and get back to a normal existence, if there is such a thing. The Christmas hangover may also explain the quiet January for newsworthy events to report. The weather is always a talking point and over the Christmas period it showed no sign of improvement with Storm Eva bringing rain and gales over the Christmas weekend and Pendle Water river levels reaching heights not witnessed for many years.

A Planning Application has been submitted by the developer of the Filter House at Barley Green for change of use of a detached storage building to ancillary accommodation/holiday let.

The development currently under construction has planning permission for seven dwellings within the old Filter House and this new application is to convert an existing single storey storage building into a two storey holiday let by the erection of a first floor extension and entrance porch to the front elevation. The application was discussed by Barley Parish Council at the January meeting and concern was voiced that the site is already very congested with little external space for cars and parking and that the addition of another property would be overdevelopment. Also, the original store building may be of special interest and a tree immediately adjacent to and overhanging the building is a significant specimen and may be protected. It was agreed that Barley Parish Council would write to Pendle Borough Council with these comments and concerns.

In early January Barley Parish Council received a letter from Arquiva, the company who had applied for and obtained planning permission to erect the mobile telephone mast, informing us that the mast project had been cancelled. This came as a complete shock and surprise as construction had been due to start at some point during January. Barley Parish Council has written to Andrew Stephenson MP to request support for reinstatement of the project and our Borough Councillor and County Councillor are also involved with representations at MP and Ministerial level.

Derek Oldham

## Care of Listed Buildings Course

9th March 1pm at St. Mary's. This course is free of charge and designed for anyone who manages or cares for any listed building.  
16th March 1pm to 4pm – The Second History Research Session at Nelson Library  
For more information contact John Parsons 01282 699580 or john@spenbrook.co.uk

## FENCE POST OFFICE

The Post Office branch has now moved to Fence Village Stores, 379 Wheatley Lane Road, Fence, Burnley, BB12 9PZ, where it operates as one of their new local-style Post Office branches with longer hours that include weekends. On behalf of all our villagers we pay tribute to the work that the Adamsons have put into the local community. It's not a retirement though as they are still delivering the newspapers!

## GOLDSHAW BOOTH PC

Well I am pleased to report that after almost 2 years, Goldshaw Booth now has got the full complement of seven Councillors. At our last meeting Newchurch resident Carl Ryder was co-opted on to the council.

Many concerns were raised over the possible termination of the rural bus service in the area especially of the bus that takes around seventeen high school children to Clitheroe schools and returns them, also local folk who go to work. The Clerk to write letters to the Leader of LCC and Andrew Stephenson MP stating our concerns. Councillors are disappointed that some of our local dog owners are NOT conforming to the rules, if you have a dog it is up to you clean up after the animal, please take note.

Many of our road side grates are blocked and these have been reported to Highways. Cllr. Chris Burt has spent time compiling a list of future works with regards to the Best Village Competition, based on the Judges' reports from last years competition, further discussion next month.

Cllr. J Parsons reported on the success of the Church Heritage opening event which was attended by the MP. Our Lengthsman has been busy in and around the village, much more will be done when the weather is a little more kind. One or two parking problems have re-surfaced, hopefully they will soon be resolved.

Kathleen Wilkinson

## LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

[www.pendleforesthistrorygroup.co.uk](http://www.pendleforesthistrorygroup.co.uk)  
AGM and Items of Interest  
17th February 7.30pm Barley Village Hall

## Quiz

Saturday February 27 at 7.30pm at Barley Village Hall. Tickets £5 from Chris ☎691850 includes Supper. Proceeds for the Church.

## St. Mary's School

The start of a new school term and our children are busy practising for Education Sunday in Church. We are truly blessed to be part of the St. Mary's Church community. We feel that the faith that is shared by staff, governors and many children should be celebrated and enjoyed.

Our children will be joining the worship with their readings, prayers and singing.

We are looking forward to another busy half term, with many curriculum enhancing activities arranged for the children: Our FUNDA after school PE sessions continue on Mondays.

The High Rollers Mobile Skate Park visited school to run a taster session for Key Stage 2 children. This was an opportunity for the children to have a go at a different sporting activity. They had lots of fun and falls! Thankfully they were all wearing safety clothing.

We shall be holding a school disco in February during which we will have a 20 minute 'Danceathon'. This will be a sponsored event with the proceeds going towards the funds we are raising to purchase 'Bug Club' books.

All our children have been given the exciting opportunity to join: Act Amazing after school drama club. The children will hopefully be inspired to use their imaginations by exploring exciting words together and allowing their input to guide the sessions. At the end of the sessions they will perform a play inspired by the word of God.

Mrs P Nightingale

## Womens Institute ~ WI

Barley Village Hall. 7.30pm.  
Wednesday 3rd February: Past, Present and Future. Designing  
WI Memories with Sally-Anne Middleton  
Wednesday 2nd March: Defibrillator and CPR Training with Mountain Rescue

# LINE DANCING FUN & FITNESS

Every Thursday

Barley Village Hall - £2.50



7pm Beginners

8pm Intermediate/Advanced

**New beginners needed - suitable for all ages**  
Just come and join us or contact Sally Ann 0759 549 3289

# Curry Night



7.30pm Sat. February 13th

Banquet style Dishes from the Spice of India, Nelson

Live 60's songs with Lee Stevens

Tickets £15: Glen

07849 774438

**JUST  
A FEW  
TICKETS  
LEFT  
(Honest!)**

ROUGHLEE  
VILLAGE  
CENTRE

Bring your own drinks

## ROUGHLEE

Our next Parish Council meeting (1st of Feb) will be the stage for setting the precept for the forthcoming 2016/17 financial year. Budgets are being prepared so we can analyse if and where costs can be cut to minimise the effect that it will have financially on you our residents.

Once again planning issues seem to dominate our discussions and as I previously stated we can never please everyone with the conclusions that we arrive at. I would say though, that however controversial submitted plans may appear it is always useful for applicants (and those against) to come to Parish Council meetings to explain their points of view and their reasons for the requests that they have made. This may cause lively debates and as long as they are kept healthy I can see no harm in it.

The very heavy rainfall that we have all suffered over the last couple of months has once again highlighted the blocked gullies and drains throughout the village. We have of course reported these to LCC to seek their assistance in clearing them, but I am sure that along with the rest of the area we will have to wait until they can get around to us. In the grand scheme of things the majority of us can count our blessings given the state of the rest of the north west.

In mid December (seems along while ago) we held our Seniors Christmas party where we officially handed over the surplus (£734) to the "Lancashire Air Ambulance" from the Defibrillators' fund raising project that Linda Brotherton had kicked started some months ago. Our Luncheon Club is still alive and well and running on Thursday lunchtimes and once again we extend a warm welcome to anyone in the village (and surrounding villages too) that would like to join it. If you require any further information on times and the small contribution that we ask for, then please call me. Martin Schofield

## Roughlee Village Centre

The Committee compiled a list of events for the first half of 2016, as follows:-

Saturday Feb 13	Curry Night
Sunday May 15	Flowers & Coffee
Sunday June 16	SunDayFunDay
Saturday July 16	Duck Race

## Roughlee Scare-e-Witch

A new group of residents is forming to organise a scarecrow festival for Halloween, hence Scare-e-Witch. They would love some input from anyone, particularly those who may have not yet got involved. More details will be announced soon on Roughlee Then and Now Facebook.