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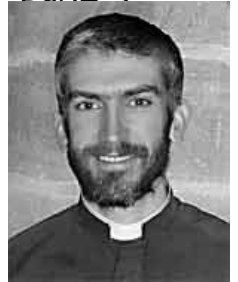
Parish Mission Statement

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.....

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Dear friends,

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

The introduction to the Ash Wednesday service invites us to keep a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance, by prayer, fasting and self-denial, and by reading and meditating on God's holy word. Lent invites us to hold a mirror up to ourselves and think about how well we are living our lives **as** God's people; how well are we living our lives **for** God's people.

Lent invites us to go on a journey; a journey inwards as we think about who we are in relationship with God, and a journey outwards as we think about who we are in relationship with all humanity and, indeed, the whole of creation. The journey needs to be both/and, not either/or.

It is also a journey that is not just about the past, where we have come from, but also about the future, where we are going to. We know that we cannot stay in the same place for ever. You may know the saying, "To grow is to change, to be fully grown is to have changed often".

Just as the world around us is continually changing, so we must learn to accept changes within ourselves. Then, by accepting the changes within ourselves, we are more able to play our part in ensuring that the changes in the world are changes for good, rather than bad.

Our world can be a difficult and fearful place and it is all too easy to feel we are powerless to make a positive difference. But the truth is that, with God's help, we can change the world for good and little bit every day. Each of us can be the change we want to see in the world.

How? By the little choices we make, such as: what we buy at the supermarkets; making time for quiet and fun; sharing what we have; how we think and talk about the other person. Living and working together in a true spirit of love we can build better and more generous communities.

Lent invites us to reflect deeply on what we know to be true Christian values. I often refer to the three virtues of "wisdom, humility and grace". If only we could each live our lives with these three evident in abundance, how much better God's world would be!

I came across the following piece recently and thought it very apt as we begin this Lenten time of self-examination and repentance:

'You are no more entitled to get what you want than anyone else is. ... If you maintain this understanding, arbitrary value judgments about inconvenient people start to fall away... The assertion that another person is bad, wrong, weak, lazy, ugly, or stupid is just a disguised assertion that you are more entitled to get what you want than s/he is.'

Will you commit to taking a few minutes each day during the coming weeks to think carefully about your own relationship with God and with your fellow humans? Will you commit to doing all that is within your power to change the way you think and act

towards the other person? Will you commit to something different each day which will help to make this world a better place?

Let your answer be "Yes" and so play your part in making the Kingdom of God a reality on earth as it is in heaven. There can be no better way of observing this holy season of Lent.



The Season of Lent

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, one of the Principal Feasts in the church calendar. Lent may originally have followed Epiphany, just as Jesus' sojourn in the wilderness followed immediately on his baptism, but it soon became firmly attached to Easter, as the principal occasion for baptism and for the reconciliation of those who had been excluded from the church's fellowship for apostasy or serious faults. This history explains the characteristic notes of Lent – self-examination, penitence, self-denial, study, and preparation for Easter.

As the candidates for baptism were instructed in Christian faith, and as penitents prepared themselves, through fasting and penance, to be readmitted to communion, the whole Christian community was invited to join them in the process of study and repentance, whose extension over forty days would remind them of the forty days that Jesus spent in the wilderness, being tested by Satan.

During Lent churches are kept bare of flowers and decoration. The *Gloria in Excelsis* is not used. As Holy Week approaches, the atmosphere of the season darkens; the readings begin to anticipate the story of Christ's suffering and death, and the reading of the Passion narrative gave to the Fifth Sunday its name of Passion Sunday.

There are many devotional exercises which may be used in Lent and Holy Week outside the set liturgy. The Stations of the Cross, made popular in the West by the Franciscans after they were granted custody of the Christian sites in the Holy Land, are the best known. Each of the stations stands for an event that occurred during Jesus' Passion and death at Calvary on Good Friday. The service lasts 30 minutes and will take place each Friday at 12.30pm in church. All are encouraged to share in this service at least once during Lent.

Lent Collection

This year our special collection will go to...



overcoming poverty by enabling the world's poorest people to gain access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene education.

The charity WaterAid has a vision – of a world in which everyone has access to safe water and sanitation facilities. But there is a lot of work to do.

Over 1 billion people do not have access to safe drinking water and 2.6 billion have no-

where safe and hygienic to go to the toilet. The daily reality for many in the developing world is that they wake before dawn to embark on a walk to their nearest watering hole, which can sometimes be several miles away, to collect water for their family. Once they reach their destination they often queue for hours with other women and children to collect a bucket of dirty water.

Clean drinking water is essential to life and a basic human right. Without access to safe water and sanitation people in the developing world are caught in a cycle of ill health and poverty.

As a consequence a child dies every 15 seconds from easily preventable water-related diseases.

WaterAid are experts in implementing long term, sustainable projects that will benefit communities in Africa and Asia for years to come. It is committed to helping communities work themselves out of poverty. WaterAid is also engaging with international decision-makers to ensure that the voices of the world's poor are listened to and acted upon.

It costs WaterAid just £15 to enable one person to gain access to a lasting supply of safe water, sanitation and hygiene education.

To give your support this Lent to WaterAid please pick up a collecting pot from the church or simply use a spare jar at home. Bring your money back to church on Easter Sunday or any Sunday during April. Donations by cheque are welcome (make payable to "St Andrew's Church, Kildwick"). All donation can be Gift Aided of course to increase your giving.



Bishops challenge supermarket anti-faith Easter agenda

Bishops are calling on congregations throughout the UK to buy the Real Easter Egg in 2012 by ordering it online, after supermarkets failed to order sufficient quantities of the UK's only faith-based Easter egg.

The Real Easter Egg is the first and only Fairtrade Easter egg to explain the Easter story on the box and give money to charity. It was launched last year as a mail order gift after the supermarkets initially turned it down. Churches and schools joined a campaign to establish the egg by placing tens of thousands of orders through mail order which were delivered by Traidcraft.

Morrison's, Booths, Coop and Waitrose later changed their mind and decided to trial The Real Easter Egg for Easter 2011. They all sold out within days, with people walking past Cadbury's two-for-one offers. Waitrose was inundated with online orders for hundreds of eggs as millions of Christians searched for the only remaining supplies.

With such demand and quick sell outs Manchester based Meaningful Chocolate Company, who manufacture The Real Easter Egg, expected a significant increase in the numbers ordered by supermarkets. However, one major retailer has decided to reduce their order and in many of the UK's Continued on page 8

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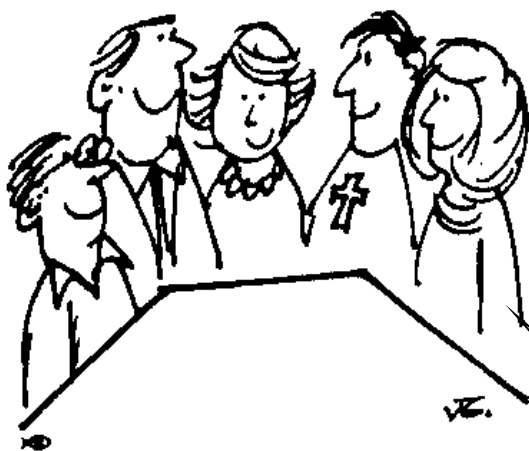
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NEWS FROM THE CROSS HILLS & DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES



Lent Course – Inter-Denominational Relationships

This year we will again be having one meeting each week on Wednesday evenings when a visiting speaker will come and speak about an issue of current interest.

Each evening will take place in St Peter's Methodist 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:

- 29th Feb **Roman Catholic** with the Revd Canon Joe Smith, Dean of Wharfedale and Parish Priest.
- 7th March **Quaker** with Mr David Oliver, member of Keighley Quaker Meeting.
- 14th March **Baptist** with the Revd Stuart Jenkins, Minister of Ilkley Baptist Church.
- 21st March **Methodist** with the Revd Dr Roger Walton, Chairperson of the West Yorkshire Methodist Circuit.
- 28th March **Anglican** with the Revd Peter Mott, Priest-in-Charge of Keighley Shared Church and Ecumenical Officer for the Diocese of Bradford.

biggest towns there will only be a handful of eggs available to buy off the supermarket shelves when they go on sale in February.

A spokesperson, from the Meaningful Chocolate Company, said: "Out of the 80 million Easter eggs on sale this year nearly all will be secular, made from non-Fairtrade chocolate and with no charitable donation."

The Bishop of Oxford, who chairs the Church of England's Board of Education, said; "There seems to be a clear cut agenda to keep credible products, with any connection to Christianity, off the shelves."

The Bishop of Middleton, speaking from Manchester, said; "We thought we had proven that people were not afraid to buy an Easter egg which mentions Jesus, gives money to charity and which helps in communicating the true meaning of Easter."

How to buy a Real Easter Egg The recommended retail price is £3.99. The Real Easter Egg is made from 125g of high quality Fairtrade chocolate and 15 pence from every sale is donated to Traidcraft Exchange. The official Real Easter Egg online shop is at www.realeasteregg.co.uk . Online ordering will be open for as long as supplies last or until the middle of March – so hurry!





God, heavenly Father, look upon me and hear my prayer during this holy Season of Lent. By the good works You inspire, help me to discipline my body and to be renewed in spirit.

Without You, I can do nothing. By Your Spirit help me to know what is right and to be eager in doing Your will. Teach me to find new life through penance. Keep me from sin, and help me live by Your commandment of love.

God of love, bring me back to You. Send Your Spirit to make me strong in faith and active in good works. May my acts of penance bring me Your forgiveness, open my heart to Your love, and prepare me for the coming feast of the Resurrection of Jesus.

Lord, during this Lenten Season nourish me with Your word of life and make me one with You in love and prayer.

Fill my heart with Your love and keep me faithful to the Gospel of Christ. Give me the grace to rise above my human weakness. Give me new life by Your Sacraments, especially the Mass.

Father, our source of life, I reach out with joy to grasp Your hand; let me walk more readily in Your ways. Guide me in Your gentle mercy, for left to myself I cannot do Your Will.

Father of love, source of all blessings, help me to pass from my old life of sin to the new life of grace. Prepare me for the glory of Your Kingdom.

I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever. Amen.

God of mercy, come into the hidden places of our hearts

Forgive our sins and make us whole.

Christ of compassion, come into the broken places of our world

Bring us to repentance and renew us.

Spirit of life, come into the polluted places of our lives

Have mercy on us and draw us close.

Son of the living God, Christ crucified forgive us, heal us, redeem us,

Lead us from death to eternal life. Amen

May the God of creation breathe on you,

May the God of all life sustain you,

May the God of all Gods grant you forgiveness.

Go into the day knowing your life has been touched by the triune God

You are cleansed by the mercy of God

You are surrounded by the love of Christ

You are filled with the power of the Spirit Amen

BIBLE HISTORY

written by Michael Baumber



JESUS AND THE LAW

6. ADULTERY

The teaching of Jesus about adultery is unequivocal – committing it is totally unacceptable. The passage in Matthew 5 vv27-30 contains two of the most characteristic features of his approach to moral questions. The first is that his teaching is directed specifically at men. ‘Anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery.’ Practically all ancient societies pinned the principal blame on the wife because if it were undiscovered any children conceived through the liaison would add to the financial burden of the husband. Jesus did not exonerate the woman but he clearly believed that as men wielded the power in society they were the ones who should take the main responsibility. The second was his belief in the importance of the thought that preceded the action. In the passage he goes out of his way to stress it, saying if your right eye sins throw it away. It is better that you lose one part of your body than that your whole body be thrown into hell.’

Older translations of the Bible also contains a story about adultery in St. John’s gospel (7 vv53-8 v11) which is now thought to be a later addition and is omitted from modern ones but it is worth examining. The scribes and Pharisees bring a woman who is to be stoned to death for adultery to Jesus to see what he will do. His reaction is to challenge them by saying that those who are without sin (of adultery) are entitled to throw the first stone. The accusers then all gradually leave because they realise that they are none of them without sin. A few years ago there was a survey in Leeds Town centre in which married men and women were stopped and questioned anonymously about extra-marital affairs. About 60% of the men and 25 % of the women admitted to affairs though most of them were brief. It is most unlikely that the proportion in Jewish society was higher so in theory some 40% of her accusers would have been entitled to throw the first stone. However if we shift the action to Greek society we get a different picture. In classical Greece a man married a wife to get legitimate children. Wives were closely supervised but their rights and those of their children were respected and their male relatives were entitled to intervene if they were abused in any way by their husbands. On the other hand men both before and after marriage had open liaisons with other women. Courtesans, skilled in dancing, singing and performing on musical instruments played an important part in society but they had few rights and their children could be exposed by the roadside if they were not wanted. By the time of Jesus many Greeks were questioning the system and it is noticeable how many Greek women were among the first Christian converts. So the story was almost certainly a later addition but it does reflect how the teaching of Jesus on adultery would have influenced Gentiles.

Holy Week & Easter

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

Holy Week & Easter Services

Sunday 1st April – Palm Sunday

8.15am Blessing of Palms and Holy Communion

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

Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th April

12.30pm Stations of the Cross

7.30pm Meditative Service

Thursday 5th April – Maundy Thursday

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

Friday 6th April – Good Friday

10.10am Procession of witness from St Andrew's to Cross Hills for...

10.30am Prayers at the gates of St Peter's Methodist Church.

12 noon Prayer around the cross until...

2.00pm Liturgy of the Cross

7.30pm Ecumenical Devotional Service (St Andrew's Church, Kildwick)

Saturday 7th April – Easter Eve

8.45pm Easter Vigil and Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Sunday 8th 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 United Celebration Songs of Praise



Jigsaw Snippets

Issue 2 January 2012



As we shared in our last newsletter Jigsaw has been able to get for the first time its very own centre in Angeles and it's wonderful. Before Christmas the Jigsaw staff went to the clean the building and level the surrounding area for play. When they arrived streams

of children turned up and impromptu games and singing broke out. Children and mums were over the moon that Jigsaw was restarting as they had been waiting several months for Jigsaw to find a building. The Jigsaw staff told all the kids they would be back on Friday to finish cleaning and prepare the centre for the Christmas party. WELL



when the staff arrived on Friday they could not believe their eyes. Something was waiting for them which was to blow their minds and hearts. As they drew up in the van there were children of all ages and a shy group of mums. It is such a poor and needy place but someone had found a piece of cloth and had written '**welcome back Jigsaw**' and had hung it on the gates. The staff got out the van and went up to the big group of shining faces. As they arrived the children came forward and gave each Jigsaw worker a beautiful cup cake each. The children and families had put all their coins together to buy cakes to welcome the Jigsaw staff back to Angeles. Jigsaw kids workers said with tears in their eyes 'We couldn't believe the love we received, the children are our strength' Jigsaw's belief that there's a need for all of us to give and receive love shone brightly like a rainbow in the sky over Angeles city. Love shone through the gift of 20 tiny neon pink cup cakes. Oh how we praise God for the growth of his love in Jigsaw.

THANK YOU AND PRAISE GOD FOR HIS PROVISION FOR JIGSAW THROUGH 'YOU' HIS PEOPLE:

Since our last snippet was sent Jigsaw monthly giving has risen by £150 a month. This is fantastic and we are now almost a third of the way to reaching our goal of £7000 monthly giving. Our goal is for the monthly giving to rise to £3000 a month by March and to £4000 by the summer. Jigsaw is an amazing work of God and exists through the love, giving and prayers of YOU His people. Monthly giving, personal gifts & fund-raising are the foundation of the work of Jigsaw, Thank you so much for all you do and give for Jigsaw. If you would like to join our monthly giving for Jigsaw or give a personal gift or have a fundraising event this will most welcome and make such a difference for so many children's lives who have so little. Please find Jigsaw's bank and contact details at the bottom of this 'Snippets'.

Jigsaw Kid Clubs— places to belong

A goal of Jigsaw for 2011 and 2012 was to make our SEN kids clubs more widely known. Jeanette and Jenalyn our social workers have spent the last two weeks out in the hardest areas of Manila, meeting and sharing with the gangs of street children and communities of push cart street families. Last week Jeanette shared some of the amazing results of their

hard work. She told me how last week a mum and a arrived with their son David at our centre. David is 13 but has a mental age of around 6. They we warmly welcomed into Jigsaw, offered a seat and a coffee. Jeanette shared how the parents almost grew physically in stature as they were welcomed and engaged with dignity, respect and love. Jeanette and Jenalyn took David and his parents down to our SEN kids club where they couldn't believe their eyes to find such a beautiful place full of toys and love. Gemma warmly greeted them



and David shyly began to play. Jenalyn said, 'he soon found his voice and smile as the other children came and played building towers with him on the nice soft carpet.' Gemma, Jeannette and Jenalyn explained to David's parents that he could come 3 times a week, to play, eat a meal and over time they would develop a learning programme for him. Gemma said the father questioned several times 'Is it free, is it really free? When realising that the answer really was 'yes its free' David's mum said tearfully 'we have been searching years for somewhere for David to 'BELONG' and now we have found it'. Jigsaws goals are being right in front of our eyes. This is just a story of one child who from the very depths of poverty has place where he too can belong. Praise God .

Jigsaw Monthly Prayers

- Pray for safe travel for Tim as he flies to Manila. For the teacher training he will be carrying out and all the continuing work for the growth of Jigsaw organisation and projects.
- Please pray for the new children in SEN and for Gemma as she works to build learning programmes for each child.
- Please pray for Jigsaw managers Jolly and Jeannette as they begin to implement a staff and project appraisal process.
- Please pray for Joshua Jolly's son who is recovering from pneumonia.
- Please pray for a girl who has recently been rescued from a gang who she was sold to for sex, this is a horrendous situation, for the girl and the workers who are on this case.
- Please continue to pray daily for all the coordinators, team leaders and kids workers as they continue to minister daily with children in such poverty. It is this prayer that brings the power for change that these children need.
- Please pray for funding to CMS for Tim as a mission partner this is down considerably and there is plans to cut the allowance. Much prayer needed.

THANKYOU

Jigsaw Prayer updates

- Praise God Judith had a healthy boy in December
 - Praise God for the work of Jigsaw and the family of 5 abandoned girls, our social worker referred them to the department of social welfare. The girls are safe but further prayer is needed for their future, that God cab provide a good safe home for them to go to where they can stay together.
 - Praise God for the work of Jiigsaw with the family in Batasan who were referred to the doctors for malnourishment and sores. Jigsaw has been taking food to their home each day, clothes have been provided and their general condition is slowly improving.
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Alongside this Jenalyn our social worker has been taking them to regular doctors appointments. The children have been strong enough to join Jigsaw Kids Clubs.

- Praise God for amazing work by the Phillippines board in HR and finance.
- Praise God for Lendehis ordination is set for March
- Praise God for the growth of Jigsaw UK, please pray for wisdom and guidance as it develops and grows.

Jigsaw Kids Ministries –Lloyds TSB. Sort code 30-94-43. AccNo 03952804

Cheques can be sent to Jigsaw Kids Ministries 21 Tamar Close St Ives Cambridgeshire, PE27 3JD. (Gift aid forms available on request).

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Annual Revision of the Church Electoral Roll

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

Any persons whose name is not on the present roll and who wish to have their names entered must apply for enrolment not later than Sunday 8th April 2012. The new Roll will come into operation on Sunday 15th April 2012. 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 29th April.

Annual Church Meetings – Sunday 29th April

The Annual Meetings which take place next month following the 10am Parish Communion on Sunday 29th 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 2 years), up to 2 persons to serve on the Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches Council (to serve for a period of 1 year), and up to 4 persons to serve on the Parochial Church Council (3 to serve for a period of 3 years, 1 to serve for a period of 2 years). To share in the leadership of the parish is an important function and everyone is encouraged to prayerfully consider if they are being called by God to serve in this way.

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

Regular Events at Kildwick

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| 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 | |



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| Fri 2 nd Mar | 2.45pm | Kildwick School collective worship in church |
| Fri 2 nd Mar | 7.30pm | Women's World Day of Prayer service (Cowling) |
| Wed 7 th Mar | 7.30pm | CDFC Lent Course (St Peter's Church, Cross Hills) |
| Wed 14 th Mar | 7.30pm | CDFC Lent Course (St Peter's Church, Cross Hills) |
| Fri 16 th Mar | 10.00am | Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms) |
| Sun 18 th Mar | | Mothering Sunday |
| Tue 20 th Mar | 6.30pm | PCC meeting (Parish Rooms) |
| Wed 21 st Mar | 7.30pm | CDFC Lent Course (St Peter's Church, Cross Hills) |
| Mon 26 th Mar | 6.30pm | Kildwick School Governors meeting (School) |
| Wed 28 th Mar | 7.30pm | CDFC Lent Course (St Peter's Church, Cross Hills) |
| Fri 30 th Mar | 2.45pm | Kildwick School collective worship in church |

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| Sun 1 st Apr | | PALM SUNDAY - Holy Week begins |
| Thu 5 th Apr | | MAUNDY THURSDAY |
| Fri 6 th Apr | | GOOD FRIDAY |
| Sat 7 th Apr | | EASTER EVE |
| Sun 8 th Apr | | EASTER DAY |
| Wed 18 th Apr | 7.30pm | <i>The Jesus Driven Life</i> course (Parish Rooms) |

Services at Kildwick

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

Mid week Eucharist in the church on Wednesdays at 9.30am

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| 4 March Second Sunday of Lent | 8.15 am 10 am | Said Holy Communion Sung Eucharist with Baptism |
| 11 March Third Sunday of Lent | 8.15 am 10 am | Said Holy Communion Sung Eucharist |
| 18 March Mothering Sunday | 8.15 am 10 am | Said Holy Communion Sung Eucharist |
| 25 March Fifth Sunday of Lent | 8.15 am 10 am | Said Holy Communion Sung Eucharist |

From the registers

Baptisms

Sunday 5th February Freddie Robert Mount, son of Robert & Cheryl of Rhodesia Street, Cross Hills

Funerals

Friday 3rd February Blanche Gormley, formerly of Craven Nursing Home

Friday 17th February Marian Baxter, formerly of Anderton Street, Cross Hills

Prayers for the Parish & Word Church

The next monthly meeting to pray for the parish and worldwide Church will take place on Friday 16th March in the parish rooms from 10.00am until 11.30am. For more information contact Robin Figg, 633307.

Fairtrade Fortnight 27th February to 11th March

What is Fairtrade?

Fairtrade is about better prices, decent working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing world. By requiring companies to pay sustainable prices (which must never fall lower than the market price), Fairtrade addresses the injustices of conventional trade, which traditionally discriminates against the poorest, weakest producers. It enables them to improve their position and have more control over their lives.

Harriet Lamb, Fairtrade Executive Director, Fairtrade Foundation writes:

"Fairtrade is more than a certification mark – it is an inspiration to change. Confucius said: I hear and I forget; I see and I remember; I do and I understand.

"That is why Fairtrade works – as farmers start to export themselves, as people talk about Fairtrade in their places of worship or buy Fairtrade, as companies engage more with producers – everyone learns and understands, creating a basis for lasting change. Visiting producers in Africa, I am struck again and again by their strength and ambition which, coupled with the dedication and determination of campaigners here, can take Fairtrade further.

"So that boys like Alan, son of single mother Sarah who works on a flower farm in Kenya, can attend university, because his education has been paid for, right through secondary school, by the Fairtrade premium. So that Fairtrade smallholder enterprises can unleash the potential bubbling up.

"As one artisanal soapmaker in South Africa's second largest township said to me: 'Maybe one day we will get to wear suits and ties and go to present our business overseas'. Working alone on a small plot, a farmer can change very little. Working with her neighbours, she has power.

"And so for us too – by taking more steps and continuing the journey together we are beginning to achieve transformative change for smallholders and workers across the developing world."



**Sunday 18th March 10.00 am
Service for Mothering Sunday**

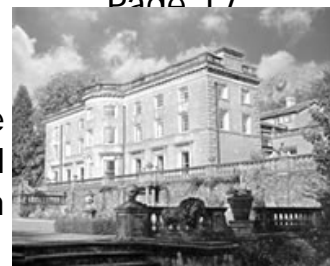
with flowers for mothers and
others.

Simnel cake and tea and coffee
after the service.

All welcome.

Rydal Hall - A Weekend Away Friday 18th to Sunday 20th May

Rydal Hall is the Carlisle Diocesan Retreat House, located in the centre of the Lake District. The Hall is a 200 year old Grade II listed house, enjoying outstanding views towards Windermere. It is an ideal place to find renewal and refreshment for body, mind and spirit.



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

The theme will be "The Jesus Driven Life: Reconnecting Humanity with Jesus". We will explore questions such as: Who is Jesus Christ for us today? How can we understand the relation between this nonviolent Jesus and the violent God of most Christian traditions?

The speaker will be Michael Hardin, the author of "The Jesus Driven Life". Michael is presently on a speaking tour of Australia and New Zealand and will be returning home to Pennsylvania, USA via the UK. We are very fortunate that Michael has agreed to come to be with us before flying home on 21st May.

The cost will be £141 full board, from Friday supper to Sunday lunchtime. All rooms are en suite. *Some discretionary grants are available to assist those for whom the full cost may be difficult; please speak in confidence to the Vicar if appropriate. No one should be prevented from attending the weekend because of financial need.*

Day visitors are welcome on Saturday. The cost will be £24.30 (morning coffee & cake, lunch, afternoon tea & cake), plus £17.50 for the evening meal if you wish to stay on.

For more details or to book a place pick up a leaflet in church or contact the Vicar, Robin Figg, 633307.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

'LET JUSTICE PREVAIL'

On Friday 2nd March over 3 million people world wide will be praying and worshipping together during an annual day of prayer, using a form of service prepared by Christian women in Malaysia.

Jean Hackett, president of the National Committee of the Women's World Day of Prayer movement in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, said:



'This is always an exciting day as a great wave of prayer sweeps the world, beginning when the first service is held in the Queen Salote Girls School in Tonga and continuing around the world until the final service takes place, some 35 hours later, in neighbouring Western Samoa. By then the day will have been celebrated in over 170 countries and more than 6,000 services will have been held in the British '

SETTING THE SCENE

Malaysia, a multi-ethnic and multi-religious country, is a country of contrasts - modern

yet with traditional ways. With mountains and islands, lush tropical forests and sandy shores, it attracts both business people and tourists. Its multi-ethnicity is an eloquent testimony of its chequered history. It is one of the wealthiest and most developed countries in South East Asia, outranked in Gross National Product only by Singapore and oil-rich Brunei. It was and still is considered by many as a prize to be desired. The earliest evidence of human settlement in the areas of present-day Malaysia comes from Sarawak. The



Malay Peninsula was settled from the eighth to the second millennium BC by the Orang Asli (indigenous people) and inhabited from the third millennium BC by immigrants from South China. Up to the fourteenth century, various Hindu and Buddhist kingdoms dominated large parts of the region. From this flourishing trade centre, Islam began its advance through the ruling houses of Malaysia in the fifteenth century. The Dutch followed in 1641 and the British in the late eighteenth century.

In 1895 the British Government established the Federated Malay States, which was a federation of four protected states in the Malay Peninsula. This lasted until 1946, when together with the Straits Settlements and the Unfederated Malay States, they formed the Malayan Union. In World War II, Japan occupied Malaysia from 1941 to 1945. During the occupation conditions were brutal and an estimated 100,000 people were killed. At the end of World War II, following the Japanese surrender to the allied forces, one of the reparations included returning Malaysia to the British. In 1948, the Union became the Federation of Malaya and finally Malaysia in 1963 with the inclusion of Sabah (then North Borneo), Sarawak and Singapore, although Singapore left the federation on 9 August 1965. Kuala Lumpur is the capital of Malaysia although Putrajaya became the administrative centre from 1999 due to the overcrowding and congestion in Kuala Lumpur.

RELIGION

Malaysia is a land of diverse faiths. The oldest indigenous religion is animism (a belief that all things in nature have souls). Hinduism, Buddhism and Islam reached Malaysia from India and China, with Islam being the official religion. Some Chinese follow Taoism and Confucianism. The Portuguese brought Christianity to Melaka in the early 16th Century. The Dutch took control of Melaka in the middle of the 17th Century. The original cathedral built by the Portuguese became a Dutch Reformed Church in 1753 and an Anglican church in 1858.

Many more missionaries arrived in the early 19th Century. Today Sabah and Sarawak have a considerable Christian community. 8% of Malaysians are Christian, comprising Roman Catholics (the largest group), Anglicans, Methodists, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Mar Thoma, Syrian Orthodox and Pentecostal. The Council of Churches in Malaysia (CCM) is an ecumenical body comprised of the main denominations. In the spirit of dialogue and goodwill it interacts in critical relationships between church and state. The Women's Work

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| 4 March Second Sunday of Lent | First Reading - Genesis 17.1-7,15-16 Second Reading - Romans 4.13-25 Gospel - Mark 8.31-38 | Readers arranged separately |
| 11 March Third Sunday of Lent | First Reading - Exodus 20.1-17 Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 1.18-25 Gospel - John 2.13-22 | Stephen Westcott Barry Houghton Brenda Brock |
| 18 March Mothering Sunday | First Reading - 1 Samuel 1.20-28 Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 1.3-7 - not used Gospel - Luke 2.33-35 | Lesley Bannister Elizabeth Figg |
| 25 March Fifth Sunday of Lent | First Reading - Jeremiah 31.31-34 Second Reading - Hebrews 5.5-10 Gospel - John 12.20-33 | Glyn Evans Kathryn Morris Marie Stinson |

| Date | Sidesperson | Intercessor | Communion |
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| 4 March Second Sunday of Lent | Joan and Barry Houghton David and Marian Baxter | arranged separately | Christine and Michael |
| 11 March Third Sunday of Lent | Marie Stinson Peter McNeill | Di Halliday | Sandie and Tim |
| 18 March Mothering Sunday | Christine Anderton Ann Mosley June Whitaker | Lesley Hudson | Christine and John |
| 25 March Fifth Sunday of Lent | Libba Utley Michael Baxter Sandie Walton Kath Morris | Robin Figg | Sue and Michael |

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| Brass Cleaning: John and Dorothy Ward |
| Church Cleaning |
| March: Lesley Hudson, Libba Utley, Christine Anderton |
| April: Helen Hulley, Rosie Hargreaves, Sylvia Ackroyd |

Committee comes under the auspices of CCM. This is the committee that organises the World Day of Prayer. Malaysian Care (Malaysian Christian Association for Relief), set up in 1978, is a local non-profit making Christian agency providing social concern services for the poor and those in need, including prisoners, drug addicts and HIV and AIDS patients.

WOMEN

Women have made important contributions to the social and economic development of the country. Achieving a higher level of education, they have increased their participation in the labour force as doctors, dentists, lawyers, architects, businesswomen and politicians. Various skills training programmes coupled with financial assistance schemes run by both Government and NGO's have helped to reduce poverty among women, single mothers and female-headed households and enabled them to find work in the manufacturing and services sectors. AIM (Amanah Ikhtiar Malaysia) is a microcredit loan scheme set up to aid the poor in both towns and villages.

Despite this progress, women of all races and classes still face difficulties, discrimination and violence at all levels of society. Only 40% of working age women of 15-64 years are employed. Their participation in decision-making roles is low. The Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development was set up to look into women's affairs to try to resolve some of these issues. Even today a girl child is seen as less valuable than a boy and women suffer violence without protest.

Malaysia is now the largest destination country in Asia for migrant workers, and trafficking of persons has become a sophisticated and organised operation. Different organisations have developed to work against human trafficking, against violence towards women and to teach about the value of women. One of the main groups is Tenaganita, an organisation that works to protect the rights of all women and migrant workers, running a shelter for those who are victims.

The plight of single mothers, HIV and AIDS, drug addiction and stateless children are some of the problems in Sabah, as is the abuse and violation of rights of domestic workers who are mostly women.

In Sarawak, the role and status of women have undergone great changes and many now have access to education, regardless of whether they are rich or poor, urban or rural. A study on the development, achievements and contribution of women in Sarawak during its 45 years of independence will form a starting point to further the status and involvement of women nationally.

In conclusion, although Malaysia's multi-ethnicity has added to the rich heritage of its land and people, it has also given rise to many problems and challenges. Justice for all is the hope and prayer of the people. "Let Justice Prevail".

Women's World Day of Prayer Service, Friday 2nd March 7.30pm

at St Andrew's Methodist Church, Cowling.

The preacher will be the Reverend Charlotte Common. Both men and women are welcome at this service. For more details or if you would like to take part please contact Brenda Brock, 633938.

FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF DRAFT MINUTES

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The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 17th February 2012 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. The meeting was chaired by Counc H Matysniak Six members of the council were present plus NYCC Rep Counc P Mulligan & CDC Rep M Wheeler. The minutes of the meeting held on the 10th January were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman after one addition.

Counc I Fulton provided a report on the Grange Road/Main Street Sign Post. The pillar will be returned to Ken Martin at NYCC Area 5 Highways office before the end of February 2012. NYCC Area 5 to reinstate heritage pillar assembly on new steel post (91mm dia) at original site at Grange Road/Main Street junction in Farnhill. The sign will be installed with the original two destination finger signs. A third metal finger is being assembled and will be presented to the Council for approval and can be added to the sign at a later date.

A complaint was received from a member of the public with regard to rubbish in the beck behind Langkirk Close. Clerk to report the matter to CDC.
Clerk to inform NYCC that several potholes have appeared at Newby Road and are in need of attention.

Light No 11, on Main Road, High Farnhill has 2 problems. First there is no supply to the lantern (which can be rectified by YEDL), secondly, the pole mounted junction box/ bracket/ lantern is heavily corroded. The Parish Council resolved to supply a new fitting for the lamp. The new fittings will cost approx £600.00 plus VAT. Light No 18 is also out and NYCC have been instructed to inspect the lamp to see if the bulb needs replacing or if the fitting is faulty. The Parish Council instructed the Clerk to ask NYCC to replace the fitting if it is found to be at fault. Both of these lamps were identified in NYCC Street Lighting report as having sub standard junction boxes and in need of replacing. Clerk to remind NYCC about the painting of the heritage lamp

NYCC Rep Counc P Mulligan provided a copy of NYCC's road statistics for sites in the Craven Area. Skipton Road/Cononly Lane End Junction came second for the location with the most severe factor collisions and seventh for Country Wide Rank. He stated that minor works had taken place in 2011 and the site was being monitored, but not enough had been done. There was not enough money available for a vehicle activated sign so the scheme had been scrapped for the time being. He is hoping that in April the project will be revised.

CDC Rep Counc M Wheeler stated that the Audit Letter from the Audit Commission stated that CDC's system was robust and their credible medium term strategy had added to reserves. They now need to work hard to prioritise where they put reserves and need to investigate ways to provide good services for less money. Capital funds are quite low and CDC are reviewing capital spending and may have to postpone a couple of projects for next year. Discussions regarding Council Tax are ongoing.

All Parish Councils are required to hold an Annual Parish Meeting each year between the dates of 1st March & the 1st June. The Parish Council set the date for the meeting as

Thursday 24th May 2012 at 7.30pm in the downstairs room of Kildwick/Farnhill Village Institute. Clerk to ask CDC & NYCC District Representatives and a member of the Institute Committee to give short presentations. It was agreed to have a different format to the meeting to engage with members of the public.

Members of the Council have been asked to prepare notes on items for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter, which will then be considered at the next meeting

The Parish Council proposed that £1200.00 be included in setting the budget for next year for a donation to the institute and £50.00 for a donation to Sue Ryder Manorlands and £50.00 for Citizens Advice Bureau. It was also noted that the donation to the Institute for future years should be subject to debate. The Parish Council appreciate all the hard work undertaken by the trustees and volunteers for the Institute, but feel perhaps that the Parish Council can help by providing support in other ways and that more discussions should take place with the trustees for future years.

Counc G Simon has been gathering more information regarding the engraving of a jubilee stone near the Pinnacle and has received a price of £200 per day in which 12 letters could be engraved. Clerk to ask Mr Roberts for permission and Counc G Simon to take some photos of the stone to be used. Discussions can then take place on the wording next month.

Items to go on the agenda next month include : Review of Financial Regulations, Review of Financial Risk Assessment, Approval of Budget Account, Commissioning of a Jubilee Stone, Parish Newsletter, Dog Fouling, Canal Towpath & Play Area Maintenance & Inspection

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY 6TH MARCH 2012 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM
All members of the village are welcome to attend

Morris taster session

If you've ever secretly fancied just 'having a go' at Morris dancing, the The Flagcrackers of Craven are offering just that chance to men, women and children in the area. On **Sunday March 18th**, the Skipton team will be holding an Open Taster Session workshop for anyone interested to try their hand at some Border Morris. That's the colourful stick brandishing variety.

The session will be held at the side's usual practise venue, Farnhill Institute from 10.30am until 3.30pm, with a break for lunch and the chance to relax with the members.

The Flagcrackers of Craven's ethos is to retain traditional morris dances and evolve new ones, with a generous dash of entertainment value for spectators. With members ranging from 4 to 70+ years of age,



it's open to anyone; no previous experience necessary! The Taster Session is an opportunity for the curious but nervous to have a go behind closed doors and consider joining the team to help keep this unique English dance heritage live and kicking.

The lively and noisy stick-clashing show that the Flagcrackers put on for their audiences at home and abroad may look relaxed and spontaneous, but it is actually a well-oiled machine that belies its own complexities. The 'mixed' side (i.e. including men and women) has a repertoire of many dances, of which in any given year around 12 are constantly rehearsed and danced out. Within each dance the 6 or 8 positions all feature different moves and the quiet winter months are used for dancers to learn familiar dances from new positions and to practise stepping and sticking techniques. New dances are learned and some developed creatively from scratch at workshops.

Opportunities to travel and experience other cultures are part and parcel of being a member of The Flagcrackers of Craven and the team have travelled abroad to take part in prestigious international events such as Europade at Quimper in Brittany where they appeared alongside 5000 other participants. Closer to home the team perform at many English festivals and will be travelling to Chippenham in Wiltshire this Spring.

For information on joining the side, or booking The Flagcrackers of Craven to entertain at an event, contact 01282 775026.

Cross Hill Naturalists' Society Winter Programme

www.crosshillsnats.co.uk

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



Lectures:

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

Microscope Meetings:

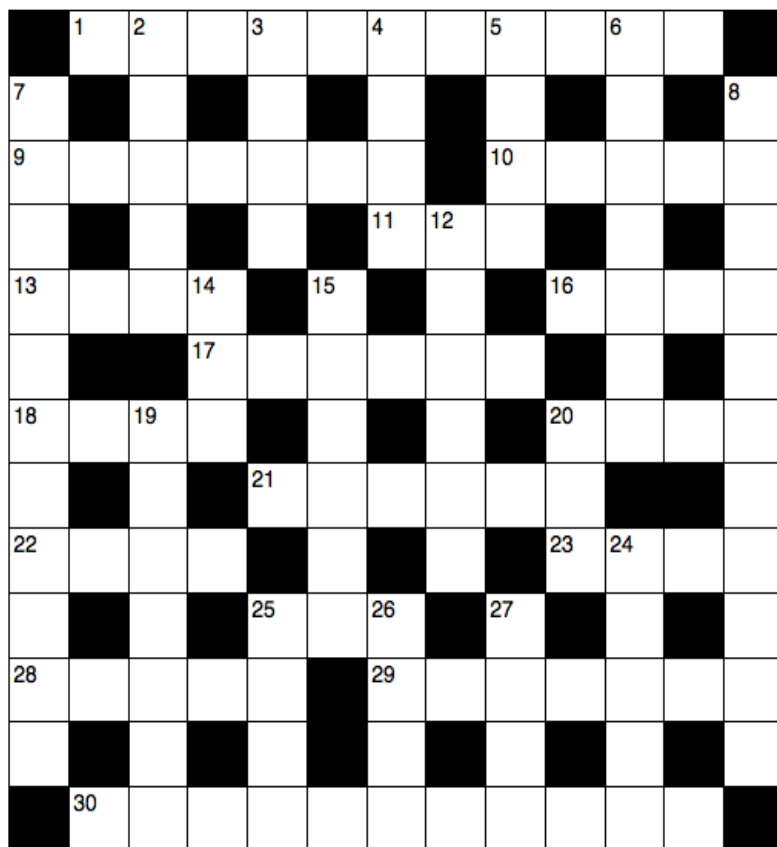
Take place on the second Thursday of each month at the Sutton-in-Craven Community Centre, North Street, Sutton-in-Craven BD20 7HA

Annual Subscription: Adults £6.00 Juniors 10 pence

Visitors and new members will be very welcome

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| 3 rd March | John Cumberland speaking on Gayle Mill, followed by the AGM, which was cancelled due to the weather. |
| 17 th March | Supper Evening in the Schoolroom |



Across

- 1 These letters come between Romans and Galatians (11)
 9 'You will not — me to the grave' (Psalm 16:10) (7)
 10 King of Moab to whom the Israelites were subject for 18 years (Judges 3:14) (5)
 11 Town possessing mineral spring (3)
 13 Mede (anag.) (4)
 16 High-fidelity (abbrev.) (4)
 17 He succeeded his father Rehoboam as king of Judah (1 Kings 14:31) (6)
 18 A son of Simeon (Genesis 46:10) (4)
 20 Controversial religious book of the 1970s, The — of God Incarnate (4)
 21 'He has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you — — and hear' (Acts 2:33) (3,3)
 22 'You — me together in my mother's womb' (Psalm 139:13) (4)
 23 Edit (anag.) (4)
 25 'Who has believed our message and to whom has the — of the Lord been revealed?' (Isaiah 53:1) (3)

28 Abraham's brother
 (Genesis 22:23) (5)

29 'When Mordecai learned of — that had been — , he tore his clothes' (Esther 4:1) (3,4)

30 Sympathetic (Proverbs 11:16) (4-7)

Down

2 'That was why his parents said, "He is — —; ask him"' (John 9:23) (2,3)

3 Integrated Services Digital Network (1,1,1,1) 4

4 'Saul has slain his thousands, and David his — of thousands' (1 Samuel 18:7) (4)

5 Concept (John 8:14) (4)

6 'Do we, then, — the law by this faith? Not at all! Rather, we uphold the law' (Romans 3:31) (7)

7 Industrious (2 Timothy 2:6) (11)

8 'I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be — in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you (Ephesians 1:18) (11)

12 'Out of the same mouth come — and cursing' (James 3:10) (6)

14 This was how many of the Jewish leaders described Jesus (John 10:20) (3)

15 Vitality (Job 20:11) (6)

19 He urged David to kill Saul at Hakilah (1 Samuel 26:8) (7)

20 'So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul — with the church and taught great numbers of people' (Acts 11:26) (3)

24 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord — — ' (Deuteronomy 6:4) (2,3)

25 Parched (Matthew 12:43) (4)

26 'In the image of God he created him; — and female he created them' (Genesis 1:27) (4)

27 Disparagement (Psalm 15:3) (4)

Answers on page 31

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The Senior Citizens of Cross Hills and Glusburn meet in the Rest Centre in the village. Coffee Mornings are held there every Saturday morning.

Subscriptions, which are the same as last year, are due on the 30th September. The Rest Centre is open for tea and biscuits on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons from 2.30. until 4.00.pm

Everyone is most welcome to come for a tea or coffee whenever the Rest Centre is open- you don't have to be a Senior Citizen.

If any Charitable Organization would like to hold a Coffee Morning in the Rest Centre they should contact Pauline Wellard on 631436.

**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

A meeting Place for over 50's

Every Wednesday 2.00-3.30 pm

Chat over Tea

Scrabble



Dominoes

*Cards
and more.....*

Farnhill Methodist Church



WHO CAN JUDGE?

Thomas Guy was a bookseller in London during the time of the Great Plague and the Great Fire in 1665/6. His business was very successful and he did well but people looked down on him because they thought he was mean. They saw him eating his lunch of dry bread in his shop, he wore worn out clothes and would only light one candle at a time. What people didn't know was that he lived in this way for a reason. When a new hospital was built at London Bridge they heard that it had been completely paid for by Thomas Guy. And on his death he left a huge sum of money as an endowment so that the hospital could continue to provide treatment for London's poor.

Even today Guy's Hospital is one of the most famous London teaching hospitals. Thomas Guy could have ignored the suffering all around him and eaten grand meals off fine china; instead he chose to eat dry bread wrapped in paper. So often we are wrong about people because we do not know all the facts.

JUMBLED BIBLE BOOKS

Can you unscramble these letters to find books in the Bible?

1. e r e d m o n t y o u
2. a h a c e h i r z
3. a k m r
4. a e d i l n
5. b e e w r s h
6. c c e h i l n o r s
7. a e v e l i n o r t
8. e d g j s u
9. t e e p r
10. a l m p s s

**Doctor, Doctor my son has
swallowed my pen, what
should I do?**

Use a pencil 'till I get there.

**Doctor, doctor, I feel like a
dictionary.**

I'll have a word with you later.



**Doctor, doctor, I've been stung
by a bee. Shall I put some
ointment on it?**

Don't be silly - it must be miles
away by now.

Answers: 1.Deuteronomy 2.Zechariah
3.Mark 4.Daniel 5.Hebrews
6.Chronicles 7.Revelation 8.Judges
9.Peter 10.Psalms



"Our basic wedding charges are very reasonable – optional extras include pew usage, hassock rental, hymn-sheet supplement, parking, lighting..."

Naughty mummy

A mother asked her young son, as they waited for the bus, to tell the driver he was five years old, because then he would ride for free. As they got into the bus the driver asked him how old he was. "I am five years old," said the little boy proudly.

The driver had a son of his own that age, and smiled. "And when will you be six years old?" he asked.

"When I get off the bus," answered the boy.



ACROSS: 1, Corinthians. 9, Abandon. 10, Eglon. 11, Spa. 13, Deem. 16, Hi-fi. 17, Abijah. 18, Ohad. 20, Myth. 21, Now see. 22, Knit. 23, Tide. 25, Arm. 28, Nahor. 29, All done. 30, Kind-hearted. DOWN: 2, Of age. 3, ISDN. 4, Tens. 5, Idea. 6, Nullify. 7, Hardworking. 8, Enlightened. 12, Praise. 14, Mad. 15, Vigour. 19, Abishai. 20, Met. 24, Is one. 25, Arid. 26, Male. 27, Slur.