

# Parish

## CHURCH NEWS



# May 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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THURSDAY MAY 5 - 7PM ASCENSION DAY SERVICE AT ST. ANNES, FENCE

Saturday May 14th at 2.30pm

## Thanksgiving for Lambing Service

at Simon & Charlotte Duerdens, Mountain Farm, Black Moss Rd, Barley

SUNDAY MAY 15 - 11AM PENTECOST JOINT SERVICE AT ST. THOMAS  
(NO 9.30AM SERVICE AT ST. MARY'S)

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Please have your articles for the **June** issue by **Friday May 20.**

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## Dear Friends



What was your reaction at the revelation of leaks from Mossack Fonseca about the dealings of off-shore investments? Indignation, anger, envy, disbelief? Any or all would be fairly common responses. And for those caught in the public eye, it was a bit embarrassing, especially for those who couldn't quite come up with a straight answer. Of course not all the investments are instances of tax evasion. Some are no doubt legitimate, but it is also important to acknowledge that tax evasion is not a victimless crime. It's taking money out of your pocket and mine and contributing to so-called austerity in our society.

My initial reaction was pity. What is it about the possession of large sums of money that makes some people so desperate to hang on to it, and keep it to themselves?

Material wealth is a blessing from God for us to enjoy and to use for his glory. In times past, and for people like Bill Gates and Mark Zuckerberg, wealth is something you should use to enrich other people's lives. And yet for other people it can become an oppressive burden. One explanation I heard for salting money away in offshore banks is because people are frightened.

Jesus told a story about a man who trusted in his wealth. Obviously his investments were doing well, so he decided to invest in bigger holdings. What he overlooked was his own mortality. The moral of the story was that we need to see ourselves in the bigger picture. Are we placing our investments in the right stock? Jesus had a nice phrase for it – treasure in heaven.

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 Meetings: May 18 (AGM) & Jun 8. Annual Parish Meeting May 11.

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## Goldshaw Booth

~ Newchurch, Sabden Fold & Spennorth [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: **Note date change** May 11 (AGM) & Jun 14.

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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: May 9 (AGM) & Jun 6.

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# Parish NEWS

BARLEY ~ GOLDSHAW BOOTH ~ ROUGHLEE



**POLICE AND CRIME  
COMMISSIONER  
FOR LANCASHIRE**

**ELECTION DAY  
THURSDAY MAY 5**

The Polling Stations at Barley Village Hall,

Newchurch School and Roughlee Village Centre will be open from 7am to 10pm.



## Barley Parish Council

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th May and you are all invited to attend. This is a particularly important meeting as we want to discuss the issues we face in the village in 2016. Parking will be one of the key issues followed by the transfer of the toilets, the car park and the bus turning circle to the Parish Council. There will be some sensitive issues but this meeting gives us all the opportunity to air our views. Others will be speaking about events in the village and we will finish with wine and nibbles and a chance to catch up with those we do not see often enough – come and join in, those who make the effort always enjoy it. The Council currently has just over £40k in the bank and so another issue we want to discuss is where we should be improving the village. Suggestions include a playground upgrade, improving the toilet facilities, car park surfacing and village green maintenance. We can do some but not all so we will be pleased to hear what residents think.

I picked up a ROSPA flyer last week which reported that in 2014 there were 591 fatalities on urban roads whilst on rural roads there were

982; suggesting that you are twice as likely to die on rural roads and about three people will each day. Loss of control was the most common cause on rural roads and this is largely due to higher speeds and the more winding nature of the roads. There are much fewer pedestrians in the rural areas but fatalities are not much fewer than urban areas. A surprising statistic is that 72% of car user deaths are in the rural areas – loss of control again the main reason. I tell you all this because you might be one of those who does not realise the risks (there are a few speed maniacs out there) and to support the "Safe Lanes in Pendle" group who are resolute volunteers promoting road safety week in week out but never actually knowing how many accidents they have prevented – I bet they have made us all slow down at some time or other. It is with sadness that I report the passing of Bob Hayhurst from Narrowgates. He was well known to many and a pleasure to meet. He was a knowledgeable man who gave his time to local groups giving presentations on local, industrial and naval history amongst other things. We have lost Bob and Val within twelve months and our condolences are with Niki who, in such sad circumstances, we welcome to Barley. Derek Heap

## BARLEY VILLAGE HALL REGULAR ACTIVITIES

CARD CLASS: Valerie ☎691850

CRAFT GROUP: Valerie ☎691850

KEEP FIT: John ☎611517

LINE DANCING: Thursday 7.30pm

COFFEE & CHAT 2nd Wednesdays 10am-12.

MESSY CHURCH 3rd Tuesday 3.30pm

PENDLE PATCHERS: Audrey ☎613280

PILATES: Tracy ☎0777 378 5904

YOGA: ☎ 0789 037 2180

YOUNG FARMERS: ☎ 0781 166 6790

CRAFTERNOON TEA 19 May at 1.30pm

Come and enjoy a relaxing afternoon making Leather Purse or Key Ring £6 includes materials and refreshments. Booking essential as places limited. Sally-Anne ☎0759 549 3289

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY Saturday 30th  
April, Sunday & Monday 1st & 2nd MAY

## 23rd MODEL EXHIBITION

Homemade refreshments are on sale during the three days, come and visit and enjoy some time away from home.

## GOLDSHAW BOOTH PC

The Council is still concerned about the withdrawal of the bus service to Newchurch and Spennock. The Clerk has sent a second letter on behalf of the Council.

The mowing tender was allocated to Mr J Waine for a three year period at an annual fee of £1,000 with immediate effect.

Best Kept Village Competition - the judging period is from Saturday 4 June to Sunday 17 July inclusive, with final judging taking place early September.

Kathleen Wilkinson

## LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

[www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk](http://www.pendleforesthistorygroup.co.uk)

The Cow Keepers of Liverpool  
by David Joy. Wed 18th May  
7.30pm Barley Village Hall

## MESSY CHURCH

Tuesday May 17; 3.30pm in Barley Village Hall.

## St. Mary's Church

We would like to thank Ronnie Williamson for his 30 years service as Treasurer of St. Mary's Church. Ronnie and Margery will continue to look after "The Friends of St. Mary's."

## St. Mary's School

Cycling is one of the easiest, cheapest and most enjoyable ways of keeping fit. This is why we invited Go Velo into school to give Bikeability training to our year 5 and 6 pupils.

Bikeability is cycling proficiency for the 21st century, giving pupils the skills and confidence to cycle in today's traffic conditions. The pupils completed the first level on the playground, followed by a second session on quiet roads close to the school. We are pleased to say that all of the participants received a certificate at the end of the sessions. Well done!

After the success of last year's event Mrs Zoe Rothwell, on behalf of Pendleside Hospice, came into school to run an exciting Easter fundraiser 'The Bunny Hop'. Each participant was given bunny ears, an Easter treat and a certificate. Each child had to run, jog, walk or hop around the playground for 10 minutes to help raise vital funds for Pendleside Hospice.

We held our annual Easter Egg Competition just before the Bank holiday weekend and had some fantastic entries. The winners, all receiving an Easter egg, were: Abigail Harper Year 6. Lexi-Lea Milligan Year 5. Isaac Nawab Year 4. Rose Dewhurst Year 3. Edward Culshaw Year 2. Noah Smith Year 1.

Martha Whittaker Reception

Our Easter service was held in St. Mary's Church on Friday 8th April. The children told the Easter Story through their readings, songs and prayers.

Mrs P Nightingale

The first 100 Club draw on behalf of St Mary's Primary School has taken place for April.

Winners were as below:

1st prize, £25 - Ruth Nutter (grandparent)  
2nd prize, £20 - Mrs Hatfield (school bursar)  
3rd prize, £15 - Davina Barraclough (parent)  
Anybody wishing to get involved with the new school fundraiser, please contact Rosie Hudson for available numbers ☎ 07790 167590 or email her at [rosie.hudson@btopenworld.com](mailto:rosie.hudson@btopenworld.com)



# Roughlee School

Wow, what a busy and exciting end to another very productive term here at Roughlee. We held our Spring Term Awards service in church on the last day of term, with children receiving awards for academic progress, sports, creativity, courtesy and wide range of other achievements. It was clearly evident within this service that our school is blessed with very talented children and staff. This service was well attend by family and friends. It was lovely to see the church decorated with all the children's beautiful Easter gardens and bonnets.

Christvin and Hannah, friends from the PAIS Team, visited school on Thursday 7th April 2016. They told the children a lovely story about thankfulness – Teresa the little flower. They also spoke to the children Christvin's diligent work in Southern India, working in small churches on the 'Clean Water Project'. This project provides vital water purifiers to local communities. As a school we have decided to support this extremely worthwhile cause and on Friday 29th April 2016 we had a non-uniform day to raise funds to provide a school with a water purifier.

During the Easter break we have had the new school entrance door installed. This was primarily fitted due to health and safety concerns, but it has also enhanced the aesthetics of the school. We are currently working towards new signage for the front of the school and are endeavouring to have it installed before the end of the Summer Term.

M Elliott

## ROUGHLEE

Following the news that Martin Schofield has stood down and thus as Chairman, the Parish Council faces a difficult period in the coming weeks. Notices for a Councillor have been displayed on the boards and the FaceBook page, but as yet, we have had no takers. It isn't an onerous duty and ideally we would seek a capable person who wants to get involved with Roughlee. An interest in local government and planning issues would be useful. A few d-i-y skills would be very useful but this isn't mandatory! For more details please contact Mary Reed, PC Clerk, Ivy Cottage, Crowtrees, Roughlee, Nelson BB9 6NU. or by email to

[roughleeclerk591@gmail.com](mailto:roughleeclerk591@gmail.com)

**PLANT SALE**

**ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE**  
From 12 noon

**Crafts**

Pottery ~ Portraits ~ Cards ~ Jewellery ~ Fashions etc.

**Novelty Dog Show**



**2pm**  
Registrations from 12.30

Organised & Sponsored by Lynda, Croft House Kennels. 07868 747180

**Bar - BBQ - Café - Cakes**

**Sunday May 15**

Roughlee Village Centre FREE admission Further details / Enquiries: Glen 07849 774438

**SunDayFunDay June 12**

Work will continue in the Village and we are entered again in the BKV competition. One area that we will deal with professionally is the concrete plinth above the stream, opposite the pub. This was overgrown last year and was a major factor in our showing. It's not an area that could be developed and, however attractive, it's certainly not available for public access. One area that is however, and we hope to do some work down at the school end, at the grassed area from the Coronation Bench to the road bridge. The owner has kindly agreed to cut it back for a picnic area, if it proves suitable.

We've always been fortunate with residents picking up litter so please continue with that, and also, the biggest gripe of the judges is a presence of weeds, even tiny ones. We do spray all the public areas but these weeds are sneaky blighters so please pull 'em up!

Shortly to be re-erected is our bus stop 'flag'(sign) opposite the pub. It was damaged in the winter and now has been lovingly restored by craftsman, Duncan Armstrong. Also new in the Village Centre grounds are two new picnic

benches - one of which was funded by our share of the 2012 Jubilee funds and a new field gate.

Finally we belatedly record the passing of William Simpson, earlier in the year. His funeral was well attended by the farming and horse community, of which he had been such an integral part. Apologies to the family for not publishing this at the time. More recently, family and friends were devastated at the early death after a brave fight by Melanie Starkie, wife of Russell of Noggarth. Still on Noggarth Road, in Fence, but known to many locally came the terrible news that farmer Jim Tatham had been killed in a tragic accident with his tractor. Three good people, taken far too soon; we send all family & friends our best wishes.

James Starkie

### SAFE LANES IN PENDLESIDE

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 31 May at Roughlee Village Centre at 7pm.

### Womens Institute

Barley Village Hall. 7.30pm. Wed May 4

**Tax, Care and Toy Boys**  
with Michael Southwarth

There was a full house in Barley when the WI invited Michael Hindley, a previous MEP for the area to speak on "Understanding the EU". He said that the original idea had come during WWII. In 1943, Jean Monnet became a member of the French Committee of National Liberation, the de facto French government in exile in Algiers. It was at this time that he first became explicit about his vision for a union of Europe to regain and retain peace. During a meeting of this committee on 5 August 1943, Monnet declared: "There will be no peace in Europe, if the states are reconstituted on the basis of national sovereignty... The countries of Europe are too small to guarantee their peoples the necessary prosperity and social development." He wanted to avoid a repeat of the economic and political collapse which in Germany had allowed the rise of Fascism and in Russia the rise of Communism.

The first step was on 9 May 1950, when Robert Schuman, France's Minister of Foreign Affairs proposed to place all German-French production of coal and steel under one High Authority. The idea behind this was that if the production

of these resources was shared by the two most powerful countries on the continent, it would prevent any future war. As the governments of Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg replied favourably, this declaration laid the basis for the European Coal and Steel Community, the predecessor to the European Economic Community and subsequent European Union.

As the UK chose not to join at that time, by the time Edward Heath decided to join, the "rules of the club" had already been put in place and he had to accept them.

Moving to the present time, Michael Hindley outlined those areas over which the EU has no power: Finance, Taxes, Defence, Education, the NHS and Social Services. The EU promotes the free movement of Goods, Capital, Labour and Services. The idea is to redistribute wealth to the areas that lag behind, still aiming to avoid a of the economic and political collapse which fosters discontent and extremism. Although the UK has paid a lot into the EU, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, as well as Lancashire, have received more back to stimulate struggling economies. He expressed his concern that if there was a "No" vote at the referendum, Scotland, Ireland and Wales would push to leave the UK, as they had so much to lose.

After Michael Hindley had answered many questions, WI President thanked him for honestly stating his own position but explaining both sides of the Referendum debate in a clear and courteous manner.



In a lighter vein, the evening ended with the judging of the Easter Craft Competition by visiting members of Downham and Fence WIs. The winner was Jeanette Fagan with her Easter willow wreath.

Christine Clinch