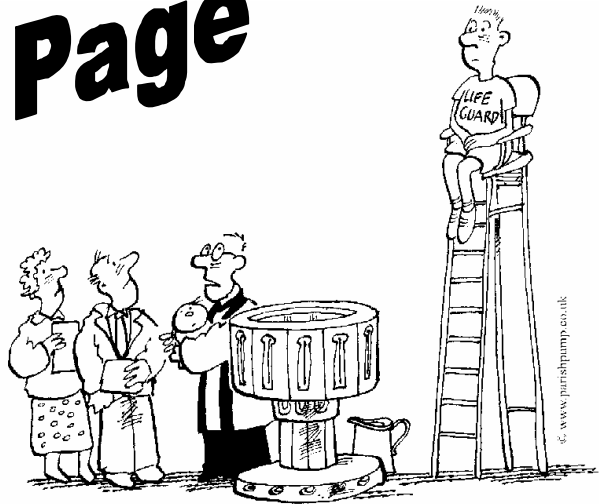


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*...he's one of the results of our
'Risk Assessment Survey'!*

Funny how.....People so often believe one thing, but do another. Here are some fine-tuned observations...

It's a funny old world

Funny how we set our clocks to arise at 6:00 a.m. so we can be at work by 8.00am, but on Sundays we can't make church for 11.00am to praise the one who gave us the jobs!

Funny how we call God our Father and Jesus our brother, but find it hard to introduce them to the rest of our family.

Funny how much difficulty some have learning the Gospel well enough to tell others, but how simple it is to understand and explain the latest gossip about someone else.

Funny how small our sins seem, but how big 'their' sins are.

Funny how we demand justice for others, but expect mercy from God for ourselves.

Funny how we can't think of anything to say when we pray, but don't have any difficulty thinking of things to talk about to a friend.

Funny how we are so quick to take directions from a total stranger when we are lost, but are hesitant to take God's direction for our lives.

Funny how so many church goers sing 'Standing on the Promises', but all they do is sit on the premises.

Funny how people want God to answer their prayers, but refuse to listen to his counsel.

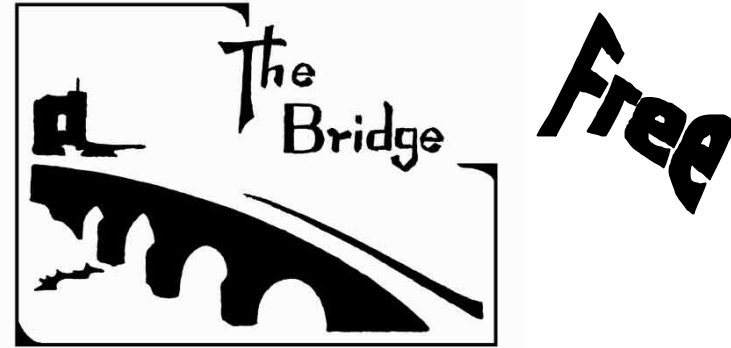
Funny how we sing about heaven, but live only for today.

Funny how people think they are going to Heaven but don't think there is a Hell.

Funny how it is okay to blame God for evil and suffering in the world, but it is not necessary to thank him for what is good and pleasant.

Funny how when something goes wrong, we cry, "Lord, why me?" but when something goes right, we think, "Hey, it must be me!"

Oh wait...maybe all this isn't so 'funny' after all.



St. Andrew's Church Kildwick

News and Views from Kildwick, Farnhill and Cross Hills

*Available each month from Kildwick Church, Cross Hills Library,
Farnhill Institute, the Health Centre, Riddiough's, Thornton's,
Malcolm Whitaker Carpets, the White Lion,
and other local outlets*

March 2004

Church Website www.kildwick.org.uk

Dear friends,

All around us the natural world is breaking forth with signs of new life rising from the earth after the darkness of winter. The snowdrops have been out for a while and now the crocuses and daffodils are not far behind. In the fields this year's lambs will soon be dancing their merry dances.



Unfortunately it's not so easy to speak in the same positive spirit when we look at the human world around us. Iraq is suffering from frequent suicide bombings, the Lord's Resistance Army continue their campaign of violence in northern Uganda, Robert Mugabe continues to oppress the ordinary people of Zimbabwe, peace between Israel and Palestine is as far away as ever and, closer to home, we have been made aware of the continuing use of punishment beatings in Northern Ireland leading to a high suicide rate amongst young males in the province.

How can the gospel, the Good News, of Jesus Christ speak to such situations? How can the light of God's love for all people shine even in the midst of such darkness in the world? These are questions that people of faith must wrestle with constantly. For the Christian the season of Lent is a particularly good time to reflect deeply on the hard questions of life. Where do you see God in your life and the world around you? What is God saying to you and to your fellow human beings in the midst of suffering and adversity?

On Ash Wednesday millions of Christians all over the world gathered for worship and offered themselves once more to God as the sign of the cross was marked on their foreheads in ash. The act of signing was accompanied by the ancient words: 'Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return; turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ'. This symbolic act of 'ashing' is both a solemn reminder and an invitation to renewal. It is a reminder that we come from God and return to God. It is an invitation to recognise our dependence on God and the need to direct our attention to our loving Lord.

Lent is a time for individual and corporate reflection, prayer and study as we journey with our Lord to the Cross. Someone once asked Jesus how much he loved them. Jesus paused, raised his arms out wide and said, 'This much'. The suffering of our Lord on the Cross is not a sign of failure, of weakness, but rather a sign of victory, of love being shown in the most incredible way possible.

The message of the Cross is a message for you and me, for all the peoples of the world. It is a message of hope because we know that beyond the Cross is the good news of Resurrection. New life is possible; death and destruction does not have to have the last word.

In the depths of winter when it is dark and cold and the trees bare we can feel despondent. But we know that as sure of day follows night so spring will follow winter. In the midst of our own and the world's suffering we must know that Good Friday is followed by Easter Day.

God is good. God is love. Thanks be to God.

Robin

Church Rotas for March

Date	Sidesperson	Intercessor	Communion	Tea and Coffee Rota (after 10am service)
7th Team A	Sylvia Clark Sue Hargreaves Rosie Hargreaves			June Whitaker, Betty Hawkins
6 p.m.	Malcolm Newell	Michael Baumber	Michael Baumber	
14th 10am Team B	Gill Jowett Albert Bonham Joyce Bonham June Whitaker Christine Anderton	Hetty Hutton	John Exley Sue Hargreaves	Beth Taylor, Marjorie Gee
21st 1amp Team C	Alison McKinney Gary McKinney Eleanor Eastwood Hetty Hutton Joan Houghton	Isobel Stirk	Gary McKinney Gill Jowett	Ann Mosley, Christine Anderton
28th 10am Team D	Beth Taylor Cyril Doult Julie Kendrew Dorothy Ward Christine Hutchinson	Gill Jowett	Tim Littler Hetty Hutton	Joyce Bonham

Church Cleaning

1st March

Helen Hulley, Rosie Hargreaves, Sylvia Ackroyd

Mary Peake

29th March

Lesley Hudson
Jayne Taylor

15th March

Marian and David Baxter, June Whitaker,

Brass Cleaning:

Mr and Mrs Ward

From the Registers

Baptisms

Sun 15 Feb Angus Henry Wild.



Church Rotas for March

Sunday 7 March, 2004 The Second Sunday of Lent 6pm	First Reading: Genesis 15.1-12,17-18 Second Reading: Philippians 3.17 - 4.1 Gospel: Luke 13.31-35	Pam Brown Brian Charter Christine Anderton
Sunday 14 March, 2004 The Third Sunday of Lent These may be altered due to Confirmation Service	First Reading: Isaiah 55.1-9 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.1-13 Gospel: Luke 13.1-9	Lesley Hudson Michael Baumber Barry Houghton
Sunday 21 March, 2004 The Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday	First Reading: Exodus 2.1-10 Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 1.3-7 Gospel: Luke 2.33-35	Janet Swain Kathryn Morris Sue Hargreaves
Sunday 28 March, 2004 The Fifth Sunday of Lent	First Reading: Isaiah 43.16-21 Second Reading: Philippians 3.4b-14 Gospel: John 12.1-8	Sylvia Clark Gill Jowett Jennifer Roberts

News from the Parochial Church Council

The PCC met on 27th January. The main agenda item was a discussion the parish accounts for 2003. These will be finally approved in March before publication in advance of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 25th April. It was agreed to support the UNICEF 'Jar of Grace' appeal this Lent.

The meeting was informed that two architects were to be interviewed for the appointment of church building project architect. (For news of the appointed candidate see below.) Mews was given of completion of tree maintenance work in the New Churchyard and also of a new trench at the north-west corner of the church which should address the internal damp problem. The redecoration of the parish rooms would begin in February. As part of our involvement with the North Yorkshire Churches Tourism Project it was agreed to explore ways to take part in the Heritage Open Weekend in September. This coincides with the annual Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike Ride event and provides a marvelous opportunity to attract visitors to our church.

A NEW ARCHITECT FOR ST ANDREW'S

After a series of informal visits and then formal interviews the PCC is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Nicholas Rank BA(Hons) BArch RIBA FRSA as our new building development project architect. Nick Rank is a partner with Buttress Fuller Alsop Williams, Architects, of Manchester.

He is Architect and Surveyor to the Fabric of Lincoln Cathedral and Surveyor to the Fabric of Carlisle Cathedral and has extensive experience of major conservation and reordering projects. He is also a member of the Council for the Care of Churches, a member of the Cathedral Architects Association and is a past President of the Ecclesiastical Architects and Surveyors Association. This is an exciting appointment and we look forward to a long association with Nick Rank. In the coming months we intend to have open meetings for the church and the local communities to discuss how best to develop the church building to ensure it remains a vibrant centre of community in the future.

Lent Course 2004 – *New World, Old Faith*

Lent has begun but it is not too late to place to join one of the ecumenical small groups which will meet across the Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches to study, think and pray together.

The course chosen is titled is: **New World, Old Faith**. It is a tape based course with input from Archbishop Rowan Williams, David Coffey, Joel Edwards, the Revd Dr John Polkinghorne KBE FRS and Dr Pauline Webb.

The course will have 5 sessions: Brave New World?; Environment and Ethics; Church and Family in Crisis?; One World – Many Faiths; Spirituality and Superstition.

The following groups are planned:

Mondays	1.30-3.00pm	Low Green, Park Road, Cross Hills
Tuesdays	1.00-2.30pm	South Craven Baptist Church;
Wednesdays	2.00-3.30pm	Columbia, Newby Street, Cross Hills;
Wednesday s	7.30-9.00pm	10 Anderton Street;
Thursdays	7.30-9.00pm	Braidgarth, Baxter Wood, Cross Hills.

There is no need to book. Just come along and enjoy! For more information contact Robin Figg, 633307.

Sunday 21st March 10.00am

Family Communion Service for

Mothering Sunday

with flowers for mothers and others

All welcome



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

PART 6

THE OLD ROAD FROM KEIGHLEY TO SKIPTON

Before the construction of the Keighley-Kendal turnpike in the later part of the eighteenth century the principal route from Keighley to Skipton through Kildwick parish was far more circuitous than it is today because neither the motorway nor the earlier main road was in existence. You would have departed from Keighley by Spring Gardens Lane and turned left at Utley Greenhead along Steeton Bank and then down into Steeton. There you would have taken Barras Lane round by the Methodist Chapel and crossed the present road from Steeton to Eastburn into what was known as Pot Lane. The lane ran through the grounds of what is now Airedale Hospital into Lyon Lane and past the Red Lyon inn into Eastburn village. After turning right your route took you across Eastburn bridge and along the modern road as far as the Junction. You would then have turned left towards Crosshills and then right into Station Road which would have taken you across Kildwick bridge and up to the church. The road then bore left up through Farnhill and at the top, as it does today, it joined the road from Silsden. Turning left along the road you would have proceeded towards Farnhill Hall but before reaching the Hall you would have turned right up the hill past Hamblethorp and then down the steep incline into Bradley. Finally you would have continued straight on through Bradley and emerged onto what is the present road at Snaygill.



Describing such a route as a road is really a misnomer. It would have been just a flagged or cobble causeway designed for pack animals and mounted riders and far too narrow for either carriages or waggons never mind our modern cars, lorries and buses. One of the first tasks of the turnpike trusts was to widen the roads. At the beginning of each turnpike trust act the names of all the landowners along the route appear as trustees. Their co-operation was absolutely necessary because they would have to sell to the trust the land needed for widening the road. Another serious obstacle was the bridges. If carriages and waggons were to use the road they would have to be widened. The structure of Eastburn bridge shows that it has been widened twice. Kildwick bridge is one of the oldest in the North of England, the accounts of Bolton Priory showing that it was built in 1305. In 1780 it was widened to take wheeled vehicles. The western side is the medieval one. Widening was not the only problem. The old roads stuck to the high ground wherever possible because most valley bottoms were badly drained so there were steep slopes at the points where they were forced to descend to lower ground. As many as six horses would be necessary to pull a heavily laden waggon up Steeton Bank or along the road from Bradley to Kildwick. It was this problem which eventually led to Pennine turnpike trusts constructing new roads.

Isobel's Page

Isn't it fascinating that two people can look at the same thing yet see something entirely different. In a bookshop recently I was discussing the merits of a certain author with the proprietor and although we were both in admiration of his writings it was clear that we were coming from an entirely different angle and our opinions were certainly not the same. I am not enamoured with hot weather, the thoughts of lying on a sun kissed beach fill me with horror but to walk over the North Yorkshire moors on a crisp frosty morning with a brisk cold wind blowing straight from the North Sea onto my face is something I really enjoy. However there will be very many people who will think the opposite to me and my ideas would be something they hate.

Thinking about the weather and seeing things in a different light reminded me of someone I met who was touring Britain from New Zealand. They were asked if they found our climate very cold after perpetual sunshine. They replied that they had soon got used to it, said they found the frost beautiful and hot weather could make you rather lethargic! They went on to say that they had enjoyed seeing our

centuries old churches and magnificent stately homes as in New Zealand very few buildings are more than one hundred years old. They said we were so lucky to have history all around us something we may all too easily take for granted. It often takes someone on the outside looking in to show us a bright new picture. Often from the inside it is easy to have the tendency to thank of what is wrong rather than what is right and it takes someone with a fresh eye to make us look around and see there is nothing substantial for us to grumble about.

It is quite natural to have a fit of the grumbles from time to time but it's best to be aware that as the saying goes 'what you lose on the swings you make up on the roundabouts'. If we really look we will certainly find that we have more than we thought, more of which to be proud of and more to be thankful for.

After all the glass may look to be half empty but on the other hand to someone it will look half full.



South Craven Retired Mens Forum (formally Sutton Retired Men's Forum)

The Forum meets every Tuesday morning 9.30am at the South Craven Baptist Church hall, Holme Lane, Sutton. All retired men are very welcome.

'Meet old friends and make new friends'



Further information from 01535 630266
March

2nd	John Holroyd	Stationary	Steam Power	Slides
9th	Alan Chapman		Past & Present	Slides
16th	W.R. Mitchell		The Lake District	Slides
23rd	John Walker		A Trip to the Baltic	Slides
30th	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING			

Out and About in March

*In springtime when leaves are young
Clear dew-drops gleam like jewels hung
On boughs the fair birds roost among.*

Christina Rossetti



Flower of the month - Pussy_ - Willow (*Salix Caprea*)

The golden catkins of the male tree will be in bloom and visited by early bees.

Jobs for the month

- Cut down ornamental grasses before new growth appears
- Prune, spray and mulch roses
- Plant seeds of annual bedding plants in heated propagator or greenhouse
- Start fuchsias into growth. Cut back old growth and keep moist. Hardy outdoor ones can now be cut down to ground level
- Prune mahonias when flowers have faded
- Set begonia tubers in trays, of compost to start growth. Keep frost free
- Keep an eye out for slugs and snails attacking new growth.
- Re-pot house-plants

Tip Shredded junk mail mixed with grass cuttings make good compost.

Children - look out for frog spawn in ponds

Useful, websites

Gardeners World Shopping Guide www.gardenersworld.com

National Dahlia Collection (2,000 varieties.) www.wqld.co.uk

Roses. Complete information on choosing, cultivating and pruning www.rosebuddies.com

Cross Hill Naturalists' Society (Founded 1904)

One of the events of The early days of the Society was an Exhibition and Social evening in December. lasting from 6 to 10.30pm. Exhibits included British and Foreign Butterflies, Stone Age Implements, Flint and Bronze weapons found on local moors, freshwater shells, botanical specimens, microscopes slides, etc.

March

Thurs. 11th Microscope Workshop

Sat 13th 'Alaskan Splendour' Howard Harrison

Advance Notice

Sun 8th April Summer Rambles begin

Wed 19th May Annual coach Excursion to Holker Hall via Cartmel deposit of £2 to Miss J. Kendrew by 30th March.

Meetings are held at St. Peter's church, Cross Hills at 1900 hours and the Microscope Workshop at the Senior Citizen Centre, North Street. Sutton-in-Craven at 1845 hours. New members and visitors welcome at all events.

Soroptimist International

Soroptimist International is a worldwide organisation for women in management and the professions and is a global voice for women through awareness, advocacy and action. There are more than 93,000 members in 124 countries. Our objects include:

- a) The advancement of the status of women
- b) Promotion of high ethical standards
- c) Human rights for all
- d) Promotion of equality, development and peace through International Goodwill and Understanding and Friendship

Soroptimist International is committed to:

- 1) Service to local, national and international communities
- 2) Active participation in decision making at all levels of society.

Locally the Keighley Club meets fortnightly in St Andrew's Parish Rooms, Kildwick and supports:

- 1) The Aire Valley Contact Centre which enables separated parents to spend time with their children in a safe neutral environment
- 2) The Talking Newspaper for the Blind in Keighley
- 3) The Women's Refuge in Keighley

Recently we have raised money for:

- 1) The Isis Project which supports women with mental health problems and their children
- 2) The Bangladeshi Acid Survivors Trust. The Keighley appeal was inaugurated by Rev Peter Mott of Keighley Parish Church and Bangladeshi Community leaders and raised £5,500
- 3) A student who is taking part in the Yorkshire Schools Exploring Society's expedition to Kenya in 2004

Internationally we support:

- 1) The Dignity Programme in Paraguay which aims to support women and families by providing basic healthcare, education, human and spiritual development and other basic life needs
- 2) The Maternal Tetanus Project in Uganda in conjunction with Unicef which aims to reduce infant mortality

Soroptimist International has a major international project which lasts four years. The last one was Limbs for Life which linked with the International Red Cross to provide artificial limbs for landmine victims in Georgia, Afghanistan and Rwanda. In the last four years up to July 2003 Soroptimist International of Great Britain and Ireland raised over £250,000 and internationally more than one million four hundred thousand dollars was collected. This quadrennium we are supporting Project Independence – Women Survivors of War. Working in partnership with Women for Women International we will assist the victims of war to fulfil their dreams of survival with dignity.

On March 6th we are holding a Fair Trade Coffee morning to mark Fair Trade Fort-night. This will be in the Parish Rooms at Kildwick and will provide funds for our current work with the Keighley Women's refuge. We aim to supply women's and children's books and small items of furniture for the recreational room of the refuge. March 6th is Saturday of Service throughout Soroptimist International when all Clubs, around the world, are aiming to do something extra that day.

LINKS WITH THE WIDER CHURCH

Here is another short article on behalf of the Outreach Advisory Group telling you about the charities and organisations with which we have links from this parish either through active personal involvement or financial support.

This month we tell you a little about the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel (USPG), one of the main Anglican missionary societies. As part of its charitable giving for 2003 this parish has recently given a grant of £500 to support the work of USPG.

Founded in 1701, USPG is a major mission agency of the Anglican Church in Britain

and Ireland. USPG works in partnership with Anglican and United Churches in more than 50 countries, exchanging people, resources and training for mission.

Their work involves pastoral care, social action and supporting training programmes. In many countries, USPG has worked with the Anglican Church and set up projects to support the impoverished and marginalised. This work has included: Health care, through funding hospitals, HIV/AIDS awareness programmes and training for medical personnel.

Education, through funding new schools and sending teachers to wherever there is a need.

Church ministry: through funding theological training and pastoral programmes.

Cross-cultural training – because we be-

lieve that each part of the church can learn from every other part. Inter-faith relations, including work in many of the world's trouble spots.

USPG also encourage parishes in Britain and Ireland to participate in mission through fundraising and prayer, and by setting up links with their projects around the world.

A typical example of a USPG supported project is as follows:

The Delhi Brotherhood Society.

USPG supports the work of the Delhi Brotherhood Society among the marginal-

ized and poor in Delhi, India. For more than 100 years the Delhi Brotherhood Society has been reaching out to the marginalised, the excluded and the poor in the slums of Delhi. The Brotherhood tries to meet the needs of these vulnerable people by helping them to become self sufficient and reclaim a sense of dignity and self esteem. The Brotherhood's aim is to 'empower people to create their own destiny', and they do this through work in social welfare, community health, street work with children, education and training, and work with women and the elderly.

USPG needs to raise £10,000 during 2004 to fund their valuable work



Coffee Morning in aid of Mission Partners

On the morning in question my heart failed when I saw the atrocious weather. I thought no one would be brave enough to venture out if they did not need to. It is obvious that people are not easily put off by the rain. As a result we had a great morning with £376 being raised to send to our Mission Partners. This was only possible because of all the help and support that so many people gave. So I would like to say a very big **Thank You** to all who were involved.

Sue Hargreaves

Praying together through the month



High king of Heaven, in our pride and our weakness we have failed you and we are truly sorry. For the sake of your son, Jesus Christ our Saviour, who died for us, forgive us our sins and bind us to you with cords of compassion that we may once again walk in the light of your love.

- 1st Remember the work of Relief and Aid agencies.
- 2nd Pray for peace and security for the peoples of Iraq
- 3rd Pray for Justice and Peace for the peoples of Israel and Palestine.
- 4th Remember the people of Zimbabwe, pray for Democratic Government.
- 5th Pray for our Mission Partners, the Tirwomwe family and Castle family.
- 6th Pray for an end to the practice of recruiting child soldiers.
- 7th Ask God's blessing on our Family service today.
- 8th Pray for Robin, Elizabeth, Matthew, James and Paul.
- 9th Pray for our P.C.C. meeting this evening.
- 10th Pray for leaders and children who will be at JETS tonight.
- 11th Pray for the Ecumenical Lent groups.
- 12th Pray for the Crosshills and District Fellowship of Churches.
- 13th Pray for those attending the C.M.S. Yorkshire Conference this weekend.
- 14th Pray for those being Confirmed today.
- 15th Give thanks for the Church Army, pray for God's blessing on the work it does.
- 16th Pray for the Wycliffe Bible Translators, especially Elizabeth Newport.
- 17th Pray for our link Diocese of Khartoum in Sudan.
- 18th Pray for our Bishop and officers of the Diocese
- 19th Pray for a good response at the Church Maintenance working groups.
- 20th Remember today all who through ill health are housebound.
- 21st Give thanks that we can meet freely to worship God today.
- 22nd Give thanks for our local Health and Social services.
- 23rd Pray for Airedale Hospital Chaplaincy team.
- 24th Pray for the Grief and Loss support team.
- 25th Pray for the Pastoral Care team.
- 26th Give thanks to God for His gifts, pray that we may use the wisely.
- 27th Ask God's blessing on all who work with vulnerable children
- 28th Thank God for signs of Spring and New life.
- 29th Pray for those who bear the responsibility of Government.
- 30th Pray for all leaders that they may use their power wisely
- 31st Pray that as a Nation we may honour God

F ARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 5th February 2004 in Kildwick & Farnhill Institute. No members of the public were present.

The Parish Council have been looking into the terms of the leases for the garages at Bucklar Hill. The Tenancy Agreement excludes Subletting, but does not exclude the tenant assigning them over to someone else. As there is a long waiting list for the garages the Parish Council thought this was unfair and Craven District Council are looking into the matter.

Craven Crime Reduction Partnership MAPS have been working on a scheme for 'Speed Reduction in Local Villages' with the main thrust aimed at electronic advisory signs to motorists. The group are now able to purchase a sign at a cost of over £3,000 funded through the Building Safer Communities Fund and at no cost to ourselves. North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Sendee have agreed to look after the logistics side of things ie storage, maintenance and operation etc. The sign will be shared by all the local villages and moved around.

The Committee for Farnhill Infant Play Area have raised £600 through the sale of calendars and are looking into other ways to raise funds. A grant has been organized for a Notice Board and the Committee are looking into extra funding for new gates. The Parish Council are very impressed with the efforts made by the Committee and would like to thank them for all their hard work.

The Parish Council adopted a set of Standing Orders after taking a vote on who was for & against them.

Enquiries have been made to the Flood Panel about the Culverted Watercourse A629 near Farnhill Roundabout to determine if the Culvert could be classed as a critical watercourse. A reply was received saying that as a result of discussions and a site meeting the Culvert does not meet the current criteria to be classed as a critical watercourse.

The date has now been set for the Annual Parish Meeting which will be held on the 22nd April at 7.30pm in Kildwick and Farnhill Institute. Members of the village are welcome to attend.

The next meeting will be held on the 4th March 2004 at 7.30pm in the Village Institute, members of the village are welcome to attend.

Support your local Post Office
Main Street Farnhill
Open Monday—Friday 9am—1pm

FREE ONE HOUR TASTERS

Is there something you've always wanted to learn, but you've never known where to start? A new campaign of free, one hour Bite Size Intros could be just the first step you need.

Running across North Yorkshire from 19 January to the end of May 2004, there are Bite Size topics on using a computer for the first time, putting digital photos onto a computer, shopping on the Internet, learning a language, learning to relax and practicing your job interview skills. There are also Intros on helping your pet to lose weight, making greetings cardsand hundreds more topics!

If you've an hour to spare and there's something you've always fancied doing then call free on 0800 515 547 or go to the website www.vnybitesize.co.uk to find out what's on in your area. They are running in all kinds of venues -from community centres to pubs.

Bite Size is run by the Learning and Skills Council North Yorkshire, supported by local training organisations, voluntary organisations and employers. If you didn't enjoy school, or you're keen to try something new, then Bite Size Intros could give you the confidence to go on to learn more.

Craven District Council is holding Area Forum Meetings again this spring. The local ones are at Bradley Village Hall and Skipton Town Hall on March 10th and 29th respectively. Both start at 7.30pm. Representatives of various agencies will be there to answer questions.

The Pastoral Care Group endeavours to share with the vicar the task of caring for parishioners.

Members of the group would appreciate hearing about people who are sick at home or in hospital or who have some special concern.



Please contact:-

June Whitaker 633672, Marjorie Gee 630060, Eleanor Eastwood 634717. Marian Baxter 635728, Isabel Stirk 653997, Cyril Doult 634485



Seen in church magazine.....

Announcement 'the cost of attending the Prayer and Fasting conference includes meals'!!

Not in our choir surely!....

'Eight new choir robes are currently needed, owing to the addition of several members and the deterioration of some older ones.' !!

TRAIDCRAFT AFTERNOON TEA

It's Fairtrade Fortnight and we're having our annual Traidcraft event.

On March 13th at 3pm the place to be is the Parish Rooms, because there will be tea and coffee and all sorts of good home baking. Of course all of it will use fairly traded ingredients and once again there will be recipes and the Traidcraft stall - and wonderful company! The cost will be £1 each and this will include tea or coffee and your choice of home-baking.

Hope to see you there!



Gill Jowett

Take part in UNICEF's Jar of Grace Appeal this Lent and help to protect children from the dangers of dirty water.

8,000 children die every day as a direct result of drinking dirty water.

Access to clean water is a basic human right. Yet nearly 3 billion people - half of humanity - are denied this essential need. Sadly, it is the children who are the first to fall sick and die from water-borne diseases.

By taking part in the Jar of Grace appeal you will be helping UNICEF to supply oral re-hydration salts sachets and water purification tablets to areas where children are at risk. You will also be contributing towards the installation of fresh water pumps for children who would otherwise have to walk miles, only to collect water



that could make them sick. Here's how your money can help. £2 will pay for enough oral rehydration salts to save the lives of 6 children. £30 will buy water purification tablets to give over 300 children a litre of safe, clean water to drink. £175 will buy and install a water pump that will provide enough water for 250 people a day.

To take part in this appeal simply find an empty jar and choose a reason for dropping a coin into your jar during Lent - perhaps when you say grace before a meal, or each time you drink a glass of safe water, or each time you enjoy a soak in a bath. Leaflets with sticky labels for jars are available in church and the parish rooms. Please bring you full jars back to church on Easter Day or the following two Sundays.

Woman's Institute News -

Kildwick and Farnhill W.I.

The February meeting was spellbound by Jeff Wallbank, a local Barber and amateur archaeologist from Silsden who gave a fascinating insight into his finds over many years. His claim to fame being the nationally acclaimed find of 27 gold coins dating from pre-Roman Britain and now on view at Cliffe Castle Museum. Members were not too good at recognising objects given to identify !

Hellman's (of mayonnaise fame) had sent a 'Goody Box' and everybody received samples of the new low-fat variety to try.

A report on the Extraordinary Annual Meeting of the Cravendale Group revealed that members agreed to disband though close contact between the five WI's will be maintained.

The March Meeting - 7.30p.m.on the 11th is to be a Make-Up Demonstration by Virgin Vie. All are welcome at the Parish Rooms. Entry of £1 includes tea and biscuits.



DO YOU ENJOY SINGING?

If so, you are invited to join a Choir to present

"JERUSALEM JOY"

A Cantata for Easter by Roger Jones

on Palm Sunday -

at Crosshills in the afternoon, and at Silsden in the evening.

People from all local churches are welcome

Practices are each Monday, 7.45pm at Mount Carmel House, Silsden
(next to the Catholic Church)

Further details from Christina Thompson, Tel. 653538



27th March 9.30-11am
Senior Citizens Centre Crosshills

Small item and cakes for sale and Raffle
prizes welcome

end, for a couple of weeks ago my phone rang at 11.20.p.m., and a voice whispered from ward 10 "You're not in bed are you Edward?" "No" I lied, And then, at 7 .20, a.m. , on the Thursday before he died he rang from Hindhead to arrange for Michael Cowgill to take a book out to the Sudan for the Dean of Khartoum, I did not grumble because I realised that he must be happily settling in there.

Keith managed to smile even when things were going wrong. Once, in Russia he almost caused an minor international incident when he unlawfully took photographs from the air! Life was never dull with Keith around.

His sense of humour was quite wicked at times. It often took the form of a quietly muttered aside accompanied by a certain look from twinkling eyes.

KILDWICK DAYS

We here at Kildwick have been especially blessed through his retirement ministry, as have many other parishes both in this deanery and beyond, He very rarely declined to help out when asked.

He and Brenda worked hard as volunteers both at Airedale Hospital and Oxfam in Keighley.

Countless others; — charities home and overseas — individuals, fellow Christians and those of no faith at all, received blessings and support from Keith and Brenda.

BRENDA.

But the most severe time testing for Keith's faith came when Brenda was struck down by her stroke. For 2½ years he lovingly and willingly devoted himself to nursing and caring for her until she died last year.

Since that time the faith which had sustained him continued to burn brightly and we all marveled how he had coped.

Every day the two of them said prayers and Compline together, and Sunday after Sunday Keith put on his stole and celebrated Holy Communion for them. He was a priest to the very core of his being.

POST BRENDA.

By now however, the body he had so relentlessly driven throughout his life of ministry and caring was exhausted and refused to obey his strong will. Even then he still tried to put others first and thought mainly of his family.

Both of them loved having you grandchildren around, and I know that you spent many happy days with them over the years. They were very proud of you, and you brought them great happiness. Keith was also a loving brother and brother-in-law. For me he took the place of the brother I lost in childhood. We were the very closest of friends.

FUTURE.

During these last few pain wracked weeks he was very positive about things and was looking forward to the future, especially the proposed move to the C.of E. Residential Home at Scarborough where he could meet up again with friends and old colleagues.

It was a time of quiet and determined anticipation, but it was not to be.

Instead he changed direction and went off hurriedly to be with his Brenda.

Because Keith was a very humble man and always put others first and himself last, the word "Sorry" was often on his lips.

We also know that he invariably hurried into meetings at the last minute having pushed in another visit or job of work. So I expect he had to apologize to St. Peter for the last minute change of plans and for arriving just as the gates were closing.

Knowing my old mentor and mate extremely well I realize that by now he will be muttering, "Now that's enough Edward. Congregations can only handle so much," And so I will close, hopefully not having exceeded by too much the 10-12 minutes he felt was quite sufficient.

SORRY KEITH, but I could do other, for few men have more faithfully followed the Masters teaching than you, and your faith has indeed stood the test. May you rest in peace and rise in glory.



Recipes for March

These tray bakes are suitable for any occasion but especially good for Coffee mornings.

CARROT TRAYBAKE

280g (10ozs) self-raising flour	3 eggs
1 level teasp bicarb. soda	200ml (8 fl ozs) sunflower oil
2 level teasp ground cinnamon	
175g (7ozs) soft, brown sugar	Topping
150g (6ozs) grated carrot	200g (8ozs) cream cheese
150g (6ozs) grated eating apple	100g (4ozs) icing sugar
100g (4ozs) sultanas	1 teasp lemon juice

1. Grease and line the base of a 28 cm X 23cm (11" X 9") tin. Heat the oven Elec. 180c Gas 4 and prepare ingredients.
2. Sift the flour, bicarb. soda and cinnamon into a bowl, stir in the sugar, carrot, apple and sultanas.
3. Beat the eggs and oil together then add these to the dry ingredients and mix to dropping consistency. Add a little milk if necessary.
4. Turn into prepared tin and level the surface. Bake for approx. 30 mins. until firm and springy to touch. Allow to cool for a few mins. then turn out on to a wire tray, remove the lining paper and leave to cool completely
5. Make topping: mix together the cheese, sifted icing sugar and lemon juice spread on top of the cake and using a fork make a pattern.

Cut into squares when ready to serve.
Store in refrigerator. Can be frozen.

DATE AND WALNUT TRAYBAKE

150g (6ozs) soft marg.	100g (4ozs) dried dates chopped
150g (6ozs) caster sugar	50g (2ozs) walnuts chopped
150g (6ozs) self-raising flour	3 eggs
1 level teasp. baking power	2 tablesp lemon juice

1. Grease and line the base of a 28cm X 23cm (11" X 9") tin. Heat the oven Elec 180c Gas 4 and prepare the ingredients.
2. Soften the marg in a mixing bowl then add all the remaining ingredients and mix well.
3. Turn into prepared tin and level the surface. Bake for approx 30 mins. until well risen and springy to touch. Allow to cool for a few mins then remove the lining paper and leave to cool.

Cut into squares or triangles when ready to serve.
Can be frozen.

Regular Events at Kildwick

Sunday 10am	KICKs in Parish Rooms Starting after Easter	School aged children's group.
1st and 3rd Sunday 7.pm-9pm	Craven Rock At South Craven Baptist	Ecumenical Youth group for 11+
2nd and 4th Sundays (not 5th) 7pm-8pm	Y@K in Parish Rooms (Not in school holidays)	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 10am	Chuffs (Not in school holidays)	Short service for preschool children
1st and 3rd 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

The next 2 Maintenance Days are
Fri 19th and Sat 20th March 10am-3pm

There will be plenty of jobs indoors and out to suit all helpers so do come along even if it is to make tea for the workers!

On Friday we thought we would arrange a simple lunch to share.

Please see Lesley or Barry if you can help.



A SERMON PREACHED BY CANON EDWARD GEE AT THE FUNERAL OF CANON KEITH GRAIN

CANON KEITH GRAIN R.I.P.

Ephesians 4 v1

In his letter to the Ephesians St.Paul writes:

As God has called you live up to your calling, be humble always and gentle, and patient too. Be forbearing with one another and charitable. Spare no effort to make fast with bonds of peace the unity which the Spirit gives.'

1 Peter 1.v 7

And then St. Peter writes:

'Even perishable gold passes through the assayers fire, and more precious than gold is faith which has stood the test.'

And finally a quote from a third letter written by Keith to me in 1961, his very first curate, in the first year of his first incumbency. *"I ask that sermons be completed by the Thursday and that at first I read or see them beforehand"*. So, very early on in his ministry Keith Grain was seen by his bishop to be a good trainer of priests.

I was the first of 7 curates Keith nurtured and trained.

This was no easy task, and one of great responsibility. We must have tried both his faith and his patience on more than one occasion.

Happily we all survived the experience, and between us we managed to train him to become quite a good vicar.

During this first incumbency he succeeded in encouraging the local R.C. priest to celebrate Mass for his people in our parish church rather than build a new place of worship. Keith worked hard for Christian unity wherever he served.

Everybody here, and others who are absent, can testify that Keith tried, and mostly succeeded, in keeping the faith with all humility, gentleness, and patience. He never spared himself in the service of Master and neighbour.

ORDINATION.

Keith priestly ministry "began in 1952 when he was ordained at the age of 25. Then followed two curacies Liversedge, then Barnsley.

It was here that his faith was severely tested when he had to undergo major

surgery to fuse 4 vertebra in his spine. Throughout this testing time Brenda lovingly nursed him whilst at the same time caring for their three young children.

They came through it with faith intact and as strong as ever.

PARISHES.

Then in 1960 Keith became Vicar of Hanging Heaton - his first incumbency. Next came a move to Heckmondwike where he became Rural Dean, and Canon of Wakefield Cathedral. In Wakefield he served on several diocesan committees. Finally in 1982 he was offered the living of Gargrave where he stayed until retirement in 1992.

Throughout his long ministry he nurtured and inspired many people. deepening their commitment to Jesus, and sometimes this patient encouragement led to ordination. Fr. Stephen Kelly who recently moved back to Wakefield from Bingley will testify to this.

Wherever Keith and Brenda served they were contentedly happy and greatly loved.

In 1992 we all four retired to live side by side in Glusburn where we began joyfully live out the rest of our days.

Marjorie and I thank God for the very happy times we have shared with Keith and Brenda both here and abroad. Many other friends have shared in that joy and valued their friendship.

Everybody here, and others who are absent, can testify that Keith tried, and mostly succeeded, in keeping the faith with all humility, gentleness, and patience. He never spared himself in the service of Master and neighbour.

That's not to claim that he was perfect. He would be angry if I conveyed that impression.

There were for example times when we his colleagues despaired of him for telephoning at 11.p.m. when things had 'quietened down"! He kept this up until the

SALVAID PROJECT

Morrisons **Salvaid** Collection

Thursday ... Friday ... Saturday 18th, 19th & 20th March -

A REQUEST FOR HELPERS:

We are appealing for help with the above collection in aid of the work of Salvaid.

Although the situation concerning poverty has improved dramatically since we started the work in 1993, there is still the need for funds.

We are encouraged by the results of our educational activity and contacts, and the assistance we can give to musical events. The link-up with the West, partly due to our negotiations with 'au Pairs', may develop into a school visit to Keighley this year.

We see ourselves also as "Bridge Builders", bringing greater understanding of our way of life and moral position to those who were forced, through no fault of their own, to acquire a somewhat jaundiced view of our homeland.

We can provide such acts of friendship as -

- Small food parcels for families
- Compact discs of pop music for teenagers
- Library books for the new town library
- An engraved shield and cash bursary to enable a successful student to **apply** for **an** important examination.

Mary and I wish we could take many of you back with us, to see and share the wonderful country, and the kind hospitality of its people, but we know that you 'serve from afar', and for this we are very, very grateful.

Margaret Irons has organised things so far this year and perhaps you could contact her on 01535 632453 19, Main Street, Farnhill, KEIGHLEY BD20 9BJ

Rodney and Mary Smith

Rodney and Mary expect to leave Spain at the end of this month, and, after visiting their children, they should be up here sometime after March 7th

**Hunger Lunch at St. Peter's Methodist Church Hall,
Monday, March 22nd 11.30am - 2.00pm**



Women's World Day of Prayer

The service this year will be held at South Craven Baptist Church on Friday 5th March at 7.30pm.

It has been prepared by the women of Panama and the theme is 'In Faith - Women shape the future'

As well as women we do hope to attract more men and children to this service so do come.

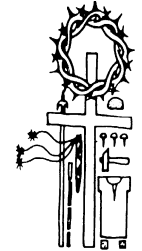


March

Tues	2nd	7pm	Deanery Synod Meeting
Fri	5th	7.30pm	Women's World Day of Prayer Service (Baptist Church)
Sat	6th	Soroptimists	Fair Trade Coffee morning Parish Rooms
Tues	9th	7.30p	PCC Meeting (Parish Rooms)
Sat	13th	3.00pm	Fairtrade Afternoon Tea (Parish Rooms)
Sun	14th	10am	Service of Confirmation and Baptism with Bishop David
Fri	19th	10am-3pm	Maintenance Day
Sat	20th	10am-3pm	Maintenance Day
Mon	22nd	11.30-2pm	Hunger Lunch (St Peter's)
April			
Sun	4th	Palm Sunday	
Sun	11th	Easter day	
Sun	25th	10.00am	Parish Communion followed by Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting
		6.00pm	Service of Thanksgiving for Departed Family and Friends. Pr The Revd June Medhurst

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.



March

**On Thursdays and
Fridays during Lent**

**6.45pm Stations of the
12.30pm Cross**

Sun 7th
2nd Sunday of Lent
8.15 Said Eucharist
10am Family Service with baptism
6pm Sung Eucharist

Sun 14th
3rd Sunday of Lent
8.15 Said Eucharist
10am Service of Confirmation and Baptism with
Bishop David
6pm CDFC Service at St Andrew's

Sun 21st
4th Sunday of Lent
Mothering Sunday
8.15 Said Eucharist
10am Family Eucharist
6pm Choral Evensong

Sun 28th
5th Sunday of Lent
8.15 Said Eucharist
10am Sung Eucharist
6pm Celtic style Service