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The Vicar's Letter...

Dear friends,

Suddenly the pace of life has hotted up. There is so much to do, and so little time in which to do it. How will we ever be ready for all the events at school, at work, at church and at home in the next few weeks in the run up to Christmas?

Yes, this is a busy time of the year for all of us. But we must be careful. Somehow in midst of all the frenetic activity we must find the time to stop a moment and remember. We must remember what all this busyness is really all about. We are busy because of one thing; one event that happened in the seemingly dim and distant past. We are busy because two thousand years ago God did something amazing which continues to have a deep significance for the world even today.

In that first Christmas God spoke to the world in a new way. In the simple surroundings of a stable God the Creator came to the world as a human baby. Why would God do that? Why would God make himself so vulnerable, so dependent on others for even his basic needs? The answer is in fact very simple, yet so difficult to understand. The answer is summed up in one word: Love.

God entered the world to show us how much he loves us and he wants us to know and understand that love for ourselves. When you look at the figure of the baby Jesus smiling at you from his bed of straw ask yourself who, and what, it is that you see. I hope you will allow yourself to gaze not just on the picture of a gorgeous new born baby, but to gaze on the astonishing picture of the power of God's love made perfect in human weakness.

One of the readings used at our Advent Carol Service reminds us that Christmas is not just a past event, but an event which has real meaning for today – for you and me, and for all the world.

Advent is to prepare for Christmas:
not only cards and gifts and food,
but to prepare ourselves...
confessing all the sin that spoils us,
all the mistakes we've made,
our neglected potential for good,
and accepting his offered forgiveness,
so that we are prepared
to welcome Christ
to the heart of ourselves,
cradled in the manger of our love,
to live and grow in us.

The other challenge is to remember that the story of Christmas is inextricably linked with the story of Holy Week and Easter when we celebrate what is at the heart of the Christian faith. The child whose manger we gaze at with joyful sentiment is the man whose cross we kneel at with heartfelt sorrow and whose tomb we run to in wonder and thanksgiving.

May you find peace and joy and Christ in Christmas.

Robin



Recipes for December 2004

This month we have an impressive dessert, which looks difficult to make but is really quite easy and a fudge sauce, which will be a hit with everyone.

Raspberry Pavlova

4 egg whites
pinch of salt
225g (8ozs) caster sugar
1 teasp cornflour
1 teasp lemon juice
or white wine vinegar

To complete
250ml (½ pt) double cream
225g (8ozs) frozen raspberries



To make the meringue

1. Line a baking tray with non-stick baking parchment and heat the oven 140c Gas 2
2. Separate the eggs making sure there is no yolk mixed with the whites, if there is then the whites will not thicken. Place the whites in a grease free bowl.
3. Whisk the whites until stiff, using an electric whisk if possible. Add the sugar gradually whisking all the time until you can stand a spoon up in the middle. At this stage whisk in the cornflour and lemon juice or vinegar.
4. Pile the mixture on to the prepared tray, shape it to an oval or round 3cm (1 ½") thick. Make a slight dip in the middle. Bake for 1 – 2 hrs until pale biscuit coloured and hard to touch. Allow to cool then peel off the paper, the meringue can be kept in an airtight container for up to a week.

To complete

Place on a serving dish, whip the cream to soft peaks and pile this on top, then sprinkle with raspberries. Do this 2 – 3 hrs before serving, store in the fridge.

Fudge Sauce

75g (3ozs) butter
50g (2ozs) soft brown sugar

2 tablesp milk
225g (8ozs) sweetened, condensed milk



1. Put the butter and sugar in a small, non-stick pan, heat gently stirring with a wooden spoon until the sugar has dissolved. Bring to the boil and bubble for 1 min only.
2. Take the pan off the heat and stir in the milk and condensed milk. Bring to the boil and bubble until the mixture thickens to the consistency of thick cream, about 2 mins.
3. Pour into a small jug or dish, cover tightly and store in the fridge when cool.

To serve, warm slightly before pouring over ice-cream

**Wishing you all a very
happy Christmas
Helen**

Come Lord Jesus,
just as our hands have been busy,
preparing for Christmas,
so make our hearts ready to love and welcome you.

Be born in us again,
Not in a manger,
But in us.

Make us your Bethlehem,
Where God is personal
And all things and all people are made new.

Come Lord Jesus.

Amen

Our page this month was compiled by Elizabeth Figg



Church Building Development Project News

At the time of writing more than 60 people have responded with their thoughts about the outline proposals for the development of our church building. Most responses have come from members of the church community, with a small number from members of the wider community.

It has been good to discover that most people are generally very positive about the proposed scheme. As expected a range of views has been expressed about most aspects of the proposed scheme. There have been some very helpful comments which the working group will consider carefully in their ongoing discussions with our architect.

The next stage is to ask our architect to prepare further drawings to develop the scheme. We will also be arranging an onsite meeting with the various amenity bodies (English Heritage, the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, the Victoria Society) to seek their comments.

At its last meeting the PCC also approved the proposal to employ a firm of consultants to assist with market research, business planning and fundraising. Jackson Quigg Associates, based in Hipperholme, have extensive experience in working with charitable bodies and the working group look forward to their involvement with this project.

Details of the outline scheme are on display in the church building, as are copies of the responses made by 20 November. The Vicar is always happy to meet with individuals to discuss the project.

This is an exciting time in the life of the church here and that many people will help us ensure our fine building remains a 'vibrant centre of community' in the 21st century.

It is worth reminding ourselves of the part of our Parish Mission Statement that pertains to our building. It reads as follows:

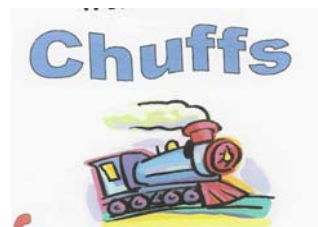
In living out our mission we aim to care for and develop our church buildings, through responsible and creative custodianship, as we strive to ensure that they serve the present and future needs of both the worshipping and the wider community.

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ATTENTION ALL LOVERS OF FOOD AND CHAT!

Then come along to Kildwick's new 'NOSH AND NATTER' group. The aim is to enjoy simple but tasty food whilst discussing anything and everything. All views welcome, the only prerequisites are a respect for others right to hold an alternative view and a sense of humour! The first meeting will be at **8pm on the 14th of January at the Vicarage.**

Because of the nature of the event, numbers will be limited, so book a place by phoning 01535 633307 or adding your name to the list which will be at the back of church from the beginning of January.



CHUFFs recently held a sponsored 'Wellython' to raise money for the Farnhill Playground Appeal. Well(y) over £150 pounds was raised and the works of art

created featured in an art exhibition in Farnhill Institute. The exhibition was to raise funds for the Institute so the children did really well, supporting two local appeals whilst still having great fun too!

Advanced notice.

We will be having a **Children's Holiday Club in 2005** (hurray!)

The dates are August 22nd to 26th
and will be five fun-packed mornings from 10-12 noon.

We are going into the jungle for a

Jungle Jamboree

so don't forget whose the King of the jungle?!

As ever helpers will be needed so please set this date aside **NOW!**

Prayer for the Parish

During the winter instead of a 'prayer walk' we will meet in the Parish Rooms for a time of prayer for the life and work of God's Church in this parish. Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday 7th December at 7.30pm, finishing at 8.15pm.

RYDAL HALL- A WEEKEND AWAY FRIDAY 8TH TO SUNDAY 10TH JULY 2005

Rydal Hall is the Carlisle Diocesan Retreat House, located in the centre of the Lake District. The Hall is a 200 year old Grade II listed house, enjoying outstanding views towards Windermere. It is an ideal place to find renewal and refreshment for body, mind and spirit. **The programme** for the weekend will be a relaxed mixture of worship, talks & discussions, fellowship and free time.



The cost will be £90 full board, from Friday supper to Sunday teatime. For more information please pick up a leaflet in church or the parish rooms or contact the Vicar, Robin Figg, 633307. **To book a place please send a £20 deposit to Robin at The Vicarage.**

Christmas at Kildwick

Sun 19th Dec	6.00pm	Christmas Carol Service by Candlelight. Children are invited to come dressed as shepherds, angels or nativity animals.
Fri 24th Dec	4.00pm	Crib Service. A short child-friendly service during which we will welcome back the travelling cribs
	11.30pm	Midnight Eucharist
Sat 25th	8.15am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Service followed by short service of Holy Communion
Sun 26th	8.15am	Holy Communion
St Stephan	10.00am	Family Communion
Mon 27th	9.15am	Eucharist (St. John)
Tues 28th	9.15am	Eucharist (Holy Innocents)
Sun 2nd Jan	8.15am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Communion
Sun 9th Jan	8.15am	Holy Communion
Epiphany	10.00am	Family Service for Epiphany with communion

Page of Prayer

Our prayer page this month invites you to pause in your material preparations for Christmas and prepare yourself to welcome Jesus at Christ Mass. We hope you find the following prayers and meditations challenging, inspiring and rewarding.

Hospitality is important at Christmas. We open our homes to friends, family and neighbours. But what about Christ?

I asked Love to help me greet the stranger in myself
I knew how to open the door to the world
And greet everyone out there as friend
But I didn't have any kind of welcome for the impoverished one within.
She was the weakness I couldn't acknowledge.
She was the pain I didn't allow.
She was the leper I'd tried to cast out of the city, the one who cried at night in lonely places.
I thought if I let her in she'd cause me no end of trouble,
And I was afraid.

But Love helped me prepare a feast.
We set the table Love and I
and then I did it.
I invited my stranger.
'Answer the door,' said Love. 'You have nothing to fear.'

She came in slowly. I put my arms around her and embraced her in her rags
And we wept together for the years of separation.
I sat my stranger at the head of the table, gave her the best of food and wine
And claiming her as my own, began to introduce her to my friends.
'But who shall I say she is?' I whispered to Love. 'I can't call her a stranger now.'
Love smiled and said, 'Don't you know? She is the Christ.'

Christmas is a time for giving. What are you going to give God?

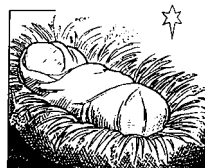
O God, I reach out to you as a child reaches out for its mother, and like a child I offer you a special gift of love. It's something unique. In all the history of the Universe there has never been another like it. It's something of great beauty, small and fragile, yet amazingly strong. It has all the colours of the rainbow, a gift of shimmering contrasts, and I offer it exactly as it is, without any wrapping, because you already know it better than I do.

So here it is my God, with all my love and gratitude,
the gift you made,
the gift you cherish
The gift of me.

Christmas is a time for receiving and the most important gift of all is Jesus.

How to greet the newborn child whose birth we sing?
 How respond to all He is – Servant, Saviour and King?
 Make your life His vessel now; share His love, express His care!
 Emmanuel, Emmanuel – believe and you will find your way.
 Emmanuel! Emmanuel!
 God's promise lives among us now
 His promise lives among us now.

M. J. Hudson 2003



God sent his own Son.

Cross Hill Naturalists' Society (Founded 1904)

December Events

Sat. 4th YNU.	Open Meeting	1130 Chapel
	Lunch	1230 Schoolroom
	AGM	1415 Chapel
	Society's Centenary	1900 School room
	Supper Evening	

Thurs. 12th Microscope Workshop

Microscope Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Senior Citizen Centre, North Street, Sutton-in-Craven at 1845 hours.
 For further information contact Miss 3. Kendrew (01535 632447)



Open House has continued to be a happy meeting place for people from the village and beyond. We are especially pleased to welcome Samantha and her two very lively young sons who keep us amused. They delight in taking books from the trolley and depositing them in the cupboard, they make inroads into the biscuits.

We are very grateful to all who have donated goods for sale, proceeds from which go to Martin House Hospice at Boston Spa and to those who help us clear away. We have joined up with Isobel and surplus items are taken by her to the Church Army at the Buttershaw Estate in Bradford so your donations serve a double purpose.

All our regular visitors will be welcome at our **Annual Party on Thursday 13th January 2005** at 3 pm -our way of saying thank you for their support during the year.

We will be closed on 23rd, 30th of December and on 6th January 2005

Thinking about our worship

Recently we had what can be described as a 'teaching' Eucharist when Robin talked about the structure, or shape, of our regular service of Holy Communion. Over the next few months we will make the notes provided on this occasion with you via this magazine.

The Celebration of **Holy Communion** also called **The Eucharist** and **The Lord's Supper**

Each week Christians around the world gather in groups, small, medium and large, to celebrate the Eucharist together. The Eucharist is the central act of worship of Christians, and over the last century of so it has increasingly been the usual Sunday morning service in churches across the Church of England: 'the Lord's own service for the Lord's own people on the Lord's own day'.



From the Mission Shaped Church report: 'Churches are Eucharistic communities, irrespective of their church tradition, or the frequency of Eucharistic worship. The Eucharist lies at the heart of Christian life. It is the act of worship (including the ministry of the Word) in which the central core of the biblical gospel is retold and re-enacted.'

From the General Notes provided for the Common Worship service: "Holy Communion is celebrated by the whole people of God gathered for worship. The ministry of the members of the congregation is expressed through their active participation together in the words and actions of the service, but also by some of them reading the Scripture passages, leading the prayers of intercessions and assisting with the distribution of communion."

The Eucharist is rich in meaning: there are many aspects to it and many ways of looking at it. In the Eucharist the local Christian community comes together as the body of Christ. Together the people celebrate, hearing readings from the Bible and then taking bread and wine, blessing them and receiving Christ's body and blood. The model for this service is the Last Supper. The Eucharist is also foreshadowed in the teaching of Jesus, in many of his parables, and in many of his miracles. Here we receive Christ the bread of life, and Christ the true vine. And in receiving we catch a glimpse of the kingdom of God and of the great feast, the wedding banquet of the Lamb of God, to which all the faithful are invited. Come to the feast!

Structure, Variety: the Shape of the Eucharist

At first glance the Eucharist can seem a complicated service with a large range of options and choices available in the *Common Worship* books. There is, however, a simple structure to the service which is constant. The Order 1 service moves through four sections: the *Gathering*; the *Liturgy of the Word*; the *Liturgy of the Sacrament*; and the *Dismissal*.

The sequence leads worshippers to come together, hear the Word of God proclaimed in Scripture and preaching, share the sacrament of communion, and return to their everyday lives in the light of that Eucharistic experience. Each section has several elements, all of them important to the development and progress of the total act of worship.

The monthly meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 31st November 2004 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. Two members of the public were present. The meeting was chaired by Councillor G. McKinney.

NYCC confirmed that the footpaths on Main Street would be included in the improvement scheme. Clerk to ask for a progress report on the footpaths on Mary Street, which were supposed to be completed in September. Several residents have complained about the lack of progress.

The Parish Council are still awaiting a reply about resurfacing of the A629.

The Annual Inspection of the Infant Play Area took place in September by ROSPA, and arrangements have been made to carry out work which was described as low risk.

Speed monitors were in place in the village on Main Street between the 24th July & 1st August and the report that we received showed the mean speed was between 18.16 & 20.24. The Mobile Matrix Speed Signs/Variable Mileage Equipment cannot be used in a 20 mph zone, so will not be placed on Main Street but will shortly be in place on Grange Road.

Completion of Accounts form the year ending 31st March 2005 and the Budget Account for the year ending 31st March 2006 were drafted to calculate the precept for next year. It was decided to raise the precept by 5% as costs of electric, lighting repairs and clerks salary have risen, also to maintain reserves. It was decided that donations should be kept the same as last year with most of the allowance going to the Infant Play Area and to the Kildwick/Farnhill Village Institute towards refurbishment costs.

Advice is being sought as to whether the Parish Council are adequately covered on the Insurance Policy.

NYCC Craven Area Committee held a special meeting on the 2nd November to discuss Kildwick & Cononley Level Crossing. It was attended by members of several authorities and site meetings were also held at Kildwick & Cononley Crossings. The meeting was well attended and strong feeling towards immediate action. It was recommended that Network Rail take immediate action to save on the amount of time that the barriers were down. It was also recommended that a Link Road to the Aire Valley Trunk Road should be given Priority in the 2006-2011 Transport Review.

The new 3 compartment Recycling Bins will be going out in April and CDC are looking into getting separate bins for villages for smaller areas with access problems.

Older peoples champions have Emergency Data Link Tins which are available for people who live on their own. The tin contains stickers to be put up and a form to fill in on medication etc being taken which could prove life saving if the paramedics have to attend. More information can be obtained from the Parish Council.

The next meeting will be held on the 9th December 2004 in Kildwick and Farnhill Institute at 7.30pm, members of the village are welcome to attend.

Isobel's Page

As December comes around once again we will soon be singing the well loved, well known Christmas carols.

One carol, the favourite of many, is Silent Night – Stille Nacht with music by F Cruber and words by Joseph Mohr composed, for a Christmas service in Austria in the 19th century. On the afternoon of Christmas Eve in the church where Herr Cruber was the organist it was found that a mouse had eaten through a vital component of the organ and in order that the midnight service could go ahead he enlisted the help of the schoolmaster Joseph Mohr and between them they composed a carol suitable to be accompanied by the guitar. This carol composed all those years ago was 'Silent Night' – still sung the world over today.



Last year we at St Andrew's had a carol 'Emmanuel' specially composed for our music group to sing at the Carol Service.

John Hudson, the music group director, adapted music from 'The Lord of the Rings' for lyrics he had written for the service.

It was a privilege to hear that carol performed so beautifully last year and as I share the words with you I wish you all a happy and blessed Christmas.

Emmanuel

A Christmas Carol Tune: 'May it be'

In the dark before the dawn, while hushed was the earth
Mary laboured through the night bringing Jesus to birth
As he entered this dark world her obedience ensured
Emmanuel, Emmanuel – her faithfulness gives us our hope
Emmanuel! Emmanuel!
God's promise lives among us now.

Mary gazed into His eyes as she cradled her child
All the universe she saw in their depths as she smiled
The essence of God's love made flesh in human form
Emmanuel, Emmanuel – Eternal love personified
Emmanuel! Emmanuel!
God's promise lives among us now.

Shepherds wondered, wise men came and angels gave song.
Each responded, high and low, to welcome God's Son
So simple, so profound, a precious gift for all to know
Emmanuel, Emmanuel – a mystery made plain to us
Emmanuel! Emmanuel!
God's promise lives among us now.

Two thousand years have come and gone since first we knew
God fulfilled His promised word, reaching out to me and you
Now the night is overcome, dawn has brought his glorious light
Emmanuel, Emmanuel - revealed the One who brings us life
Emmanuel! Emmanuel!
God's promise lives among us now.

As this page is now closing, something completely different for the last issue. I hope readers have found the gardening tips useful and have been able to visit some of the places suggested.

FOR THE GARDEN OF DAILY LIVING

PLANT THREE ROWS OF PEAS

1. Peas of mind
2. Peas of heart
3. Peas of soul



PLANT FOUR ROWS OF SQUASH

1. Squash gossip
2. Squash indifference
3. Squash grumbling
4. Squash selfishness



PLANT FOUR ROWS OF LETTUCE

1. Lettuce us be faithful
2. Lettuce us be kind.
3. Lettuce us be patient
4. Lettuce really love one another



NO GARDEN IS COMPLETE WITHOUT TURNIPS

1. Turnip for meetings.
2. Turnip for service.
3. Turnip to help one another



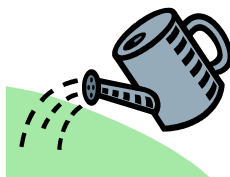
TO CONCLUDE OUR GARDEN WE MUST HAVE THYME.

1. Thyme for each other.
2. Thyme for family.
3. Thyme for friends.



WATER FREELY WITH PATIENCE AND CULTIVATE WITH LOVE.

THERE IS MUCH FRUIT IN YOUR GARDEN BECAUSE YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW.



**A Happy Christmas and good gardening in 2005 from
Joyce Boden**

Many thanks to Joyce for all the years of gardening tips—I'm sure my gardening will be the poorer for not knowing what I should have been doing!! Ed.



Kildwick with Farnhill WI

November was our 12th Annual Meeting and after the Committee and Officers were re-elected en bloc we celebrated with a 'Chinese' supper.

The Annual Report reminded us all of another eventful and enjoyable year. Ann recounted the recent visit she and Joy made to Denman College where the weekend was spent on the course 'Looking After Yourself'. Both were very enthusiastic about 'The Denman Experience' and encouraged other to try it for themselves. This may be possible early next year when a Denman Taster is on offer.

Our next meeting is our Christmas Celebration - for members only I'm afraid. Mind you, after issuing an invitation every month for over a year, I am beginning to wonder if anyone out there reads this magazine!! Only joking. I know it is well read, even by folk outside the Parish, like myself. So why not make a New Year Resolution and come see what the WI can offer you? 13th January in the Parish Rooms.

Meanwhile, we wish you all a Happy Christmas and all the best for 2005.

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How to forget the real meaning of Christmas

"Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking." Romans 12.2TM

Addressing a worldwide convention of demons, Satan told them: "Christmas is approaching. It's our job to distract people, even Christian, from thinking about Jesus. So here's how you demons out there in the field can make the most of Advent..."

1. Keep people busy with non-essentials – you know that frazzled 'build up to Christmas' routine. Whisper that they should even try to increase the pace this year!
2. Tempt them to overspend and get into debt. This will have the added benefit of making them worried for months to come.
3. Make them work long hours to maintain empty lifestyles. Persuade them into going into countless Christmas drinks parties this year – if they make fools of themselves, it could well do some damage to their work and/or marriage.
4. Discourage them from spending any family time do simple, fun things. Try to get family members arguing, not enjoying themselves together.
5. Over-stimulate their minds with TV and computers so that they can't hear God speaking to them. If only we'd had personal stereos on that first Christmas night, the shepherds might well have missed the heavenly host!
6. Fill their coffee tables and nightstands with magazines that talk about perfect Christmas presents and decorations - so they've no time for Bible reading – to remind them of the real Christmas Present!
7. Flood their mailboxes with promotions and tempting luxuries – keep them chasing material things they don't need and can't afford.
8. Put glamorous models on TV and on magazine covers so that they'll become dissatisfied with their mates.
9. Emphasise Father Christmas and the reindeer. That way you'll divert them from the manger in Bethlehem.

Run them ragged throughout December, so that by Christmas Eve they are broke, utterly exhausted, and exasperated with all their family and relations. Don't worry that you may have to give them a day of rest on Christmas – because the sales start on Boxing Day, and they'll be up and out of the house before even you can say 'Spend!'

Christians must change the way they 'do' church

Christians need to step outside the church bubble, according to Dr Pete Ward, a lecturer in youth work at Kings College, London.

Referring to the parable of the lost sheep, he pointed out: "We've reversed the numbers – there's one sheep in the fold, and the rest are out there doing their thing. We believe that if we look after the one sheep nicely enough, some will come back."

"But," he said, "We need to ask, where is Christ working? Where are the relational connections? What can we give people to help them to connect to God?"



Church Rotas for December

Date	Sidesperson	Intercessor	Communion
Sunday 5 th December 2004 The Second Sunday of Advent 6pm	Beth Taylor Joan Houghton Barry Houghton Sandi Walton	Lesley Hudson	John Exley
Sunday 12 th December 2004 10am The Third Sunday of Advent	Gill Jowett Cyril Doult Christine Anderton Ann Mosley (after 10/8)	Gill Jowett	Tim Littler Hetty Hutton
Sunday 19 th December 2004 The Fourth Sunday of Advent	Alison/Gary McKinney June Whitaker Pam Brown Elaine Jamieson	Peter Bannister	Gary McKinney Gill Jowett
Friday 24 th December 2004 11-30pm Midnight Eucharist	Volunteers needed	Isobel Stirk	
Saturday 25 th December 2004 10am Christmas Day	Volunteers needed	Robin Figg	
Sunday 26 th December 2004 10am St. Stephen	Eleanor Eastwood Dorothy Ward Christine Hutchinson Joyce Boden	Michael Baumber	Michael Baumber

Church Cleaning:

6th Lesley Hudson, Jayne Taylor
20th Helen Hulley, Rosie Hargreaves,
 Sylvia Ackroyd

Brass Cleaning:

Mrs J Roberts and Mrs J Bonham

Flowers : Advent

Christmas Eve: Mrs I Stirk

Tea and Coffee Rota (after 10am service)

1st Sunday June Whitaker, Betty Hawkins
2nd Sunday Beth Taylor, Marjorie Gee
3rd Sunday Ann Mosley, Christine Anderton
4th Sunday Joyce Bonham
5th Sunday Maureen Vink, Kath Morris,

Church Rotas for December

Sunday 5 th December 2004 The Second Sunday of Advent 6pm	1 st Reading Isaiah 1 v11-10 2 nd Reading Romans 15 v4 -13 Gospel Matthew 3 v1-12	Brian Charter Mike Murphy Isobel Stirk
Sunday 12 th December 2004 10am The Third Sunday of Advent	1 st Reading Isaiah 35 v1-10 2 nd Reading James 5 v7-10 Gospel Matthew 11 v2-11	Gill Jowett Barry Houghton Christine Anderton
Sunday 19 th December 2004 10am The Fourth Sunday of Advent	1 st Reading Isaiah 7 v10-16 2 nd Reading Romans 1 v1-7 Gospel Matthew 1 v18-25	Lesley Bannister Marjorie Gee Sandie Walton
Friday 24 th December 2004 11-30pm Midnight Eucharist	1 st Reading Isaiah 52 v7-10 2 nd Reading Hebrews 1 v1-4 Gospel John 1 v1-14	Mike Murphy Lesley Hudson John Hudson
Saturday 25 th December 2004 10am Christmas Day	1 st Reading Isaiah 9 v2-7 Gospel Luke 2 v8-20	John Hudson Isobel Stirk
Sunday 26 th December 2004 10am St. Stephen	1 st Reading Acts 7 v51-60 2 nd Reading Galations 2 v16b-20 Gospel Matthew 10 v17-22	Brenda Brock Pam Brown Christine Anderton

From the Registers

Baptisms

Sunday 7 November

Lucy Florence Hargraves, daughter of Richard & Anna of Clayton Hall Road, Cross Hills

Oliver James Birdsall, son of Stephen & Fiona of Howden Road, Silsden

Louise Morven Riddiough and Benjamin Michael Riddiough, children of Michael & Jennifer of Beckfield Close, Cross Hills



Funerals

Wednesday 17 November John Summers of Park Road, Cross Hills

Tuesday 23 November Malcolm King of Sutton

(Service taken by Michael Cowgill)

Lucidus (*Shining*)

Have you ever tried to meditate? There is a long and noble tradition of meditation within the Christian faith. We are holding a special Advent meditation on Friday 10th of December (you'll see it advertised elsewhere in the magazine) and we're hoping that it will tempt you to come and enjoy the experience. You need bring nothing but yourself and an open heart and mind. The meditation will be led by Elizabeth Figg who promises to use words, music and silence to lead us into peace and stillness where we can leave the frenetic preparations for our material Christmas and prepare for our spiritual Christ Mass. Everyone is welcome and the morning will be suitable for total beginners and those experienced in meditation alike. The morning will end with a simple lunch in the Parish Rooms. Do come and join us. For more information or to book a place please contact Elizabeth (01535 633307) or Isobel Stirk (01535 653997)



The Nurture Advisory Group are organising a
Bowling Evening
at
Skipton Matrix
on
4th February 2005
at **7pm.**

Come along and have a fun packed evening (food available)
Further details can be obtained from Gill 01535632405 or Isobel 01535653997.



Airedale Male Voice Choir.

Conductor John .B. Smith.

There will be a concert by the Aire-dale Male Voice Choir in St Andrew's Church Kildwick on Saturday 29th January 2005 at 7.30 pm.

Tickets £5 available at the door, (£4 concessions). Refreshments.

Further details from Isobel 01535 653997 or the vicarage 01535 633307.

Proceeds for the Church Redevelopment Fund.

Father Christmas

Of course, I had expected that by the age of seven it was inevitable for my son to begin to have serious thoughts about Father Christmas. Sure enough, one day he said, "Mum, I know something about Father Christmas, the Easter Bunny, and the Tooth Fairy."

Taking a deep breath, I asked him, "And what is that?"
He replied, "They're all nocturnal."



CHRISTMAS TREE

There is an old German legend which tells us how the evergreen fir tree became the first Christmas tree.

St Boniface, who was born in Crediton in Devon, was sent to Germany to bring the good news of Jesus to the pagan tribes. One night he and his monks were walking through a forest when they found a group of people just about to sacrifice a young boy to their god, Odin. The boy was tied to a sacred oak tree; Boniface freed him and then cut down the tree.

The Christians put the lighted torches they had been carrying in the branches of a nearby fir tree. And by the light of this tree, Boniface told the villagers of a loving God who had brought light and life to the world through Jesus Christ, His Son. Boniface told them to take the fir tree as a new emblem because it is a sign of eternal life because its is always green.



DECORATION WORDS

Can you find all these words for things we use to decorate the Christmas tree? The words go up, down, backwards, forwards and diagonally and some letters are used more than once.

S A N N R E T N A L
N A D R I O L A M P
O B N A Y Y R I A F
W L L T I N S E L S
M E W S A N G E A T
A L A U W E A R B L
N B E L L E W M E E
O U O B E Y E S A G
Y A S T A L R T D N
F B N L I G H T S A



angel bauble
beads bell fairy
lantern lights
santa snowman
star sweets
tinsel toy



What happens if you eat
Christmas decorations?
You get tinselitis!

What do you get if you cross an
apple with a Christmas tree?
A pineapple!



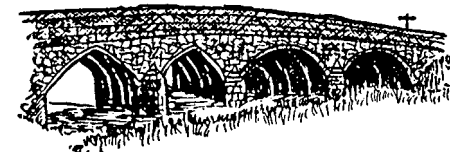
AN INTRODUCTION TO LOCAL CHURCH HISTORY

In this series of articles, Michael Baumber will be exploring some of the more interesting aspects of our local history—church and community

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THE LEEDS - LIVERPOOL CANAL

Today Kildwick with its ancient church and its canal full of the boats of holiday makers during



the summer is seen as a picturesque Aire-dale semi-rural village but in the late eighteenth century it was briefly the centre of a considerable amount of commercial traffic. In 1770 work began on the building of the Leeds-Liverpool Canal. Construction began at Holme Bridge near Skipton and reached Kildwick during 1771. The stretch between Skipton and Silsden included no real natural obstacles but the engineers did encounter one problem -the Keighley - Kendal turnpike road. The adviser to the Leeds - Liverpool Company was James Brindley. He had built the first ever canal which linked the Earl of Bridge water's coalmines at Worsley with Manchester and which has on it the Barton Aqueduct over the river Mersey. Brindley's later canals all have aqueducts on them and (here is one, which carries the canal over the old road at Farnhill. Had the canal been constructed later the engineers would probably have substituted a swing bridge.

The canal was open as far as Bingley by 1773, connected with the Bradford Canal in 1774 and reached the Leeds end of the Aire and Calder Navigation in 1777. Limestone used for building was transported from the quarries at Skipton down the dale to Bradford and coal came the other way. The transportation of agricultural products was also of importance. Kildwick, however, was just a way station and its temporary importance was for an entirely

different reason. While one set of engineers had been building the Yorkshire end, another had started from

Liverpool but by the time they reached Wigan and Skipton was connected with Leeds there was no money left. With the textile industry booming there was an urgent need for a transport link across the Pennines. A company was formed called the Blackburn, Addingham and Cock End turnpike trust which undertook to repair the road which went from Blackburn through Colne, Cowling and Crosshills to the Keighley-Kendal road which it used as far as Steeton and then turned north across the Aire through Silsden and over Cringles to Addingham. The most convenient point at which waggons from Lancashire could connect with the canal was by turning the other way across Kildwick bridge except that the bridge was a medieval one only designed for pack horses. It was in order to facilitate the passage of these waggons that it was widened in 1780 so that the present bridge is half medieval and half eighteenth century.

For a couple of decades heavy waggons rumbled through Crosshills much as the large articulated lorries do today but then the inevitable happened. Work was re-started on the canal, which was steadily extended through Craven and joined the Lancashire section in 1816. Traffic up and down the canal became heavier than ever but Kildwick's importance was gone and when the railway arrived in 1848 it returned to its former sleepy existence.

Sat 8th Jan	10.00am—12 noon	Coffee Morning for CMS (Parish Rooms)
Sun 9th	10.00am	Family Service for Epiphany
Weds 12th Jan	7.17pm	CDFC meeting
Thurs 13th Jan	3.00pm	Open House Party
Sun 16th Jan	7.00pm	Craven Rock (South Craven Baptist Church)
Fri 21st Jan	7.00pm	Burns Night Ceilidh
Tues 25th Jan	7.30pm	PCC (Parish Rooms)
Sat 29th Jan	7.30 pm	Concert by Airedale Male Voice Choir (Church)
Mon 31st Jan	8.00pm	Nurture A.G. Lower Park Green Silsden

Services at Kildwick

Morning Prayer is said Tuesday-Friday at 7.30am
Evening Prayer is said Tuesday-Friday at 4.45pm
Mid week Eucharist on Wednesday at 9.15am.

Sunday 5 th December 2004	8.15 am Holy Communion
The Second Sunday of Advent	10am Family Service 6pm Holy Communion
Sunday 12 th December 2004	8.15 am Holy Communion
The Third Sunday of Advent	10am Holy Communion 6pm CDFC Service
Sunday 19 th December 2004	8.15 am Holy Communion
The Fourth Sunday of Advent	10am Holy Communion
Friday 24 th December 2004	4pm Crib Service. 11.30pm Midnight Eucharist
Saturday 25 th December 2004	8.15am Holy Communion
Christmas Day	10am Family service followed by short Eucharist.
Sunday 26 th December 2004	8.15 am Holy Communion
St. Stephen	10am Holy Communion 6pm no service



Coffee Morning
In aid of CMS
Saturday January 8th
from 10am—12 noon



Kildwick Parish Rooms

All welcome

Regular Events at Kildwick

Sunday 10am	KICKs in Parish Rooms (Starts in church)	School aged children's group.
1st and 3rd Sunday 7pm-9pm	Craven Rock	Ecumenical Youth group for 11+
2nd and 4th Sundays (not 5th) 7pm-8pm	Y@K in Parish Rooms (Not running at present)	Church youth group for 11+
Monday 1.30pm	Bible Study at Low Green, XHills	Informal Bible study and fellowship
Monday 7.45pm	Bible History Course	Parish Rooms
Tuesday 10-11.30	Chuffs (Not in school holidays)	A toddler group .
Tuesdays 10am	Banner Group in Parish Rooms (upstairs)	Stitching and fellowship group.
Wednesday 6-30-7.30pm	Bubble and Laser Jets in Parish Rooms (Not in school holidays)	Primary school children's group
	8pm Bellringing	
Thursday 2pm	Open House in Parish Rooms	Refreshments and items for sale
7.30-8.30pm	Choir practice in church	
7.30pm	Harvesters in parish Rooms (upstairs)	Informal Bible study and fellowship group



Please note the deadline for the January Bridge is **17th December**

Fri 3rd Dec	2.45pm	Kildwick School Assembly
Sun 5th Dec	4.00pm	Malsis School Carol Service
Tues 7th Dec	7.30pm	Prayers for the Parish (Parish Rooms)
Thurs 9th Dec	2pm & 6pm	Kildwick School Christmas Concert
Sun 19th Dec	6.00pm	Christmas Carol Service by Candlelight
Fri 24th Dec	4.00pm	Crib Service
	11.30pm	Midnight Eucharist
Sat 25th	8.15am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Service with communion

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