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St Andrew's Church Kildwick

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

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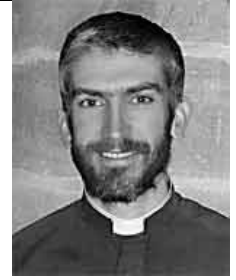
Parish Mission Statement

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

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Dear friends,

We are now in the season on Lent, a period of 6 weeks during which the Church invites people to prepare carefully for our observance of Holy Week and Easter, the days when we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus.



The introduction to the Ash Wednesday service invites us to keep a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance, by prayer, fasting and self-denial, and by reading and meditating on God's holy word. Lent is a time to give time to look at ourselves and our relationships with others, including God.

It is becoming increasingly recognised and accepted that we are our relationships; we are the person we are because of our relationships, past and present. This means that how we live with, and amongst, those around us will affect the person we are and the society in which we live.

Lent is the time to ask ourselves: what kind of person do I want to be and what kind of society do I want to live in?

These questions are, of course, deeply relevant as we find ourselves just two months away from the General Election. In last month's magazine we included some material produced by the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland titled, 'Preparing for the General Election: A 2020 vision of the Good Society'. The piece included the following quotes: "The best measure of society is how we treat the poorest and most vulnerable. A good society is one where the richest contribute most to eradicate poverty and improve society as a whole"; "A good society involves a sense of community, underpinned by justice, fairness and the inclusion of all".

On 17th February the House of Bishops of the Church of England published a Pastoral Letter to the People and Parishes of the Church of England for the General Election 2015 titled 'Who is my neighbour?' The reaction was certainly interesting as the media and politicians questioned both the content of the letter and the right of the bishops to speak out on such an issue.

It does seem that when the Church asks serious questions about how society is formed and governed there are those who are quick to tell church leaders to stay out of politics, claiming that religion and politics don't mix.

But as our diocesan bishop, Nick Baines, said, "The pastoral letter...does not trot out a party line. It attempts to encourage engagements with politics by Christians and voting by them in the General Election. It specifically states that it is not telling people how to vote, and illustrates how fragile some political judgements can be...And if bishops and other Christians are to keep out of politics, who else is to be excluded? Politics are about life and the stuff of life – which isn't the concern of Jesus or the bible or ethics or relationship?"

The pastoral letter is available to read and download from the Church of England website at www.churchofengland.org and I would encourage you to read it for yourself.

The letter tells us that "the Church has an obligation to engage constructively with the political process, and Christians share responsibility with all citizens to participate in the democratic structures of our nation. We offer these reflections because we believe the gospel of Jesus Christ is enormously relevant to the questions which the coming Election will throw into sharp relief."

The letter goes on to say, "At this election, we can sow the seeds of a new politics. We encourage voters to support candidates and policies which demonstrate the

following key values:

- Halting and reversing the accumulation of power and wealth in fewer and fewer hands, whether those of the state, corporations or individuals.
- Involving people at a deeper level in the decisions that affect them most.
- Recognising the distinctive communities, whether defined by geography, religion or culture, which make up the nation and enabling all to thrive and participate together.
- Treating the electorate as people with roots, commitments and traditions and addressing us all in terms of the common good and not just as self-interested consumers.
- Demonstrating that the weak, the dependent, the sick, the aged and the vulnerable are persons of equal value to everybody else.
- Offering the electorate a grown up debate about Britain's place in the world order and the possibilities and obligations that entails."

Politics and faith certainly do, and must, mix. As another commentator said, "I firmly believe that Jesus wanted everyone fed, wanted universal health care, and that the Kingdom of God is about politics. It's about structuring our personal and communal lives in a nonviolent way that ensures everyone has food to eat, debts are forgiven, and healing is freely provided for everyone".

So this Lent ask yourself what kind of a person you want to be and what kind of a society do you want to live in. And know that it is within your power to bring about the answer that God would wish for you and us.

May God bless you as make your Lenten journey.

Robin



Lent Collection

This year our special collection will go to...

The Kadugli Appeal for the Church of Sudan

The Diocese of West Yorkshire & the Dales has a partnership link with the five dioceses of the Episcopal Church of Sudan (ECS) which cover the whole geographical area of the Republic of the Sudan.

The aim is to deepen and extend our participation in God's mission through a relationship which is rooted in our membership together in the Anglican Communion, in the worldwide family of Christ.

The spirit of the link is our mutual responsibility and interdependence in the Body of Christ. In the Sudan, we want to support and encourage our brothers and sisters who feel marginalised and oppressed in their own country, yet maintain their faith in Christ with great courage. But the Link works in both directions: it is for mutual support and encouragement, leading to praying for each other with understanding.



What can you do?

First of all, you can pray. And go on praying.

Pray for those who have died, those who are injured and those who love them and care for them.

Pray for those made homeless, those who have lost their livelihood, those who are travelling to a place of safety - and for those who are unable to travel.

Pray for those who have to minister to them, the people in towns that are being overwhelmed by refugees, the churches and the agencies who are struggling to cope.

Pray for the United Nations. Their position in the north is precarious but they, and the governments whose force they are, may be the only agency that can prevent the breaking out of yet more civil war.

Second, you can give your prayer a practical dimension - please give.

The Dioceses of El Obeid, Khartoum and Wad Medani are desperate for funds to help look after the refugees.

The damage and destruction of schools and churches in Kadugli Diocese is large. We cannot do much about that, practically, to help yet, but there will be a significant repair bill ahead. We need to build up our depleted funds so that we can help.

There has been a tremendous response to the Kadugli Appeal which shows how much people care for those who are living rough with little food. Please do continue to raise funds for Sudan.

An example of how desperate the ongoing situation is comes in the following story taken from the BBC website dated 25 February.

South Sudan's struggle for schools hit by abductions



Hundreds of child soldiers in South Sudan were disarmed this month - but more have now been kidnapped

It was meant to be an optimistic story about schools in South Sudan this week.

The United Nations was announcing 400,000 more children in school this year, with a £27m project to re-start lessons after the disruption of war.

But instead there have been angry denunciations and war-weary condemnations as 89 children have been abducted by an armed group in Malakal in the north of South Sudan.

With no little poignancy for an education campaign, UNICEF says they were abducted while preparing for exams.

And the official figure is believed to be a substantial underestimate of the numbers of youngsters kidnapped and taken to a training camp to become child soldiers.

John Budd, UNICEF's spokesman in South Sudan, said it had left families "very scared and fearful", but there was much work going on to try to get the children back.

"I like to be an optimist, but I temper it. I'm a realist as well and there are 12,000 children who are child soldiers in this country."

Holy Week & Easter

Holy Week is the most important of all weeks in the Christian calendar and, again, all Christians are encouraged to join in with as much of Holy Week as possible. Of particular importance is experiencing the great period from Maundy Thursday through to Easter Day. It is only by experiencing the sorrow of the Cross on Good Friday that we can most fully experience the joy of the empty tomb on Easter Day.

Holy Week & Easter Services

Sunday 29th March – Palm Sunday

- 8.15am Blessing of Palms and Holy Communion
 10.00am Blessing of Palms, Procession (from Barretts Bridge, Priestbank Road) and Holy Communion. *Those who prefer not to process meet in church for Blessing of Palms.*



Monday 30th, Tuesday 31st March & Wednesday 1st April

- 12.30pm Stations of the Cross
 7.30pm Meditative Service

Thursday 2nd April – Maundy Thursday

- 7.30pm Eucharist of the Last Supper followed by vigil of prayer until 11pm



Friday 3rd April – Good Friday

- 10.10am Procession of witness from St Andrew's to Cross Hills for...
 10.30am Prayers at the gates of St Peter's Methodist Church.
 12 noon Prayer around the cross until...
 2.00pm Liturgy of the Cross
 7.30pm Ecumenical Service (t.b.c.)

Saturday 4th April – Easter Eve

- 8.45pm Easter Vigil and Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Sunday 5th April – Easter Day

- 8.15am Holy Communion
 10.00am Family Holy Communion and Renewal of Baptismal Vows (followed by Easter Egg hunt)
 6.00pm CDFC Celebration Songs of Praise



News from the PCC

Reordering of the central area of the church

The Registrar received four letters of objection to the faculty petition. The Chancellor was asked to determine if one of the objectors was entitled to be deemed an 'interested person' in accordance with the Faculty Jurisdiction Rules and he determined that this objector's letter was inadmissible.

The Registrar wrote to each of the objectors to inform them they had to decide whether to become a party opponent to the proceedings or if they wished to leave the Chancellor to take their letter of objection into account in reaching a decision on the faculty petition.

None of the objectors chose to become a party opponent to the proceedings. The Petitioners are now preparing their comments in response to the letters of objection. The Chancellor will then consider the petition and make his judgement.

All the documents pertaining to the application remain on display in the south aisle of the church.



Church ceiling

The PCC appointed Building Conservation Solutions Ltd to carry out a tactile inspection of the whole church ceiling. This took place in early February and took 3.5 days to complete. The picture shows Joe Picalli, the lead inspector, sat on one of the roof beams whilst tap-testing each panel of plaster.

The report on the inspection of the ceiling has now been received. The inspecting team removed all unstable plaster and has recommended the erection of debris netting in the nave and chancel within 4 months as an interim measure before a full re-plastering of the whole church ceiling can be carried out in the future.

Discussions will now take place with the church architects, the Diocesan Advisory Committee and English Heritage to find the best way forward which will ensure the church building continues to be available to support all areas of the mission and ministry of the Church in this parish.

As from Sunday 22nd February we were able to resume use of the nave and north aisles for services. Having worshipped in the chancel area of the church for 6 weeks it will be interesting to gather feedback from those who attended these service to discover what was learnt from the experience.



Annual Revision of the Church Electoral Roll

Each year we revise our Electoral Roll. Those on the Roll are signifying, firstly, a commitment to the Church of England. Secondly, they signify an undertaking to the Parish of St Andrew, Kildwick. This undertaking should indicate a willingness to make a contribution to the life of the Church. Such a contribution does not just mean 'giving money', although our church does need such a resource, but ideally giving of yourself, for the sake of God's Kingdom. Application forms for the Electoral Roll are available in church.

Any persons whose name is not on the present roll and who wish to have their names entered must apply for enrolment not later than Saturday 11th April 2014. The new Roll will come into operation on Sunday 12th April 2014. Forms of application for enrolment can be obtained from the church or from the electoral roll officer, Christine Anderton, 6 Airedale View, Cross Hills.

Only those persons on the electoral roll will be able to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 26th April.

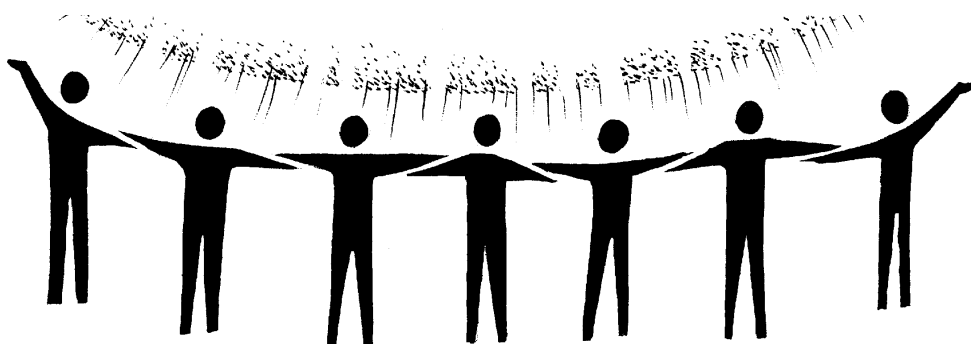
Annual Church Meetings – Sunday 26th April

The Annual Meetings which take place next month following the 10am Parish Communion on Sunday 26th April are important occasions in the life of a parish. At the meetings we elect those who will share in the leadership of the parish for the coming year and we have the opportunity to reflect together on the past year and to help think about the future life of God's church in this parish.

At the Annual Meeting of Parishioners (open to everyone resident in the parish and those on the church electoral roll) we will elect our two churchwardens for the coming year.

At the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (open to those on the church electoral roll) we will elect up to 2 persons to serve on the Deanery Synod (to serve for a period of 2 years), up to 2 persons to serve on the Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches Council (to serve for a period of 1 year), and up to 5 persons to serve on the Parochial Church Council (3 to serve for a period of 3 years, 1 to serve for a period of 2 years, 1 to serve for a period of 1 year). To share in the leadership of the parish is an important function and everyone is encouraged to prayerfully consider if they are being called by God to serve in this way.

We hope as many members of our church community as possible will come to our Annual Church Meetings. Please book the date in your diary.





NEWS FROM CROSS HILLS & DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES



Lent Course 2015 – Hope in a Time of Change

This year we will again be having one meeting each week on Wednesday evening when a visiting speaker will come and speak to us about positive initiatives to address problems in our current society.

We all know people suffering from dementia, people struggling to make ends meet, children who find school hard and are in danger of getting into trouble. Here are some initiatives that can help.

Come along to be inspired, be informed, or even to consider how you could become involved yourself.

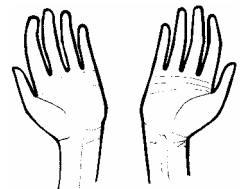
Each evening will take place in St Peter's Church, Cross Hills and will begin at 7.30pm. The speaker will speak for approximately 30 minutes and there will then be time for questions and discussion. Refreshments will then be served.

The programme for this year is as follows:

- 25th February **The Cinnamon Network** with Peter Smith, Ambassador for Yorkshire & the Humber
- 4th March **Food Banks** with Lucy Irvin of Skipton Food Bank.
- 11th March **Christians Against Poverty** with Nick Smith, Head of Church Partnership, CAP.
- 18th March **Street Angels** with Eileen Appleby, Chairperson of Skipton Street Angels.
- 25th March **Methodist Homes for the Aged** with Ted Britton, MHA Chaplaincy Adviser.

Prayers for the Parish & World Church

The next monthly meeting to pray for the parish and worldwide Church will take place on Monday 23rd March in the parish rooms from 7.00pm until 8.00pm. For more information contact Robin Figg, 633307.



From the registers

Funerals

- Tuesday 10th February Leonard Hawkins, formerly of Royd Hill Nursing Home and Main Street, Farnhill
(at Skipton Crematorium)
- Monday 23rd February Christopher Sutcliffe, formerly of Grange Road, Farnhill

A Weekend with Margaret Barker, Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th April

The Revelation of Jesus Christ to John

Following last year's successful visit, we are looking forward to a return visit by bible scholar Margaret Barker next month. Margaret will lead a seminar on Saturday looking at the last book of the bible, 'The Revelation to John'. Margaret will also preach at the 10am Parish Communion on Sunday.



Margaret Barker has developed an approach to Biblical Studies now known as Temple Theology. Temple theology traces the roots of Christian theology back into the first Temple, destroyed by the cultural revolution in the time of King Josiah at the end of the seventh century BCE. Refugees from the purges settled in Egypt and Arabia.



From widely scattered surviving fragments, it is possible to reconstruct the world view of the first Christians, and to restore to their original setting such key concepts as the Messiah, divine Sonship, covenant, atonement, resurrection, incarnation, the Second Coming and the Kingdom of God.

Margaret read theology at the University of Cambridge and went on to pursue her research independently. She was elected President of the Society for Old Testament Study in 1998. She has so far written 16 books, which form a sequence, later volumes building on her earlier conclusions.

Margaret Barker is a mother and grandmother, a Methodist Preacher and was involved for over 30 years with the work of a Women's Refuge.

The cost of the Saturday seminar will be £10 (drinks provided, bring your own lunch). To book pick up a leaflet in the church or parish rooms or contact the Vicar, Robin Figg, 633307.

'Peace and Justice through Easter Eyes'. An Away Day at Parcevall Hall, Saturday 9th May.



Join us for an away day at Parcevall Hall, the diocesan retreat house near Appletreewick in Wharfedale. The speaker will be Canon Graham Bettridge who is a retired parish priest and part of the chaplaincy team at Parcevall Hall. He is an experience leader of church quiet days and weekends; he has been with us on two previous weekends.

The day will start at 9.30am and finish at 4.00pm. The day will include 4 talks from Graham with time for reflection and discussion after each talk.

The cost will be £12 including refreshments; lunch will be a bring & share meal. To book pick up a flyer in the church or parish rooms or contact the Vicar. There will be a maximum of 20 places.

Graham will also preach at the 10am Eucharist on Sunday 10th May.

Pilgrim - A course for the Christian journey

Pilgrim is an exciting major new teaching and discipleship resource from the Church of England that explores what it means to travel through life with Jesus Christ.

A course for the twenty-first century, Pilgrim offers an approach of participation, not persuasion. The course encourages people to practice the ancient disciplines of biblical reflection and prayer, exploring key texts that have helped people since the early Church.



For more information go to www.pilgrimcourse.org. You can follow news about the course on Twitter @pilgrimcourse

We will begin to use the Pilgrim course in this parish in the coming months. Look out for details of how to join a group so you can explore the Christian faith in the company of others.

Pilgrim's approach

It starts at the very beginning

Pilgrim assumes very little understanding or knowledge of the Christian faith.

It focuses on Jesus Christ

Pilgrim aims to equip people to follow Jesus Christ as disciples in the whole of their lives.

It flows from the Scriptures

The primary focus of each session is a group of people engaging with the Bible together.

It draws deeply from the Christian tradition

In the Early Church, the Christian faith was taught by the transmission of key texts which summed up the heart of the Christian message. Pilgrim restores this approach for the twenty-first century.

It honours the Anglican way and its many streams

Pilgrim has been developed as a specifically Anglican resource which aims to cater for every tradition in the Church of England.

A floral labyrinth for Lent on the church green



You may remember that last year we enjoyed our floral labyrinth for the first time. We are looking forward to the labyrinth reappearing this year ready for it to be walked during the latter part of Lent.

The labyrinth is a single path and, unlike a maze, there are no dead ends, only a slow journey to the

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Prayer page

Extracts from one of St Francis' Prayers: Canticle of All Creatures

Most High, all-powerful, all-good Lord,
All praise is Yours, all glory, all honour and all blessings.
To you alone, Most High, do they belong,
And no mortal lips are worthy to pronounce your name.

Praised be You, my Lord with all Your creatures,
Especially Sir Brother *Sun*,
Who is the day through whom You give us light.
And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendour,
Of You Most High, he bears the likeness.

Praised by You, my Lord, through Sister *Moon* and the *Stars*,
In the heavens you have made them bright, precious and fair.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Brothers *Wind* and *Air*,
And fair and stormy, all weather's moods
By which You cherish all that You have made.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister *Water*,
So useful, humble, precious and pure.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother *Fire*,
Through whom you light the night,
And he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong.

Praised be You, my Lord, through our Sister,
Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us,
Producing varied fruits with coloured flowers and herbs.

Praised be You, my Lord, through those who grant pardon
For love of You, and bear sickness and trial.

Blessed are those who endure in peace,
By You, the Most High, they will be crowned.

Praise and bless my Lord, and give him thanks,
And serve him with great humility.

Amen.



centre. Many understand that the labyrinth is a symbol for our journey through life and that walking it can take us on a journey to the centre of our own beings. During the Middle Ages walking this sacred path was seen as a pilgrimage and, indeed, prayer labyrinths were called Chemin de Jerusalem (Roads of Jerusalem).



Church Rotas

Date	Sidespersons	Intercessor	Communion
1 March Second Sunday of Lent	(Joan and Barry Houghton) David Baxter	Shirley Hoskins	Michael and Christine
8 March Third Sunday of Lent	Marie Stinson Peter McNeill	Michael Baumber	Sue and Tim
15 March Mothering Sunday	Christine Anderton Ann Mosley June Whitaker	Lesley Hudson	Christine and Peter
22 March Fifth Sunday of Lent	John Mitchell Michael Baxter Sandie Walton	Di Halliday	Sandie and John
29 March Palm Sunday	Joyce Bonham Elaine Carter John Mitchell	Peter Bannister	

Brass Cleaning March/April	Rosie Hargreaves and Elaine Carter
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Church Cleaning



Due to a several people leaving the rota due to ill health or moving away it is becoming very difficult to arrange the monthly cleaning of the church.

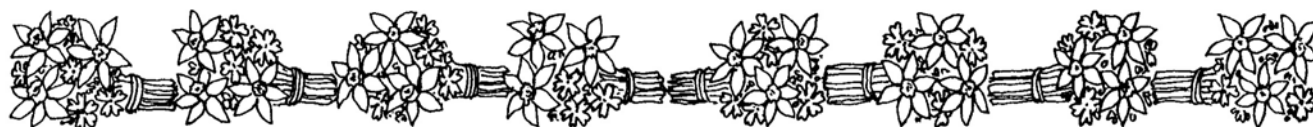
I think the best way forward is if all the remaining people on the rota agree a date to clean the church on a 2 monthly basis. This will ensure the church is cleaned regularly and will not be too much work for any individuals.

If you would like to help either on a one-off basis or regularly please contact Lesley Hudson.

**The next cleaning day in preparation for Easter will be
Tuesday 2nd April from 9.30 am**

Readers Rota

1 March Second Sunday of Lent	<i>Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16</i> <i>Romans 4.13-25</i> Mark 8.31-38	<i>Reading not used</i> <i>Reading not used</i> Katharine Calvert
8 March Third Sunday of Lent	1 Corinthians 1.18-25 Exodus 20.1-17 John 2.13-22	Glyn Evans Lesley Hudson Sylvia Clark
15 March Mothering Sunday	<i>Exodus 2.1-1</i> Colossians 3.12-17 John 19.25-27	<i>Reading not used</i> Brenda Brock Christine Anderton
22 March Fifth Sunday of Lent	Jeremiah 31.31-34 Hebrews 5.5-10 John 12.20-33	John Mitchell Brenda Brock Lesley Bannister
29 March Palm Sunday	Mark 11.1-11 <i>in the church</i> Mark 11.1-11 <i>at Barrett's Bridge</i> Isaiah 50.4-9a Philippians 2.5-11 Mark 14.1-15.end	Michael Baumber Marjorie Gee Kathryn Morris Marie Stinson Dramatised reading

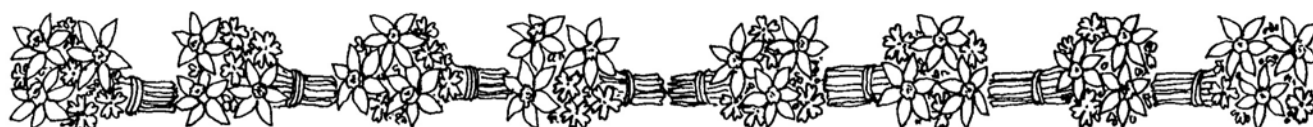


Sunday 15th March 10.00 am **Service for Mothering Sunday**

with flowers for mothers and others.

Simnel cake and tea and coffee
after the service.

All welcome.



Regular Events at Kildwick

Monday 2.00pm	5 Beanlands Drive	Informal Bible study and fellowship, all welcome.
Tuesday 10.00-11.30am	Chuffs (not in school holidays) in the Parish Rooms	Fun for pre-school children and their grown-ups!
Tuesday 7.30-8.30 pm	Choir practice in the parish rooms	
Wednesday 10.15 am-12.30pm	NottheKnot Group in the Parish Rooms	Stitching and fellowship group.
Wednesday 7.30 pm	Bell ringing	



Mon 2 nd Mar	6.00pm	Kildwick School Governors meeting (School)
Tue 3 rd Mar	7.30pm	Summer Fair planning meeting (Parish Rooms)
Fri 6 th Mar	7.30pm	Women's World Day of Prayer service (St Peter's Church)
Tue 10 th Mar	6.30pm	PCC meeting (Parish Rooms)
Sun 15 th Mar		Mothering Sunday
Fri 20 th Mar	2.45pm	Kildwick School collective worship in church
Sat 28 th Mar	6.30pm	<i>From Pharaoh to Freedom</i> musical (Holy Trinity, Cowling)
Sun 29 th Mar		Palm Sunday (Holy Week begins)
	2.30pm	Messy Church
Sun 5 th Apr		EASTER DAY
Mon 13 th Apr	7.30pm	Summer Fair planning meeting (Parish Rooms)
Sat 18 th Apr	9.30am	Margaret Barker seminar on 'The Revelation to John'
Sun 19 th – Thu 23 rd Apr		Bishop Toby (Bishop of Bradford) visiting our deanery
Sun 26 th Apr	11.10am	Annual Meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Sun 3 rd May		Tour de Yorkshire cycle race passing through Cross Hills & Kildwick
Sat 9 th May	9.30am	'Peace & Justice through Easter Eyes' with Graham Bettridge (Parcevall Hall)

Sunday Services at Kildwick

Morning Prayer will be said in church at 7.30am Monday to Wednesday & Friday
Midweek Eucharist on Wednesdays at 9.30am (in the Parish Rooms)

1 March Second Sunday of Lent	8.15 am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion
8 March Third Sunday of Lent	8.15 am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion
15 March Mothering Sunday	8.15 am 10.00am	Holy Communion Family Communion
22 March Fifth Sunday of Lent	8.15 am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion
29 March Palm Sunday	8.15 am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion

Chuffs

**Fun for under 5s
and their grown
ups!**

If you care for pre-school children why come and join us at Chuffs?

We meet on Tuesday mornings in term time from 10.00 till 11.30am upstairs in St Andrew's Parish Rooms.

It isn't just for mums and children—dads, grandparents, aunties and uncles and childminders are all welcome!!

We start with a free play session, then have a story and snack time finishing with some singing.

It only costs £1.00 for the first child and then 50p per subsequent child attending, this helps to cover the cost of refreshments and craft materials. However, no one will ever be turned away for lack of funds!

If you would like to know more call Lesley Hudson on 01535 523291 email lhudson@talktalk.net





Sunday 29th March 2.30-4.30 pm

Your family is invited to

Messy Palm Sunday!

Messy Church has become very popular around the country and is a way of being church that families others can enjoy together. It's al very relaxed for all-ages lots of fun, music, making things together to explore the Bible, then celebrating Jesus in a short time of story, action songs, puppets, prayer and sharing food together.

The Village Pump

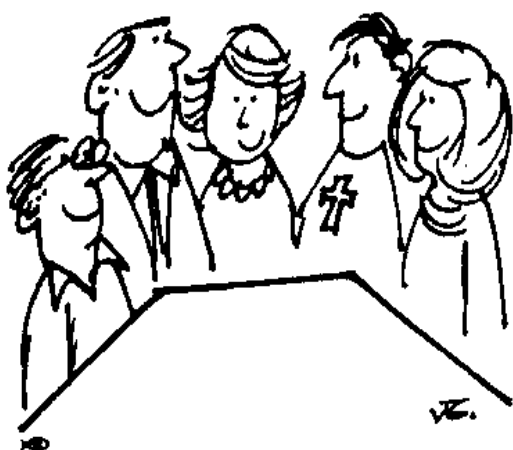
*A meeting Place for over 50's
Every Wednesday 2.00-3.30 pm*

Farnhill Methodist Church (in the foyer)

Farnhill Methodist Church holds a Coffee Morning

from 10—11.30 am on the second Saturday of each month.
There is a cake stall, greetings cards, bric-a-brac and paintings on sale. It is a regular date for many villagers and for visitors from around the area.
All are welcome.

St Andrew's Pastoral Care Group



Want someone
to talk to?

Lonely?

Need some
help?

Call June on
01535 655320

Need a
listening ear?

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER (INTERNATIONAL AND INTERDENOMINATIONAL)



Jesus said to them: Do you know what I have done to you?

Women's World Day of Prayer is an international, interchurch, organisation which enables us to hear the voices of women, from a different part of the world each year, expressing their hopes and concerns and bringing them before the rest of the world in prayer.

On Friday 6th March an estimated 3 million people, in over 170 countries, will gather to observe the day of prayer, using an order of service written by Christian women from The Bahamas and translated into over 1000 different languages and dialects.

In the British Isles alone over 5,000 services will be held. The day will begin when the sun rises over the island of Samoa, and continue until it sets off the coast of American Samoa some 35 hours later.

The theme of the service is taken from St John's Gospel, chapter 13 verses 1- 17, 'Jesus said to them: "Do you know what I have done to you?"' and it challenges us to demonstrate the same radical, unconditional love for others that Jesus showed when he washed the feet of his disciples.

The Bahamas consists of over 700 islands, scattered over 100,000 square miles in the Atlantic Ocean, only a small proportion of which are inhabited. It refers to itself as a 'family of islands' and in the service the needs of the smallest islands are given as much prominence as those of the larger ones.

**Women's World Day of Prayer Service
7.30pm Friday 6th March
at St Peter's Methodist Church, Cross Hills
All are welcome to attend this service.**

FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 3rd February 2015 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. The meeting was chaired by Counc. G Harling. Four members of the council were present plus the Clerk. No members of the public were present. The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th January were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Farnhill Parish Council to respond to NYCC stating that the pedestrian island for Cononley Crossroads will be a marginal improvement, but we are not satisfied that they have done all they promised to do and this does not address the bigger issues. It will also need clear signing putting up to make people aware of the possibility of people crossing the road. Farnhill Resolved that based on the population of Farnhill and the size of the precept the most they would be willing to contribute towards the cost would be £250.00

An e-mail has been received from Highways Area 5 informing the Parish Council that the A629 Kildwick roundabout is to be resurfaced. The final details and works programme are currently being finalized, but it is anticipated that the works will be carried out in June. Advance warning signs will be erected on site nearer the time. The Parish Council to ask if they can improve the signage for the Kildwick turn off as people coming from Skipton tend to cut in front of traffic turning to Kildwick, they seem to think all traffic is turning to Skipton and are unaware of the Kildwick exit.

Clerk to ask Highways if the entrance into Kildwick from the A629 which is used for buses only could be opened up one way for traffic entering into Kildwick. To do this would alleviate some of the problems at the Kildwick roundabout.

Clerk to inform Highways that the Culvert at Main Street Farnhill is still flooding after the recent drainage work which has been carried out, and that it has been flooded on two occasions since. If flooding occurs at this time of year it can result in ice forming which can be dangerous so we would like them to investigate further to identify the problem.

No district representatives were present due to other meetings to attend, but CDC Rep Counc P Fairbank informed the Council that the police cells in Skipton would be closing despite efforts to try and keep them open.

Kildwick Parish have now taken over responsibility for Light No 33 at Kirkgate due to the change in the boundary. A reminder has been issued to NYCC that light No 25 outside Bainbridge Wharf is still in need of painting and they say it is on the list for the next round of painting. Peter Ball has suggested a site for a light near Parson's bridge on the Bucklar Hill side and will provide some estimates if the site is suitable. Clerk to ask him to go ahead and prepare an estimate.

NYCC have begun implementing a street lighting energy reduction programme which involves turning off some street lights between midnight & 5.00am when road use has been shown to be at a minimum. The decision as to which lights are turned off is based on a fixed set of exclusion criteria. NYCC would like to hear from us if

there are any lights that have been marked with a red circle on the plan (lights to be affected) that we think meet any of the exclusion criteria. The Council are to respond by stating that lights on Lang Kirk Close meet the exclusion criteria. Other lights affected in the village are lights on the Crofts and on the A629 Skipton Road. Clerk to send copies of the letter and plan to residents of the Crofts.

CDC have stated that regarding noise issues officers at CDC have to have to have evidence in order to establish a statutory noise nuisance. To have evidence that there is an issue they need dates, times and the actual nuisance caused and they cannot act if there is no evidence brought forward. They say that as a parish council if we could offer this advice and assure residents of the importance of formerly reporting any incidents this would greatly assist them.

The Canal & Rivers Trust have stated that they will arrange for the draft license agreement to be completed for a permanent feeder pillar at the site near Redmans Bridge to supply power for a Christmas Tree.

Counc R Bramley reported that there were no issues of concern at the Play Area.

Clerk to ask Counc J Waring to contact Andrew at Gardenmakers to ask him if he could mark out the recommended positioning of the plants on the plan of the Arbour that Counc M Scarffe sent for him. Counc M Scarffe has supplied a specification for the work on the path and steps at the Arbour and the Council are awaiting quotes for the work. The expenditure against the budget for the year so far and the budget account for the year 2015-2016 are now available on the website. An article will be put on about the street lighting energy reduction programme, plus damage to the pinnacle and an item on the latest local news.

A decision was taken to review the policies of the Parish Council over the next few months with the Grant Policy being reviewed next month. Clerk to see if there is a model policy available and e-mail to Councillors before the next meeting.

Clerk to inform the Canal & Rivers Trust that the gate at Redmans Bridge is damaged and will not close and ask that it be repaired. Counc M Scarffe will carry out a visual inspection of Parish Council property.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 3RD MARCH 2015 IN
KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM**



The Birds in Your Garden

Goldfinches are beautifully coloured birds that all of us are delighted to have visiting our gardens. Did you know that the collective noun for a flock of Goldfinches is 'charm'? Possibly linked to its use for the blended voices of a choir and alluding to their constant 'tswitt-witt-witt' -ing. Despite their attractive appearance though, they can be surprisingly aggressive towards other species when using seed feeders.

Their black wings with broad bands of bright yellow, and black tail with white terminal spots, are apparent in all but juvenile Goldfinches. Adults add to this their characteristic head pattern of red, white and black.

Goldfinches are absent only from open mountains and moorland, which appears to reflect the availability of their favoured food; seeds of groundsels, ragworts, dandelions and thistles. They are mobile feeders, moving around to find the seeds that they favour. Such movements are not just within the British Isles, as birds may migrate to the Continent during late autumn, though they don't simply up sticks and move to a specific wintering area; instead, they move south and stop once they find the food and conditions they are looking for. Yet others may in turn arrive here from northern Europe.

Indeed, individual birds may move in some years but not others, something that is known as 'partial migration'. Their decisions about whether or not to migrate are linked to local conditions, age and sex, and probably the increasing quantities of food now provided in garden feeders.

BTO results highlight their increasing use of garden over the last 25 years, probably due to a combination of our feeding them seeds they like, and an increase in breeding numbers of some 85%.

Goldfinches have adapted readily to the changing foods on offer at garden feeders, initially finding Nyger seed very attractive. Latterly though I've noticed that they have switched allegiance to sunflower hearts, leaving the Nyger to juveniles, plus adults forced off the hearts by boisterous Sparrows.

They nest in areas of scattered trees and shrubs (including gardens) where they often adopt a loose colony structure. The nest itself is neatly constructed from grasses, moss, roots and lichens, interwoven with wool and hair. It is usually some way off the ground, though they may be found in hedges and evergreens.

Whether you are watching Goldfinches feeding on your sunflower hearts or have the good fortune to have them nesting in your garden, I suspect that you have a soft spot for this delightful little finch. It is a bird that adds a splash of colour to any

bird table. Looking at the latest figures, it seems likely that we will see even more Goldfinches in gardens in the future.

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). If you know of a local group who would like a talk on garden birds call: **Mike Gray 07596 366342** or mikegbw@btinternet.com.



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bookSWAP: Read It, Swap It.

Some will remember the lending library we used to have in St Andrew's church. We would like to have another go at encouraging you to read books that will help you on your journey of faith.

If you are looking for something to read,
take a look at the bookSWAP table in the south aisle.

If you have books at home that you have enjoyed
but no longer need, please bring them to add to the table
so others can enjoy them as you have.



St ANGELA

It is not that long ago that most girls never had the chance to be educated. But one determined woman started the process, and her name was Angela Merici. She was born in Italy on 24 March 1474. Both her parents died when she was only 10, and then when Angela was 13 her elder sister died too, which led her to dedicate her life to God. When she was only 22 she started a school for young girls in her home town and this was so successful that she was invited to start schools in other places. Her faith led her to make pilgrimages to the Holy Land and to Rome.

It was when she was in Rome in 1524 that she suddenly lost her sight. Pope Clement VII asked her to stay in Rome to take charge of an order of nursing nuns but she refused and went home to Brescia. When she was almost 60 she started the Order of St Ursula, which is still involved in teaching today. Even though she was blind, St Angela Merici had a vision of what was possible with God's help.

SCHOOL SUBJECTS

This timetable has the lessons scrambled up – can you unravel the school subjects? Answers below.

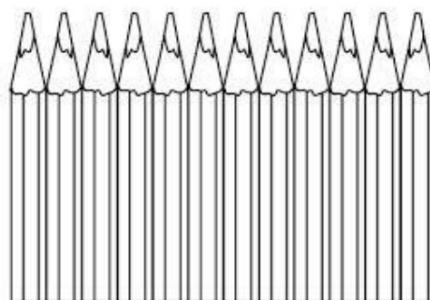
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What did I get for my history test?

Well, first the good news – you spelled your name correctly.

Teacher: You missed school yesterday, didn't you?

Pupil: Not really.



What do elves learn in school?

The elf-abet.



Answers: 1.Mathematics 2.History
3.English 4.French 5.Art 6.Chemistry
7.Games

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"The new vicar is really cool, Dad.
Did you know that God emailed the Ten
Commandments to Moses' Tablet PC?"

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