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# **St Andrew's Church, Kildwick**

**News and Views from  
Kildwick, Farnhill and Cross Hills**

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## **SEPTEMBER 2016**

### **Parish Mission Statement**

Called to be the body of Christ,  
we are here to share God's love with all people,  
through outreach and service,  
in our community and in the world,  
through the power of the Holy Spirit

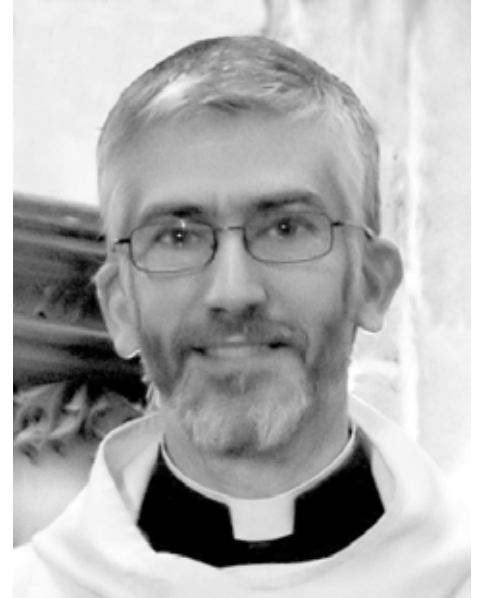
**Church Website: [www.kildwick.org.uk](http://www.kildwick.org.uk)**

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Dear friends,

***For many people September brings significant change in their life; it is a time of new beginnings and fresh starts.***

Our younger children embark on their journey through the world of education; older children make the switch from primary to secondary school; young adults move on to college, university or employment. For each of them and for their families these changes will raise many different feelings; uncertainty and insecurity will be mixed with excitement and adventure.



In our community we are looking forward to change at Kildwick Primary School as we welcome Tim Whitehead as the new Headteacher, together with other new staff and pupils. These new faces will bring fresh opportunities to develop the relationship between church and school. We also have a new face at helm editing this magazine. After many years of faithful service as editor Lesley Hudson has now passed the reigns over to Chris Wright. On behalf of all the readers of The Bridge I would like to express sincere thanks to Lesley for all her hard work.

New faces, and many familiar faces, have, of course, been adorning our television screens and newspaper front pages in recent weeks as we have enjoyed (I hope) the 4-yearly spectacle of the Olympic Games. Enhanced by the stunning scenery around Rio de Janeiro, the pictures and stories of great sporting achievements have drawn us to marvel at the form and beauty of the human body at its athletic best. By achievements I am not just thinking of those who ended up standing on the podium to receive an Olympic medal. What about those who came 4th and so only just missed out (some by an astonishing 3/1000th of a second) on the ribbon around the neck? What about those who came last, yet were able to cross the line cheering and waving to the crowd, ever thankful of the opportunity to take part in this great global event?

Sport has the ability to bring people together and break down barriers that traditionally divide and keep people apart. Sport has the ability to point to important core values that can unite the people of the world. As we look back on the Olympics and forward to the Paralympics, the words of the Olympic creed are worthy of reflection:

“The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well.”

It is the taking part; it is the struggle; it is the having fought well. These,

ultimately, are the important attributes that speak of how well we engage with our own life-journey.

Part of the life-journey must include regular times of rest, relaxation and refreshment: holidays, or holy-days. Such times allow us to step aside from our usual routine and give a different quality of attention to ourselves and those around us.

During part of my holiday this summer I enjoyed reading a book titled *Beauty Will Save the World*. The author, Brian Zahnd, suggests that "we live in a day when convenience and practicality have largely displaced beauty as a value". He suggests that the Church is not immune to this shift: "Even salvation is commonly viewed in a scientific and mechanistic manner and presented as a plan, system, or formula".

The challenge, Zahnd says, is for the Church to hold on to the teaching of Jesus as spoken as in the Beatitudes and so become a viable alternative to current-day political, commercial and religious power, thereby achieving what these powers promise to provide but fail to deliver.

Zahnd offers the challenge that in our life together as a community, and in our individual life, the need is constantly to ask ourselves, "Is this beautiful? Is this thought beautiful? Is this attitude beautiful? Is this action beautiful? Does it reflect the beauty of Christ?"

If the word we are about to speak, or the action we are about to carry out, is not beautiful then we should abandon it, because it is not of God and will only harm the other and ourselves.

As you travel on through the coming days and weeks, keep this question foremost in mind: "Is it beautiful?"

Beauty will indeed save the world.

God bless you.




## **Join us for our Harvest Festival services on Sunday 2nd October**

***10.00am Family Communion Service  
to be followed by auction of produce***

Proceeds from the services & auction will be given to support of  
the Church Mission Society & Jigsaw Kids Ministry

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## It's goodbye from me and hello from him!

I took over the production of the Bridge magazine when the previous incumbent, Paul Moore, left over 15 years ago. It was a steep learning curve for me as I knew very little about editing a magazine and even less about computers!! If my maths is correct (and those who know me would say that it is unlikely!) that is over 165 editions!

It has been quite an experience sometimes good and sometimes very bad, especially when there is a power cut and you lose all the material you've just spent ages typing in!

I am very grateful for all those who have contributed to the magazine over the years with recipe pages, wildlife information, stories, rotas, community events and such like. My thanks to Robin, who has supported me throughout and done much of the photocopying when we started to print 'in house'.

I'm sure Chris Wright will do an excellent job and I know you will all support him as you have supported me over the years.

Best wishes to you all.

Lesley Hudson

**Thanks for your welcome, Lesley.** You are excessively modest – producing a magazine over all those years is no mean feat! Yours are going to be big boots to fill.

I'll do my best... A good parish magazine should have something for all readers. There are always some whose delight it is to find mistakes.

So there'll be some of those too.

Chris Wright

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## Visit by Michael Hardin of Preaching Peace

21st – 25th September

*Following two very successful visits of Michael Hardin to St Andrew's in November 2013 and September 2014, we are delighted that Michael will be back again this September.*

During the visit Michael will lead 3 seminars as follows:

Wednesday 21st 7.00 - 9.30pm  
The message of St Paul (Part 1)

Thursday 22nd 7.00 - 9.30pm  
The message of St Paul (Part 2)

*Cost of each evening: £5 (£3 students) including drinks.*

Saturday 24th 9.30am - 4.00pm, Being a Peace Church

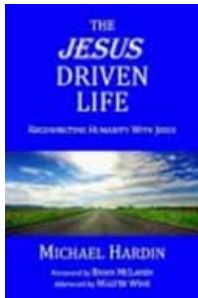
*Cost £10 (£5 students) including drinks.*

To book for any of the seminars or for more information contact the Vicar,  
01535 633307 or vicar@kildwick.org.uk

Michael will also preach at the 10.00am Parish Communion on Sunday 25th.

Michael is the co-founder and Executive Director of Preaching Peace  
([www.preachingpeace.org](http://www.preachingpeace.org)) based in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Their motto is "Educating the Church in Jesus' Vision of Peace."



Michael is the author of the acclaimed "*The Jesus Driven Life*", "*What The Facebook?*", "*Posts from the Edge of Christendom*" and "*Reading the Bible with René Girard*".

American theologian Walter Wink said of *The Jesus Driven Life*, "[*This book*] is nothing less than a magisterial synthesis of much that can be known about Jesus and the early centuries of Christianity and their continuing relevance for today."

British theologian James Alison also praised the book calling it, "...a great new resource in the Christian Adventure. *The Jesus Driven Life* is thoroughly ecumenical in its scope, richly biblical in its sourcing and gloriously Christ-centred in its excitement about God."



### Prayers for the Parish & World Church

The next monthly meeting to pray for the parish and worldwide Church will take place on Monday 26th September in the church from 7.00pm until 8.00pm.

For more information contact Robin Figg, 633307.



## Showing of film 'Closure'

6.00pm Sunday 4th September in the Parish Rooms



**Closure** is a film inspired by true stories of Iranian Christian martyrs.

The loss of a family member, desire for revenge, and struggle to forgive is not a foreign concept to the director of "Closure" Joseph Hovsepian and lead actor Andre Hovsepian, as they had to confront their own father's brutal death by extremist groups in Iran in 1994.

Closure is a story of discovering redemption in the midst of struggle, and is based on recent events taking place in Iran.

*An unexpected event unravels as a group of Iranian intelligence officers raid Dr. Dariush's home, where hundreds of bibles and Christian resources are exposed. Following the discovery, Dr. Dariush is immediately murdered in cold blood.*

*Cyrus, the doctor's son, who witnesses his father's cruel death, is forever changed as a result of his father's murder. Filled with resentment and bitterness, he is unable to cope with the past and push forward. At the turn of events, Cyrus finds himself face to face with his father's killer, now leaving him with a unique opportunity to seek vengeance or redemption.*

The film is 62 minutes long. We will then spend some time in conversation together reflecting on the films, before saying Night Prayer.

The evening will finish by 8.00pm

## News from the PCC

### ***Churchyard Boundary Wall***

Following the work carried out in the spring to make the wall at the south east corner of the churchyard safe, Craven District Council has been investigating different options for the repair and rebuilding of the wall. The process to agree a suitable design specification is complex, involving engineers from the District Council and North Yorkshire County Council and possible contractors.

At the time of writing, a way forward has not been agreed. Consequently, it is likely to be some time before the wall is repaired.

### ***Church Car Park Gates***

Following the vehicle collision with the gates in December 2015 which necessitated the gates being dismantled, it is expected that the rebuilding of the gates will commence during the week commencing 5th September. During the period of the rebuilding access through the gates for both vehicles and pedestrians may be restricted.

# 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**

**23rd October**

**30th October**

**Confident Christians**

**Growing Churches**

**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.*

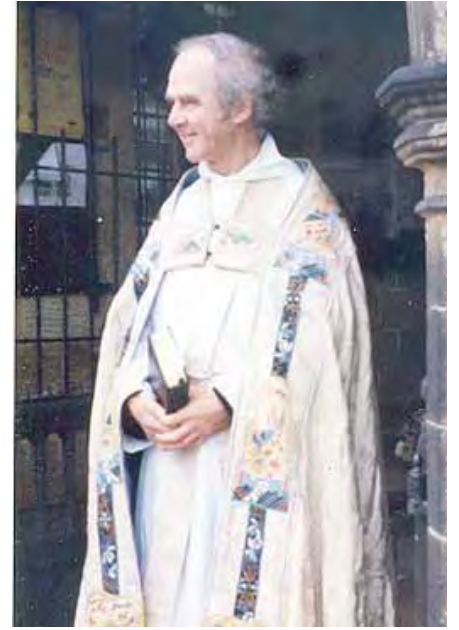
*Help us all to lead our lives, in word and deed,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## The Reverend Ian Busby, 1932 - 2016

Ian Busby, who was Vicar of Kildwick from January 1975 until December 1993, died on 17th August. He will be sadly missed by many in our community.

Ordained in 1964, Ian served a first curacy in Bedale in the (then) Diocese of Ripon, with a second curacy in Stevenage in the Diocese of St Albans. In 1971 he became Vicar of St Mary's, Shepall in Stevenage, leaving in 1974 to become Vicar of Kildwick.

During his 18 years as Vicar here Ian's ministry was greatly appreciated. News of his death on the church Facebook page led to many comments saying what a kind and gentle person Ian was. People have also remembered with fondness Ian's wife Shirley who died in 2009.



Following Ian's early retirement on health grounds, he and Shirley moved to live in Farnhill. Whilst living here Ian was able to continue to serve as a volunteer chaplain at Airedale Hospital. Unfortunately, his Parkinson's Disease eventually forced a full retirement and after some time living in Currergate Mews in Steeton, Ian spent his last years living in Beanlands Nursing Home, Glusburn.

We give thanks for his life. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Coffee Morning in support of



**PANCREATIC  
CANCER UK**

Striving for Survival

**Saturday 8th October**

**10am – 12 noon**

**in the Parish Rooms**



Over the last few years, pancreatic cancer has claimed the lives of three much loved members of our community:

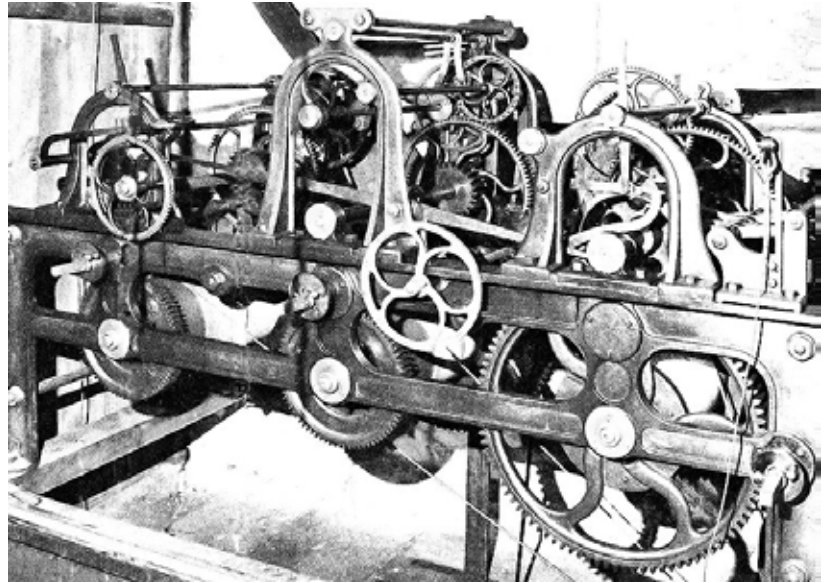
Marion Baxter, Tony Walton and Marjorie Gee.

Help us to help Pancreatic Cancer UK in their work to fight this disease and support those suffering from it.



## Church Clock: Thanks And Update

*A short note to express our thanks for the very kind donations we have received towards the cost of the clock repairs, and also to update everyone about where we are with the repairs, and when we can expect them to take place.*



When the clock had its annual inspection in May serious defects were found. Parts of the clock barrel were loose, and the thread of the screws holding it were stripped, and therefore ineffective. Because this part is integral to the winding system, this could fail and damage the clock, and, more seriously, the person winding the clock. So the engineer made it safe by letting the weights run down and, clearly, left instructions that it remain so until such time as repairs had been undertaken. The total cost of the repairs will be £894.00.

**Once this became known, many individuals, the Kildwick Parish Meeting and the Farnhill Parish Council have all kindly made donations towards the cost. We are delighted that the sum raised through these gifts amounts to £795.00. We would like to say a huge 'thank you' to you all and are immensely grateful for your generosity.**

The process of clock repair is complicated by the fact that the barrel has to be disconnected and taken to the Cumbria Clock Company workshop near Penrith. For that to happen, we have to have a Faculty (Ecclesiastical Planning Permission). For this to be granted, we have to explain the circumstances (not a problem!), and in law, we are required to display a notice about this for 28 days to enable any objections to be lodged. We do not expect any objections, but have to comply with the provisions. Once the 28 days are ended on 1st September we can then formally seek permission for the repair, and do not anticipate any problems with this.

Readers may also have noted that, recently, the clock not only did not strike, but also had stopped. We do not know why it has stopped, and will ask the Clock Company to repair it when they undertake the other work, since we expect this to take place shortly, and the two problems might as well be addressed together. At which point, the parish and the community will have a fully functioning, working and striking clock again.

**Rotas for**

Date			Readings
<b>4th September</b> The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Family Communion with Baptism	<i>Deuteronomy 30.15-20</i> <i>Philemon 1-21</i> Luke 14.25-33
<b>11th September</b> The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	Exodus 32.7-14 1 Timothy 1.12-17 Luke 15.1-10
<b>18th September</b> The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	Amos 8.4-7 1 Timothy 2.1-7 Luke 16.1-13
<b>25th September</b> The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion <i>Preacher:</i> <i>Michael Hardin</i>	Amos 6.1a, 4-7 1 Timothy 6.6-19 Luke 16.19-end

**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	<i>Chuffs 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>

## September

Readers	Intercessor	Communion Assistants	Sidespeople	Tea and Coffee
<i>Reading not used</i> <i>Reading not used</i> Lesley Bannister	Shirley Hoskins	Christine Peter	Eleanor Eastwood Sandie Walton June Whitaker	June Whitaker Sylvia Ackroyd
Glyn Evans Katharine Calvert Sylvia Clark	Di Halliday	Sue John	Marie Stinson Peter McNeill	Joyce Bonham ( <i>vacancy</i> )
Lesley Hudson Christine Anderton Jill Wright	Marie Stinson	Christine Sandie	Ann Mosley Christine Anderton Michael Baxter	Elaine Carter Jill Wright
Kathryn Morris Marie Stinson Chris Wright	Lesley Hudson	Tim Di	Sandie Walton	Ann Mosley Christine Anderton

### Flower Rota

Sept 4th	Mrs Whitley	Sept 11th	Mrs Leach
Sept 18th	Mrs Hutchinson/Mrs Tillotson	Sept 25th	<i>vacancy</i>

## From the Registers

### Baptisms

- Sunday 17th July Dylan, Archie and Cara Montgomery,  
children of Miles & Jade of Ash Street, Cross Hills
- Sunday 7th August Blake Isaac,  
son of James & Lisa of Clarendon Road, Eldwick

### Weddings

- Saturday 2nd July Sebastian Tangi & Rosie Ackroyd  
of Ladderbanks Lane, Baildon
- Saturday 30th July Paul Purcell & Lucy Holmes  
of Kangaroo Point, Queensland, Australia
- Saturday 6th August Jody Hardaker & Wendy Whitehead  
of Cross Street, Skipton

### Funerals

- Monday 1st August Geoffrey Myers  
formerly of Churchill Way, Cross Hills
- Thursday 25th August Ian Busby  
formerly of Beanlands Nursing Home, Glusburn



### **September**

Tuesday 6th		Kildwick School term starts
Sunday 11th	12 noon	Church and Tower open for Heritage Open Days
Tuesday 13th	6.30pm	PCC meeting in the Parish Rooms
Thursday 15th	7.30pm	Deanery Synod meeting at St Matthew, Wilsden
Sunday 18th	2.30pm	Friends of Bradford Cathedral visit
Tuesday 20th	2.00pm	CDFC Grief and Loss Support Group review meeting
21st – 24th	various	Michael Hardin Seminars ( <i>see p. 4</i> )
Monday 26th	7.00pm	Prayers for the Parish and World Church (Parish Rooms)
Friday 30th	2.45pm	Kildwick School collective worship for Harvest in church

### **October**

Sunday 2nd	10.00am	Harvest Festival Family Communion
Saturday 8th	10.00am	Coffee Morning for Pancreatic Cancer Research
Tuesday 11th	7.00pm	Bradford Episcopal Area Forum
Sunday 16th	10.30am	CDFC One World Week service in St Peter's Church
Monday 17th	10.30am	CDFC Care Homes Worship Teams annual meeting
Monday 24th	7.00pm	Prayers for the Parish and World Church (Parish Rooms)
Sunday 30th		<b>All Saints Day</b>

### **November**

Tuesday 8th	6.30pm	PCC meeting in the Parish Rooms
Saturday 26th		St Andrew's Fair



## **Tea and Scones**

**Served in the Parish Rooms  
next to the church**



**Every Sunday afternoon till the end of September**

*A warm welcome awaits our regular and new customers!*

If you are able to help by hosting an afternoon, baking scones or 'church sitting' so that our ancient church can be open for visitors, please sign the list in church or contact Lesley Hudson on 01535 523291

## Prayer Page

Lord God  
you love us so much!  
You keep all your promises  
and never go back on anything you say.

Lord God  
thank you that you hear every prayer;  
that you always answer  
and that you are always with us when things are hard.

Lord God  
I remember these promises as I pray  
for all the children in our country today  
who are lonely, scared, unwell or don't have enough.

Lord God  
please answer their cries for help  
and my prayers for them by changing their lives today.  
Amen



Wise and gentle God,  
we pray for those who are driven by envy and  
ambition,  
and for those who are the victims of envy and  
ambition.

We approach you, Lord, in faith.  
Give your gifts of wisdom and hope.

We pray for places where disorder flourishes:  
where young people are uncared for and abused;  
for those whose daily life is chaotic and dangerous.  
We approach you, Lord, in faith.  
Give your gifts of wisdom and hope.

We pray for places where wise and gentle love is witnessed:  
for those who care for the young and those who feel unloved;  
for children's centres and places where self esteem can be reborn;  
for places where teaching and learning flourish;  
for those who commit their lives to caring for others.  
Give your gifts of wisdom and hope.

We lift to you, gentle God, all who need to know your love.  
We approach you, Lord, in faith,  
Give your gifts of wisdom and hope.

Amen.

## Fair Trade at St. Andrew's

*The PCC wants St Andrew's to become a Fair Trade church!* Across the Diocese (and throughout the Church of England) more and more churches are taking up the challenge of using Fair Trade produce. It's not new to Kildwick, either – there's been a stall in the past which only stopped because the organiser moved away.

From September 11th, there will be a stall in church on a monthly basis. It will normally be the first Sunday of the month and there'll be a reminder on the Notice Sheet the previous week. We shall start small: I've ordered coffee, tea, biscuits and chocolate to begin with. I've also got a good few catalogues which you are welcome to browse. There are order forms for you to fill in and I'll get those orders sent away. You pay when the orders come back and I'll get in touch to let you know.

The new catalogue has a lot of exciting Christmas gifts and cards, so please do have a look and see if there's anything which appeals to you. I shall be ordering some Advent calendars – use one yourself and give one to a friend or a grandchild!

We shan't be making a huge profit for church. BUT ... we shall be doing our bit, along with thousands of other people, to support those around the world whose lives are changed by that support. Those small amounts of support add up and together, we can make a big difference. Please help.

*Jill Wright 01535 634526*

### St Andrew's Pastoral Care Group

*Need some help?*

*Want someone to talk with?*

*Need a listening ear?*

*Lonely?*



**Call June on 01535 655320**

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## Recycling for Good Causes

... and specifically for St Andrew's!

At the back of church, you'll find a sack into which you can deposit all manner of items which can be recycled. Recycling is important as we all know: it's one way which we can lessen our use of resources and help to protect the environment – and we are paid for it! Ok, it's not a huge amount of money, but small amounts help!

So what can we put in? Any unwanted jewellery: gold, silver or costume jewellery and damaged items are fine. (For example, I have a box of single earrings which I will now get rid of!) The charity will also take any currency (notes or coins) which you have lurking in a drawer. Stamps are welcome, as are albums, First Day covers and presentation packs and postcards. Perhaps the most useful category is mobile phones, cameras and gadgets (including damaged or broken goods!) Video cameras, old film cameras, SLRs and lenses, sat navs, game consoles, games and other accessories, iPods, MP3 players, laptops and tablet computers are also welcome. Please though: **NO** printers, ink or toner cartridges.

All we are asked to do is to bag the items and put them in the sack. Please help us to play our part – and incidentally make a little cash for church!

*Jill*

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## Rowan Williams calls for 'urgent action' to help South Sudan

The Diocese of Leeds is linked with the five dioceses of Sudan. The country was divided in 2011 with the creation of the new South Sudan.

The northern Sudan is largely Muslim Arabic. Christians are very much in the minority here and are very firmly repressed. South Sudan has many more dioceses and is largely a mix of Christians of various different denominations alongside African Animists. The country is torn with inter-tribal conflict.

The recent fighting in South Sudan claimed nearly 300 lives and forced thousands of people to abandon their homes. Many have sought refuge in church compounds across Juba. Now the former Archbishop of Canterbury, who visited South Sudan with Christian Aid in 2014, has echoed a call for peace.

***"As the South Sudan Council of Churches says: 'The time for carrying and using weapons has ended; now is the time to build a peaceful nation.' I affirm and echo their cry for peace. I stand with them in praying that parties, communities and leaders do everything in their power to 'create an atmosphere where violence is not an option'."***

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## Farnhill Parish Council Summary of Draft Minutes

The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 28th July 2016 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. Three members of the Council were present and the Clerk. The minutes of the meeting held on the 23rd June 2016 were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

The Clerk informed NYCC & CDC Representative P Mulligan & CDC Representative Counc P Fairbank that they were welcome to come to the meeting if they wished, but that it was really not necessary as due to illness the meeting was only going to be to deal with urgent items.

Due to two members of the Council being unable to attend the meeting and another member being ill it was agreed to have a short meeting to discuss urgent items so the viewing of the trees was cancelled till the month after. Two residents of the village had raised concerns previous to the meeting about some of the trees and bushes at Arbour Top getting overgrown and looking unsightly as well as blocking the light. The Parish Council agreed to consider if any action needs to be taken when viewing the trees in August.

David Jones, the Representative from the Ambulance Service who was going to give the Parish Council some guidance on Defibrillators was unable to attend due to illness, so the item was deferred to the next meeting. The Committee members of the Institute have said they would be happy to have a defibrillator on the end wall, but near the roadside.

Highways have replied to the Parish Council's e-mail regarding increased road traffic noise following resurfacing in spring. They state, in response to your enquiry regarding increased road noise following the surface dressing that was carried out last spring. The treatment that was carried out was a double dressing that is recommended where road noise may be an issue as shown outlined in our design guide.

An e-mail has been received by the Parish Council from a member of the public stating that over winter 2015/16 a four-wheeled drive vehicle repeatedly used a section of verge on the East side of Bradley Lane, about 80 metres South of the parish boundary with Bradley as a parking place. The weight of the vehicle and the continuous wet weather quickly resulted in the sloping verge being flattened out and turned into a patch of mud which is now being used by all and sundry as a lay-by.

A couple of weeks ago someone took the opportunity to turn this new lay-by into yet another fly-tipping site. Three cushions from a sofa currently adorn it - no doubt, now that a start has been made, more items will follow.

Something similar happened about 15 years ago in almost exactly the same spot but on the West side of the lane. At the time CDC resolved this by placing large boulders on the verge, preventing both parking and tipping.

Clerk to write to both CDC & NYCC regarding the issue.

CDC have given their permission for the dead Elm tree at the top of the Arbour to be cut down and no objections have been received from Mr Roberts who rents the land from the Parish Council. The seating area has now been completed but discussion of further work was held over till next meeting when more Councillors were present.

**Date of next Meeting:** Thursday 25th August in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute at 7.30pm

All members of the village are welcome to attend

*The Meeting will start at 7.00pm at the Arbour to discuss the Tree Inspection Report and proceed to the Institute for 7.30pm*

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## Introducing the Kildwick MiniRingers

This autumn sees the introduction of the Kildwick MiniRingers. Drawing mainly from the older children from Kildwick School, we are hoping to introduce a new generation to the arcane mysteries of Church Bell Ringing.

Surprisingly, the MiniRingers won't be in the tower much – we're going to gather upstairs in the Parish Rooms on a Thursday after school. There will be a "real" mini-bell up there and lots of games and other activities, all aimed at introducing young people to this ancient and fascinating art, learning how to control a bell, sometimes many times heavier than ourselves to ring at precisely the right moment. We might even ring some tunes, too...

The MiniRingers provide an introduction, tailored particularly to young people, but I hope that some may want to take things further and join a regular tower band. If this club is to be a success, we need, too, to entice a few older folk along. The children will be encouraged to bring their parents and others to engage with this, the noisiest "secret activity" in the country! Bell ringing includes all ages, from the very young to the near-geriatric!

Everyone knows the sound of English church bells, but very few have any idea of the technique and training that goes into creating a competent band who can swing large lumps of metal with split-second timing.

Do **you** know what goes on in the ringing chamber? Here, perhaps, is your chance to find out! It's more complicated (and addictive) than you might think!

If you are interested, then speak with Chris Wright.

Call 01535 634526 or email [club@miniringers.org.uk](mailto:club@miniringers.org.uk).

### **Kildwick and Farnhill Village Institute Calendar 2017**

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## The Birds in Your Garden



*Photo: Jill Pakenham*

I'm sure most of you have noticed more Wrens in your garden this year than for quite a while, perhaps not an unexpected result of several winters without long frosty spells. To confirm this observation, some new BTO research has revealed that Wrens vary in their resilience to winter weather, depending on where in Britain they live. Maybe not too surprisingly they have found that Scottish Wrens are larger than those living in southern Britain, and as a result are more able to survive hard winter frosts.

Perhaps the most extreme UK example is the St Kilda Wren, which is a subspecies of our inland Wren and has only been found on Hirta, Dun, Soay and Boreray islands which lie some 40 miles west of the Outer Hebrides. It is both larger and has a more heavily barred appearance than its mainland cousin.

Altogether there are only a few hundred pairs, making it a great rarity and specimens of the adult birds and their eggs used to be highly prized. The St Kildans themselves even used to gather eggs to sell to collectors. Nowadays they are, of course, fully protected.

Wrens are amongst the UK's smallest songbirds, and their populations can decline following periods of cold winter weather, due both to the cold itself and to difficulties in finding sufficient insect prey. This new research, in collaboration with the University of East Anglia, shows that Wrens living in regions where winters are more severe have adapted to improve their chances of surviving.

The study used information collected by volunteers participating in the Breeding Bird Survey to show how susceptible Wren populations were to severe winter weather, measured in terms of the number of days with a ground frost. Northern populations were found to be able to cope with winters having up to 70% more frosty days than their southern cousins, showing quite a degree of local adaptation. The results demonstrate how closely adapted Wren populations are to their local climate.

Using information collected by bird ringers, the study also found that Wren body mass was approximately 5% higher in the coldest (eastern Scotland) region

than in the warmest (south-western) region. Larger individuals are likely to be favoured in colder parts due to the thermal advantage of larger size and their ability to store more body fat, something that has also been observed in other species of both birds and animals.

The findings of this study add to our understanding of how birds and other species respond to climate change. The work done shows that Wren populations should be able adapt to at least some change in average temperature, and indeed, being short-lived birds they can probably adapt more rapidly than most other species. Ultimately, the ability of any species to cope with climate change will depend upon whether the future rate of warming exceeds their ability to adapt.

Yet again we see that nature can adapt, it always has, but the worry is that the rate of change predicted is so rapid that many, especially longer lived species, simply will not be able to adapt fast enough.

If you find the lives of our garden birds to be of interest, and would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please contact me or visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website ([www.bto.org/gbw](http://www.bto.org/gbw)).

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*You can never lose a homing pigeon.  
If your homing pigeon doesn't come back, what you've lost is a pigeon.*

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## LET DOWN BY HIS FRIENDS

In the Bible there are many accounts of Jesus healing people. You can read about one in Mark's Gospel, chapter 2, verses 3 - 12. I like this one because it is about friends.

The four men made a tremendous effort to bring their paralyzed friend to Jesus. When they reached the house where Jesus was it was surrounded by lots of people; they could have given up and gone home. But they didn't. What did they do?

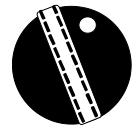
At that time houses had flat roofs and a stairway outside the house that led up to the roof. The four men broke through the roof and lowered their friend down on his bed. Imagine all the faces looking up and wondering what was going on as the dust, earth and lumps of wood fell down! Then the Bible says "When Jesus saw their faith..."

The all important change came from faith - not from the faith of the man but from the faith of his friends. One man's life changed forever because of four good friends and one Best Friend, Jesus.

## OVER & UNDER?

The answers to all of these are either OVER or UNDER...

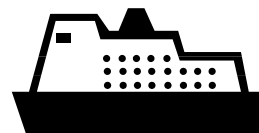
1. When a car passes another vehicle.
2. In London, they call it the Tube.
3. A thick winter garment you wear outside.
4. Dungarees, or worn to do a dirty job.
5. One way to throw a ball.
6. Another name for a funeral director.
7. When someone falls off a boat.
8. Knickers, vests etc.



(Answers at the bottom of the page)



On a school trip to France, the teachers were reminding the children about behaving properly. 'And,' said the headmaster, 'what do you do if one of the children falls overboard?' 'Shout for help, sir,' said one boy. 'Good. And what do you do if one of the teachers



falls overboard?' 'Which one, sir?'

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Answers: 1. overtaking 2. Underground  
3. overcoat 4. overalls 5. underarm 6.  
undertaker 7. overboard  
8. underclothes

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"It's Mrs Filby with her hard-as-concrete home-made rock cakes for the Harvest Festival. Let's pretend we're not in."

## *The Village Pump*

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Every Wednesday 2.00-3.30 pm*

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