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Happy and peaceful New Year to all
our readers

St. Andrew's Church Kildwick

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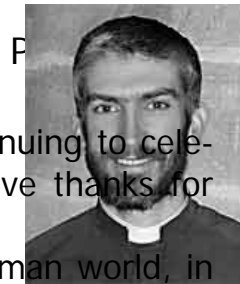
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Parish Mission Statement

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

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The Vicar's letter.....



Dear friends,

A happy Christmas and a happy New Year to you. I hope you are continuing to celebrate with great joy and gladness the good news of Christmas as we give thanks for God's gift to us of himself as the Christ-child, God with us, Emmanuel.

Christmas is, of course, about the coming of God into our world, the human world, in the person Jesus. The story of the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus is the Christian story; the story that has challenged and encouraged the peoples of the world for the past two millennia.

As we begin another year the story of Jesus, God-with-us, is one that invites our deepest reflection as we gaze in wonder at the Christ-child in the Christmas crib and contemplate the mystery of this Love made flesh. The challenge, as Rowan Williams reminded us, in his last Christmas sermon as Archbishop of Canterbury, is "to look at Jesus, who asks of us initially just to stop and reflect, to stay for a moment in the light that allows us to see ourselves honestly and to see the world differently". He also reminds us that, "Jesus does not come to give us a set of techniques for keeping God happy; and he certainly doesn't come to create a harmless eccentric hobby for speculative minds. He comes to make humanity itself new, to create fresh possibilities for being at peace with God and each other; and he does this by summoning us to be with him".

The story of Jesus is one that speaks of what it means to be truly human, living in fulfilled relationships of loving forgiveness with each other. As we gaze in wonder at all that Jesus is, the shock is to realise that it is as though we are gazing into a mirror which reveals, if we can only see, the truth about ourselves, as individuals and collectively. Jesus is the One who shines the light of love and forgiveness into the darkness of our human nature and reveals our brokenness and weaknesses.

The good news is that, again picking up Rowan Williams in his New Year message, the Christian story "isn't a social problem or an old-fashioned embarrassment; it's a well-spring of energy and source of life-giving vision for how people should be regarded and treated".

As we move into this new year will you resolve to see yourself more honestly and see the world around you differently, doing all within your energy and power to make a difference how everyone is regarded and treated?

I have quoted Rowan Williams who has now stepped down as Archbishop of Canterbury. We now look forward to Bishop Justin Welby taking up the mantel; he will formally take up the office on 4th February before his enthronement in Canterbury Cathedral on 21st March. We give thanks for the ministry of Archbishop Rowan and we now pray for Archbishop-elect Justin as he seeks to hold before us the vision of the gospel in the years ahead.

Personally, I am now preparing for taking a period of study leave from the parish for 3 months from 10th May. During my time away the parish will be in the care of the churchwardens and retired clergy. More details will be given nearer the time.

I hope that you will know God's presence close to you in your journey through this year. May the Love and the Light that God has revealed to us in Jesus be your encouragement and your challenge.

Wishing you much peace and blessing,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Robin', with a horizontal line drawn through it.

Lent Course 2013 – The Parables of Jesus

This year we will again be having one meeting each week on Wednesday evening when a visiting speaker will come and help us reflect on one of the parables of Jesus.

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

The programme for this year is as follows:

- 20th February **The Prodigal Son** with the Revd Peter Bannister, from St Andrew's, Kildwick.
- 27th February **The Good Samaritan** with the Revd Robin Figg, Vicar of St Andrew's, Kildwick.
- 6th March **The Rich Man & Lazarus** with the Revd Canon Michael Cowgill, Vicar of St Thomas', Sutton-in-Craven.
- 13th March **Parables of Growth (The Sower, the Growing Seed and the Mustard Seed)** with the Revd Dr John Peet, Vicar of Cononley and Bradley.
- 20th March **The Parables Reviewed** with the Revd Duncan Johnstone, from South Craven Baptist Church.

Parcevall Hall - A Weekend Away, Friday 10th to Sunday 12th May

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 programme for the weekend will be a relaxed mixture of worship, talks & discussions, fellowship and free time.

Look out for more details coming soon. Contact the Vicar, Robin Figg, 633307 with any questions.

From the registers

Baptisms

Sunday 4th December Juliet Anise Roberts, daughter of David and Joy, of Main Street, Farnhill

Funerals

Friday 21st December Tony Walton, formerly of Starkey Lane, Farnhill



NEWS FROM THE CROSS HILLS & DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th – 25th January

In 1989 when the Churches committed themselves afresh to the ecumenical vision of full visible unity, they stated clearly that they were to be “no longer strangers but pilgrims together”. The image of ‘pilgrimage’, which recurs throughout Christian theology and spirituality, is a powerful and important one for the ecumenical movement. Pilgrimage implies walking and for this year’s Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we are asked to reflect upon our ecumenical pilgrimage: how we walk together and walk humbly with God.

This year the theme is **"What does God require of us?"**

The British and Irish resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2013 are based on the international material compiled this year by the Student Christian Movement of India (SCMI), along with the All India Catholic University Federation and the National Council of Churches in India. In reflecting on the significance of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity they decided that in a context of great injustice to Dalits in India and in the Church, the search for visible unity cannot be disassociated from the dismantling of casteism and the contribution to unity by the poorest of the poor.

Casteism results in the Dalits being socially marginalized, politically under-represented, economically exploited and culturally subjugated. Almost 80% of Indian Christians have a Dalit background. During the Week of Prayer, Christians all over the world will explore in ecumenical fellowship what it means to do justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with God (Micah 6:8).

This theme is developed over the eight days by the metaphor of walking. For Dalit communities, the walk towards liberation is inseparable from the walk towards unity. So our walk with Dalits this week, and with all who yearn for justice, is an integral part of the prayer for Christian unity. Christians in India should reject caste divisions, just as Christians worldwide should not accept the divisions among them: “Is Christ divided?” (1 Corinthians 1:13). As we gather to pray for the unity which Christ wills for his Church, we are called to break down such walls of divisions among and between us.

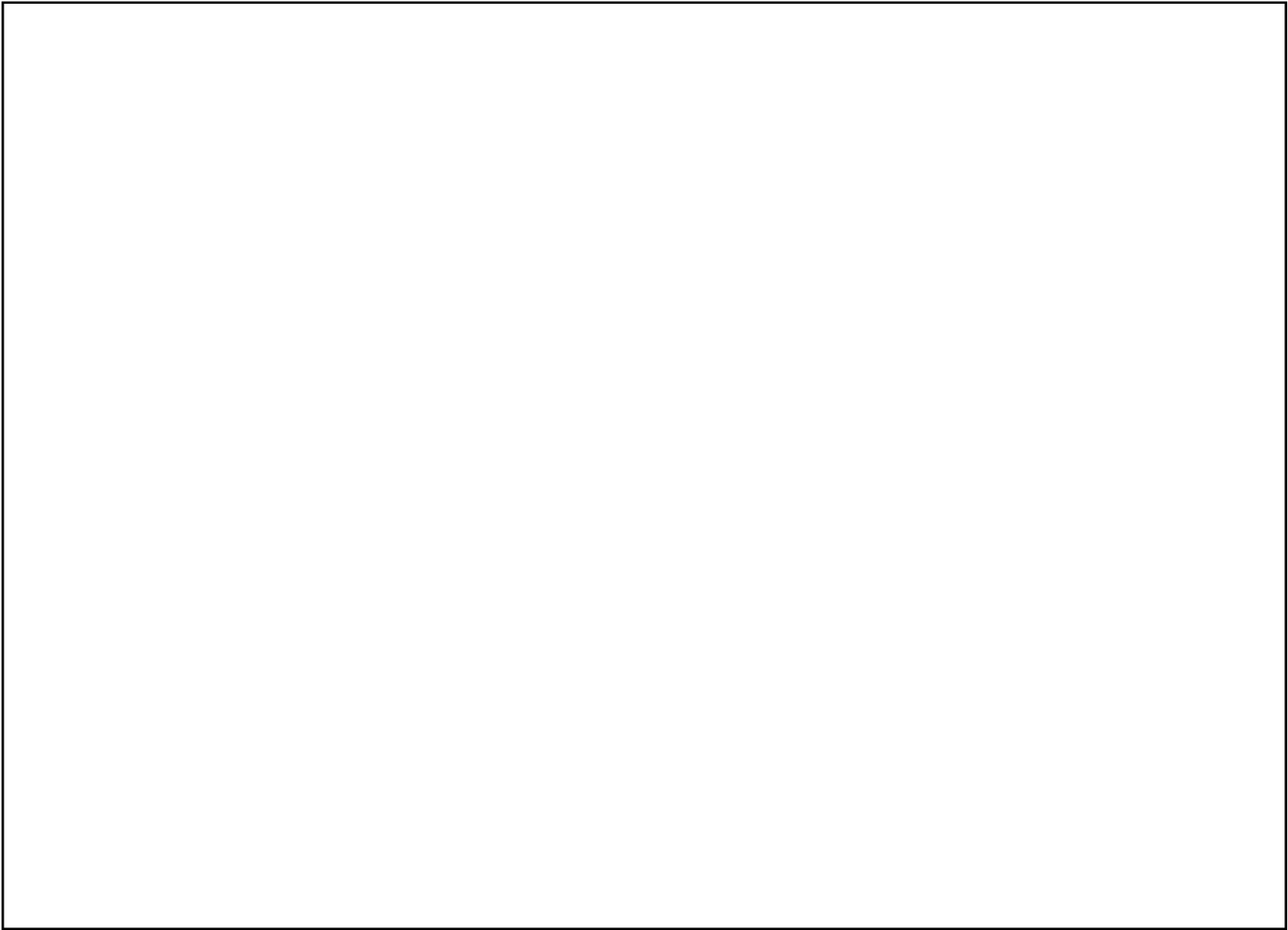
The text is taken from **Micah 6.6-8**:

⁶ ‘With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old?’

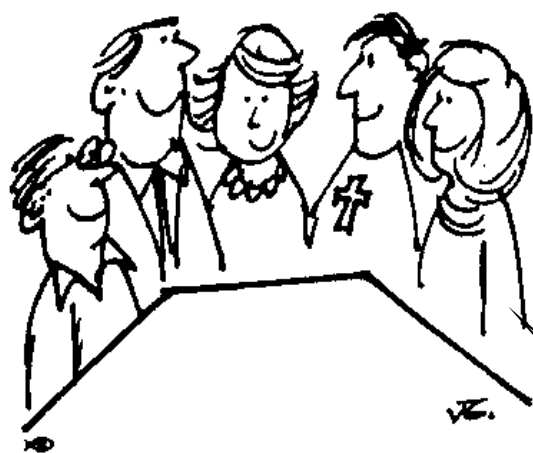
⁷ ‘Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?’

⁸ He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Further details can be found at www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer



St Andrew's Pastoral Care Group



Call June on
01535 655320

Want someone
to talk to?

Need a
listening
ear?

Lonely?

Need
some
help?

Prayer Page



I am the new year. I am an unspoiled page
in your book of time.

I am your next chance at the art of living. I
am your opportunity to practice what you
have learned about life during the last
twelve months.

All that you sought and didn't find is hidden
in me, waiting for you to search it but with
more determination.

All the good that you tried for and didn't
achieve is mine to grant when you have
fewer conflicting desires.

All that you dreamed but didn't dare to do,
all that you hoped but did not will, all the
faith that you claimed but did not have—
these slumber lightly, waiting to be awak-
ened by the touch of a strong purpose.

I am your opportunity to renew your alle-
giance to Him who said, "Behold, I make all
things new."

Dear Lord, please give me...

A few friends who understand me and
remain my friends;

A work to do which has real value,
without which the world would be the
poorer;

A mind unafraid to travel, even though
the trail be not blazed;

An understanding heart;

A sense of humour;

Time for quiet, silent meditation;

A feeling of the presence of God;

The patience to wait for the coming of
these things,

With the wisdom to recognize them
when they come. Amen.

May God make your year a
happy one!

Not by shielding you from

all sorrows and pain,

But by strengthening you to

bear it, as it comes;

Not by making your path easy,

But by making you sturdy to travel any
path;

Not by taking hardships from you,

But by taking fear from your heart;

Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,

But by keeping your face bright, even in the
shadows;

Not by making your life always pleasant,

But by showing you when people and their
causes need you most,

and by making you anxious to be there
to help.

God's love, peace, hope and joy to you for
the year ahead. Amen

"Heavenly Father, for this coming year
Just one request I bring.

I do not pray for happiness or any earthly
thing.

I do not ask to understand the way you
lead me;

But this I ask—teach me to do the thing
that pleases You.

I want to know Your guiding voice,
To walk with you each day.

Heavenly Father,

Make me swift to hear and ready to obey;

And thus the year I now begin

A happy year will be,

If I am seeking just to do

The thing that pleases You."

Messy Church - Sunday 16th December

Thank you to everyone involved with the recent Messy Church; a very good time was had by all. The next Messy Church will take place on Sunday 24th March (Palm Sunday).



Craft helpers concentrating hard!

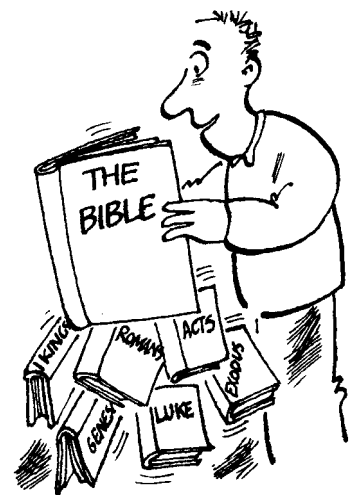
Pauline with Steve and a enthusiastic helper!



100,000 downloads for BRF Bible reading apps

While surveys show that daily Bible reading is an uphill struggle for many Christians, with time pressure, relevance and simply knowing where to start being key reasons, there appears to be no shortage of interest in trying new ways to solve the problem.

The Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF) launched their first daily Bible reading notes app, based on their New Daylight series, in February 2010. Two more apps have followed, based on their Guidelines notes (offering a wider breadth of theological viewpoints) and Day by Day with God, (daily reading notes written by women for women). Today, downloads of their three apps have passed 100,000, with readers spread worldwide.



To find out more about BRF Bible daily reading note apps for the iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch visit: www.biblereadingnotes.org.uk/iphone-apps/

BIBLE HISTORY

written by Michael Baumber



JESUS THE TEACHER: 5. THE INCLUSIVE JESUS

Jesus attacked the Pharisees because they observed a whole range of purity rituals which set them apart from the majority of the population. They believed that only those who observed them would enter the coming kingdom of heaven. Jesus believed these practices led to religious extremism and then in turn to political disaster when others united to destroy them. He took the opposite course. The Pharisees criticised him for eating with publicans and sinners. This does not mean evil people. For the Pharisees sinners were all those who did not or, who because of their employment, could not follow their purity rules. It was this sort of inclusive behaviour that made Jesus so popular with the Galilean peasants and fishermen and even his inclusion of a tax gatherer among his disciples does not seem to have dented his reputation.

Jesus' story of the wedding feast where the invited guests who were summoned failed to attend and which led the manager of the feast to go out into the highways and byways to find replacements showed that inclusiveness extended to the poor as well. Nor did Jesus forget women. In a society which suspected the morals of any woman who lived in a non-familial setting, the existence of a group of them who followed him around, and were welcomed not disowned, was a matter for considerable comment. Other examples of inclusiveness, however, led to more serious questioning.

When an expert in the law asked Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life, he replied by asking him what was written in the law. He answered. Love the Lord your God, with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbour as yourself. When the expert then asked him to define who his neighbour was Jesus told the story of the Good Samaritan. The story is really a criticism of ritual purity and Jesus chose a Samaritan as his charitable neighbour to underline the offensiveness of such practices but it does imply that individual Samaritans could enter his kingdom. For Galileans this was inclusiveness going too far. They hated Samaritans and shortly after the crucifixion the Romans had to intervene to stop fighting between them.

Jesus' message was to the Jews but what about Gentiles? The only direct reference to them is the story of the Syro-Phoenician woman whose sheer persistence persuaded Jesus to cure her daughter.

Mark tells us that Jesus tried to keep his visit to her house a secret. I noted in an earlier article two examples of Jesus curing people from a distance. Both were Gentiles and some scholars believe that Jesus performed the cures in their homes and that the miracle stories were designed to cover up visits which would be unacceptable to orthodox Jews. These examples suggest that when the manager of the feast went out into the highways and byways some of the replacement guests he brought back could have been Gentiles.

JIGSAW KIDS MINISTRY WORKING TO TRANSFORM THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES LIVING IN URBAN POVERTY THROUGH THE LOVE OF CHRIST.

So many children have so little and their lives are so vulnerable and at the bottom of this pile are often children with special education needs. In November we assessed the progress of our SEN children's work and were amazed with how far it has come. Right now our SEN kids club has between 9 and 12 children with a range of physical and mental disabilities. The club is lead by our wonderful SEN team leader supported by an assistant and a hardworking volunteer. The children come and play, have chance to be creative and receive one to one attention. The hearing impaired children are learning to sign and together they experience the love of Jesus. In June with the support of our social workers it was wonderful to see 4 of the children join a SEN learning unit run by a local school. This is a very challenging time as the parents have to accompany their child each day to school. Jigsaw helps with the bus fair and school needs but the majority of the support and work comes from the children's amazing and caring mothers. Please pray for our SEN work as our dream is to have a specially dedicated room for the project, more training for teachers and to be able to reach more SEN children living in the slum, squatter and street communities that Jigsaw works in. Please pray especially for 2 deaf and mute children who are unable to come at the moment as the area where they live has become too dangerous for our staff to collect them from. This is so sad as this may be their only opportunity in life to receive the specific love and care that they need. Thank you for your prayers and love it is these that are building God's Kingdom of hope and a future.



Children playing at Jigsaw's Special Needs Kids club



JOY, JOY, JOY – NEW TOYS ARRIVE IN MANILA



SAFE PLACES FOR CHILDREN TO BE CHILDREN, TO PLAY & TO KNOW THE LOVE OF CHRIST was the starting point of Jigsaw almost 10 years ago. Today this foundation has not changed. Playing is a gift from God to His children. The toys at Jigsaw have been played with 6 days a week many of them for the last 9 years bringing untold joy and happiness in the lives of children so hurt by the context of the poverty they live in. Over a year ago it was becoming obvious that that so many of the loved toys of Jigsaw were becoming 'played out' and new toys were needed.

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Through the wonderful love, hard work and giving of so many people in churches in the UK, beautiful and wonderful toys were gathered ready to be sent to the children in Manila. Praise God and thanks to you, new toys have arrived and as we unpacked the toys an excitement grew as each toy was revealed and the children began to play. Jigsaw wants to send a huge, HUGE thank you to all those who gave these precious toys and spent so much time gathering them together for Jigsaw. We have no doubt that they will bring joy, fun, comfort and love to many hundreds of children for many years to come. Thank you all so very much

Training manual for children and advocates

Congratulations to Jeannette and Jenalyn our two wonderful social workers who have been working with UNICEF, World Vision and others organisations to write a training manual for children to be aware of child trafficking, pornography and sexual child abuse. The manuals train children to know how to react when they see signs of different abuses in their communities. Jeannette and Jenalyn shared with me how proud they were when the books were published as on the back were the logos of UNICEF, World Vision and others and there in the middle was the logo of Jigsaw. God is certainly using Jigsaw in powerful ways.

Solid Rock – Love struck!!

SOLID ROCK is Jigsaw's youth ministry headed up by Venus and Aaron our youth leaders. One of the goals of Solid Rock is to nurture the youth in faith and life skills. Some of the many difficulties for the youth in the slum and squatter areas originate from boy/girl relationships; many have never known or seen Godly and loving youth/marriage relationships. Recently, solid rock held its 'Love Struck' seminar for over 90 young people lead by an author who presented his book 'love struck.' Love struck is all about Godly loving and responsible young people's relationships. This is so pioneering to bring Gods good news and ways of relationships to these young people. Venus and Aaron said, "The day was such a huge success, the young people's eyes were opened to something so new, God's ways for young people and marriage relationships. It was amazing and within the day a number of toughened and hurting young people heard of love and found Christ for the first time." Praise God.



Saints and Such

14 Felix of Nola (d 260)

What do you do when you find a large spider web in your house? If you ever feel some sympathy for the spider who went to all that trouble, then Felix is a good patron saint for you. He was saved by such a spider, spinning such a web.

Felix had been born to a Syrian soldier who had retired to Nola, near Naples in Italy. When his father died, Felix gave his property and money away, and was ordained by St Maximus of Nola. Felix went to work with him, ministering to the people of Nola.

Then Decius, the Roman Emperor, began another persecution of the Christians. Maximus escaped to the mountains, but Felix was arrested and badly beaten. Legend has it that he was rescued – and freed from captivity - by an angel. In any case, Felix followed Maximus and found him sick and in need. Felix hid him in an empty building, and prayed for God's protection. The soldiers were out looking for the two men, but then a spider arrived at the door of the building where they were hiding. The spider spun such a magnificent web across the door that it fooled the imperial soldiers into thinking the building was long abandoned. The spider save Maximus and Felix that day, and the two men stayed on the run until Decius' death in 251.

After that, the people of Nola wanted Felix as their bishop. But Felix refused, and returned to farming his lands; giving the poor most of the food that he managed to grow. Though Felix went on to die naturally, he was still thought of as a martyr, or 'witness' because he had suffered torture, imprisonment and privations in the persecution. Felix did not mind: he served a King who was not of this world, and he looked forward to a better future life with that King in a new heaven and a new earth.

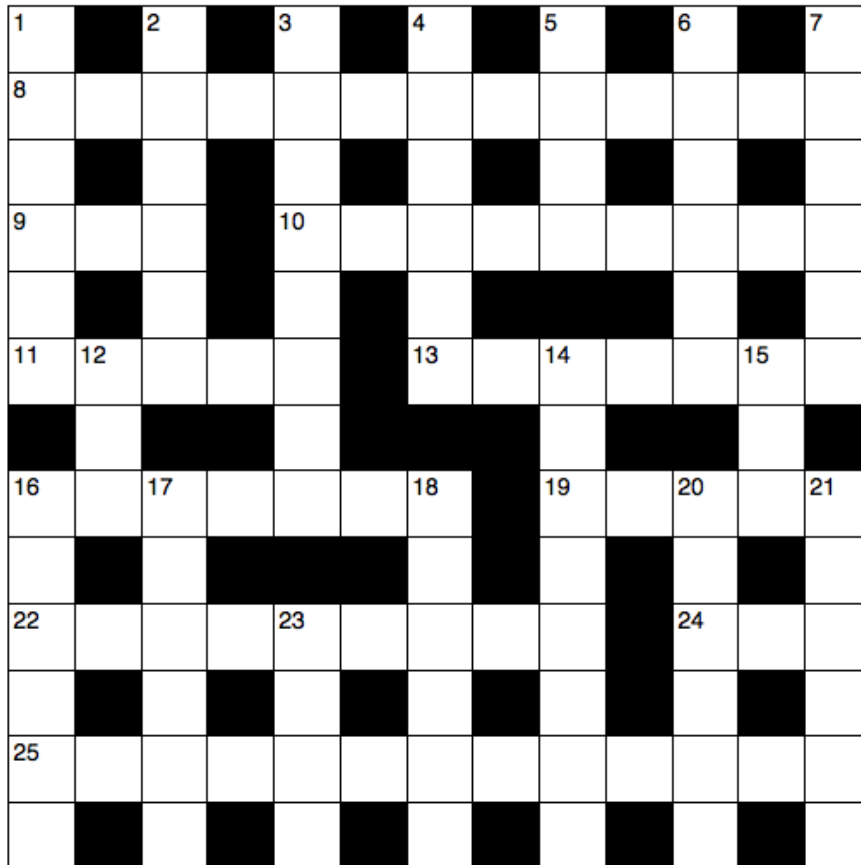
27 Angela Merici (1474 – 1540)

With international concern about the welfare of children, Angela is a good saint to remember as the year gets underway. Not only did she herself survive a harsh childhood, but she went on to dedicate her own life to helping children in need.

Angela was born near Lake Garda, in Desenzano, where she was orphaned as a young child. The 1480s were hardly an easy time for orphaned girls, but somehow Angela survived to grow into her teens, when she became a Franciscan tertiary. However miserable her own childhood, Angela chose to let it work for good in her life: she decided to devote her own life to the education of poor girls. Girls! This was a time when most of the men were illiterate!

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Across

- 8 How the Abyss (NIV) is described in the Authorized Version (Revelation 9:1) (10,3)
 9 Frozen water (Ezekiel 1:22) (3)
 10 The Ten Commandments (9)
 11 In Roman Catholic theology, neither heaven nor hell (5)
 13 Des cons (anag.) (7)
 16 'Though [your sins] are red as — , they shall be like wool' (Isaiah 1:18) (7)
 19 Keen (Romans 1:15) (5)
 22 Repugnant, loathsome (Jeremiah 24:9) (9)
 24 Drink like an animal (Judges 7:5) (3)
 25 First and last (Revelation 22:13) (5,3,5)

Down

- 1 Father of Ahi, a Gadite (1 Chronicles 5:15) (6)
 2 Where David found the stone with which he killed Goliath (1 Samuel 17:40) (6)
 3 'Hour by hour fresh lips are making thy — doings heard on high' (8)
 4 'And there were shepherds living out in the fields near by, keeping watch over their — at night' (Luke 2:8) (6)
 5 United Society for Christian Literature (1,1,1,1)
 6 'If he refuses to listen even to the church, treat him as you would — — or a tax collector' (Matthew 18:17) (1,5)
 7 Where Paul was taken when things became difficult for him in Berea (Acts 17:15) (6)
 12 Istituto per le Opere di Religione (Vatican Bank) (1,1,1)
 14 'Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new — ; the old has gone, the new has come!' (2 Corinthians 5:17) (8)
 15 Used to colour ram skins red for use in the tabernacle (Exodus 25:5) (3)
 16 Vat car (anag.) (6)
 17 'Be joyful — — , patient in affliction, faithful in prayer' (Romans 12:12) (6)
 18 'The parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, while our presentable parts — — special treatment' (1 Corinthians 12:23) (4,2)
 20 Ancient rowing boat (Isaiah 33:21) (6)
 21 Say again (2 Corinthians 11:16) (6)
 23 What Jesus did in the synagogue in Nazareth after he stood up (Luke 4:16) (4)

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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- 12.30pm	NottheKnot Group in Parish Rooms	Stitching and fellowship group.
7.30 pm	Bellringing	



- Sun 6th Jan THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
10.00am Family Communion
- Sun 13th Jan THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST
10.00am Parish Communion with Baptism
- Wed 16th Jan 7.30pm *The Jesus Driven Life* course (Parish Rooms)
- Fri 18th Jan 10.00am Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms)
- Fri 18th - Fri 25th Jan Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Tue 22nd Jan 6.30pm PCC meeting (Parish Rooms)
- Fri 25th Jan 2.45pm Kildwick School collective worship in church
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- Sun 3rd Feb THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE
10.00am Family Communion with Christingles
- Mon 4th Feb 6.30pm Kildwick School Governors meeting (School)
- Wed 6th Feb 7.30pm *The Jesus Driven Life* course (Parish Rooms)
- Wed 13th Feb ASH WEDNESDAY
9.30am Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes (Parish Rooms)
7.30pm Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes (St Thomas' Church, Sutton)
- Fri 15th Feb 10.00am Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms)
- Fri 15th Feb 2.45pm Kildwick School collective worship in church
- Wed 20th Feb 7.30pm CDFC Lent Course begins (St Peter's Methodist Church)

Sunday Services at Kildwick

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Morning Prayer is said in the church Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday at 7.30am
Mid week Eucharist in the parish rooms on Wednesdays at 9.30am

6 January 2013 Epiphany	8.15 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Family Eucharist
13 January 2013 The Baptism of Christ	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist with baptisms
20 January 2013 The Third Sunday of Epiphany	8.15 am 10.00am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
27 January 2013 The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany	8.15 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist



Sunday 3rd February

At 10 am

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Family Service with Christingles
All welcome

If you have a Children's' Society collecting box please bring it in for emptying.

National roll-out of the 2013 Real Easter Egg Campaign

This month sees the official launch of the Real Easter Egg campaign for 2013. Churches are being invited to sign-up for the eggs at www.realeasteregg.co.uk. Now in its third year, the campaign aims to establish the UK's first religious Fairtrade Easter Egg.

This year the Real Easter Egg is offering a free activity pack in the box which includes the Easter story, an activity poster, a free i-tune download and a sticker set. The resurrection text from Mark can also be found inside the lid. Each egg costs £3.99 and with each sale a donation is made to Traidcraft Exchange (over £40,000 has been donated so far).



Bible Sketchbook

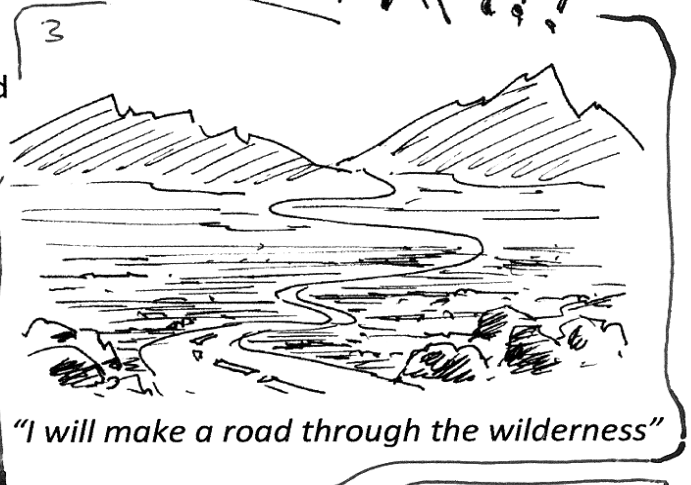


**WATCH OUT FOR
NEW STUFF
NEW YEAR!!!**

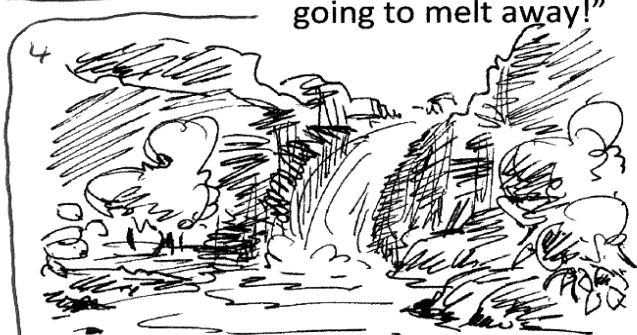
Are you going to hang on to the old stuff as you step into this new year? Or is this a fresh start and a letting go of the old? Isaiah was a great guy 2,800 years ago and he felt God saying: "Go for the new stuff! Things might be tough, but I'm going to make a way for you; I'm going to refresh you and all those old problems are going to melt away!"



"Do not cling to the past!"



"I will make a road through the wilderness"

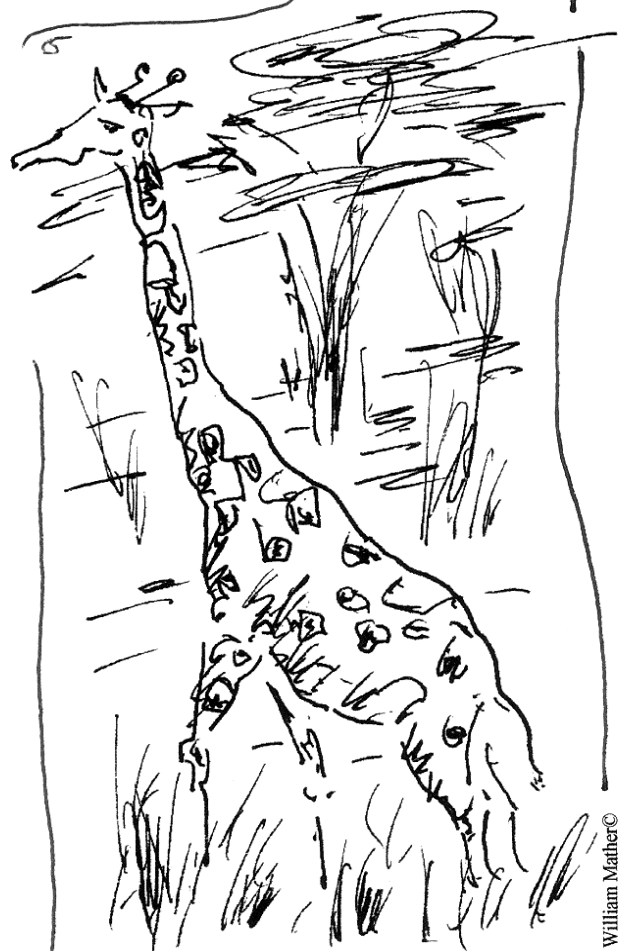


"I'll give you streams of water there"



"...ostriches will praise me"

He added: "It will be like wild animals will worship me and rivers will flow in the desert – to give beautiful water to people like you!" Wow! What a promise and still true today! **Go for it and read more in Isaiah 43: 18-21**



"Wild animals will honour me..."

Looking back on 2012 the Farnhill and Kildwick History group can be proud of how far it has come in such a short space of time. In this, our first full year, we have become well established with regular meetings, talks and fieldtrips; not to mention researching stories of local interest and publishing photographs and articles on our web pages.



The History Group would like thank everyone who has contributed to making our first full year as a group such a success.

If you have attended a meeting or talk, brought along information, contributed photographs and articles for the website, helped to arrange trips and events, put up posters, spoken at one of our talks or played host to the group – a big thank you. If you haven't been to a meeting or event we look forward to welcoming you in 2013.

During the year we have enjoyed a variety of informative talks from guest speakers. In April Bronte expert Isabel Stirk told us about the lives of this literary family and their local connections. Historian Ian Dewhirst captivated us in October with his tales of Keighley in the inter-war years. In November, Dales archaeologist Dr Roger Martlew, explained some of the mysteries surrounding the ancient barrows on Bradley Moor.

Thankfully we were blessed with fine weather for our summer field trips which found us exploring the long barrow on Bradley Moor and taking a closer look at the Farnhill Hall estate and the great barn at Farnhill Hall Farm.

In our meetings we have looked at artefacts and documents ranging from coronation souvenirs that were given to villagers in 1937 to late 19th century plans for row upon row of terraced housing at Middleton in Farnhill which was never built. We've looked at old photographs and heard old poetry about Kildwick and Farnhill.

Guests at our meetings have included Alison Armstrong who spoke about Medieval Architecture in relation to Farnhill Hall, and Marcel and Keith Bunnnett who helped us discover how a former resident of Farnhill was involved in the "Great Escape" from Stalag Luft III in World War II.

Members have researched and written about a range of topics from the Kildwick typhoid epidemic of 1898 which killed 10 people, to how the villages celebrated past royal events including the building of Farnhill's Jubilee Pinnacle, and more light-hearted matters such as "When the milk came by donkey" and "When the circus came to town". Articles, photographs and meeting dates for 2013 are on our webpages (courtesy of Farnhill Parish Council) at www.farnhill.co.uk

In November the group took part in the Local and Family History Fair at Skipton Library and
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6 January 2013 Epiphany	Isaiah 60.1-6 <i>Ephesians 3.1-12</i> Matthew 2.1-12	Stephen Westcott <i>Reading not used</i> Marjorie Gee
13 January 2013 The Baptism of Christ	<i>Isaiah 43.1-7</i> Acts 8.14-17 Luke 3.15-17,21-22	<i>Reading not used</i> Brenda Brock Tim Littler
20 January 2013 The Third Sunday of Epiphany	Isaiah 62.1-5 1 Corinthians 12.1-11 John 2.1-11	Barry Houghton Jennifer Roberts Lesley Hudson
27 January 2013 The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany	Nehemiah 8.1-3,5-6, 8-10 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a Luke 4.14-21	Kathryn Morris Michael Baumber Marie Stinson

Flower Rota January 6th Vacant 13th Vacant 20th Mrs. Peake 27th Mr. Baxter	Church Cleaning: January: Helen Hulley, Rosie Hargreaves, Sylvia Ackroyd Brass Cleaning: Christine Westcott
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With beginning a New Year in mind...

Sin has turned the world from a paradise into a thicket; there is no getting through without being scratched. - T Boston

God loves us; not because we are loveable but because he is love; not because he needs to receive but because he delights to give. - C S Lewis

God gives wherever he finds empty hands. - Augustine

We Christians are miserable indeed if we grow old in making no improvement. - John Calvin

A glimpse of the next three feet of road is more important than a view of the horizon. - CS Lewis

The search for happiness is one of the chief sources of unhappiness. - Eric Hoffer

A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle. - Anon

Many who are climbing the ladder of success have their ladders leaning against the wrong walls. - Erwin Lutzer

You are today where your thoughts have brought you; you will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you. - James Allen

Date	Sidesperson	Intercessor	Communion
6 January 2013 Epiphany	Joan and Barry Houghton David Baxter	Lesley Hudson	Sandie and Tim
13 January 2013 The Baptism of Christ	Marie Stinson Peter McNeill	Sue Hargreaves	Christine and John
20 January 2013 The Third Sunday of Epiphany	Christine Anderton Ann Mosley June Whitaker	Di Halliday	Christine and Michael
27 January 2013 The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany	Libba Utley Michael Baxter Sandie Walton Kath Morris	Stephen Westcott	Sandie and Sue

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But Angela was an audacious woman, and she had only just begun. She and some close companions set to work in the name of Christ, seeking out the poor families in their community. Angela taught the young girls all that she could, and prayed with them, assuring them that even they were precious in the eyes of their Creator.

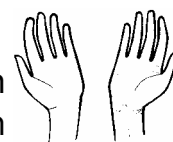
All of which left the Roman Catholic Church badly baffled. What should they do with religious sisters who had taken no vows, still wore their lay clothes, and who, instead of walling themselves up in some nunnery to lead an enclosed life, spent their days in a decidedly mobile, highly visible fashion – out and about in community support?

It wasn't until 1565, some 25 years AFTER Angela's death, that the Church decided it approved of such work. By then the Ursuline nuns, as they were by then called, were going from strength to strength. They still flourish today, with some 2400 Ursuline Sisters in 27 provinces on six continents, and have been well described as 'the oldest and most considerable teaching order of women in the RC Church.'

It took nearly 300 years, but in 1807 the Roman Catholic Church decided that Angela, unveiled, unenclosed and unsupervised as she had been, had been a saint after all – and 'made' her one.

Prayers for the Parish & Word Church

The next monthly meeting to pray for the parish and worldwide Church will take place on Friday 18th January in the parish rooms from 10.00am until 11.30am. We will use material prepared for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. For more information contact Robin Figg, 633307.



FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 4th December 2012 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. The meeting was chaired by Counc. H Matysniak. Six members of the council were present.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th November were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

Trustees of the Kildwick/Farnhill Institute gave a report on why they need continued funding from the Parish Council and stated that any money they had in reserves and the funding they receive from the Council will all be needed in the next couple of years. There is a lot of ongoing maintenance required and the kitchen needs updating in order to bring it to an acceptable standard for people wishing to cater. Members of the Council were invited to the Institute's meeting on the 12th December when discussions were to take place on further maintenance. Clerk to write and inform them that although we would like to support the Institute, in order to maintain accountability and justify the Council's spending, the Parish Council would like them to provide more detailed information on what they intend to use the money for and a rough estimate of cost and timescale of the work. The Parish Council will then consider their request at the January meeting.

Craven District Council have responded to the request to provide a solution to the water running down Main Street from the moor and they say there are 3 gully's very close to each other that will deal with the surface water easily. Any water coming off the moor in exceptional weather conditions might on occasion overwhelm the system, but that has happened in many places throughout Craven this summer. As this is not flooding properties it would be low priority.

CDC have responded to letters about parking problems on Grange Road and state there is very little prospect of providing a 20mph limit together with traffic calming measures due to the relatively low score such a scheme would achieve in their prioritization system. In 2008 a scheme was investigated and scored at being around 60th in the list of proposals for the Craven area alone. Their funding for such works has been reduced considerably over recent years hence there is very little likelihood of any scheme being implemented for the foreseeable future.

With regard to yellow lines, these can be installed to remove dangerous parking, however putting yellow lines down will remove the parking but will also have the likely effect of increasing traffic speeds. There will also still be the possibility that wherever they stop the yellow lines, vehicles will still park and may still create a hazard, and if these are local residents vehicles they would object to such a proposal. They have agreed to repaint the white lining already in place on the entrance to the Arbour and would consider extending the white line above the Arbour entrance on the brow of the hill if the Parish Council agreed to this. Clerk to respond saying that they would be agreeable to extending the white line as a starting point and the situation could then be monitored to see if there was any improvement.

NYCC Rep Counc P Mulligan informed the Parish Council that NYCC budget settlement is expected 19th December and that NYCC have had cuts of 69 million over 4 years and are expecting a further 22 million over the next 2 years. Area Committee are withdrawing subsidy for school journeys and things will get worse, but they are trying to preserve frontline services. He stated that there are seven areas in Area 5 and whereas there used

to be 7 managers this has been reduced to 4 and there are concerns about being less democratic. Positions are being shared with Boroughbridge and Harrogate and several executives are from the Hambleton area causing concern over our geographical representation. Page 21

After advertising the vacancy for Parish Councillor an election has not been requested, therefore the Parish Council can go ahead and co-opt a Councillor. The vacancy will be advertised and a note put on the website and any applications will be considered at the January meeting.

The Parish Council thanked Council's D Atkinson and G Harling for organizing the Let's Talk Event which provided some useful contacts and ideas for activities and improving the village. An IT Class has already started in the village which has been kindly organized by Joyce Wood and Derek Blackwell and they hope to start a light exercise group in January. Kate Fulton is hoping to start a book club in the Institute and Council J Waring is hoping to hold an activity day in the Institute with the help of All Together Now Group at Carers Resource. Council H Law is corresponding with villagers on speeding and parking issues and is hoping to arrange for the speed gun to be used with a volunteer from the village and the police. Council I Fulton will be gathering information about the need for allotments in the village. Council H Matysniak updated the Council on an application made to Craven District Council Localism Reserve Fund for a grant for an information board for the car park. He provided a presentation to CDC, unfortunately the working group gave a recommendation not to fund the proposal due to: Little evidence of wider community support and no commitment to fund from the Parish Council plus the full amount was applied for. The Parish Council will consider gathering more information before making a decision on whether to make a further application at a later date.

Parish Councils have been advised to hold off the decisions for setting the precept for 2013/2014 as changes in the way help with council tax is administered mean that some parish tax-bases could differ significantly from previous years.

Craven District Council have provided an update on the future of the Car Park at Farnhill. The officer recommendation to Select Committee was to dispose of the car park, including retaining wall, at Farnhill Main Street. It is understood that the recommendation Select Committee are to put before Policy Committee in January 2013 is to retain the car park for the time being, and the question of ownership revisited when the economic climate is more favourable, in the meantime officers would seek to minimize maintenance costs and establish projected maintenance costs for the retaining wall. Select Committee is to meet again in early January and they suggest that the Parish Council provides any alternative solution for consideration to Select Committee prior to this meeting. Clerk to write to Craven District Council to advise them that the Council need more time to consider an alternative solution and that they should retain the Car Park for the time being. In the meantime the Parish Council Resolved to register the Car Park and Play Area as Community Assets under the localism act.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 8TH JANUARY 2012 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL
INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM**

All members of the village are welcome to attend

looked every bit the part with our digital display, leaflets, old maps and information. The year was rounded off by a festive get together at the White Lion in December which included a history quiz with chocolates for the winner. They got eaten by the group so sadly there are none left to bring to the next meeting !

In conjunction with Kildwick and Farnhill Institute where we meet, our events through the year have raised over £300 for Institute funds.

With best wishes for 2013

from the Farnhill and Kildwick History Group [www.farnhill.co.uk/images/History Group Members.jpg](http://www.farnhill.co.uk/images/History%20Group%20Members.jpg)

History Group Diary 2013

Meet at the Institute at 7.00pm

- 21st Jan - Meet at the Institute - Guest Kathleen Auty
- 18th Feb - Meet at the Institute
- 18th March - Talk by Michael Baumber - 'Kildwick 1300-1320'

Glusburn Luncheon Club



Tired of cooking every day or eating on your own?

Why not come along and have your lunch at

Glusburn Institute Baths Hall every Wednesday at 12 noon.

2-course hot lunch and a cup of tea for only £3.00

Ring Val 633052 or Margaret 634207 for more details.

The Village Pump

Chat over Tea

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

Dominoes

Scrabble

*Farnhill Methodist Church
(in the foyer)*

*Cards
and more.....*

This month's meeting was devoted to a "Christmas Miscellany" when members were treated to a packed programme of fun and festivities. Our Christmas party began with a quiz and a handbag treasure hunt, after which "Secret Santa" paid a visit. Then the highlight of the evening was a pantomime performance of Cinderella, courtesy of our multi-talented committee! Finally, supper was served and everyone enjoyed Christmas cake (with Wensleydale cheese of course), mince pies and other home made goodies.



There was also an exhibition of "rag-rug" Christmas Wreaths made at our recent craft day. (Photo below is of members who attended the craft day making Christmas wreaths from oddments of felt and fleece)

The photos attached show the cast of "Cinderella" aka Glusburn and Crosshills WI committee members. Next month's meeting will be in the New Year when we look forward to the new programme for 2013.

If you'd like to join our busy group, please ring Pat on 01535 634965 or Margaret on 01535

A Bible quiz – of sorts!

- Q. What kind of man was Boaz before he married?
A. Ruthless.
- Q. What do they call pastors in Germany?
A. German Shepherds.
- Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?
A. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.
- Q. What was the greatest female financier in the Bible?
A. Pharaoh's daughter. She went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a little prophet.
- Q. What excuse did Adam give to his children as to why he no longer lived in Eden?
A. Your mother ate us out of house and home.
- Q. What's the phone number of the Garden of Eden?



CROSS HILLS NATURALISTS' SOCIETY

www.crosshillsnats.co.uk

**Affiliations: Yorkshire Naturalists' Union,
Yorkshire Wildlife Trust**



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WINTER PROGRAMME 2013

Lectures:

Are held on Saturday Evenings at 19.00 at St. Peter's Church, Main Street, Cross Hills BD20 8TF

Microscope Meetings:

Take place on the second Thursday of each month at the Senior Citizens Centre, North Street, Sutton-in-Craven BD20 7HA

Annual Subscription: Adults £10.00 Juniors 10 pence Visitors £2.00 per meeting.

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- 12th January. Living Landscapes Dr. Rob Stoneman
- 26th January. Further Research in Littondale David Hodgson
- 9th February. AGM at 18.30 hours followed by Members' Evening
- 23rd February Duncan Clough Memorial Lecture Wildlife Wildplaces John Gardner
- 9th March Biodiversity of Swinden Quarry Sean Milward
- 23rd March Supper Evening in the Schoolroom

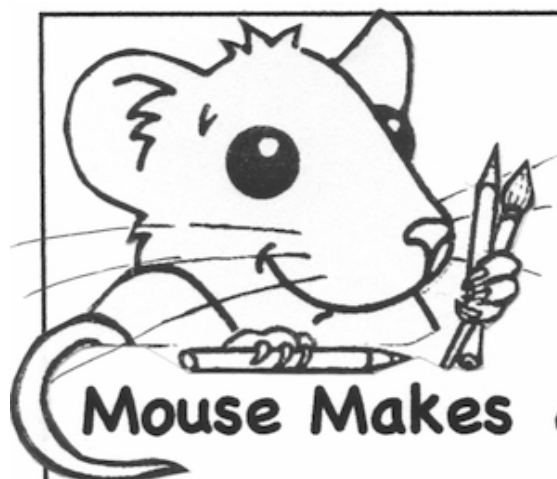
E-mail: crosshillsnats@aol.com

New members and visitors welcome at all meetings

Ministry on ice

As a chaplain to the local hospital, I sometimes get called out early. In a rush to work one morning, with no time for breakfast, I pulled up to the drive-through window at a fast-food restaurant, determined to at least grab some coffee. Because I was in a hurry, I asked them to put a couple of ice cubes in the coffee so it would cool down more quickly and I could drink it faster. I sat there at the pick-up window for a few minutes, wondering where they had to go to get my coffee, when a frustrated teenager finally came up and said, "I'm sorry for the delay, but the ice you wanted in your coffee keeps melting"





THE BAPTISM OF JESUS

Jesus came from Nazareth and was baptised by John in the Jordan. As soon as Jesus came up out of the water, he saw heaven opening and the Spirit coming down on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my own dear Son. I am pleased with you"

See Mark 1:9-11

Colour in the picture then carefully cut out. Glue onto bright card and pin on your wall



backpack
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"...and as a precaution against another heating failure, all our kneelers have been replaced with hot-water-hassocks."

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