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St. Andrew's Church Kildwick

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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

Church Website www.kildwick.org.uk

The Vicar's letter.....

Dear friends,

We are about to celebrate the most important week for Christians; Holy Week and Easter invite us to make real in our lives the death and resurrection of Jesus.

We are invited to ponder the mystery of what it means for Jesus to lay down his life as the forgiving victim and thence to rise from death as forgiveness. What does it mean for Jesus to live as though death were not?

During Lent we have proclaimed the words, 'May the life-giving cross be the source of all our joy and peace' and 'We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection; for by virtue of the cross, joy has come to the whole world'.

The death and resurrection of Jesus is a mystery that we cannot explain, but a mystery that we can come to experience. In Jesus God was showing his amazing love for the world and its people.

Last year, Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury, was asked to sum up who Jesus is and what his message is. Rowan Williams said, "Trust me, says Jesus, when I tell you that God loves you. Believe the good news. Trust me, says Jesus, when I tell you that God wants to be where you are. And know that even when we push Jesus off the edge and kill him, he comes back and says, it is still true; God still loves you and God stills wants to be where you are".

The death and resurrection of Jesus is God's message of love for the world, a love that you and I are called to imitate in our own lives in the company of all humanity.

In a just a few weeks we will be going to the polls once again to elect a new parliament. What will be the questions that you will want to ask the candidates? What criteria will you use to judge the policies being offered by each of the political parties? How will you let the message of the gospel, of love and compassion for all people, direct where you put your X on the ballot paper?

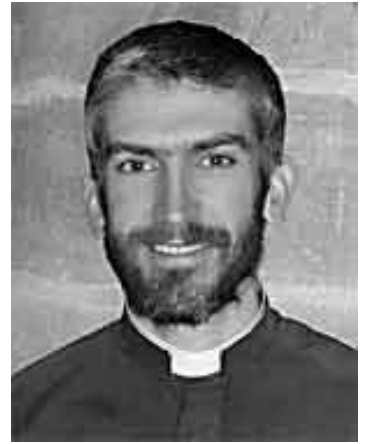
There are people who say that the Church should keep out of politics. I have to say that I strongly disagree with any such sentiments. Throughout his ministry Jesus critiqued and challenged both the religious and political leaders of this day. Jesus showed us what it means to act with integrity, striving for justice, seeking the well being of the most vulnerable. Would that our politicians might act with integrity seeking to improve the lot of the most vulnerable rather than seeking to protect their vote. In the end Jesus asked too many questions, he pushed those who held the religious and political power too far and paid the price.

But the message of Easter is that it is possible to let go of worldly power – and survive. The symbol of God's love is the Cross, the empty Cross. Jesus died, he was buried, but then he was raised to new life to live for ever. This is the Good News of Easter for you and for me; there is resurrection life after death.

As a church community we have experienced recently the 'death' of our Lang Kirk 21 project. You can read more about on pages 8 & 9. We must now trust that God will bring us through our grieving to our own resurrection life. We may not know yet what this will look like, but we will journey on being faithful and trusting in the One who is faithful.

This Easter season may the risen Christ give to you renewed strength to rise up and show your love for the world and its people – especially the poor and the vulnerable.

May the crucified and risen Lord bless you.



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Annual Revision of the Church Electoral Roll Page 3

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.

If your name is not yet on the Roll you must apply for enrolment not later than Sunday 4th April 2010. The new Roll will come into operation on Sunday 11th April 2010. 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 25th April.

Annual Church Meetings – Sunday 25th April

The Annual Meetings which take place next month following the 10am Parish Communion on Sunday 25th 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 electoral roll) we will elect our two churchwardens for the coming year.

At the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (open to those on the electoral roll) we will elect up to 2 persons to serve on the Deanery Synod (to serve for a period of 1 year), 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 4 people 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). 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 Meetings. Please book the date in your diary.

Election of Officers of the Church in 2010

As we prepare for the forthcoming Annual Meetings when various officers of the church will be elected the following notes might help those considering standing for election or those wishing to nominate someone for election.

Churchwardens

Each year we elect two people to serve as Churchwardens for a period of 1 year. Churchwardens may be re-elected until they have served a maximum period of 6 years in office. This year we are looking to elect two new Churchwardens.

Churchwardens hold key positions of leadership within the life of the local parish church alongside the incumbent. It should be noted that the Churchwardens are the officers of the bishop (not the incumbent or PCC). Canon E1 states that they must be the foremost in representing the laity and co-operating with the incumbent; they must use their best endeavours by example and precept to encourage the parishioners in the practice of true religion and to promote unity and peace among them; they must maintain order and decency in the church and churchyard, especially during the time of divine service; they hold the title to the movable goods of the church, must keep an inventory of those goods and keep it up to date, and must hand over the goods to their successors, who must check the inventory (E1.5).

Churchwardens are members of the PCC (6 meetings each year) and the PCC Standing Meeting (monthly meetings). They also meet regularly with the Vicar (every 4-6 weeks).

Deanery Synod Representatives

Our parish can elect 2 persons to serve as members of the South Craven Deanery Synod for the period until 31 May 2011. They will attend 3 meetings of the Synod each year (October, February and May). They are also ex-officio members of the PCC (6 meetings each year).

These persons represent our thoughts and messages to the Deanery and hence to the Diocese and conversely help to brief the PCC on deanery issues which affect the parish.

Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches Council Representatives

Each year we elect 2 persons to serve as members of the Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches Council for a period of one year from the CDFC Annual Meeting (this year on 22nd June). They will attend the Annual Meeting in June and 3 further meetings of the Council each year. It is also intended that these persons will be co-opted as members of the PCC (6 meetings each year).

These persons represent our thoughts and messages to the Fellowship of Churches and conversely help to brief the PCC on local ecumenical issues which affect the parish. In the same way that discussions about the future patterns of ministry are taking place across the deanery it will become increasingly important for similar discussions to take place across the local churches. These persons will also have a very important role to play within the leadership of the parish and wider church in the coming years.

Parochial Church Council Elected Members

The size of our electoral roll entitles us to have 9 elected members of the laity on the PCC. Members are elected to serve to a period of 3 years, with one third retiring each year.

This year we are looking to elect 3 persons to serve until the APCM 2013 and 1 person to fill a casual vacancy until the APCM 2012.

The PCC meets 6 times each year (2nd Tuesdays in May, July, September, November, 4th Tuesday in January and 2nd Tuesday in March).

The full Parochial Church Council will therefore consist of the Vicar, the 2 Churchwardens, the 2 Deanery Synod representatives, the 2 CDFC Council representatives and the 9 other elected members. The maximum size of the PCC is therefore 16 persons.

The PCC's general functions are set out in the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956, section 2 which states: 'It shall be the duty of the minister and the PCC to consult together on matters of general concern and importance to the parish. The PCC shall co-operate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church,

pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical'.

To serve as part of the leadership of the local church should be seen as a privilege; representing the people of the parish and helping to direct the future life of the Church. Nomination forms for all elections can be found in the church.

The 2010/11 PCC members will continue to address a number of important issues concerning the local and wider church.

Parcevall Hall: A Weekend Away 9th – 11th July 2010



Parcevall Hall is the Bradford Diocesan Retreat House, situated near Appletreewick. It has excellent facilities, offering the comfort of an old house, the peace of a rural situation and the scenic beauty of Wharfedale.

The Hall has been booked for a weekend away next July. The leader will be the Revd Paul Booth. Paul is an experienced leader of church quiet days and weekends.

The cost will be £115 full board, from Friday supper to Sunday teatime. To book a place please send a £25 deposit to Robin Figg, The Vicarage. For more details contact Robin, 633307.

Diocesan Day 2009 – Saturday 17th April

When is it? Saturday, April 17th.

Where is it? Bradford Grammar School.

What's it all about? Spirituality

Who's it for? Everyone!

future
faithful

Yes Diocesan Day is here again - a great opportunity to gather together as a Diocesan family to celebrate, worship and learn.

2010 will see Diocesan Day enter its 5th year with Ministry 4 Mission as the main theme. The keynote speaker will be Bishop Robert Paterson from Sodor & Man. Bishop Robert is Chair of the Central Readers Council and Vice Chair of both the Liturgical Commission and the Fresh Expressions Board. He is married to Pauline, an RE teacher, and they have three grown-up children.

Diocesan Day will be a day of celebration, teaching and fellowship and as usual there will be a wide range of seminars and workshops to choose from. Worship will be led by musicians from St. John's, Ben Rhydding and the groups for children will again be organised by the team from Thorpe Edge, expanding to cover children up to the age of 15.

There are 600 places at Diocesan Day but if recent years are anything to go by they will all be taken so don't delay! Brochures and booking forms are available from the Vicar, the church or the Diocesan Office. You can also book online by going to:

<http://events.dowson.com/all/11>

Page of prayer for Easter

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at Eastertide did conquer death and rise from the dead, and who is alive for ever more, help us never to forget your Risen Presence forever with us.

Help us to remember,

That you are with us in every time of perplexity to guide and to direct;
That you are with us in every time of sorrow to comfort and console;
That you are with us in every time of temptation to strengthen and to inspire;
That you are with us in every time of loneliness to cheer and befriend;
That you are with us even in death to bring us to the glory of your side.

Let us be certain that there is nothing in time or in eternity which can separate us from you,
So that in your presence we may meet life with joy and death without fear.

You turn our darkness into light, in your light we shall see light.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

A prayer for contemplation - meditation

Lord, You have arisen forever
In my heart!

May the sunrise
Remind me to shine in Your light.

May the caress of a gentle breeze
Remind me of Your compassion.

May the fragrance of a flower
Remind me to blossom in Your love.

May the singing of birds
Bring a song of joy to my lips.

And in the closing of each day
May I remember to quietly pray.

Wherever I am, whatever I do
May my thoughts in joy return to You!

An Easter Prayer for Children

Time for joy and time for giving
Time for remembering
Love while living.

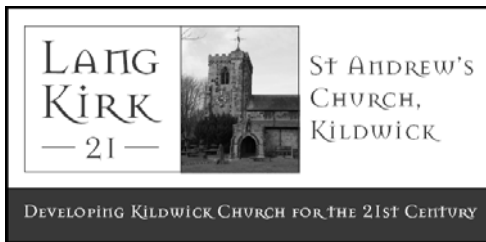
Take this message Easter Day
Show kindness, care
At home and play.

It's in our very acts of giving
Easter's joy
Makes life worth living.

Children round the globe now hear
Keep Easter
In your heart all year.

May joy and love spread land to land
Linked heart to heart
And hand to hand!





Lang Kirk 21 Building Development Project

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It was announced on Sunday 21 March that the PCC had taken the decision to withdraw the faculty petition for the Lang Kirk 21 project. The associated press release is printed below.

Kildwick Church Cancels Building Development Project

The project to provide new community facilities at St Andrew's Church, Kildwick has been cancelled due to the extended legal process and the consequent difficulty of raising external funds.

The church's Parochial Church Council made the decision to withdraw the plans in the best interests of the congregation, and the ongoing mission and ministry of the local church.

Plans were first submitted in early 2007 and aimed to provide facilities including disabled access, flexible worship and meeting spaces, efficient heating and lavatory and kitchen facilities.

The hope was that the building could then be used much more by church and community based organisations, thus providing both an attractive and comfortable venue for worship and social events and also a source of income to contribute to the maintenance of the Grade 1 listed building.

These proposals gained the approval of the national amenity societies as well as Craven District Council and the Bradford Diocesan Advisory Committee. However, following formal objections lodged by a group of 11 people, the application for a faculty (church planning permission) was forced to go before the Consistory Court of the Diocese of Bradford.

In October 2008 His Honour Judge John Walford, Chancellor of the Diocese, who had been asked to adjudicate on the changes, decided that he could not at that time rule on specific elements of the plans due to the "extraordinary economic climate". He wanted to ensure that sufficient funding would be available and would therefore give the church and its supporters until the end of 2010 to raise funds before delivering his final ruling.

Although the October 2008 ruling provided approval in principle for the plans it soon emerged that potentially major donors were unwilling to commit funds until specific approval was given. This had the effect of restricting fundraising to donations from the congregation and local fundraising events until permission for the changes was given.

In response to the Chancellor's concerns, an amended scheme was submitted in July 2009 which was a much smaller subset of the scheme originally proposed. It was designed to be implemented in discrete phases as funding became available and sought to address the concerns of the group who believed the original changes were too extensive. However the 11 continued to formally oppose the plans.

The decision to cancel the project and allow a period to reflect and concentrate on the

mission and ministry of the Church was taken after Judge Walford directed in February this year that a further round of representations on the amended scheme should be made by the national amenity societies and the objectors.

Speaking on behalf of the Parochial Church Council, the Reverend Robin Figg, Vicar of St Andrew's, said, "The Council's decision to cancel the project was extremely difficult, but it was unanimous and took into account the effect on the congregation of the continuing legal and economic uncertainty. This environment makes it unrealistic to continue the project which has already been running for six years and had the potential of continuing for several more. We have decided the time has come to call a halt and give time to concentrate on our mission and ministry".

The Parochial Church Council now intends to await a review by the diocese of the current stock of its church buildings to provide some guidance as to an alternative way forward. In its present form and without the increased usage and income that the development would have provided St. Andrew's is too large and expensive to maintain for the size of congregation supporting it.

- St. Andrew's Church, Kildwick is a Grade 1 listed building dating back to the 14th century. During its history the building has seen many changes. The present nave pews date from the 1860/70s. The last major works took place in 1901-3 to repair and improve the existing arrangement of the building, especially the nave and chancel pillars and chancel roof. The work also included relocating the nave pews on the present wooden platform which was built onto a new concrete raft.
 - The changes proposed in early 2007 were the culmination of thoughts and plans which had evolved from discussions which had taken place over a number of years. They were designed to satisfy the needs of the church in the 21st century and, whilst extensive, had gained the support of all of the relevant national amenity societies following several on site meetings with their representatives.
 - The amended plans submitted in July 2009 were a much reduced subset and the minimum considered necessary by the Parochial Church Council to meet the current and future mission and ministry needs of the church community. Changes were restricted to the nave and tower area to provide more flexible space, a new heating system, disabled access into and within the church, a single toilet and an enclosed kitchen cabinet. Pews were to be retained in the central nave (the removal of all the Victorian pews in the original scheme being one of the main concerns of those opposed to the original scheme). The amended plans continued to be formally opposed by the group of eleven.
 - The national amenity societies are English Heritage, the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings and the Victorian Society.
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Our Lent collection this year will go be given to Christian Aid to support their work in Haiti following the devastation earthquake in January. The following is taken from a news release from the Anglican Communion Office.

'The Anglican Communion needs to be actively involved in helping the rebuilding and healing of Haiti, working with the Église Épiscopale d'Haiti (the Anglican/Episcopal Diocese of Haiti) and its bishop the Rt Revd Zaché Duracin.' This was the message that Archbishop Thabo Makgoba of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa wanted to share with the wider Communion after a visit to Haiti 4-7 March 2010.

Archbishop Makgoba was accompanied by Bishop Pierre Whalon who was visiting as an emissary of the Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church (TEC), of which the Diocese of Haiti is a constituent member. After his visit Bishop Whalon spoke about the experience to Clare Amos of the Anglican Communion Office, and the following is based on their conversation.

"What has happened in Haiti is probably the greatest natural disaster in recorded modern history. It is estimated that up to 400,000 people have died, and that is out of a total population of about 9 and a half million people. Even before the catastrophe Haiti was in fairly dire straits, but the quake has destroyed such things as the rudimentary sanitary system. Many, many people are living in makeshift camps in shelters made of sticks, blankets and tarpaulin. Within a month's time the rainy season will arrive, and then three months down the line it is the hurricane season. Obviously the dangers of typhoid and cholera are present – and will be more so, once the rains start. It is going to get worse before it can get better. Many of the dead have not yet been buried because their bodies are still trapped under the rubble. Of course this intensifies the threat of disease.

In terms of its structures and buildings the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti has been savagely hit. The cathedral compound in Port au Prince – which also included a convent, the theological college, primary, middle and high schools, a music school, vocational training centre and a nearby home for special needs children – has been almost completely destroyed (see pictures). The stunning frescoes in the cathedral – a UNESCO World Patrimony site with scenes depicting Christ as a Haitian – only remain in fragments. Nearby, the diocese's university and another secondary school were destroyed. Nine university students lie buried in a mass grave, awaiting three others still under the mountain of their school's rubble. The families of all twelve also perished. The bishop's house and a nearby apartment building were obliterated. A historic centre of the Episcopal Diocese at Léogane, to the west of Port-au-Prince, where there is another complex of churches, hospitals and schools, which offers the only four year nursing diploma in the country, has also been severely damaged. The hospital which forms part of the complex has been replaced temporarily by a field hospital – though work on rebuilding the original hospital has already begun. Of course in both complexes, at Port au Prince and Léogane, there was considerable loss of human life. Seeing the makeshift graves – and seeing and smelling still unburied bodies – is a memory that will remain with me for a very long time.

Around the world we want to show that as Anglicans we belong to each other. Sharing the suffering of our Anglican brothers and sisters in Haiti, and supporting them to rebuild their nation is a vital part of what it means to live in Communion."

The Season of Easter – An Introduction

Easter Day begins a period of unparalleled joy and celebration in the Christian year which extends through fifty days until the Day of Pentecost. These days of Eastertide form a single festival period, in which this tone of joy is sustained. Early Christians gave the name Pentecost to this whole fifty-day span of rejoicing, which Tertullian calls “this most joyful period” (laetissimum spatium).

On the fortieth day, there has from the late fourth century been a particular celebration of Christ’s Ascension. He commissions his disciples to continue his work, he promises the gift of the Holy Spirit, and then he is no longer among them in the flesh. The Ascension is therefore closely connected with the theme of mission.

The days between Ascension Day and the Day of Pentecost are days of prayer for the coming of the Holy Spirit. The arrival of the promised gift of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost completes and crowns the Easter Festival.

The Paschal candle is lit for all services during this season.

An Easter Service of Thanksgiving & Commemoration of Departed Family and Friends Sunday 25th April at 6.00pm

A service to remember those we love but see no longer

Easter Services at Kildwick

Thursday 1st April – Maundy Thursday

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

Friday 2nd April – Good Friday

10.00am Procession of witness from St Andrew’s to Cross Hills for...

10.30am United Service at St Peter’s Methodist Church.

12 noon Prayer around the cross until...

2.00pm Liturgy of the Cross

7.30pm Ecumenical Devotional Service (St Peter’s Methodist Church)

Saturday 3rd April – Easter Eve

8.45pm Easter Vigil and Renewal of Baptismal Vows

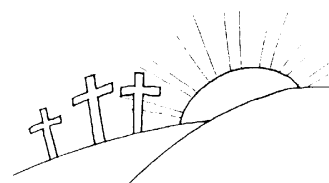
Sunday 4th April – Easter Day

6.00am Ecumenical Sunrise Service at Farnhill Pinnacle

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





General election - churches getting ready Page 11

Although the date of the General Election is still unknown the closer we get to the poll the more likely it seems that May 6th will be chosen as the date when we can all cast our vote.

Christians across the country will be campaigning for different parties or standing for election. And voters will have the opportunity to decide who they wish to vote for, and which parties' policies most closely match their own hopes and values.

Churches Together in Britain and Ireland has produced a range of exciting election materials to help keep you informed and engaged as the General Election campaign moves into a higher gear. These can be found at the Churches election website - www.churcheselection.org.uk

People will take a range of subjects into account when they decide how to vote. A 16-page guide to some of the key policy areas likely to be debated in the run up to polling day has been produced. It is titled *Faith in Politics: Preparing Churches for the General Election* and covers a range of the most important policy issues, such as children and young people, criminal justice, the economy, education, environment, health, migration and poverty.

This booklet has been prepared by individuals from within the Churches or Church agencies who have expert knowledge in their fields. It does not represent a 'Church' view or support a party line. However, it does aim to help Christians engage with a range of important issues facing our country however they may decide to vote. For each subject it provides a background, raises some key issues and suggests a series of questions for personal reflection or to ask of party candidates. It can be downloaded from www.ctbi.org.uk/455

Here is a prayer published to help voters prepare for the election.

Lord, we give thanks for the privileges and responsibilities
of living in a democratic society.

Give us wisdom to play our part at election time,
that, through the exercise of each vote,
your Kingdom may come closer.

Protect us from the sins of despair and cynicism,
guard us against the idols of false utopias

and strengthen us to make politics a noble calling that serves the common good of all.

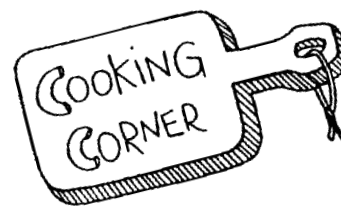
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

Libba's Beef Casserole

Ingredients

- 2 lbs (900 g) Braising Steak, cubed.
- 1½ozs (52g) plain flour
- 1 pint beef stock
- 3 tbsps Worcester sauce
- 4 tbsps redcurrant jelly
- 8 ozs (225g) button mushrooms



Method

1. Mix the meat into the flour in a polythene bag
2. Fry meat in oil and margarine if you wish (can't say I bother for casserole) in a casserole dish that can go on hob and oven.
3. Mix with all the other ingredients
4. Heat up slowly to the boil.
5. Transfer to the oven and gently casserole. Check meat after 1½ hours and season to taste. If using Aga cook 4 hours in simmering oven.

Tip –casseroles made in advance have time for the flavours to develop.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms

Sunday 7th March Joseph Wilson, son of Simon & Sarah, of Bent Lane, Sutton-in-Craven

Funerals

Tuesday 16th March Pam Brown, formerly of Ryecroft Road, Glusburn

Tuesday 23rd March Betty Hawkins, formerly of Crag Close, Sutton-in-Craven (and previously of Main Street, Farnhill)

BIBLE HISTORY

written by Michael Baumber



The Gospel Story : The Lost Years 5

MIRACLE WORKERS

W.H. Auden believed that the natural habitat of Saints was the desert but that was not quite true. No single individual could survive in desert conditions alone so the religious in deserts usually lived in communities which were supplied from the outside. Although Christian monasteries were to be established later in every sort of terrain, the first known one was founded by Pacomius in the 3rd century in the deserts of Upper Egypt. Another example is Qumran which was sited in the harsh environment of the northern end of the Dead Sea. Individual ascetics were therefore more often to BE found in what the Bible describes as wilderness ,where the conditions were challenging but where a living could be scratched out. John the Baptist we are told existed on locusts and wild honey. Irish saints usually chose rocky islets where, if everything else failed, there were fish to fall back on.

One such area of wilderness was Upper Galilee where the land was much more rugged than further south and the villages more scattered. In Jesus's time it was notorious for its bandits, who frequently attacked the trading caravans passing between the Sea of Galilee and Tyre. The term used for these ascetics is 'hasid' plural 'hasidim' and they were not unknown in the valleys of Lower Galilee too where the limestone caves provided refuges when conditions were particularly bad. The most famous of these 'hasidim' was Elijah. We are told that he came from the other side of the Jordan and the natural route he would have taken to reach Ahab's court at Samaria would have been across the river, at the well known Jacob's bridge, around the north of the Sea of Galilee and then down its west side. Elisha appears to have lived in many different places but his activities do seem to have begun in much the same localities. The hasidim were still there even after Jesus's time. Josephus refers to an influential one called Hanina ben Dosa.

One characteristic which these hasidim had in common is that they were miracle workers, that is, they were exorcists . Exorcists exerted considerable influence in societies where individuals believed that all the ills which beset them, whether physical, political, social or economic were due to something morally wrong in their behaviour, often characterised as evil spirits'. Such men would probably not have been much in evidence around Nazareth but Jesus would have encountered them if he had explored the limestone valleys to the north. Mark knew of their social importance because he goes out of his way to stress Jesus's abilities as a miracle worker. The Pharisees knew about them too and questioned their religious credentials. Some may have been heroes like Elijah, others were throw backs to the old Canaanite religion and yet others just charlatans. For them Jesus's powers as a healer were irrelevant, it was his teaching that was important and so it should be to us too.

All in the month of : April

It was....

- 200 years ago:- on 27th April 1810 that German composer Ludwig van Beethoven wrote his famous piano piece 'Für Elise'.
 - 175 years ago:- on 9th April 1835, that King Leopold II of Belgium was born.
 - 150 years ago:- on 7th April 1860, that W K Kellogg, American breakfast cereal manufacturer, was born.
 - 100 years ago:- on 19th April 1910 that German medical scientist Paul Ehrlich announced the discovery of a cure for syphilis at the Congress for Internal Medicine, Wiesbaden.
 - 90 years ago:- on 1 April 1920 that The National Socialist German Workers' Party (Nazi Party) was established, changing its name from the German Workers' Party, and holding its first mass rally in Munich.
 - 80 years ago:- on 5th April 1930 that Mahatma Gandhi deliberately broke the British salt law act in an act of civil disobedience.
 - 70 years ago:- on 9th April 1940 Germany invaded Denmark and Norway.
 - 60 years ago:- on 27th April 1950 that Apartheid in South Africa took hold with the passing of the Group Areas Act, formally segregating races and barring people from living, operating businesses or owning land outside the areas designated for their race.
 - 50 years ago:- on 17th April 1960 that Eddie Cochran died – the American rock and roll musician best known for 'C'mon Everybody' and 'Summertime Blues'
 - 40 years ago: on 10th April 1970 that Paul McCartney announced that he had left The Beatles and that the band would never perform together again.
 - 30 years ago: on 24th April 1980 that the top-secret attempt by the USA to free 52 American hostages in Iran, ended in failure, with 8 soldiers killed.
 - 25 years ago: on 23rd April 1985 the Coca-Cola Company announced that it was changing the secret formula for Coke. Negative public reaction forced it to resume selling the original version in July 1985.
 - 20 years ago: on 24th April 1990 that the Hubble Space Telescope was launched, aboard the space shuttle Discovery.
 - 15 years ago, on 19th April 1995 that the Oklahoma City bombing took place: a truck bomb exploded outside the Alfred P Murrah Federal Building.
 - 10 years ago, on 1st April that the rare Enigma machine, used by the Germans to encrypt messages in World War II, was stolen from Bletchley Park, UK.
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Coffee Morning

St Peter's Church Hall

Saturday 17th April

10am-12noon

Raffle & various stalls all proceeds to:-

Sue Ryder care Manorlands Hospice

Cross hills & Glusburn Manorlands Support Group

Concert

by Halifax Gilbert & Sullivan Society

St Peter's Church

Saturday 24th April at 7.30pm

Admission £6 inc. light refreshments

for further information please telephone 01535

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Isobel's Page

The tragic racist murder of student Stephen Lawrence, sixteen years ago, is something that very few people will not have heard of and at a new, Leeds based, inner city contemporary art space there is a reconstruction focusing on the bus stop in south east London where Stephen was fatally injured and audio story- telling encourages listeners to generate their own images of events. Someone I know, who has seen the exhibition, reports that it is as if you are actually there- waiting at that bus stop. The challenge the artist throws out is the question of asking the audience what they would have done if they had been standing alongside Stephen when the attack occurred. What a very hard question and one I find great difficulty in answering- I just do not know. What cannot be disputed is that in response to this tragedy something quite remarkable was started in Leeds- 'The Stephen Lawrence Education Standard.' This was designed to acknowledge and celebrate existing good practice in promoting race equality and achievement in schools. It aims to encourage commitment to race equality in the curriculum, policy and practice, instilling- from a very young age- the knowledge that racism must be prevented- thus preparing young people to become respectable, responsible citizens of the world and to promote peace and harmony, empathy and greater understanding of equality and greater knowledge of rich cultural heritages. The Standard has its own magazine and there is an annual awards' ceremony which is a celebration of the work done in schools in partnership with the local community.

'No man can put a chain about the ankle of his fellow man without at last finding the other end fastened about his own neck.'

Leeds has always been a city of diverse cultures and the above words were spoken by someone who visited it in the 19th century and who would, I feel, be absolutely delighted with such a project as I have just described. Frederick Douglass, a Civil Rights Campaigner- who is best known for his role in bringing the harsh realities of slavery to public attention- was the son of an unknown white man and a black slave. Born in Maryland in 1817 he lived on a plantation with his grandmother until he was sent at the age of eight to another plantation where the owner's wife defied the state law and taught him to read. In 1838 he escaped to New York City and soon he was making speeches on anti-slavery and became a great success in this field. After the publication of his autobiography he was afraid he may be recaptured by his former owner and so he travelled to Britain where he lectured on slavery. 'The Leeds Times' newspaper, in December 1846, reported that Mr Frederick Douglass was hailed with loud and prolonged cheering when he rose to give what was described as a long and eloquent address. From a transcript of the lecture I found out that apparently Douglass asked the audience-"What is American Slavery?" Answering his own question he said that it was the granting of that power by which one man exercises and enforces a right of property in the body and soul of another. He went on to describe the atrocities carried out on persons described as the property of the plantation owners- the starvation, the horrible tortures- the whips, the chains- the bloodhounds. What I think Frederick Douglass- a man who believed that education was the key to enlightenment and the improvement of life- would be particularly pleased about the project going on in the Leeds of today is that in his speech, given in that same city so long ago, he urged its worthy citizens to do all they could to be an influence to end these barbaric practices. To shout from the

proverbial rooftops, write in newspapers, speak at public assemblies, take any opportunity to testify against slavery and oppression. Never rest satisfied until the collars fell from the necks and the fetters were taken off the hands and feet of the slaves.

Two connections in Leeds- separated by nearly two centuries- but it could be said that out of these tragic and painful events and circumstances things can change for the good. But isn't that the story of Easter too? Mary Magdalene and others went to the tomb in the side of the hill expecting to ritually anoint the dead body of Jesus whom they had known and loved with all their hearts. We can only imagine the sadness and despair they would be feeling as they climbed that hill- their faces grief stricken and their feet weighed down with sorrow. Each one would have their own thoughts of what Jesus had meant to them but each was probably thinking that with the death of someone they had called Lord and Master their lives would be changed- perhaps they may go back to life as it was before they met Jesus- and that might not be for the better. However the wonder of Easter Day tells us that the tables were certainly turned on these sad events- the tomb was empty- Jesus had risen from the dead. The consequences of the sorrow of the Crucifixion turned to the joy of the Resurrection, giving hope and meaning, showing that love is stronger than death and goodness and power can become allies. The Resurrection changed men who had denied their Master- men who had slept through His agony in the garden, who had huddled together behind closed doors- and changed them into ones of confidence ready to go out into the world, ready to face danger and sometimes death as disciples and ambassadors of the Risen Christ.

What better words can illustrate triumph over adversity- good coming out of bad- than those written by Irishman Thomas Kelly in the early nineteenth century.

*'The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now. A royal diadem adorns the mighty victor's brow
They suffer with their Lord below- they reign with Him above! Their profit and their joy- to know the mystery of his love.
The cross He bore is life and health- though shame and death to Him. His people's hope, His people's wealth- their everlasting theme.'*

A Happy and Joyful Easter to everyone *Isobel*

Regular Events at Kildwick

Monday 2 pm	5 Beanlands Glusburn	Informal Bible study and fellowship, all welcome
Tuesday 10.00-11.30am	Chuffs (Not in school holidays)	Fun for pre-school children and their grown-ups!
Tuesday 7.30-8.30 pm	Choir practice	In Parish Rooms
Wednesdays from 10.15 am	NottheKnot Group in Parish Rooms	Stitching and fellowship group.
Wednesday 6.30-7.30 pm	Jets in Parish Rooms (Not in school holidays)	School children's group
7.30 pm	Bellringing	
Thursday 2.00 pm	Open House in Parish Rooms	Refreshments and items for sale



Thu 1st Apr MAUNDY THURSDAY
 Fri 2nd Apr GOOD FRIDAY
 Sat 3rd Apr EASTER EVE
 Sun 4th Apr EASTER DAY
 Mon 12th Apr 7.30pm Fellowship and Focus (Parish Rooms)
 Sat 17th Apr 9.30am Diocesan Day (Bradford Grammar School)
 Sun 25th Apr 10.00am Parish Communion followed by Annual Meetings
 6.00pm Easter Service of Thanksgiving for Departed Family & Friends
 Thu 13th May 7.30pm **Ascension Day** Sung Eucharist
 Sun 23rd May **Pentecost**



Smile lines Confessional

A Catholic went to into the confessional box at a church while on holiday. He noticed on one side a fully equipped bar with Guinness on tap. On the other wall was a dazzling array of the finest Cuban cigars. Then the priest comes in he said:

"Father, forgive me, for it's been a very long time since I've been to confession, but I must first admit that the confessional box is much more inviting these days."

The priest replied

"Get out. You're on my side."

Services at Kildwick

Morning Prayer is said in the church Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
and Friday at 7.30am

Mid week Eucharist in the Parish Rooms on Wednesdays at 9.15am

Thursday 1 st April Maundy Thursday	7.30pm	Eucharist of the Last Supper and Watch of Prayer
Friday 2 nd April Good Friday	10.10am 10.30am 12 noon 2.00pm 7.30pm	Procession of Witness to Cross Hills for... United Service at St. Peter's Methodist Church Watch of silent prayer until.. The Liturgy of the Cross CDFC United Service at St. Peter's Methodist Church
Saturday 3 rd April Easter Vigil	8.45pm	The Easter Liturgy and Renewal of Baptismal Vows
Sunday 4 th April Easter Day	6.00am 8.15 am 10 am 6.00pm	<i>Sunrise Service at Farnhill Pinnacle</i> Holy Communion Family Communion with Blessing of the Easter Garden and renewal of Baptismal Vows. <i>(followed by Easter Egg Hunt)</i> Festival Songs of Praise
Sunday 11 th April The Second Sunday of Easter	8.15 am 10 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
Sunday 18 th April The Third Sunday of Easter	8.15 am 10 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist with Prayers for healing
Sunday 25 th April The Fourth Sunday of Easter	8.15 am 10 am 6.00pm	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist followed by APCM Easter Service of Thanksgiving for Departed Family & Friends

23rd April St George's Day d circa 300 AD

The Saint of an English Army before he was Patron Saint of England, St George may have been a soldier, but he was no Englishman. He was an officer in the Roman army under Diocletian, who refused to abandon his faith during the Terror, and was martyred at Lydda in Palestine about the year 300 AD - supposedly 23 April. Over the years St George became the example of a Christian fighting-man, a powerful helper against evil powers affecting individual lives. He was the soldier-hero of the Middle Ages, of whom remarkable deeds were reported.

In the Golden Legend of the 13th century, Jacobus de Voragine gave St George a handsome write-up. The story runs thus:

One day, St George rode up to the heathen city of Sylene in Lybia, where he found the citizens in great distress. A neighbouring dragon had forced them to surrender two sheep each day for its dinner, and when the sheep gave out, two of their children; and now they were about to sacrifice the King's daughter, dressed as if for her wedding. St George encountered the little party by a stagnant lake, where the dragon lived, and persuaded the sobbing Princess to tell him why she was so miserable. At that moment the dragon appeared, looking inexpressibly revolting. The Saint charged, and drove his spear into the gaping mouth. To everyone's amazement, he tumbled the monster over and over.



Then St George borrowed the Princess's girdle, tied it round the dragon's neck, and persuaded her to lead it back to Sylene herself. The sight of her approaching with the befuddled dragon on its makeshift lead emptied the town. When the inhabitants timidly crept back, St George promised to behead the dragon if they would all believe in Jesus Christ and be baptised.

It was a most effective form of evangelism, for everybody said 'yes' at once. So 15,000 people were baptised, and four carts were commissioned to remove the dragon's body.

St George thus became a symbol of the war against evil, and is usually portrayed trampling the dragon of sin under his horse's hoofs. The Crusaders had a vision of him helping them against the Saracens at Antioch, during the first Crusade, and so brought the story of St George back with them from Palestine. Presently England put herself under the protection of the Saint. His day was declared a holiday in 1222. A red cross on a white field is the flag of St George.

Cross Hill Naturalists' Society (Founded 1904)

Summer programme 2010

Microscope Meetings will take place on the second Thursday of each month from April to September 1945-2100 hours at the Senior Citizen Centre, North Street Sutton- in—Craven

Date	Venue	Leader
May		
Tues. 4th	Clapham to Ingleborough Cave	Michael Jackson
Thurs. 13 th	Dawn Chorus	Rod Brown (RSPB)
June		
Thurs. 3 rd	Ilkley Moor. Botany and Archaeology	John Webb
Wed. 16 th	Latterbarrow and Holehird Garden	Jean Kendrew
Sun 20 th	Summer Sunrise	Allan Butterfield
Wed. 30th	Himalayan Balsam Pull	Mrs. Beaufoy
July		
Sat. 17th	Bat Walk	C h i l o e
Bellamy		Chris Scott
August		
Wed. 18th	Fern Walk	Alison Evans

Details of times, meeting places will be given monthly.

To find out more visit our website
[www . crosshillsnats.co.uk](http://www.crosshillsnats.co.uk)

Women's Institute News

Kildwick with Farnhill W. I.

Members met at the home of Anne Greenwood for a talk on "Bats" by Ian Butterfield.

The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Thursday, April 8th in the Parish Rooms, Kildwick, when we shall have a Pilates Demonstration.

For any further information, please telephone 01535 633673.



Church Rotas

Thursday 1 st April Maundy Thursday	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Exodus 12 1 - 14 1 Corinthians 11 23 - 26 John 13 1 - 17, 31b - 35	Glyn Evans John Hudson Lesley Hudson
Friday 2 nd April Good Friday	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Isaiah 52 13 - 53.12 Hebrews 4 14 - 16; 5.7-9 John 18 19 - 42	Ruth Ward Margaret Jowett Robin to Read
Saturday 3 rd April Easter Vigil		To be Arranged	
Sunday 4 th April Easter Day	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Acts 10 34 - 43 1 Corinthians 15 19 - 26 Luke 24 1 - 12	Margaret Jowett This reading not used Lance Peake
Sunday 11 th April The Second Sunday of Easter	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Acts 5 27 - 32 Revelation 1 4 - 8 John 20 19 - 31	Brenda Brock Isobel Stirk Marie Stinson
Sunday 18 th April The Third Sunday of Easter	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Acts 9 1 - 20 Revelation 5 11 - 14 John 21 1 - 19	Michael Baumber Kath Morris Barry Houghton
Sunday 25 th April The Fourth Sunday of Easter	1 st Reading 2 nd Reading Gospel	Acts 9 36 - 43 Revelation 7 9 - 17 John 10 22 - 30	Lesley Hudson This reading not used Lesley Bannister

Brass Cleaning: Jan Richardson and Libba Utley

Church Cleaning

April: Helen Hulley, Rosie Hargreaves, Sylvia Ackroyd

MAY : Marian Baxter, June Whitaker, Mary Peake, Christine Hutchinson

April Flower Rota

4th	EASTER	18th	
11th	Mrs Pratt	25th	Mr. Bates



Date	Sidesperson	Intercessor	Communion
Sunday 4 th April Easter Day	Joan and Barry Houghton Libba Utley Brian Green	Sue Hargreaves	Christine and John
Sunday 11 th April The Second Sunday of Easter	David Baxter Marie Stinson Peter McNeill	Isobel Stirk	Sandie and Michael
Sunday 18 th April The Third Sunday of	Christine Anderton Ann Mosley June Whitaker	Peter Bannister	Tim and Sue
Sunday 25 th April The Fourth Sunday of	Eleanor Eastwood Dorothy Ward Christine Hutchinson	Lesley Hudson	Sandie and Christine

Fellowship & Focus Group

Our next meeting on Monday 12th April and will focus on a NOOMA film 'Trees'.

We want to know why we are here. If our lives really matter. How our religion is relevant to this life. Today. We want to understand what significance this minute, hour, week, month, and year has to our lives. To our world. We need a God who cares about this life, in this world, right now. We want to understand why everything we think, everything we say, and everything we do matters. We don't want to just sit back and wait for something to happen or some day to come. We want to know if all the choices we make now will shape our world and lives for eternity. Because we want our lives to have meaning today, and our lives today to have meaning for ever.

The Focus is led by Peter Bannister. Then we have a short time of prayer followed by drinks, nibbles and fellowship. Do come and join us we are delighted to see new faces.

Kildwick CE Primary School

Striving for Excellence and Promoting Christian Values
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Class 1

We have had a super week looking at life cycles in both fiction and non fiction. We have also been looking at money.

Class 2

We have had a lovely week and enjoyed being outdoors for PE. Our new spelling pattern is 'oi' and 'oy'.

Next we week will be learning about stories from other cultures.

In Maths we will be learning about turns, including right angle turns.

CLASSES 1 AND 2

Thank you to everyone who came to the spelling evening – we look forward to seeing you in class if you are able to come.

Class 3 by Harry Richardson and Sophie Gostling

Two ladies called Yasmien and Ankita came in (Ankita has been living in England for 4 years now). We did lots of activities such as Henna patterns (Ankita was so fast but so careful!) and dressing up (the clothes were so beautiful). We also did stencilling fabric (they ended up really beautiful). We did Arabic and Urdu writing. Yasmien told us a story about how all the different seasons were fighting, but it all ended up OK in the end. Just before lunchtime Yasmien and Ankita shared out chapattis we had made and some delicious Asian treats. Wednesday morning was fab!

Just to remind you next week we will have Mrs Hawkes from Action Aid in to talk about Chembakolli for our Geography lessons.

Class 4

We have had a fantastic time this week producing our animal themed slippers in DT. They should all be completed by the early part of next week, so please come into school and have a look.

Our garden lanterns are taking shape and should be completed on Tuesday. James will then take them to be fired before returning them to us for the barbeque season!

We spent an enjoyable afternoon on Wednesday participating in activities linked to the Muslim way of life. The chapattis were delicious!

Big congratulations to Emily Simons and Isobel Wild who represented South Craven in the Partnership swimming finals at Aireville pool. They both swam brilliantly in their relay races. South Craven finished joint second out of the four areas that were competing – a fantastic result. Well done to both of you!

The following children took part in a Cross Country competition. Year 6: Abigail Towers (10th), Year 5: Georgia Gray (1st), Katie Smurthwaite (4th), Year 4: Daisy Watkiss (3rd), Erin Johnston (13th), William Nelson (15th) and Alice Mitchell (18th). A superb performance from all the runners. They made us feel extremely proud.

Good luck to all our pupils and any of their families who are taking part in the Sports Relief Mile. Hope you all finish in good time!

FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF DRAFT MINUTES

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The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 4th March 2010 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. The meeting was chaired by Counc. M. Scarffe. Five members of the council were present, plus NYCC & CDC Representatives. No members of the public were present.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th February were proposed, seconded and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

It was noted that the potholes under the Culvert had been repaired, but the work carried out was not of a very good standard. Clerk to thank NYCC for carrying out the work but to ask them if this is a temporary repair which will be done properly at a later stage.

The Parish Council felt that a grit bin should be provided for Starkey Lane and it was reported that the grit bins on Mary Street and Main Street Car Park were empty. Clerk to ask for the bins to be refilled and request a bin to be placed half way up Starkey Lane. Also to enquire whether NYCC have a Policy where they will provide more grit bins if the Parish Council contribute to the cost.

The Clerk received a complaint from a member of the public, regarding the new light on Starkey Lane still not being connected. Clerk has asked Peter Ball from NYCC to ask YEDL to connect the light to the supply as soon as possible.

NYCC have written advising the Parish Council of the anticipated costs for the Footway Lighting Maintenance Contract 2010-2011 and asked if the Council wished to continue with the contract. The increase will be between 1% and 2%, the exact figure is not yet available. The Council agreed to continue with the contract and clerk to inform NYCC.

CDC Rep Counc P Fairbank provided information on re-cycling and which commodities go in the different bins. She stated that it was impossible to list every commodity, but CDC will be delivering an A-Z on what goes where to every household. A few items mentioned were:

- **Light bulbs** which go in the green bins, apart from low energy and halogen bulbs which should be taken to the re-cycling centre.
- **Tin Foil** which should be put in the green bins.
- **Batteries** which can be put in the battery banks at Tesco or Morrisons. There is also a new scheme where a private contractor will provide a bin free of charge for a suitable place, to deposit batteries, which he will collect.

CDC will be providing a second waste collection service on alternate weeks for a limited number of properties where problems have been identified with storage problems.

A Councillor reported that since the introduction of fortnightly collections a pile of rubbish had accumulated in the village. Counc P Fairbank said she would look into the problem.

Counc. R Bramley was absent from the meeting, but reported that there were no problems with the Play Area apart from there still being pieces of rendering falling off the wall.

It was decided to ask representatives from CDC Waste Management, NYCC Highways and NY Police to the Annual Parish Meeting to discuss village issues. NYCC & CDC Representatives will also be giving reports on local issues.

Counc M Scarffe has arranged a meeting with Dr Canaway to advise on setting a group up to instigate the work at the Arbour.

One of the occupants of the four houses at Kirkgate has been in contact with Councillor D Atkinson with regard to the boundary review and has stated that they wish to stay in Farnhill Parish and the boundary should be left as it is. As no other comments have been received from the other three residents it was felt that the Parish Council should not take any further action at the moment, but felt it would be a good idea to raise the matter at the Parish Meeting.

He stated that mobile libraries are running at a loss and alternatives are being sought. The Parish Council agreed to continue with Yorkshire Local Council Association Membership for a further year.

The period of office of all the current members of the Parish Council will expire in May 2010 and if the election is contested the election will be held on the 6th May. However if the forthcoming Parliamentary Election is called for the 6th May, the contested Parish Council Elections will be postponed and held on the 27th May 2010.

Nominations for Councillors start on the 30th March and close at noon on the 8th April. There will be seven places to fill on the Council and new Councillors would be welcome. If you are interested in village issues Nomination Papers will be available from the Clerk of the Parish Council or from Colin Iveson at CDC.

New Revised Standing Orders have now been published by NALC and are to be passed round in the correspondence for all Councillors to look at. The new standing orders highlight mandatory statutory requirements which must be adopted as well as allowing councils to set rules for their own councils.

A copy of a Training and Development Programme 2010 leaflet is also being passed round in correspondence for Councillors to look at.

A reply has been received from St Andrews Church regarding the 24hour closure. They state that the PCC believes that the paths through the churchyard are permissive paths, not rights-of-way and as such it is in order to close the paths for one 24hr period each year. That is the only reason for the closure and they wish to reassure the Parish Council that there are no other plans to restrict access through the churchyard.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 1ST APRIL 2010 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM

All members of the village are welcome to attend.

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE 15TH APRIL 2010 AT 7.30PM IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE. PLEASE DO COME ALONG TO HAVE YOUR SAY ON VILLAGE ISSUES.



EASTER FLOWERS

From the darkness of Good Friday, the day on which Jesus died on the cross, we come to the light and joy of Easter Day.

In Lent the church was dull and bare but at Easter it is bright with masses of flowers. The flowers remind us that the world is full of life, even though it looked so dead through the winter months.



You can read what happened in a special garden on that very first Easter Day in the Gospels; Matthew, chapter 28; Mark, chapter 16; Luke, chapter 24 and John, chapter 20.



What flower does everyone have?
Tulips.

YOUR OWN EASTER GARDEN

Lots of churches build an Easter garden to show the



empty tomb. You can make your own quite simply – you will need a shallow tin or dish, soil or potting compost, moss, stones, empty little jar (from baby food or paste), flowers and leaves and a small clay flower pot.

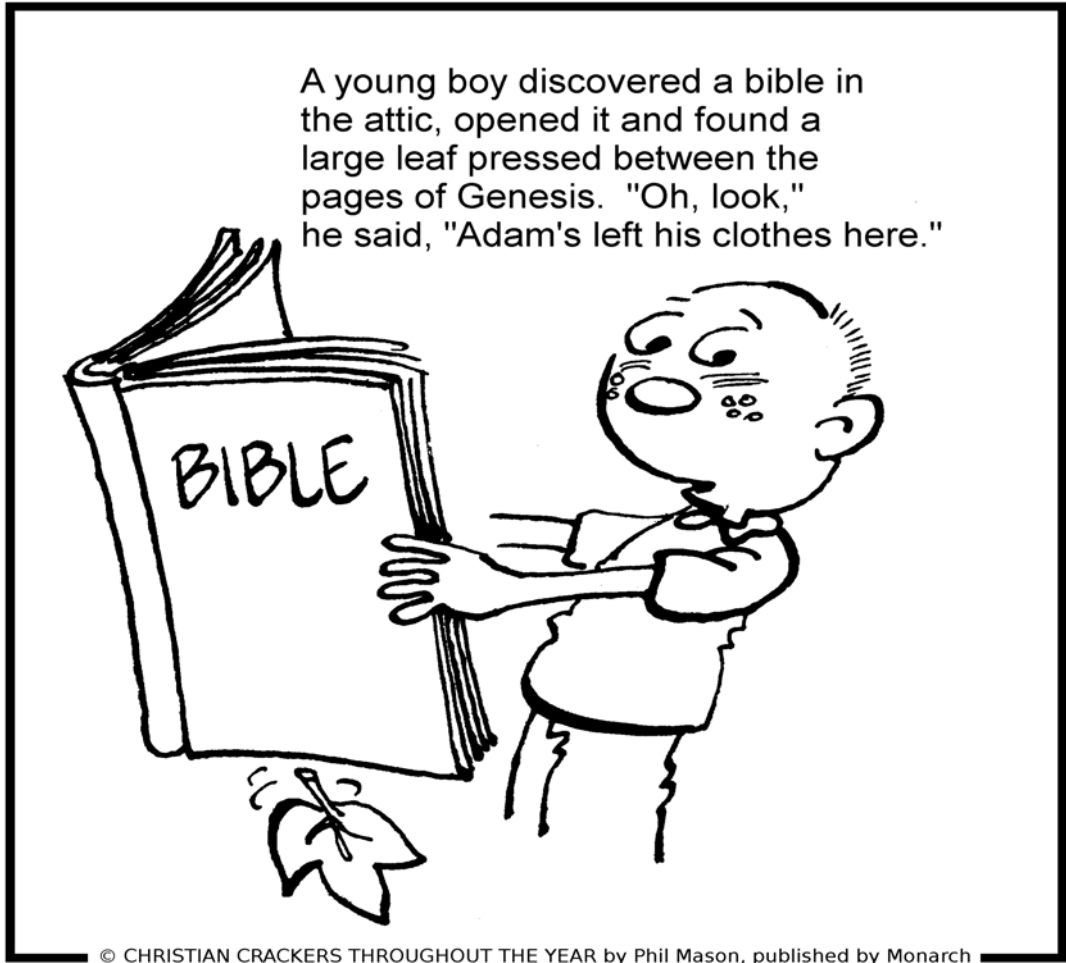
Line the dish with soil or potting compost and put the clay flowerpot on its side to make the tomb. Cover the sides of the pot and the soil with moss.

Make a hole in the 'grass' large enough to take the jar. Fill the jar with water and a small arrangement of flowers and leaves.

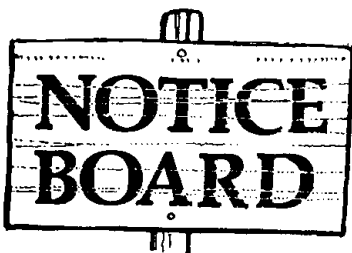


Decorate the garden with stones (for a path), pebbles and other flowers. Put one large stone by the side of the mouth of the flower pot to make the door of the tomb that was rolled away. Spray your garden with water and it will keep green and fresh for quite a long time.

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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.

THE VILLAGE PUMP

A Meeting Place for Over 50's

Every Wednesday
2.00 - 3.30 pm

Chat  over Tea

Dominoes

Scrabble 

Cards 
and more ...

Farnhill Methodist Church
(in the foyer)