

St. Andrew's Church Kildwick

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Parish Mission Statement

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

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Dear friends,

Alleluia! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The season of Easter, from Easter Sunday to the Day of Pentecost (Sunday 8th June), is the most joyful time in the church's year. It is a time of rejoicing in the resurrection, of celebrating the possibility of new life, of seeing the world and all its peoples in a completely different way.



What began with a few people in a small country became an explosion of faith, hope and love, expanding outwards in a never-ending movement.

The description of the early Christian community in Acts 2 gives us an idea of how the vision of a few is caught and developed. In place of a group of individuals huddling fearfully behind closed doors (Acts 1:13-14), here is a vibrant community that holds all things in common. Its members sell their possessions to provide for those in need, eating and praying together. The community is full of joy and takes its place in wider society, having the goodwill of all the people. And there was great promise for the future (Acts 2:47).

But, of course, for so many of the world's people the future seems empty of promise. In countless places - such as communities in South Sudan, the Central African Republic, Nigeria, Syria, Israel/Palestine, Ukraine, Afghanistan - we see the suffering of the cross.

But Christ's resurrection hope tells us that there is not only an alternative vision - there can also be a different end to the story. In the words of Archbishop Desmond Tutu:

'Goodness is stronger than evil; Love is stronger than hate; Light is stronger than darkness; Life is stronger than death. Victory is ours, victory is ours through him who loved us.'

In the place of self-offering love, a new world is possible. The vision is not just for the future, it is for now. The picture in Acts of a transformed community, which is one of joyful celebration, is the beginning of a community based on acceptance and trust.

Easter is the constant affirmation that Jesus is what love looks like - that in Jesus, we see God. If you want to know what God is like, look at Jesus.

Here is the Word made flesh, living among us, raising up the lowly, healing the sick, binding up the broken hearts, embracing the profane, naming the nameless and counting the uncounted, making visible the structures of injustice that allowed violence to be done to the poor and defenceless.

Here is God with us, dying in weakness and rising in glory. The resurrection is a sign and symbol of the seemingly impossible.

The story of God revealed in the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus the Christ is a story of hope overcoming fear. As Bishop Nick Baines reminded us recently, we are to people who are drawn by hope, not driven by fear.

There is hope for the church locally as we welcome the birth of the new Diocese of West Yorkshire & the Dales. We pray for Bishop Nick, our diocesan bishop-elect as he takes up his new role leading the new diocese in its mission to proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God. We pray for Bishop Nick as he considers the appointment of an Area Bishop of Bradford, who will have direct care of us in this Parish of St Andrew, Kildwick.

There is hope for the church nationally as the General Synod meets in July and, we pray, approves the legislation to enable women to be ordained as bishops in the Church of England.

There is hope for the church right here in this parish as we continue to strive to be God's people in this place, sharing God's love with all people, through outreach and service, in our community and in the world, through the power of the Holy Spirit (from our Parish Mission Statement).

There is hope, because is God is with us and we are not alone. As we look to the future with resurrection joy I hope that you will join me in commitment to do what we can; to pray, to act, to give generously in the service of God and God's Kingdom on earth as in heaven.

May the risen Jesus bless you.



Growing poppies together for World War 1

On Wednesday 30th April children from Kildwick School joined members of the church congregation to plant Flanders poppies around the War Memorial. This was part of a diocese-wide poppy planting organised by the new Diocese of West



We've planted poppies to commemorate the First World War

remembrance for the centenary of World War 1.

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Poppy packets had been distributed to every church school and church across the new diocese and senior church leaders designated April 30 as poppy planting day and encouraged everyone to sow their poppy seeds on that day to mark their identity as a new diocese together and remember all those who lost their lives in the Great War.

The Rt Revd Nick Baines, the bishop-elect for the new diocese said: "A century is not a long time, but only 100 years ago the world fell apart in the most violent way.

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Dales as an act of

This simple act of growing poppies reminds us of our past and is a very visual way of pledging ourselves to serve together in the future.

"I'm glad that our new diocese recognises the past while looking to shape the future. I'm proud to commend this campaign."

The Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu, said: "Here in the grounds of Bishopthorpe, we too, are getting behind



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this community initiative. I have been inspired by the parishes of the new Diocese of Leeds (West Yorkshire and the Dales) and their shared efforts to mark the 100th anniversary of the Great War".

The idea was inspired by the Royal British Legion Centenary poppy appeal and the Church of England has teamed up with the charity to help them in their aim to make the country awash with poppies during the next four years to mark this 100th anniversary of the Great War.

As the people gathered for the planting the following prayer was said:

Loving God, as we plant these poppies together with people across our diocese, we remember with gratitude and love all those who gave up their lives in the First World War. We pray that as we remember their sacrifice, so shall we use our lives today and the freedom and peace we enjoy in the service of our neighbour and for the coming of your kingdom. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Annual Church Meetings – Sunday 27th April

The meeting heard that there are now 61 people on the church electoral roll. It was also reported that the average Sunday attendance in 2013 was 61; the average number of visitors included in these figures was 18.

The number of occasional offices in 2013 was 12 baptisms, 8 weddings, 7 funerals and 3 burials of cremated remains.

Following the elections at the meetings the Parochial Church Council membership in the coming year will be:

- Vicar: Robin Figg
- Churchwardens: Lesley Hudson, John Mitchell
- Deanery Synod: two vacancies
- PCC: Sue Hargreaves, Kathryn Morris, Dorothy Reithermann, Marie Stinson, Sandie Walton, June Whitaker
- **CDFC Council:** Christine Anderton

Thanks are expressed to Mary Peake who stepped down as a member of the PCC.

The new PCC meets together for the first time on 13th May and will begin with a celebration of the Eucharist. The main focus during the coming year will be considering the theme of church growth and progressing the faculty application for the reordering of the central part of the church. Members of the parish and local community are invited to raise matters of interest and concern for discussion by the PCC by contacting the Vicar or Churchwarden (see back page for contact details).

Prayers for the Parish & World Church

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



BIBLE HISTORY

written by Michael Baumber THE GOSPEL STORY: THE ROAD TO THE CROSS 8: JESUS IN THE TEMPLE



If three synoptic gospels describe how Jesus entered into controversies with the leaders of the principal factions and his answers appear to be deliberately designed to provoke them. The Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection of the dead and when they asked him whose wife a woman would be in his kingdom that had had several husbands he just mocked them. Mark has him say 'Do you not know the scriptures or the power of God? When the dead rise they will neither marry nor be given in marriage. They will be like the angels in heaven.' Most Sadducees did not believe in angels either.

When he was asked which the greatest commandment was, Mark has him reply. 'Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is Love your neighbour as yourself.' According to Matthew this question was thought up by the Pharisees in order to trick him but the reaction of the crowd suggests that it was a relatively uncontroversial summary of the Ten Commandments, the first part coming from Deuteronomy and the second from Leviticus. Mark adds Jesus' approval of the comment of one of the bystanders that its observance was more important 'than all burnt offerings and sacrifices' showing that the teaching was aimed at the temple priests not the Pharisees.

Jesus was similarly dismissive of the teachers of the law 'who say that the Christ is the son of David'. Turning the claim on its head much to the amusement of the onlookers he showed that someone whom David himself accepted as his Lord could hardly be described as his son. He also criticised them for their pride and high living, adding that a widow's mite would be of more value than all their offerings.

When Jesus was challenged about his authority in teaching the way he did, instead of answering his critics directly, he asked. 'John's baptism – was it from heaven, or from men? Tell me.' John had been very popular, so popular indeed that in the early days of the Christian Church he still had many adherents especially in Egypt. To risk arresting Jesus publicly after he had wrapped himself in John's cloak would be risky so his questioners hedged. It was almost as if Jesus was willing them to arrest him and in the long run they were bound to respond otherwise their whole position would be undermined.

The one point where Jesus drew in his horns was over the tribute money. Pay to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's, he advised. His dispute, at least for the moment, was with the religious authorities not the Romans. Mark comments that 'the crowd was amazed' but whether it was impressed was another matter and his unwillingness to take the Romans on may have been why his crucifixion provoked so little unrest.

Central Sanctuary - proposed reordering

Last month we told you about meetings to be held at the end of April to inform people about the proposed reordering of the central area of St Andrew's Church.

At the meetings the limitations of the present building arrangement which need to be addressed by the reordering were explained as follows:

- 1. The small distance between the front pews and the central sanctuary step which makes the flow of people very difficult.
- 2. The lack of communion rail for the assistance of those persons who wish to kneel to receive communion.
- 3. The poor quality of the platform and carpet.
- 4. The different levels across the church.

The plan of the church as at present looks like this:





To address the limitations detailed above it is proposed to reorder the central part of the church as follows:

- Remove front 3 rows of pews from the nave with associated pew platform and create new stone floor at the level of existing nave floor. The existing front pew panels will be relocated to be the new front pew panels.
- 2. Create a new slightly enlarged sanctuary platform.
- 3. Provide 2 houseling benches* for use as communion rails.
- 4. Relocate the eagle lectern at a position adjacent to the pillar between platform front edge and the front pews.
- 5. Improve step arrangement from the nave to the north aisle.



- 7. Remove front 8 pews in the south aisle. The existing front pew panel will be relocated to be the new front pew panel in line with the front pew panels across the nave. Turn 3 of the said pews to face the centre of the church.
- 8. Replace the 2 pews in the existing north aisle 'children's corner' and remove 2 pews towards the west end of south aisle to create a new 'children's corner' in the south aisle.
- 9. Provide new lightweight staging for use on sanctuary platform for such occasions as the Christmas carol service and school Christmas events.

The scheme is such that numbers 1 to 5 form the minimum essential elements; numbers 6 to 9 are desirable.

*Houseling benches are free-standing wooden benches which look like this:

Forms which people can use to comment on the scheme are available in the church.



The PCC will be arranging a further visit to the church by members of the Diocesan Advisory Committee and by representatives of the relevant amenity societies (English Heritage, the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, the Victorian Society and the Churches Buildings Council). The PCC should then be in a position to submit an application for a faculty (ecclesiastical planning permission) for the proposed works.

Be assured that the process being followed is compliant with the Faculty Jurisdiction Rules 2013 and no alteration has or will be made to the church building without the requisite permission being granted. Any claim to the contrary is untrue. The PCC has never needed to apply for retrospective planning permission following work carried out without permission.

Visit by Tim & Kate Lee, CMS Mission Partners, Sunday 11th May

We look forward to welcoming Tim & Kate back to St Andrew's to bring us up to date with news of the Jigsaw Kids Ministry Project in Manila.

Tim will speak at the 10.00am service and there will be a bring & share lunch in the parish rooms.

Christian Aid Week 11th – 17th May

War tears lives apart; Love can help piece them back together



'The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer... in whom I take refuge.' *2 Samuel 22:2-3*

For a growing number of people across the world, the horror of war is a part of daily life.

Right now, fuelled by the devastating violence in both Syria and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the numbers of people driven from their homes by war is on the rise.

It stands at 42 million people – an appalling statistic and a stain on the conscience of humanity. We can't turn our backs. We must act now.

The good news is that your church can make a real difference.

Last year, a magnificent 20,000 churches across the country helped raise over £12m for Christian Aid Week.

This Christian Aid Week we want to go even further. We want every church in Britain and Ireland to get involved – whether by giving, acting or praying.

Together we can send people living in fear this message: you are not alone. We're with you, helping you to rebuild your lives, and working for peace.

Imagine what such an expression of love would mean to people searching for the strength to cope with the devastation of war, and how it could help to drive out their fear.

Demonstrate God's love for those living in poverty and show how much good the church is doing in the world this Christian Aid Week.

Together we can reach the 42 million people caught up in conflict and help them live a life free from fear.

Could you provide the gift of hope?

£15 could provide blankets for refugee children to protect them from bitter night-time temperatures.

£40 could provide enough good quality and nutritious food for two refugee children for a month.

£150 could help us provide specialist emotional support for a child deeply traumatised by the horror of war that they've witnessed or experienced.

Be an instrument of God's peace. Give, act and pray this Christian Aid Week. www.caweek.org

Weekend with Margaret Barker, Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th May.

Instead of a weekend away, this year we are welcoming Margaret Barker who will lead a day seminar on Saturday looking at the Gospel according to John. The day will include 4 talks by Margaret with the following titles:

- 1. The Shape of the Gospel
- 2. Jesus and the Jews
- 3. Jesus and his disciples
- 4. Good Friday and Easter

On Sunday Margaret will preach at the 10am Parish Communion.

Margaret has developed an approach to Biblical Studies now known as Temple Theology. She read theology at the University of Cambridge, England, and went on to pursue her research independently. She was elected President of the Society for Old Testament Study in 1998. She has so far written 16 books, which form a sequence, later volumes building on her earlier conclusions. Her latest book, 'The King of the Jews: Temple Theology in the John's Gospel' has just been published.



In July 2008 Margaret Barker was awarded a DD by the Archbishop of Canterbury '*in recognition of her work on the Jerusalem Temple and the origins of Christian Liturgy, which has made a significantly new contribution to our understanding of the New Testament and opened up important fields for research.*'

Margaret Barker is a mother and grandmother, a Methodist Preacher and was involved for over 30 years with the work of a Women's Refuge.

All in the month of MAY

It was:

- 150 years ago:- on 20th May 1864 that John Clare, British peasant poet, died. He is now regarded as one of the most important 19th century poets.
- 125 years ago:- on 11th May 1889 that John Cadbury, British businessman who found the Cadbury chocolate company and invented the solid chocolate bar.
- 100 years ago:- on 15th (or 29th?) May 1914 that Tenzing Norgay (Sherpa Tenzing), Tibetan/Nepali mountaineer was born. He was Sir Edmund Hillary's climbing partner in the first successful ascent of Mount Everest in 1953.
- 90 years ago:- on 12th May 1924 that Tony Hancock, British comedian and actor, was born. He was best known for the radio/TV series 'Hancock's Half Hour'. (died 1968)
- 80 years ago:- on 25th May 1934 that Gustav Holst, British composer, died. ('The Planets' and other works.)
- Also 80 years ago:- on 28th May 1934 that the first Glyndebourne opera festival was held, in East Sussex.



Prayer page

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit that my thoughts may all be holy; Act in me O Holy Spirit that my works, too, may be holy; Draw my heart O Holy Spirit that I love but what is holy; Strengthen me O Holy Spirit to defend that is holy; Guard me then O Holy Spirit that I always may be holy.

St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)

Your Spirit, present from the beginning of beginnings,

present in the message of the prophets, present in provision for your people, present in the life and words of Jesus, present in the Cross and crucifixion, present in the lives of the apostles, present in the church that you empower. Your Spirit, the presence of God in hearts and lives!

For the Spirit of Peace that calms our mind and stills our life, we give you thanks.

For the Spirit of Love that touches hearts

and reaches out,

we give you thanks.

For the Spirit of Joy that lifts our soul

and gives us faith

we give you thanks.

For the Spirit of Power, that gift of grace

for this your church,

we give you thanks.







Our favourite hymns

The story behind 'Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son'

Here is a hymn that is so well known and loved that it has simply burst the bounds of Easter, and gets sung regularly at other times of the year. It has two stories behind it.



First, the music. The rousing music did not start out as a hymn, but was written by Handel for his opera 'Judas Maccabeus', first performed in 1746. Originally the words ran 'See the conquering hero comes', for Handel's opera tells the story (found in the Apocrypha) of the leader of the Jews, Judas Maccabeus, who led an army against the Syrians and restored worship at the Temple. With its triumphant refrain after each verse, the music is easy to learn and sing, and can be (and has been!) played to great effect either by the trumpets, on an organ in a large resonant church, or even on guitars (!).

Secondly, the words. They were not written until 1884 – 138 years after the music. We owe them to the Rev Raymond Budry, a Swiss pastor from Lausanne. Ordained in the Free Evangelical Church in Vaud, he spent 35 years as the pastor of Vevey on Lake Geneva. Budry wrote the hymn in French ('A Toi La Gloire!') to console himself after the death of his first wife, and a year later (1885) it was published in Chants Evangeliques. Soon it found its way into English – translated by a Baptist minister from Kingston-upon-Thames, Richard Hoyle. By 1904 it had made the YMCA Hymn Book, and was being translated into other languages.

It is not clear who first had the happy idea of teaming words and music, but when they did, the hymn really took off. The theme of 'battle' is never far from this hymn, whether it was the battle of Judas Maccabeus, or the battle over sin which was won by Christ on the cross and in rising from the tomb. Easter, of course, marked the biggest victory over the biggest enemies of all time: sin and death.

What would Handel make of it, if he could know that his battle music had become one of the world's most popular and well-known Easter hymns? He was a devout man, working for the poor, praying twice each day, and attending St Pauls' Cathedral. So it seems pretty certain that he would be delighted.

Church Rotas

Date	Sidesperson	Intercessor	Communion
4 May Third Sunday of Easter	Joan and Barry Houghton David Baxter	Lesley Bannister	Sue and Michael
11 May Fourth Sunday of Easter	Marie Stinson Peter McNeill	Michael Baumber	Christine and Tim
18 May Fifth Sunday of Easter	Christine Anderton Ann Mosley June Whitaker	Marie Stinson	Christine and Sue
25 May Sixth Sunday of Easter	John Mitchell Michael Baxter Sandie Walton Kath Morris	Peter Bannister	Sandie and John
29 May Ascension Day 7.30 pm	CDFC service		

MAY Flower Rota		
4th	Mrs. Leach	
11th	Mrs. Roberts	
18th	Mrs. Whitaker	
25th	Mrs. Whitley	



Brass Cleaning May/June	Rosie Hargreaves and Elaine Carter	
Church Cleaning:	June Whitaker, Mary Peake, Christine Hutchinson	

Readers Rota

4 May	<i>Acts 2.14a, 36-41</i>	<i>Reading not used</i>
Third Sunday of	1 Peter 1.17-23	<i>Reading not used</i>
Easter	Luke 24.13-35	Sylvia Clark
11 May	Acts 2.42-47	Glyn Evans
Fourth Sunday of	1 Peter 2.19-25	John Mitchell
Easter	John 10.1-10	Brenda Brock
18 May	Acts 7.55-60	Lesley Hudson
Fifth Sunday of	1 Peter 2.2-10	Michael Baumber
Easter	John 14.1-14	Kath Morris
25 May	Acts 17.22-31	Barry Houghton
Sixth Sunday of	1 Peter 3.13-22	Lesley Bannister
Easter	John 14.15-21	Christine Anderton
29 May Ascension Day	Acts 1.1-11 Ephesians 1.15-23 Luke 24.44-53	<i>CDFC service at 7.30pm: readings arranged separately</i>

Ascension Day

Thursday 29th May 7.30pm Sung Holy Communion



From the registers

Baptisms

Sunday 14 th April	Evan Dushy Bell, son of Barry & Carthiga, of Street Lane, Leeds	
	Harry Lucas Rees, son of Steven & Samantha, of Higher Lodge Street, Glusburn	
Funerals		
Monday 14 th April	Joan Hudson, latterly of Bucklar Hill, Farnhill	

Regular Events at Kildwick

Monday 2.00pm	5 Beanlands Drive	Informal Bible study and fellowship, all welcome
Tuesday 10.00-11.30am	Chuffs (Not in school holi- days) in the Parish Rooms	Fun for pre-school children and their grown-ups!
Tuesday 7.30-8.30 pm	Choir practice in the church	
Wednesday 10.15 am- 12.30pm	NottheKnot Group in the Parish Rooms	Stitching and fellowship group.
Wednesday 7.30 pm	Bell ringing	



Sun 4 th May	6.00pm	Easter Service of Thanksgiving for Departed Family & Friends
Sat 10 th - Sat 17 th May		Christian Aid Week
Sun 11 th May	10.00am	Visit by Tim & Kate Lee (CMS Mission Partners)
Tue 13 th May	6.30pm	PCC meeting (Parish Rooms)
Sat 17 th & Sun	5	Weekend with Margaret Barker (Old Testament scholar)
Thu 29 th May	ASCENSIO	
	7.30pm	Holy Communion
Sun 8 th Jun	DAY OF PENTECOST	
	10.00am	Parish Communion with prayer for renewal
	4.00pm	Service of Inauguration of Bishop Nick Baines as Bishop
T oth	of	West Yorkshire & the Dales (York Minster)
Tue 10 th Jun	7.30pm	CDFC Annual Meeting (St Peter's Church, Cross Hills)
Thu 12 th Jun Fri 20 th Jun	7.30pm	Deanery Synod (St Matthew's Church, Wilsden)
Sun 22 nd Jun	2.45pm 10.00am	Kildwick School collective worship in church Service of Baptism, Confirmation & Affirmation of Faith
Sat 28 th Jun	11.00am	Summer Fair
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Mon 7 th Jul	6.30pm	Kildwick School governors meeting (School)
Tue 8 th Jul	6.30pm	PCC meeting (Parish Rooms)
Fri 11 th Jul	2.45pm	Kildwick School collective worship in church
Sun 20 th Jul	3.00pm	CDFC Praise in the Park (Sutton Park)

Sunday Services at Kildwick

Morning Prayer will be said in church at 7.30am Monday to Wednesday & Friday Midweek Eucharist on Wednesdays at 9.30am (in the Parish Rooms)

4 May Third Sunday of Easter	8.15 am 10.00 am 6 pm	Holy Communion Family Communion with baptisms Service of Thanksgiving & Commemoration of Departed Family and Friends
11 May	8.15 am	Holy Communion
Fourth Sunday of Easter	10.00 am	Parish Communion
18 May	8.15 am	Holy Communion
Fifth Sunday of Easter	10.00am	Parish Communion
25 May	8.15 am	Holy Communion
Sixth Sunday of Easter	10.00am	Parish Communion
29 May Ascension Day 7.30 pm	7.30 pm	CDFC united service. Holy Communion

An Easter Service of Thanksgiving & Commemoration of Departed Family and Friends

Sunday 4th May at 6.00pm

A service to remember those we love but see no longer



- 70 years ago:- on 4th May 1944 that Rome was liberated by the Allies.
- 60 years ago:- on 6th May 1954 that British athlete Roger Bannister became the first person to run a mile in under four minutes. (3 minutes, 59.4 seconds, Oxford.)
- Also 60 years ago:- on 26th May 1954 that the funerary boat of the Egyptian pharaoh Khufu was found sealed in a pit at the foot of the Great Pyramid of Giza. Dating from 2500 BC, it is the world's oldest intact ship.
- Also 60 years ago:- on 29th May 1954 that British athlete Diane Leather became the first woman to run a mile in under five minutes (four minutes, 59.6 seconds, Birmingham).
- 50 years ago:- on 2nd May 1964 that Nancy Astor, Viscountess Astor, Americanborn British politician, died. She was the first female MP to sit in the House of Commons.
- Also 50 years ago:- on 28th May 1964 that the Palestine Liberation Organisation was founded.
- 30 years ago:- on 8th May 1984 that the Thames Flood Barrier in London was officially opened.
- Also 30 years ago:- on 19th May 1984 that John Betjeman, British poet laureate, died.
- Also 30 years ago:- on 28th May 1984 that Eric Morecambe, British comedian, died.
- 20 years ago:- on 6th May 1994 that the Channel Tunnel linking England and France was officially opened.

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Easter at St Andrew's

The Easter message of Resurrection was proclaimed with great joy at the evening service on Easter Eve at which the new Easter candle was lit and processed through the dark church. Easter tells us that light of God's presence shines in the darkness and the darkness does not overcome it.

The candle has a wonderful wax relief on it which reminds us that Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.



In October 2012 the two pews in front of this space were removed under a Temporary Reordering Certificate. Recently a faculty has been granted for the permanent removal of these pews.

This means that this space will continue to be easily accessible and more readily appreciated by everyone who comes to share our life of prayer and worship at St Andrew's.

At the 10am service on Easter Day the message of Resurrection was



proclaimed as we transformed the plain Lent cross into a beautiful Easter cross as the congregation brought forward flowers to be put on the cross.

At this service we also blessed the Easter garden which is made in the opening in the south aisle wall. Near to the garden this year is a cross on which hangs the Crown of Flowers which was created by the children of Kildwick School during Lent.

The space in the south aisle wall also holds the Christmas crib scene during the Christmas and Epiphany seasons. During the remainder of the year our prayer board in placed here.



Churchyard happenings!

Several of our churchyard trees have been trimmed and tidied up and the maple tree by the Priestbank Road entrance had to be felled as it was split three ways and was in a dangerous condition. We had the stump left as a convenient seat on the church green! We discovered a





colony (what is the correct collective noun for slugs?) of leopard slugs living in the rotten trunk; they are now rampaging round the churchyard. They move surprisingly fast!

Millennium Yew

Some of you will remember that churches were given a cutting from a 2000 year old yew as we entered the new millennium. Ours came from the Monash yew in Kent. When he arrived he was only 6 inches tall and lived on my kitchen windowsill and then outside in a pot. He has thrived over past 14 years and now I felt he was old enough to manage on his own. He was planted last month in the churchyard and so far appears to like his new location. (He is called Pelagius).



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Saints and Such

May 26: Rogation Day

Rogation means an asking of God - for blessing on the seed and land for the year ahead. It is appropriate in any emergency, war, plague, drought or foul weather.

The practice began with the Romans, who invoked the help of the gods Terminus and Ambarvalia. In those days a crowd moved in procession around the cornfields, singing and dancing, sacrificing animals, and driving away Winter with sticks. They wanted to rid the cornfields of evil.

About 465 the Western world was suffering from earthquake, storm and epidemic. So Mamertius, Bishop of Vienne, aware of the popular pagan custom, ordered that prayers should be said in the ruined or neglected fields on the days leading up to Ascension. With his decision, 'beating the bounds' became a Christian ceremonial.

Rogation-tide arrived in England early in the eighth century, and became a fixed and perennial asking for help of the Christian God. On Rogation-tide, a little party would set out to trace the boundaries of the parish. At the head marched the bishop or the priest, with a minor official bearing a Cross, and after them the people of the parish, with schoolboys and their master trailing along. Most of them held slender wands of willow.

At certain points along the route - at well-known landmarks like a bridge or stile or ancient tree, the Cross halted, the party gathered about the priest, and a litany or rogation is said, imploring God to send seasonable wealth, keep the corn and roots and boughs in good health, and bring them to an ample harvest. At one point beer and cheese would be waiting.

In the days when maps were neither common nor accurate, there was much to be said for 'beating the bounds' - still very common as late as the reign of Queen Victoria. Certainly parish boundaries rarely came into dispute, for everyone knew them. (Do you know yours today?)

FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 1st April 2014 in Kildwick/ Farnhill Institute. The meeting was chaired by Counc. G Harling. Five members of the council were present plus NYCC Dist Representative Counc P Mulligan and the Clerk.

The minutes of the meetings held on the 4th[&] 13th March 2014 were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

A reply was received from the road policing group with regard to the one way diversion system not being put into practice when the A629 is blocked due to accidents or other issues. They state that there has never been a definite diversion route for traffic in relation to the A629 at Cononley and that each collision location will vary slightly as well as the attending officer needing sufficient resources to put effective diversions in place. Clerk to respond stating that a diversion system was arranged by Highways, Traffic Police and Farnhill Parish Council several years ago to put in place by using flip down signs to create a one way system through the village to avoid gridlock.

Clerk to inform Highways that there is a flood under the Culvert at Main Street. NYCC District Representative Coun P Mulligan gave an update on the meeting that is to be held at Cononley on the 14th April regarding safety issues at Cononley Lane Ends. Cononley Parish Council have produced a flyer for the meeting. Farnhill Parish Clerk to organize copies and distribute to Councillor's for circulation round the village.

Dist Counc P Mulligan also informed the Parish Council that the little white bus has now replaced the little Red Bus, but it is a dial a ride on demand service which has a joining fee plus a journey fare. He also stated that NYCC will be taking over some of the services from Pennine Buses.

The Receipts & Payments Account & Supporting Statement for year ended 31st March 2014 were presented to the Council and were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman. The Accounting Statement for the Annual Return was also approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

The Annual Parish Meeting is being held on Tuesday 6th May at 7.30pm in the downstairs room at Kildwick/Farnhill Institute and the ordinary Parish Council meeting will therefore be held on Thursday 8th May at 7.30pm. The Parish Council newsletter draft was agreed by Council and Clerk to get copies printed and distribute to Councillor's for circulation round the village. Clerk to invite CDC & NYCC District Representatives, NYCC Police, Countrywatch Crime Prevention Inspector & NYCC Highways Officer to the meeting.

Counc R Bramley reported that the hedge at the Play Area was protruding into the path of people walking past and was in need of cutting back and thinning. The

Parish Council resolved that he could carry out the necessary work and that he could purchase some weed and feed for the grassed area in the Play Area. Clerk has contacted the housing association again regarding the light at Langkirk Close and they confirmed the repairs would take place on the 4th April.

A request was received from a resident of the village asking if the large sycamore at Arbour Top could be trimmed as it was blocking the view and light from their house. Clerk to respond saying that the tree is in a conservation area and planning permission must be sought, and that the Parish Council are willing to apply for planning permission if they are prepared to pay for the work to be carried out.

DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY 8TH MAY 2014 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM All members of the village are welcome to attend

DATE OT THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING IS TUESDAY 6TH MAY IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM. ALL RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

- 20 years ago:- on 10th May 1994 that Nelson Mandela was inaugurated as South Africa's first black president after more than 300 years of white rule.
- 15 years ago:- on 1st May 1999 that the body of British mountaineer George Mallory was found on Mount Everest. He had been missing since June 1924.
- Also 15 years ago:- on 6th May 1999 that the first general elections for the Scottish Parliament and National Assembly for Wales took place. Donald Dewar became First Minister of Scotland and Alun Michael became First Secretary for Wales.

Tribute

The newly-arrived minister was asked to take a funeral at short notice. At one point in the service she said: "As I did not know the deceased, is there anyone here who would like to say a few words of tribute?" There was silence for several minutes and then a voice at the back was heard to say: "His brother was far worse."

Found

On the church noticeboard: Contact lens found in church. See vicar. If you can.

Encyclopaedias

Sorting our books for the local fete, a parishioner came across some well-worn and dusty illustrated encyclopaedias, treasured from his childhood. Unwilling to part with them, he put them on a shelf in the garage where his small grandchildren found them and spent many happy hours looking at the pictures. These books, however, caused him great embarrassment the day the minister came to visit. One of his grandchildren suddenly said: "Grandad, can we go look at those dirty books you keep in the garage?"



JIGSAW SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP— CHANGING LIVES

Jigsaw School Sponsorship continues to be a vital part of Jigsaw's work bringing the opportunity for education to those who otherwise would never go to school. Recently the team for school sponsorship has changed. Jenalyn leads the team and is supported by two



wonderful project officers 'Venus' and Sahlee. The month of April marks the end of another school year and we are so happy to share that 5 more students are graduating high school with a high school diploma. What a change this program has brought to their lives! We now need to hold them in our prayers that they may find the opportunities to use their diplomas to find work or opportuni-ties to study further. One family member getting a job can change a whole family's life and begin to break the cycle of poverty. This week the team have been busy with home visits of all the sponsored children. Venus who is new to home visits laughed when she shared (as both her and Jenalyn are pregnant expecting there first babies this year) that it must have been the funniest thing to see these two ladies with huge tummies arriving at the different houses and locations. Please pray for the team, and for the children and their families that God will use the school sponsorship program to transform their lives.

SPONSOR A CHILD TO GO TO SCHOOL AND CHANGE THEIR LIVES.

Jigsaw's goal is to increase school sponsors by 45 sponsors in 2014. Could you sponsor a child to go to school for just £15 a month/£180 a year and help us meet our goal?

If you would like to sponsor a child please email jigsaw and request a child sponsorship pack—thank you.

Prayers for Jigsaw Kids Ministries UK & Friends of Jigsaw Ministry

- **Please praise** God for all those volunteering for Friends of JKM in St Ives, Cambridgeshire. Pray that we may find; a chair person for the charity, a Friends of Jigsaw co-ordinator, an internet and resource co-ordinator and a funding and grants co-ordinator.
- **Please pray** for the continued growth of 'Friends of Jigsaw'. Pray for God to open the doors for Jigsaw to widen its supporter base and link with new churches and individuals.
- **Please pray** that JKM and the work of Friends of Jigsaw can develop through God's leading, so that they may reflect his ways and faithfulness.
- **Please praise** God for his resourcing of JKM Philippines and ask that we may be able to reach our target of increasing monthly giving by £3000 in 2014.
- Please praise God for Debs and her work with the School Sponsorship

Simnel tray bake

375g sweet pastry 150 g marg 2 large eggs 175 g mixed dried fruit 50g glacé cherries 1tsp mixed spice 6tbs cherry jam Juice and zest of one orange

GOOKING 150g golden castor sugar

350g marzipan Cut half into cubes and the other half make into 11 balls Icing sugar and flaked almonds

75g ground almonds

1tsp cinnamon

Method

- Line a 20x30cm baking tray with the pastry and lover pastry with greaseproof 1. and then beans to bake blind, gas 6.....15 mins . Remove beans and paper and bake for a further 10 mins
- 2. Cream marg and sugar, add eggs. Stir in flour, grd almonds, fruit, 1/2 of zest and spices.
- 3. Spread jam over the pastry and dot the cubes of marzipan over
- Pour over the cake mix and even the mixture in the tin 4.
- 5. Bake gas3. 35 mins cool in the tin
- Place the balls onto greaseproof paper and grill 1-2 mins 6.
- Mix the icing sugar with the juice to a thickish consistency and drizzle over the 7. grilled balls and place onto the cake with the flaked almonds and remaining half of the zest.

.....delicious served with cheese

program. Pray that we may increase the number of sponsors by 45 to cover all the children going to school.

Thank you so much for your love and prayers as we work together to transform the lives of children in the Philippines through the work of Jigsaw.

Jigsaw Kids Ministries , First floor Chapel House , Chapel Lane, St Ives—PE27 5DX **EMAIL** info@jigsawkidsministries.org Lloyds TSB Jigsaw Kids Ministries Sort code: 30-94-43 Acc No/ 03952804 Gift aid forms available on request.

See page 9 for news of Tim and Kate Lee's visit to Kildwick

If you would like to give a gift to Jigsaw you can send a cheque to the office address or pay direct into the Jigsaw Kids Ministries bank account. If you would like to sponsor a child or set up a standing order to Jigsaw please email the Jigsaw office for appropriate forms. Thank you-



Birds in your garden



2013 was a fascinating year for Garden Bird Watchers with the late Looking out for birds start to spring seeing a large numbers of garden birds using our feeders. The late spring also produced a delay in breeding for many birds, almost certainly contributing to a decline in breeding success. Then towards the end of the year, bumper seed and berry crops led to one of the quietest winters in the last decade, with birds seemingly having disappeared from gardens, making it difficult to fully assess what happened to the numbers of many species during 2013.

So far as our commonest garden visitors were concerned I noticed that at the end of last year and during the winter that followed, Blue Tit and Great Tit numbers were lower than usual. It is now the start of their breeding season, so they will be less visible until fledging occurs, and it will be interesting to see how many parents bring their young to visit our feeders this year.

Blackbirds were particularly notable as being less numerous than in previous winters, though if my garden was typical, we had our usual share of migrants from Northern Europe. All our berry bushes were stripped by the end of February.

Some relief was given though by the "Hoover Birds", the Wood Pigeons also staying away!

Robin numbers are always difficult to assess as they are so solitary, but the usual increase in sightings due to the presence of fledglings was less than expected As I write, we are enjoying an early, warm spring and there are already reports of Blackbirds and Robins on eggs. We recently had a Nest Box Week too, though you would have missed it if you blinked, but even if you did why not join the BTO's Nest Box Challenge and help monitor the breeding success of our garden birds? To take part, just register your nest box online and then give regular updates on whether it is used, what birds are using it, and the progress of any nests. If you have any other nests in your garden, you can include those too. The Blackbird nest in your privet hedge and the Collared Dove nest on your satellite dish can both be monitored for Nest Box Challenge.

Last year, over 4,000 boxes were monitored in 1,500 gardens across the UK.

Just a brief end-note about the Cuckoos' progress for those who read last month's article: all are in the northern part of their wintering territory. In mid-April, one has reached Spain, and three more have completed one of the most hazardous elements the Cuckoos face on their migration by crossing, the Sahara.

They are on their way back with, so far, a good survival rate, so listen out for their return, and don't forget that you can use the website to follow their progress.

If you find the lives of our garden birds to be of interest, and would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please contact me or visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website (www.bto.org/gbw). If you know of a local organisation who would like a talk on garden birds call: Mike Gray 01904758510 or mikegbw@btinternet.com.



Photo, David Waistell/BTO



One day a teacher said to a class of 5-year-olds, "I'll give £2 to the child who can tell me who was the most famous man that ever lived."

An Irish boy put his hand up and said, "It was St Patrick."

The teacher said, "Sorry Sean, that's not correct."

Then a Scottish boy put his hand up and said, "It was St Andrew." The teacher replied, "I'm sorry, Hamish, that's not right either."

Finally, a Jewish boy raised his hand and said, "It was Jesus Christ." The teacher said, "That's absolutely right, Marvin, come up here and I'll give you the £2."

As the teacher was giving Marvin his money, she said, "You know Marvin, since you're Jewish, I was very surprised you said Jesus Christ".

Marvin replied: "Yeah. In my heart I know it's Moses, but business is business".



JULIAN of NORWICH

Julian was a woman who lived in Norwich, and in 1373, on the 13th May, she had a series of visions of Jesus that were so important to her that she spent the next 20 years learning to read and write so that she could share these visions with others. Imagine the hard work and trouble that must have caused because it was very rare for any woman to read and write at that time, let alone an unimportant countrywoman. Julian lived most of her life in a small room that joined onto one wall of St Julian's Church in Norwich. And you can actually visit the room (it was bombed during the Second World War but rebuilt).

Dame Julian wrote about the love of God and you can still read her book The Revelations of Divine Love' today. The book ends with the words "before God made us, he loved us". Before we were born, God chose us for the work we are to do. And as we know, God doesn't make mistakes. He chose you and me, and he loves us. What a wonderful promise!

NOR - PUZZLE

All the answers start with the letters NOR. Answers at the bottom of the page.

What NOR is....

- The language of the Vikings.
- 2. A compass point.
- 3. Three English counties.
- 4. A country.
- 5. A man's name and a style of church building.
- The town where Julian lived.
- It's not unusual.

What do you get if you cross a Viking and a detective? Inspector Norse.





What do Eric the Red and Winnie the Pooh have in common?

They have the same middle name.

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Answers: 1. Norse 2. North 3. Northumberland, Norfolk and Northamptonshire 4. Norway 5. Norman 6. Norwich 7. normal

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	The Village Pump

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

Farnhill Methodist Church (in the foyer)

Farnhill Methodist Church holds a Coffee Morning

from 10—11.30 am on the second Saturday of each month. There is a cake stall, greetings cards, bric-a-brac and paintings on sale. It is a regular date for many villagers and for visitors from around the area. All are welcome.

Some material in this publication is $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ Parish Pump