



# St Andrew's Church, Kildwick

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## OCTOBER 2016

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**Dear friends,**

October invites us to give time to reflect on our relationship with God, with our neighbour and with all creation. We do this as we celebrate important Sundays in the life of the Church: Harvest Festival, One World Week and Bible Sunday.

Interestingly, the recent diocesan clergy conference included sessions which looked at our relationship with creation as two leading scientists with very different views on faith took part in a discussion on 'Science, the cosmos and human meaning'.

Professor Brian Cox, well known from his television work, and the Revd Professor David Wilkinson, an ordained Methodist minister, both astrophysicists, debated in front of 400 clergy and then took questions from the floor.

Brian Cox talked about current cutting-edge theories to do with multiple or infinite numbers of universes (the multiverse). He said, "I'm really concerned about the polarisation of debate in this country, the lack of ability to accept there are other points of view. I think difference of opinion is to be celebrated - it's indicative of a free society. We should be able to find ways of accommodation and of celebrating our mutual love of nature." He also said that he decried fundamentalism

in either faith or science. He said, "The fundamental principle of science starts from a point of ignorance. I tell first year university

students that they should be delighted when they're shown to be wrong because then they've learned something. It's learning that matters, not being right."



David Wilkinson said, "The Christian Church has to recognise our part where there has been a conflict between science and faith. We have sometimes played into the conflict and not taken science seriously or got to grips with what it is

really saying. The good thing about this conference is the endeavour to show that science isn't necessarily a threat to faith. Science is a gift from God. Rather than being defensive, we need to allow space in our churches for faith to be both challenged and enriched by opening up these discussions."

Bishop Nick, who chaired the sessions, underlined the similarities between faith and science: "We are exploring from the same human impulse of wonder and imagination".

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The sessions were a reminder that for the Christian, God is, in the words of the Creed, 'maker of all that is, seen and unseen'. If God is, then God is in relation to the further reaches of the universe and to the smallest quantum particle; but God is also in relation to every human being. This requires us to both wonder and imagine; it requires us to be open to the idea of mystery, to ideas and concepts way beyond our human understanding.

Brian Cox's comment that 'It is learning that matters, not being right' is a reminder that, in matters of science and faith, all understanding is provisional and must be open to change. Any claim that there is nothing more to discover about God and God's relationship with the world and its people must be challenged.

The Christian scriptures, the collection of texts we know as the bible, show a changing understanding of God over several thousands of years. Even in the New Testament, the writings from the period of the early Church, there are inconsistencies in how the writers understood what it meant to be a follower of Jesus, the human face of God.

As we think about our own human relationships and our relationship with God, we need to keep our minds open to receiving new insights and new understandings about what it means to be human as part of God's creation, all that is, seen and unseen.

As you ponder the mystery of it all, I encourage you to open your mind and open your heart to learn something new, discover where you have been wrong and, so, in the words of the Franciscan songwriter John Michael Talbot 'See with new eyes'.

The words are from the song titled 'Behold now the Kingdom'. I invite you to ponder the beauty of the following words:

A multitude followed a man, a prophet, who spoke words of wisdom.

And they listened, trying to understand the paradox of His great truth.

He said, Blessed be those who are poor, for you shall inherit the kingdom

And blessed be those who are weak, for you shall inherit great strength.

Blessed be those who are children, for you shall be counted as wise.

Blessed be the blind dman, for you shall see with new eyes.

Behold now the Kingdom, See with new eyes.

May the Lord of Creation bless you.



## Time flies!

It only seems like yesterday that the first magazine under the new regime was rolling off the press – and yet here we are again with Volume 2!

Thank you to those who have made kind noises about the September issue. They were encouraging! Thank you, too, to those who have produced material, information, rotas and so on for this magazine. As I look ahead at my diary, that third week in the month is the one that seems to collect most “stuff”, so there is never much time to play around between the deadline (the penultimate Sunday in the month) and publishing date. In particular, next month I shall be away for the latter part of that week, so everything will need to be done even earlier! Please make sure that your material is with me at least by Sunday 23rd October. Anything not there by then is unlikely to see the light of day!!

As time goes on, I'll be experimenting with different ideas and layouts. First of all, see if you spot them! If you do, then please let me know what you think. In a similar vein, if there's something that you would like to see in this magazine, either as a regular feature or as a one-off, then please say. There is, of course, a caveat... If you suggest something, then “someone” will have to write it. As the slogan said: “It could be you!”

Chris Wright

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# NEWS FROM THE CROSS HILLS & DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES



## United Service for One World Week

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**10.30am Sunday 16th October  
at St Peter's Church, Cross Hills**

Speaker: Mark Waddington,  
Church in the World Officer for the Diocese of Leeds  
**Mark will talk about “Places of Welcome”**

Places of Welcome is a network of small community organisations, including faith communities, who offer an unconditional welcome to local people for at least a few hours a week.

The primary aim of the Places of Welcome network is that “Every neighbourhood has places where all people feel safe to belong, connect and contribute.

NB: There will be **no** 10am service at St Andrew's on this day



## Prayers for the Parish & World Church

The next monthly meeting to pray for the parish and worldwide Church will take place on Monday 24th October in the church from 7.00pm until 8.00pm.

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## News from the PCC

The PCC met on 13th September (you may remember the very loud thunderstorm that night!) and we had a busy Agenda to deal with.

We were delighted to meet the recently arrived Head Teacher of Kildwick School, Tim Whitehead, and were able to promise our support and prayer as together we seek to strengthen the links between church and school.

Robin told us a little about the Diocesan Clergy conference: based on the theme of our hope as Christians, the clergy had been both encouraged and challenged, particularly by keynote speakers David Wilkinson and Brian Cox.

We received reports from a number of areas of church life: our finances were scrutinised, as they are on a very regular basis. Kathryn Morris brought us up to date on the safeguarding provision in the parish and said that this will be regularly revisited. Deanery reorganisation, made necessary after the advent of "the new Diocese" means that from January 1st 2017, we shall be part of the Deanery of South Craven and Wharfedale. Lesley Hudson and Chris Wright brought us up to date on Chuffs and MiniRingers respectively and we discussed the future of the harmonium (do **you** know where it came from?).

We spent time, too, hearing about various building matters: The clock will be chiming again shortly and the car park is already a little clearer! We heard the plans of the Repair and Restoration Group, working on the first phase of building repair which will eventually see the roof renewed and made watertight.

Naturally, we spoke of other things, too. A full copy of the Minutes will be available in church shortly; if you have questions, please ask Robin, the Churchwardens or me.

Jill Wright



### Building Works

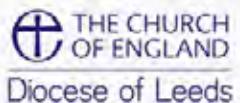
You'll have seen the state of the building works...

The Churchyard wall remains in the state it has been for some time. The sunflowers are a delight to behold! The delay here is because the Council are talking with the Highways Department as well as the Diocesan officials and working out how the drainage behind the wall can best be fed into the nearby culvert – all without disturbing the graves any more than is absolutely necessary.

The gates are now back in place. Nick Dobson and his men have done a great job on this tricky task, working hard to minimise the inconvenience to us all. A great and heartfelt thanks to Dobson's!

# Confident, Growing, Changing

– A Vision for our Diocese



*The people and parishes of our diocese have been invited to help grow the vision for the diocese through a shared exploration of core objectives that are at the heart of who we are as Christian people serving God in the world today.*

The three core objectives are **Confident Christians – Growing Churches – Changing Communities.**

We are invited to think through these themes, exploring how we can help God's kingdom grow in our parish and diocese. Here in this parish we are going to look at these objectives on three Sundays during the 10am service as follows:

**9th October**

**Confident Christians**

**23rd October**

**Growing Churches**

**30th October**

**Changing Communities**

In order to make it possible for there to be shared conversation on these occasions we are going to use our building a little differently to usual.

For the first part of the service we will use the open space at the front of the nave, sitting in small groups to allow us to speak with those around us. For the second part of the service we will all move to the east end of the church for Communion.

We look forward to spending time together to think and pray about these three core values. Here is a prayer to use as we prepare for our exploration.

*Lord, bless us as we seek to follow Jesus here in the Diocese of Leeds. Deepen our faith and give us greater confidence each day. Inspire us to grow our churches and be beacons of light and love for the people and communities of our diocese.*

*Help us all to lead our lives, in word and deed, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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## Bible Sunday - Sunday 25th October

Supporting the work of the Bible Society

**Bible Sunday is an annual date in the church calendar when we celebrate the Bible's message. It began over 100 years ago as part of Bible Society's centenary celebrations and has continued every year since.**

For over 200 years Bible Society has been working to bring the Bible to life; to help people around the world engage with it, relate to it, and make sense of it.

That single mission drives a huge range of activities. In some parts of the world, bringing the Bible to life focuses on translation and distribution projects. Elsewhere it focuses on leadership training, or literacy programmes, or interfaith dialogue. Closer to home, in England and Wales, it focuses on advocacy effort, schools outreach and devotional resources.

Bible Society is doing everything it can to help individuals and communities to engage with the Bible because it believes that when they do, lives can change – for good.

### 7 top tips for reading the Bible

The Bible can seem overwhelming, boring and difficult, but a few basic tips can help you understand it more. Try these...

#### 1. Understand the historical context in which the Bible is written

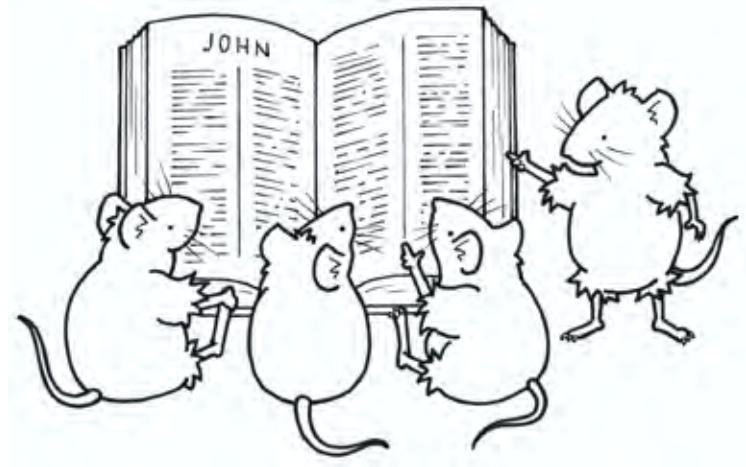
Even the newest bits are about 2,000 years old. So start asking yourself questions about what it might have been like when the books were written and Google the answers. It will take you on a journey into the world of the biblical writers and open your eyes to new and fascinating insights.

#### 2. Don't read passages entirely on their own, look at what comes before and after them

It's easy to take verses, or sometimes whole stories, out of context, by reading them by themselves. Try to work out where they fit in the bigger story or argument of the book. You'll get a much better sense of what's going on and what it all has to say to you.

### 3. Read what's actually there, not what you think might be there

This is particularly true for famous verses; we can think we know what it says and not actually read it. So slow down and chew it over. You'll often find you understand it in a new way.



### 4. Read the Bible with other people

We all bring our own experiences to the Bible so it's really helpful to read the Bible with other people, for example, a home group or a prayer triplet. You'll gain other people's perspective on what they think the Bible says. To get some really different ideas, read it with someone from a different culture.

### 5. Don't read the Bible from start to finish like a novel

It isn't one. Start with the bits that you can get on with. You might find Mark might be more interesting than Hebrews, Genesis more than Leviticus, because stories are often easier to read than sermons or laws. Once you have read the stories you might like to turn to some poetry (Psalms) or some letters.

### 6. Use different translations

There are lots and lots of different translations. Look for the one you like best. It's often a good idea to have a very literal translation (like the NRSV) and one that's in easy-to-read modern English (like the CEV). The differences between them will get you thinking.

### 7. And finally, don't beat yourself up if you're struggling

The Bible can be a difficult book to read when you begin, but the more you read it, the more you'll get to grips with it. If you keep going you'll learn to love it and understand it better, and soon you won't be able to remember how you got by without it.

Date			Readings
<b>2nd October</b> Harvest Festival	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Harvest Festival Family Communion	<i>Deuteronomy 26.1-11</i> <i>Philippians 4.4-9</i> John 6.25-35
<b>9th October</b> The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	2 Kings 5.1-3, 6-15c 2 Timothy 2.8-15 Luke 17.11-19
<b>16th October</b> The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity	8.15am	Holy Communion	Genesis 32.22-31 2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5 Luke 18.1-8
<b>23rd October</b> The Last Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	Ecclesiasticus 35.12-17 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18 Luke 18.9-14
<b>30th October</b> All Saints Sunday	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	Daniel 7.1-3,15-18 Ephesians 1.11-23 Luke 6.20-31

## Regular Events at Kildwick

<b>Monday</b> <b>8.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>In Church</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>8.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>In Church</b>
Tuesday <i>not in holidays</i> 10.00 – 11.30am	Chuffs <i>Fun for pre-school children and their grown-ups!</i>	In the Parish Rooms
Tuesday 7.30 – 8.30 pm	Choir practice	In Church
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>8.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>In Church</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>9.30am</b>	<b>Midweek Eucharist</b>	<b>In the Parish Rooms</b>
Wednesday 10.15 am – 12.30pm	NottheKnot Group <i>Stitching and Fellowship Group</i>	In the Parish Rooms
Wednesday 7.30 – 9.00pm	Bell ringing	In the Tower
Thursday <i>not in holidays</i> 3.15 – 4.30pm	MiniRingers Bell Club	In the Parish Rooms
<b>Friday</b> <b>8.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>In Church</b>

Readers	Intercessor	Communion	Sidespeople	Tea and Coffee
2 Readings only Lesley Bannister Sylvia Clark	Sue Hargreaves	Christine Sandie	Eleanor Eastwood Sandie Walton June Whitaker	June Whitaker Sylvia Ackroyd
Glyn Evans Katharine Calvert Brenda Brock	Peter Bannister	Sue Peter	Marie Stinson Peter McNeill	Joyce Bonham (vacancy)
<i>No 10 am service at St Andrew's – CDFC One World Week service</i>				
Lesley Hudson Jill Wright Christine Anderton	Di Halliday	Di John	Sandie Walton	Ann Mosley Christine Anderton
Chris Wright Marie Stinson Kathryn Morris	Robin Figg	Tim Christine	Joyce Bonham Elaine Carter	Maureen Vink Katharine Morris

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<b>Flower Rota</b>	
October 2nd	Harvest
October 9th	Mrs Reithmanne
October 16th	Revd D. Halliday
October 23rd	Vacant
October 30th	Mr D. Baxter

**From the Registers****Baptisms**

Sunday 4th September      **Lawrence Denton**,  
son of Lee & Liz, of Lister Hill, Sutton-in-Craven  
**Lola Webb**,  
daughter of Stephen & Leanne,  
of Reynoldsburg, Ohio, USA

**Burial of cremated remains**

Saturday 17th September **Geoffrey Myers**,  
formerly of Churchill Way, Cross Hills



## October

Sunday 2nd	10.00am	<b>Harvest Festival Family Communion</b>
Saturday 8th	10.00am	Coffee Morning for Pancreatic Cancer Research
Tuesday 11th	7.00pm	Bradford Episcopal Area Forum
<b>Sunday 16th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>CDFC One World Week service in St Peter's Church</b>
Monday 17th	10.30am	CDFC Care Homes Worship Teams annual meeting
Sunday 23rd	11.30am	<b><i>Final, Final Deadline for the Magazine!</i></b>
Monday 24th	7.00pm	Prayers for the Parish and World Church (Parish Rooms)
<b>Sunday 30th</b>	<b>2.00am</b>	<b><i>The Clocks go back today!</i> (Who'll turn up early?...)</b> <b>All Saints Day</b>

## November

Tuesday 8th	6.30pm	PCC meeting in the Parish Rooms
Friday 11th	2.45pm	Collective Worship
<b>Sunday 13th</b>		<b>Remembrance Sunday</b>
<b>Sunday 20th</b>		<b>Visit by Tim Lee</b>
<b>Saturday 26th</b>		<b>St Andrew's Fair</b>
<b>Sunday 27th</b>		<b>Advent Sunday</b>

## December

Friday 9th	Collective Worship
Sunday 11th	CDFC Christmas Pageant
Sunday 18th	Christmas Carols
<b>Sunday 25th</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>

**The Clocks go back on 30th October**

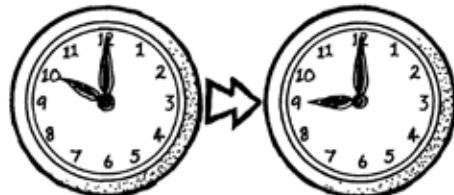
***Is it more embarrassing when you forget to put your clocks back in autumn or forward in spring?***

In autumn, you arrive at church to find a few of the folk that "organise", busily organising and they know what you forgot. **And** you miss that lie-in!

In spring, you'll arrive and hear things going on – and you can creep away quietly, pretending you never meant to come anyway.

But you didn't lose an hour in bed. I think forgetting in autumn is worse.

**Don't do it!**



## Prayer Page for October

By faith  
I gaze up to the heavens  
and know  
within its vastness  
that this is your creation  
planned and effected within eternity

By faith

I pluck an ear of corn  
and know  
within its symmetry  
lies the chemistry of life  
the potential of creation within my hand

By faith

I listen for your voice  
and know  
the whisper that I hear  
breathed a world into existence  
yet listens to the prayer within my soul

By faith

I strive to do your will  
and know  
the door that I approach  
may lead me to shadows  
where my role is to become your light

By faith

I cling to your word  
and know  
the strength that I receive  
has its source within the love  
that is at the centre of all things

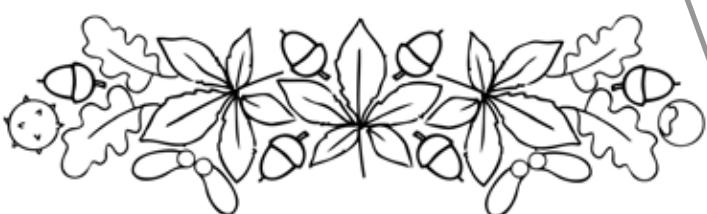
Amen

God of harvest,  
gardener supreme  
you place us at the centre  
feed us, equip us and  
having provided for us  
look to a different harvest  
a fruitfulness of lives  
in service to you  
and others.

God of harvest,  
feed us  
prune us  
harvest us  
that our lives  
might bring glory to you.  
Amen



Creator God, provider of all  
we bring our thanks today.  
And we bless each other  
that the beauty of this world  
and the love that created it  
might be expressed through our lives  
now and always  
Amen



## Thank you, Dr Luke!

'Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, bless the bed that I lie on' - my grandma taught me that one. At least it meant I never forgot the names of the writers of the four Gospels. This month Luke, the writer of the third of them, has his feast day – 18th October.

He was a 'physician' - an educated man and probably the only New Testament writer who was not a Jew. In modern terms he was Turkish.

Luke's Gospel has established him as a major figure in the Christian Church. Mark's Gospel may have more drama, Matthew's more prophetic background and John's a more profound sense of the mystery of the divine, but Luke offers us a Jesus who is utterly and believably real. This man turned no one away, cared for the marginalised, the persecuted and the sinful. His Gospel is full of people we can recognise - indeed, in whom we can often recognise ourselves.

He was also a masterly story-teller. Read the story of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32). Read it not as a sacred text but as a brilliant piece of story-telling with subtle repetitions, believable characters, drama and profound emotion.

There are more women in Luke's Gospel than in any of the others, but also more poor people, more lepers, more 'sinners' and tax-collectors, more 'outsiders' who are shown to be 'inside' the love of Christ. This is the great Gospel of inclusion and compassion. Here is a Jesus for the whole world and for every one of us.

Thank you, Dr Luke!

## St Andrew's Pastoral Care Group



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## Farnhill Parish Council Summary of Draft Minutes

The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 25th August 2016 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. Five members of the Council were present plus David Jones from the NHS Trust, 8 Members of the Public and the Clerk. The minutes of the meeting held on the 28th July 2016 and the extraordinary meeting held on the 21st July 2016 were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Members of the Parish Council met at Arbour Top to identify the trees which were reported in the Tree Inspection report as needing attention and to consider what action to take. Several residents who look onto the Arbour also met with Councillors to put forward concerns regarding some of the trees and undergrowth.

The meeting then continued at the Institute where David Jones the Community Defibrillation Officer for Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust attended to give some guidance on Defibrillators. He stated that there are two defibrillators which the Ambulance Service will support. The one he recommended has a package price of £1724.00 which includes the defibrillator, the cabinet and a 2hr awareness session for anyone from the village to attend. The cabinet can be fitted by a local handyman and the electricity supply can be by means of a plug, but is better connected direct to the supply so nobody can accidentally pull out the plug.

Running costs for the defibrillator on average are £5-£7.00 per year for electricity. The battery has a life of approx 4 years and costs £150.00+ Vat to replace and the pads cost £20.00 + Vat. The defibrillator has a 7 year warranty and the cabinet lasts about 10 years. The only maintenance required is a visual check once a week by an appointed person and if any problems are identified they ring David Jones and he will come out and repair it or take it away and leave a replacement till it can be repaired.

The defibrillator will be a public access fully automatic one which requires no training to use it. When somebody rings for an ambulance and the ambulance service identify the need for a defibrillator they will tell the person where the defibrillator can be located and give them a code to get into the cabinet. He stated that some people are afraid to use one but with the fully automatic one you cannot get it wrong and the defibrillator will only shock when it gets the heart rhythm correct. The survival rate of somebody who has had a cardiac arrest can improve by 10% per minute up to 60% by the use of a defibrillator till the ambulance arrives.

The Parish Council resolved to purchase a defibrillator if some funding was available. Clerk to contact Airedale Chemicals and update them with the progress and ask what amount they would be prepared to fund and to look into any other funding available.

Residents of Grange Road & Highcroft Way expressed concern regarding the large sycamore tree at Arbour Top blocking the light and the view and the self seedlings below the sycamore overhanging a garden. Other issues of concern were the elderberry, brambles, ivy and nettles at the top of Arbour Top going wild and encroaching on residents gardens and looking an eyesore. The ivy on the Crag Face and the group of 3 trees at the bottom of Arbour Top were also causing problems with residents by blocking the light and the ivy encroaching into gardens. They stated that the Parish Council seemed to concentrate on Lower Arbour and the trees at Arbour Top were being neglected. The Parish Council agreed that work was needed and that they would consider the issues raised, but they only had a small budget and that issues that had been raised in the tree inspection report must be given priority. They asked the residents if they would be prepared to contribute to the work either by helping out with the costs or contributing by doing some of the work. The residents said they were willing to consider this.

The Parish Council are disappointed with the response from Highways regarding the recent re-surfacing on the A629 and increased road noise. Clerk to put on the agenda for next month.

Came & Company provided the Parish Council with three quotes for the Insurance and after consideration it was resolved to go with Hiscox who was recommended by Came & Company. Clerk to confirm with them that if we enter a 3 year contract the price will remain the same for the 3 year period and if so to inform them that we wish to go for the 3 year contract.

The external Audit has been carried out by the External Auditor and on the basis of their review of the annual return, and in their opinion the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory have not been met.

The Parish Council discussed what action they needed to take with the trees following the tree inspection report and the site visit by the Parish Council earlier in the evening. The following actions were decided.

Permission has been granted from CDC to remove the dead Elm at the very top of the Arbour and there has been no response from Mr Roberts after informing him of the decision to remove the tree, so the Parish Council will go ahead with removing the tree.

#### Arbour Top

Ivy throughout the site.- Sever at ground level to allow die back and regrowth.  
The Birch by Arthur Lofthouse Seat – Take out dead wood.

The Birch by the Rockface- Has defects ask CDC for advice on whether or not to remove.

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Mountain Ash near Compost Heap- Tree in mid stage of dysfunction - Ask CDC for Permission to remove.

### Lower Arbour

- Tree 1 Birch- Ask CDC for permission to Crown Lift over the path.
- Tree 2 Cypress Tree - Clerk to speak with resident of No 32 regarding conflict with stone wall.
- Tree 3 Ash Tree - No defects within the tree monitor the root system
- Tree 4 Elderberry – Being suppressed by the sycamore – Monitor
- Tree 5 Ash Tree - Growing in with the Hawthorn- Monitor no need to fell at the moment.
- Tree 6 3 Hawthorn – Growing in the boundary have excessive rot- Ask CDC for permission to remove.
- Tree 7 Buddleia - Prune back to allow regrowth.
- Tree 8 Elderberry – Monitor
- Maple & Birch - BT Wire needs to be free from Branch Rub. Ask CDC for Permission to trim

Discussion will take place at the September meeting regarding the complaints received from residents about the trees and undergrowth and what action to take.

Three quotes have been received for the strengthening work to the retaining wall at the top of Lower Arbour and the Parish Council resolved to go with D.J. Wilkin Construction Ltd who seemed to be experienced in that type of work and had the equipment to carry out the job. The quote received was for £3030.00. Clerk to ask them to go ahead with the work when they could and to advise of a date for commencement of the job and if any road closures would be necessary.

The Parish Council are awaiting a further response from the Institute Committee regarding costs for wireless internet connection.

The annual inspection of the Play Area will take place by ROSPA in September. The Clerk reported that two complaints had been received concerning a tree that was growing by the side of the garages at Bucklar Hill and was pushing over the fence of a residents garden. Clerk to report to Craven District Council and also to ask them what their intentions are for the site because it is neglected and looking an eyesore.

Robin Figg thanked the Parish Council for their contribution to the striking mechanism for the Church Clock.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 2016 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM**

All members of the village are welcome to attend



## The Birds in Your Garden



*Cuckoo wearing its satellite tag - BTO*

It's a while since I last wrote about the British Trust for Ornithology's major Cuckoo tracking project, so I thought that an update might be of interest.

The project was initiated in 2011 to find out why we had lost around two thirds of our Cuckoos in the UK. The BTO has been fitting them with satellite trackers and have discovered much, including pinpointing for the first time their wintering grounds in the western Congo rainforest and discovering that they use two routes, one via Italy and one via Spain, to get there.

This is the first time birds have been recorded taking two distinct routes to the same destination – usually route divergence leads to different wintering grounds. Interestingly, all of the birds return to the UK via the western route, regardless of the route used the previous autumn.

The study has revealed that the route a Cuckoo takes to the Congo can mean the difference between life and death. BTO scientists compared the mortality rates associated with the two and found that birds travelling via Italy had a far higher survival rate than those travelling via Spain.

They also found that all the birds tagged in Scotland and Wales, where the species is not doing as badly, took the more successful eastern route via Italy. Whereas in England, where we have lost 71% of our breeding Cuckoos during the last 25 years, local populations were made up of a mix of birds using the two routes. Significantly, the proportion of birds using the less successful route via Spain correlated strongly with population decline in each location studied.

Cuckoos fuel up for their long flights by storing fat, which those feeding in Spain might be finding harder to do than those in Italy. This could be a result of climate change, for example the recent late summer droughts in Spain, reducing the abundance of the high-energy invertebrates that the Cuckoos need to fuel a desert crossing. The study also suggests that birds going via Spain may fatten-up more in the UK before they begin their migration than birds flying via Italy. This

would leave them especially vulnerable to the recent severe decline in moths in the south of England, their caterpillars being the Cuckoos' main food source.

Eight new birds have joined join the four surviving individuals tagged in previous years, and BTO scientists will be watching all of them as they migrate to Africa and back over the next few months.

They will be concentrating on how the birds interact with a weather system called the Inter Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) as they prepare to make their way back next spring. The drought-busting rains that this system brings to West Africa in early March may be vital to the success of onward migration from countries such as Sierra Leone, Ivory Coast and Ghana.

As an interesting sideline, in May this year, hundreds of Chinese schoolchildren took part in a competition to choose the name of a pioneering Cuckoo that would help uncover the migrations of Cuckoos from the Beijing area. Flappy McFlapperson was the winning name!

Flappy left Beijing in June and headed north into Mongolia, crossing the Gobi desert to spend the 'summer months' in the Onon-Balj National Park, the birth place of Genghis Khan and very close to the Russian border, moving on in autumn migration mode: destination unknown - possibly Southeast Asia, India or even Africa. All being well, during the next few months Flappy's wintering location, will be unveiled for the very first time.

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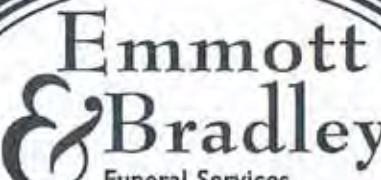
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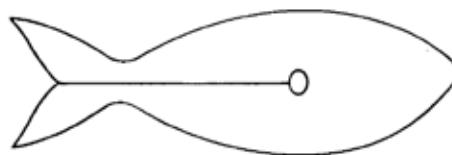
4<sup>th</sup> October is the feast day of St Francis of Assisi. When Francis came to God people thought he had gone mad and even his own father disowned him. But Francis' simple way of life soon attracted others. He and his companions went out to preach two by two. Unlike the preachers and priests that people were used to, they wore sackcloth and went barefoot. They were different in other ways too; they lived a very simple life and celebrated God's creation.

And to Francis all of God's creation was equally important. In one famous story a wolf had been eating people. The town wanted to kill the wolf but Francis talked the wolf into never killing again. And the townspeople made sure that the wolf always had plenty to eat.

Even blindness did not discourage Francis' spirit when he wrote his beautiful 'Canticle of the Sun' praising God through the miracle of His creation. Francis died aged only 45, worn out with years of poverty and wandering.

## SWIM, FISH, SWIM

How do you make a paper fish swim? Cut a fish shape from a sheet of ordinary writing paper. Make it 10-12cm long, and decorate it making sure that the colours won't run when the fish gets wet. In the centre of the fish's body cut a small circle and then a very narrow slit from the tail to the circle.



Now, keeping its surface dry, gently lay the fish on the surface of a bath or large bowl of water and carefully place a few drops of cooking oil into the central hole. The oil will expand through the slit and drive the fish through the water.



**What's black and white and goes round and round?**

A zebra stuck in a revolving door.

**Why did the homeless turtle cross the road?**

To get to the Shell station.

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The harvest produce was taken to the old people's bungalows

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