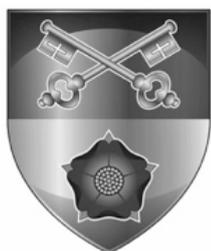


Parish News

Barley – Newchurch – Roughlee – Sabden Fold – Spenbrook

July 2017



St. Mary's Church
Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

Dear Friends

July sees us into the sixth month of our vacancy. As you know after the initial advert for the post of Incumbent for our two parishes, the interviewing panel were unable to make an appointment. The post has been re-advertised so now we wait to see if a suitable applicant has been called by God to be our Parish Priest. We pray that we may have good news very soon.

What a dramatic time the last few weeks have been with the terrorist attacks in London and Manchester and the tragic tower block fire in London. Our emergency services have been stretched to their limit and we must be thankful for their dedication in what is a most harrowing experience. It has been heart warming to see the coming together of so many groups to help the victims of these events regardless of race, creed or colour and to see that the possible threat of further attacks did not prevent thousands of people processing down the Mall following the Trooping of the Colour in London last weekend.

We have events happening over the next few months starting with Rushbearing on Saturday July 15th and Rushbearing Eucharist on Sunday 16th. On September 9th & 10th our Patronal Festival theme is Arts & Crafts. We will need stewards for this in the church to welcome visitors and to oversee the exhibits. On Saturday 16th September the "In Pendle's Shadow" walk is taking place. This is one of our major fund-raisers of the year and it does require marshals at each of the checkpoints. If you can spare an hour or two all help will be much appreciated. The tasks are not onerous but it is very important that we monitor the progress of the walkers/ runners. There will be sheets at the back of church for both of these events so please put your name down to help or contact Chris or Valerie on 691850 or email: chriswiddas@gmail.com. Even just an hour will be a big help.

In your prayers please remember those who have been affected by the sad events of the last few weeks and also that a new incumbent may soon be found for our Benefice.

God Bless

Kathleen and Chris

Church Wardens

After many years James Starkie has decided to retire from co-ordinating and publishing our Parish News owing to his commitments as the Deputy Mayor of Pendle.

We extend our hearty thanks for all the work he has done for us and wish him well in his Civic duties.

The Parish News will now be produced in house. Future articles should be sent to John Parsons (john@spenbrook.co.uk) as early in the month as possible in order that we can have the magazine out during the last week of the month or earlier. Your help with this will be much appreciated.

Barley Parish Council

Following on from the **Annual Parish meeting**, which over forty parishioners attended, the Council was able to review the feedback we received on a wide range of issues but particularly the concern regarding parking in the village. Parishioners overwhelmingly, for the second year, expressed a view that more formal parking restrictions were necessary in the village to ensure safety and access through the village. There was strong support for road lines at pinch points and businesses being reminded of their responsibilities to support the community by making efforts to alleviate the parking problems. The Council will be approaching the County Council, the Highway Authority, over the next couple of months to see what can be achieved.

A number of small projects are currently underway to improve the look of the village including painting and planting summer plants and we hope the village looks at its best for the Best Kept Village competition. Cllr. Connor is again leading for us and organising works and we hope you will all do your best to help us to another award. We would particularly wish to thank the Women's Institute for the work they have done to improve the planting beds on the car park.

You might have noticed that the main village noticeboard by the Bullion is no longer noticeable – it has gone away for refurbishment as the back had rotted. We are disappointed that Nelson Joinery, who produced the board for us five years ago, showed no interest in repairing it and so we have engaged a joiner from Higham to do the work at our expense. I expect it to be back by the end of July and in the meantime we will use the second noticeboard down by Hargreaves Farm.

Himalayan balsam and Japanese knotweed are an invasive species to the UK introduced by the Victorians as ornamental plants. Balsam is well established in Barley and with us sitting at the head of the Pendle Water catchment we act as a seed source for the rest of the river and it is therefore a high priority for control work. As in previous years the PC will be arranging balsam bashing sessions with volunteers where we simply target areas and pull the balsam out of the ground with little effort. We look forward to a great volunteer response!

Finally, I must thank Cllr James Starkie for producing, editing and printing the St Mary's Parish Magazine for the last 15 years. He is stepping down to concentrate

on his civic duties as Deputy Mayor then Mayor over the next two years and so the PC wishes him well and we use this medium to publically express our gratitude for his contribution to this important communication channel for Pendleside communities. Derek Heap

Barley Village Hall

Regular Activities

	<i>Mondays</i>	
Card Craft Group	1-3pm (1 st & 3 rd week)	
	Valerie	691850
Young Farmers	7.30pm	07811666790
Keep Fit Training	8pm	John 611517
	<i>Tuesdays</i>	
Messy Church	Monthly	Mandy 696635
Pendle Patchers	1-3pm (2 nd & 4 th week)	
	Audrey	613280
	<i>Wednesdays</i>	
Coffee & Chat	10-12 on 2 nd Wednesday	
Knit & Knatter	7-9pm 2 nd & 4 th Wednesday	
	<i>Thursdays</i>	
Pilates mornings	Tracy	07773785904
Line Dancing	7pm	Sally Anne 541303
Yoga	8pm	Michelle 07710307563
Badminton	for times contact John 611517	

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th June Pendle Patchers are holding a PATCHWORK & QUILTING EXHIBITION in the Village Hall 10.30 to 4pm each day. There will be demonstrations by our members and sales of quilting books & magazines. Beverages & homemade cakes will be available. Admission £2.

Tuesday 18th July 2017 - 7pm - Craftbox Party - Come and join us for an evening of mystery make and take and homemade refreshments, booking essential

Barley Chapel

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

Regular Activities

<i>Monday</i> fortnightly Bible Study	
	Sally Wilshaw 617978
<i>Tuesday</i> Table Tennis Jnrs 6.30 pm Snrs 7.30pm	
	Ian Bennett 543616
<i>Thursday</i> FOG club 6.30 to 7.30pm	
	Angie Hargreaves 605090
<i>Minister</i> Rev. David Edmondson 843064	

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

I am pleased to inform residents that the Parish Council has received a donation of £150 from Burnley Ramblers Association to help with maintenance of the toilets in Newchurch. We are grateful to them, especially as they had previously made an original donation in 2015.

The judging for the Best Kept Village competition has started and we hope that we can give a good account of ourselves this year. Can residents please do their best to keep their properties tidy and report any improvements they think could be made to the area directly to any Parish Councillor.

Residents have probably noticed that the path between Spenbrook and Newchurch that was cleared by the Parish Council last November, is now regularly swept by Pendle Borough Council. It looks the better for it, as until I contacted them last November to ask for the sweeping to start, they did not know the path existed. If you compare the condition of this path with how it looked this time last year, you will know how much better it is, and this is down entirely to the Parish Council.

The new noticeboard in Newchurch has been in operation for some weeks now and is proving popular with residents who appreciate their notices not getting wet because of the protection the board gives. I have had two other parishes approach me to ask for the name of the joiner who could make a similar board for them as they are so impressed with ours. Residents will be pleased to hear that we intend to replace the noticeboard in Spenbrook with one similar to that in Newchurch, if we are successful in our bid for funds for this project from Pendle Borough Council. Christopher Burt

From the minutes

A resident of has offered to clean the pond. The notice board by the church will be moved to Sabden Fold. The verge has been cut in Newchurch and Spenbrook.

Cllr Burt reported the hedge outside Sparable House has been cut. Burnley Ramblers Association had donated £150 towards the toilets in Newchurch.

Cllr Donovan reported that the finger post/sign in Newchurch requires cleaning and that he will fit a new lock and chain to the playing field.

Councillors discussed the lengthsman scheme and agreed to reduce the number of working hours. It was agreed to apply for funding for a new noticeboard in Spenbrook and safety fencing at the pond.

St. Mary's School

We are delighted to have eight new children joining St. Mary's in September. Mr Whittaker and Miss Stephenson have been busy making home visits to meet the children in their home environment. They will be joining us in school for two pre-school intake afternoons, where they will be able to 'explore' the classroom, begin to build new relationships with peers and adults and generally become familiar with their new surroundings.

Year 6 pupils will be leaving us at the end of July to go to their respective high schools. We wish them well for the future. As an end of year treat they will be spending a day at the 'Chill Factor' in Manchester. With the UK's longest ski slope with real snow, we are sure they will have a great time.

Many thanks to parents who volunteered to help Mrs Nightingale to weed the garden and wildlife area in preparation for school's gardening club. The area now looks fab!

We are looking forward to watching our first Key Stage 2 summer production – Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies. The children are busy learning their lines and honing their acting skills!

We enjoyed the Pendle Small Schools themed week 'Healthy Hearts and Minds'. Our pupils enjoyed a visit to school from 'Warburton Bread' and experienced both Ballroom and Bollywood dancing – much fun was had. Year 5 enjoyed the Celebration Day at Barnoldswick Primary School.

Friends of Newchurch are organising our annual Cream Tea event on the 8th July at Roughlee Village Hall.

Mrs Pauline Nightingale

The 100 Club

drawn on behalf of St Mary's School took place in June.

The winners were:

Dawn Odgers (resident) number 54 winning £25

Natalie Lowcock (parent) number 34 winning £20

Ann Norris (resident) number 43 winning £15

Thanks to everyone who supports the school with this. There are still 14 numbers available so anyone wishing to get involved with the fundraiser please contact Rosie Hudson on 07790 167590 or email rosie.hudson@btopenworld.com

Volunteer wanted

to inspect the play areas in Goldshaw Booth.

Full instructions and training will be provided.

Please contact Jennifer Sutcliffe 07977 913090 or

email_clerk@goldshawbooth.org.uk

Roughlee Parish Council

The 5th June saw our Parish Gathering which was attended by nearly 60 villagers. We received updates on the Bay Horse and the work of FoRA. Jayne from the Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership then gave a presentation on the importance of Habitats within the Parish and this was followed by the Pendle Hill History Group who gave a highly interesting presentation on the history of Roughlee. It is intended that a copy of this presentation will be available via the village website. The evening concluded with wine and snacks which appeared to go down very well! Thanks to all who attended and to the presenters.

The future of the Bay Horse continues to look promising. A company, Roughlee Properties Ltd, has been formed and has agreed to buy the pub. Things are moving quickly and updates will be on the website.

The invasive Himalayan Balsam is now emerging and the Parish Council has taken expert advice on how to eradicate the problem. The simplest and most effective way is to pull up the plant as it emerges, shake off the soil, and leave out to dry. Ideally this should be done before the plant flowers and the seeds set. If the seeds have set

the seed heads should be carefully removed from site and burnt. Individuals out walking are encouraged to pull up any plants they see. More organised Balsam Bashing events are planned and we hope to co-ordinate action with Barley Parish Council. Information on how to recognise the plant is on the notice boards and the website.

FoRA continues to organise village clean-up events so please keep your eye on the notice board and website for details. Please help if you can.

To improve footpath routes around the village we are seeking capital programme funding from Pendle Council to replace a number of difficult stiles with gates. This should improve access for the less agile members of society and remove a number of potentially dangerous stiles. We will report on progress.

Our next scheduled Parish Council meeting is at 7pm on Monday 3rd July. Amongst other things we will be discussing how to take forward the work to protect and improve habitats within the Parish. If you are interested in this or any other items of business please come along and join in our discussions.

Andrew Walker

Roughlee Village Centre

Committee: Tuesday July 4 at 7.30pm ~ All are welcome

The village was a sea of green on Saturday June 17 when we hosted the annual Rotary / Hospice Pub Walk and giant fingers were deployed to direct the walkers away from the pub into the Village Centre! The weather was fabulous and our gallant team of volunteers served gallons of beer and well over 500 burgers. Many agreed that our grassed picnic area & stocks meant that we were one of the more popular venues on the circuit. This came just six days after our Sunday Victorian Fayre event which offered Punch & Judy, games, plants, stalls, cakes, drinks and tombola.



Some of the team were magnificently dressed in period attire. Thanks to all for both events.

Coming up are our popular Duck Race BBQ and another in our sequence of arts events - this brilliant play by Dawn French. [right]

Duck Race BBQ

Duckline ☎ Donald 614755

SATURDAY JULY 22 at 6pm

opposite Roughlee School followed by Family BBQ from 7.15pm

OLIVIER NOMINATION FOR 'BEST ENTERTAINMENT'
& A WEST-END HIT FOR DAWN FRENCH!



In this brilliantly observed play, middle-aged Angela attempts to find a new life when her husband Max leaves her for a younger woman. Using a wonderful mixture of comedy and pathos, she recounts her journey back to happiness!

ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE

ADVANCE TICKETS £10 AT WWW.ROUGHLEE.ORG.UK
OR £15 ON DOOR. LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE!

7pm SATURDAY JULY 29

Village Centre Hire

Available for parties, christenings etc. Day time &/or evenings. Inside and out with space for parking & marquees. Discounted rates for residents. www.roughlee.org.uk/roughlee-village-centre-hire

Roughlee School

The school has welcomed our new September 2017 Reception children to school every Tuesday afternoon this half-term as part of our transition programme. I am pleased to inform you that the children have settled well and are having lots of fun, with our older children being great role-models.

Unfortunately, due to recent events school has held various minute silences. The children have stood in perfect silence, despite the rain on one occasion, showing a remarkable sign of respect and solidarity. Following the national minute silence due to the atrocity in London, Henry (Year 6) read 'Footsteps in the Sand', explaining that God does not create the evil in the world, but is always there for you and provides you with the strength and courage to persevere. During collective worship Mr Parsons has spoken to the children about the importance and power of prayer:

'God did not create evil. As darkness is the absence of light, evil is the absence of God.' Albert Einstein

The school has proudly participated in the Pendle Schools' Festival at The Municipal Hall, Colne. The children enjoyed an evening of live music and drama. They were captivated by the performances of the other schools involved and their own performances were outstanding. Our Infant children entertained the audience with their angelic voices, whilst our Junior children entertained with their skilled ukulele playing. A special well done to George, Leo, Zeenat, Isobelle, Kasim, Ishan and Shannon for their phenomenal solo performances. It was a pleasure to watch the whole school on stage performing 'Something Inside So Strong', with great maturity.

Thank you to all the parents and staff who supported the children, without them our children would not be able to benefit from these wonderful experiences.

Our Year 1 children have successfully carried out their statutory phonics screening check. The children took it in their stride and all performed well.

Four of our RotaKids enjoyed a very informative and exciting day at Lancaster University. They explored a variety of practical workshops, focusing on a range of charities, first aid and nature projects. The children's conduct was impeccable. Our RotaKids Club are currently having a stationery appeal, collecting stationery for our twin school in India. If they can beat their target of 200 pieces of stationery they will earn a non-uniform day for the whole school. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. They have also organised a 'Roughlee Bake Off' competition in aid of Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) and our FORS. The delicious entries will be sold at our Summer Fair. Our Friends of Roughlee School (FORS) have been very busy organising our Summer Fair, which will be held

on Saturday 24th June 2017. This will be a fabulous fun day for the family and will of course include our legendary Ping-Pong Plunge. There will also be a wide range of activities for all ages, including stalls, face painting, games, raffles, bouncy castle, hot food and live music. We look forward to welcoming you all for a fun-filled extravaganza. Everyone is welcome!

School is currently recruiting a welfare assistant to cover a maternity leave. If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact school.

Mr Mark Elliott

Pendle Forest History Group

Wednesday 19th July 7.30pm, Barley Village Hall
Isabel Stirk speaking about

Writing during the First World War

www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk

Christian Aid

Thanks to all who helped to collect the envelopes during Christian Aid week. We collected £471

Safe Lanes in Pendle (SLIP)

On a wild, wet and VERY windy Sunday the SLIP Gazebo was erected on the tarmac at Roughlee Village Centre to be a part of the Victorian Fayre which was being held there. Anne Callaghan and I were suitably dressed for the occasion, having been kitted out at the Hippodrome Theatre. Despite the miserable weather we chatted with lots of people, spreading 'the good word' about road safety. We ran a Tombola with funds raised being shared between SLIP and Roughlee Village Centre. John Clegg and Lawrence Silverwood were invaluable in both erecting and, in particular, dismantling the Gazebo in very trying conditions. Interestingly, I was approached by a member of the public who asked if there was anything we could do to name and shame locals who persistently drove too fast and inconsiderately! I'll leave that one with you.

We will be represented at Fence Open Gardens 15/16 July and Downham Hall Open Gardens 22/23 July. We still need items for Tombolas, so any you could spare would be gratefully received. Contact Janet 07990 508003 or Sheila 07773 074985.

The next meeting is on WEDNESDAY 5 July at RVC starting at 7pm. All welcome. Sheila Clegg

Parish Contacts

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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 2nd Wednesday in the month

Parish Council Chairman Derek Heap 692264 derekheap1@googlemail.com

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Goldshaw Booth (Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spennorth) 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 2nd Monday of the month.

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St. Mary's Church

Newchurch in Pendle BB12 9JR

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

MESSY CHURCH is held in Barley Village Hall at 3.30pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the Month

Saturday July 15th. 2.30pm. - Rushbearing procession, crowning then a service in church. Afterwards tea will be available in the church with music from Burnley Alliance Silver Band.

Sunday 16th. 9.30am. Rushbearing Eucharist

Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th September. St.Mary's Patronal Festival Arts & Crafts Exhibition
Exhibition open. Saturday 11am - 5pm.

Sunday 11am - 4pm.

4pm. Songs of Praise

Do come and find out about different crafts through displays and demonstrations, including Messy Church activities. If you would like to be involved please let us know or just visit us and see the interesting crafts.

Saturday 16th September. In Pendle's Shadow Walk
Start at 8.30am from Barley Village Hall

We need volunteers to help with the above two events.

If you can help with either of these events, even if only for an hour or so, please fill in the sheet at the back of the church or contact Chris or Valerie on 691850 or

email. chriswiddas@gmail.com

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WWW.STMARYSNEWCHURCHINPENDLE.ORG.UK

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