



St. Andrew's Church Kildwick

News and Views from Kildwick, Farnhill and Cross Hills

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Parish Mission Statement

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

Church Website www.kildwick.org.uk

The Vicar's Letter...

Dear friends,

It is good to be back with you following my sabbatical. The last four months have flown by and now here we are at the end of summer and preparing for autumn with all that this means in terms of a new start or beginning for so many of us.



I do want to express my sincere thanks to those who have worked hard during my absence to ensure the life of the Church in this parish has continued. In particular I thank Lesley Hudson and John Mitchell, our Churchwardens, and Peter Bannister and Di Halliday, our retired clergy. I know that people have also appreciated the visits by Paul Slater, our Archdeacon, Susan Griffiths, our Rural Dean, and Bruce Grainger, retired clergy, who have come to take Sunday services. I am most grateful to everyone who has given generously of their time and energy.

Being able to take a sabbatical is a gift for any clergy person and I greatly valued the time and space I was given both to complete my dissertation for my MA in Psychotherapy & Counselling and to read, rest and reflect. I return to my parish duties refreshed and, I am pleased to tell you, with news of success in my academic studies.

The coming weeks will see many people beginning a new phase in their life journey. Lots of children will be starting school, and we especially welcome all the new children starting at Kildwick School; we wish them, and the new members of staff, all good wishes for their time here. Last year's leavers from Kildwick will be starting at South Craven or one of the Skipton schools and, again, we wish them all well. Many of our young adults will be heading off to university, college or employment; we hope they will continue to be successful as they move into the adult world.

These times of change and growth can be daunting for the individual person and, of course, their families. In these moments of transition we need to support one another with love and patience, ready to acknowledge the fears and anxieties as well as embracing the excitement and anticipation.

As a Church we also face a significant time a change just around the corner. Some will be aware, but many may not be, that in July the General Synod agreed to the dissolution of the threes Dioceses of Bradford, Ripon & Leeds and Wakefield and the formation of a new Diocese of Leeds (to be known as the Diocese of West Yorkshire & the Dales). Below you can read a statement by the Bishop of Bradford issued following the General Synod vote, a recent update and see a diagram showing the timetable for the transition in our diocesan structure. For us here in this parish, we will continue to be in the Deanery of South Craven, but this deanery will become part of the Archdeaconry of Bradford.

In this parish we have experienced some personal changes during my sabbatical period. In July Stephen & Christine Westcott moved to Norwich to be closer to their family. Both Stephen and Christine contributed much to our life during their time with us; Stephen, in particular, have been a most diligent Planned Giving & Gift Aid Secretary. We are now looking for someone to succeed Stephen in this important role. We will miss Stephen and Christine and wish them every blessing in their new life down south.

We also will miss the presence amongst us of Brian Charter and Alan Jowett who have died in recent weeks. Both Brian and Alan, too, contributed much to our church life and we give thanks to God for each of them and we pray for family and friends

following their deaths.

Looking at the world stage, we continue to be appalled by the scenes of horrific violence coming from so many countries, especially, as has been the case for so long now, in the Middle East and northern Africa. Like you, I find it hard to watch the latest news reports from Syria and feel heartbroken and helpless. How should the world respond to such atrocities? Certainly we all want justice, we all want the violence to stop, we don't want any more people to cry in pain as they carry the body of a lifeless child. So how should the world respond?

As we wrestle with the arguments for and against a military strike by Western powers in response to the latest atrocious use of chemical weapons in Damascus, it is perhaps ironic that on the day of this attack the world also marked the 50th anniversary of Martin Luther King's *I Have a Dream* speech. King sought after justice, but knew that our popular understanding of justice is mired with violence. For King, true justice is always based on love and nonviolence, because violence always carries with it a fatal flaw. As he wrote in his book *Strength to Love*, "Violence brings only temporary victories; violence, by creating many more social problems than it solves, never brings permanent peace".

We will have a opportunity to think more deeply about the Christian understanding of nonviolence when the American theologian Michael Hardin (author of *The Jesus Driven* Life) visits us to lead a day seminar on 'Nonviolence Atonement' on Saturday 2nd November. Michael will also preach on Sunday 3rd November. More details about Michael's visit will be available later this month.

I wish you much joy and peace.



A new diocese for Yorkshire

A message from the Bishop of Bradford, July 2013

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ.

As you know, the General Synod of the Church of England voted overwhelmingly on Monday 8th July in York to dissolve the Dioceses of Bradford, Ripon & Leeds and Wakefield and create a new Diocese of

5 areas working within 1 Diocese 1 diocese enabling and serving 5 areas



Leeds (also to be known as the Diocese of West Yorkshire and the Dales).

It is expected that the new diocese will legally come into being in spring 2014, but that the migration to new structures will take place gradually and over a period of time thereafter. So, it is 'business as usual' for the time being and we should not be distracted from our task of worship, evangelism and service.

What is being called 'the appointed day' will mark the end of the three Sees (or bishoprics) and the birth of the new See of Leeds. This means that the three diocesan bishops will cease their work on that day. The process for identifying a new bishop of Leeds will begin shortly and will culminate in a nomination also in spring 2014.

Please now pray for all involved in this challenging period of transition and change. As was recognized in the General Synod's debate, this decision offers West Yorkshire and the Dales a wonderful and unprecedented opportunity to do something new in reaching out to and serving the people of our communities.

Information will be published regularly as decisions are made by the Archbishop of York and those responsible within the existing dioceses. Please keep an eye especially on the diocesan website for updated communications.

You are all in my prayers as we take responsibility for what God has committed to us in this way. May God bless you all and grant you peace in all things.

+Nicholas Bradford

Update dated August 2013

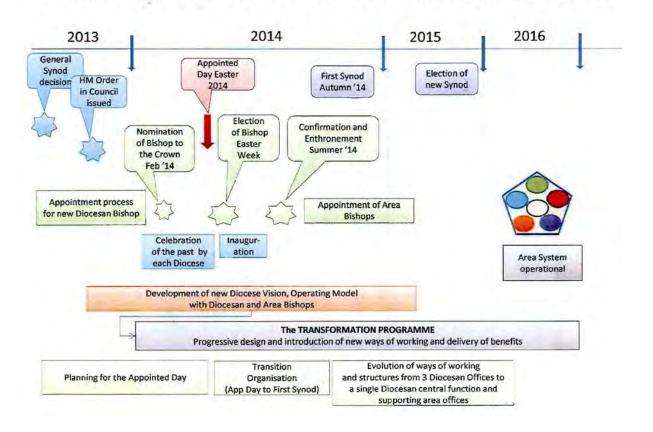
The Archbishop of York, who has produced a timetable of key dates for the new diocese of West Yorkshire and the Dales, has announced that the 'Appointed Day' will be Easter 2014. This is when the three Dioceses cease to exist and the new Diocese comes into being, and when the three Diocesan Bishops depart. While arrangements will be put in place to allow us to operate consistently during the transitional period, the Appointed Day itself will not bring any instant changes; these will be gradual over a period of about a year.

Bishop Nick says, "It is good to have a clear road map for all that has to happen between now and the creation of the new diocese. Much detailed work is now going on and we can engage with this both with creativity and patience. Our diocesan officers are serving us very well as we face an exciting and challenging time ahead. The job of the church will not change as the plumbing gets attended to!".

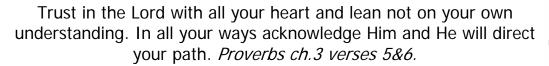
It's expected that the name of the new Diocesan Bishop will be announced in February and there will be an Acting Bishop between the Appointed Day and the new Bishop taking up his post - probably in the summer. See the timetable below.

More information can be found on the diocesan website at www.bradford.anglican.org

ROADMAP TO THE NEW DIOCESE OF WEST YORKSHIRE AND THE DALES: LEEDS



Prayer page





Lord full of compassion and understanding.

Open our hearts and minds to understand how great your love is for each of us.

Take our doubts and fears, our hurts and our pain.

Our security and anxiety and give us your peace

Lord of life and hope Always there when we need you Still there when we turn our backs on you Thank you for your faithfulness

Lord of Peace

In our broken world, make us channels of hope, healing and reconciliation.

May we love the helpless, and hold the broken

And risk our own peace for the sake of others.

Lord of all

Bless children starting new schools and universities

Bless parents who are anxious

Bless the frail and the elderly

As a community help us to care for one another

To give encouragement, support and love to all in need.

Have no fear Christ has overcome the world. It is the resurrected Christ who walks with us.

Prayers for the Parish & Word Church

The next monthly meeting to pray for the parish and worldwide Church will take place on Friday 20th September in the Parish Rooms from 10.00am until 11.30am. For more information contact Robin Figg, 633307.

Sudan - Bradford Link: The Kadugli Appeal

The Diocese of Bradford has a partnership link with the five dioceses of the Episcopal Church of Sudan (ECS) which cover the whole geographical area of the Republic of the Sudan.

The aim is to deepen and extend our participation in God's mission through a relationship which is rooted in our membership together in the Anglican Communion, in the worldwide family of Christ.

The spirit of the link is our mutual responsibility and interdependence in the Body of Christ. In the Sudan, we want to support and encourage our brothers and sisters who feel marginalised and oppressed in their own country, yet maintain their faith



in Christ with great courage. But the Link works in both directions: it is for mutual support and encouragement, leading to praying for each other with understanding.

The Nuba people around Kadugli sided with the southern factions through 50 years of civil war - but geographically are part of Sudan, not South Sudan. The situation in South Kordofan, Sudan's only oil-producing state, is bad. Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir's ruling party has sent in the army and air force to clear all rebellious action, but it is ordinary people who are dying, whose homes and churches are being destroyed.

Fighting intensified as artillery fire was used in the clashes between the two forces in and around Kadugli, and the Sudanese army is spreading its forces throughout the state despite the 2005 peace agreement plan that these areas and the disputed region of Abyei were to be jointly patrolled by the northern and southern armies. As fighting intensified, civilians are fleeing.

What can you do?

First of all, you can pray. And go on praying.

- Pray for those who have died, those who are injured and those who love them and care for them.
- Pray for those made homeless, those who have lost their livelihood, those who are travelling to a place of safety - and for those who are unable to travel.
- Pray for those who have to minister to them, the people in towns that are being overwhelmed by refugees, the churches and the agencies who are struggling to cope.

• Pray for the United Nations. Their position in the north is precarious but they, and the governments whose force they are, may be the only agency that can prevent the breaking out of yet more civil war.

Second, you can give your prayer a practical dimension.

Please give

The Dioceses of El Obeid, Khartoum and Wad Medani are desperate for funds to help look after the refugees.

The damage and destruction of schools and churches in Kadugli Diocese is large. We cannot do much about that, practically, to help yet, but there will be a significant repair bill ahead. We need to build up our depleted funds so that we can help.

There has been a tremendous response to the Kadugli Appeal which shows how much people care for those who are living rough with little food. We have raised over £125,000 (and expect a further £3,500 in gift aid). And more is needed. Please do continue to raise funds for Sudan.

Heritage Open Days Sunday 15th September



St Andrew's Church will be opening its doors to show off its architectural treasures to local people and visitors on 15th September. The openings form part of Heritage Open Days 2013, a national event co-ordinated by the Civic Trust and part of a European wide initiative, European Heritage Days. The programme is funded and supported by English Heritage.

St Andrew's Church will be open during the following times: Sunday 15th 12 noon – 4.30pm (services at 8.15am, 10.00am).

There will a **guided tour of the church** at 2.00pm and 3.00pm and from 2.00pm to 4.00pm there will an opportunity to try your hand at **bell ringing** under the supervision of our own experienced band of ringers.

Refreshments will be available in the parish rooms from 2.30pm. For more details ring 01535 633307.

Situations Vacant

Do you have some spare time which you could use to help keep our beautiful ancient church looking its best?

We need helpers to clean the brasses (only on the rota twice in a year)

Church cleaning (only on the rota every 3 months.)

The more volunteers we have the quicker it all gets done!

We also have regular maintenance days then we concentrate on areas of the church and churchyard that need attention.

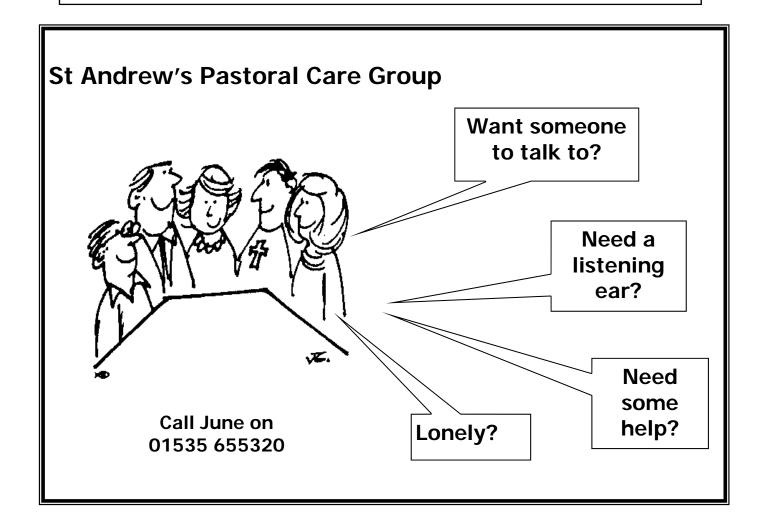
If you are able to help on a regular or one off basis please contact Lesley Hudson 01535 523291 email lesley.hudson@kildwick.org.uk

TEA AND SCONES

In the Parish Rooms, next to Kildwick Church every Sunday afternoon from 2.30pm until 4.30pm,until the end of September.

A warm welcome awaits our regular and new customers.

If you are able to help by hosting an afternoon, baking scones or church sitting so that our historic church can be open for visitors please sign the list in church or contact Lesley Hudson on 01535 523291



BIBLE HISTORY

written by Michael Baumber
CRISIS IN GALILEE:
5. WHO DO MEN SAY THAT I AM?

he gospels are written with the eye of faith. Their aim is to bring the 'good news but sometimes the eye of history sees a different figure. The authors have to introduce discordant notes because there are events which appear to contradict the story they are building up but which cannot be ignored because there were a large number of witnesses. One was the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan by John the Baptist. If Jesus was the son of God why was it necessary to submit to a ceremony which suggested that he began as one of John's followers? We now come to another.

According to Mark Jesus left Lower Galilee and travelled through Upper Galilee to Caesarea Philippi and then to Tyre, returning via Sidon to Decapolis, all of which had predominantly gentile populations and it is during these wanderings that he places a debate about how people perceived him. Although Matthew and Luke omit any mention of a peregrination around the north of Palestine they both include a similar discussion.

Jesus asks, 'Who do men say that I am' The disciples reply that they think he is Elijah come again or perhaps one of the prophets. Then he asks them, 'Who do you think that I am', a question that leads Peter to declare that Jesus is the Son of God, the expected Messiah. Jesus then reveals to them what is going to happen, that they will go to Jerusalem where Jesus will be arrested, tried and then crucified. It is all preordained. When Peter was suitably shocked Jesus gave him a dressing down but the disciples were not convinced. They appear to see Jesus talking to two men in a halo of light which is called the Transfiguration. They immediately assume that his companions are Moses and Elijah though they cannot have known what they looked like. The two men were chosen because tradition had it that neither had seen death. No one knew where Moses was buried and Elijah had been received up into heaven. Indeed the belief that Jesus would initiate an earthly kingdom was so strong that the mother of James and John requested that when it came her two sons should sit in the places of honour on his right and left.

There is no indication either in the Easter story that his crucifixion was the expected climax. The grief expressed at his death appears to me to be genuine and both Mark and Matthew record that just before he expired Jesus cried out with a loud voice 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me'?' This flat contradiction of what Jesus was supposed to have told his disciples must have been heard by a large number of people round the cross for them to be included. Significantly Luke and John who were writing for a predominantly Greek audience miss them out. The impression I get as an historian is that Jesus was a man possessed. He was gripped by God's spirit within him which was driving him on without him knowing what the end would be.

Preserving our Village Past

Farnhill and Kildwick History Group needs

YOU !

To help us build a Village Archive

Kildwick & Farnhill Institute
Saturday October 5th 2013, 10am-4pm

Drop in and see some of the items we've already got, and bring along your own for us to copy. We'd like to see your:

- Interesting photographs
- Old maps
- Old documents and newspaper clippings
- Memorabilia school certificates, coronation mugs, etc.
- Prehistoric artefacts from this area
- Your memories of what the village was like

Free Admission



Refreshments Available

All items will be scanned, copied or photographed. All originals will be returned.

Church Rotas

Date		Sidesperson	Interce	ssor	Communion
1 September The Fourteenth S After Trinity	Sunday	Joan and Barry Houghton David Baxter	Marie Stir	nson	Sandie and Michael
8 September The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity		Marie Stinson Peter McNeill	Sue Hargreaves		Christine and Tim
15 September The Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity		Christine Anderton Ann Mosley June Whitaker	Lesley Hudson		Christine and John
22 September The Seventeenth Sun- day After Trinity		Libba Utley Michael Baxter Sandie Walton Kath Morris	Robin Figg		Sue and Michael
29 September Michael and All Angels		Joyce Bonham Elaine Carter Sandie Walton/Marie Stinson	Michael Baumber		Sandie and John
Flowers rota					•
1st	Mrs.Whitley				
8th	Vacant				
15th	Vacant				
22nd	Mrs.Hutchinson/Mrs.Tillotson				

Brass Cleaning	Vacant
Church Cleaning:	Lesley Hudson, Libba Utley, Christine Anderton

Mrs.Halliday

29th

Readers Rota

1 September The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity	Ecclesiasticus 10.12-18 Hebrews 13.1-8,15-16 Luke 14.1,7-14	Reading not used Reading not used Katharine Calvert
8 September	Deuteronomy 30.15-20	Marie Stinson
The Fifteenth Sunday	Philemon 1-21	Tim Littler
After Trinity	Luke 14.25-33	Kathryn Morris
15 September	Exodus 32.7-14	Glyn Evans
The Sixteenth	1 Timothy 1.12-17	Christine Anderton
Sunday After Trinity	Luke 15.1-10	John Mitchell
22 September The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity	Amos 8.4-7 1 Timothy 2.1-7 Luke 16.1-13	Barry Houghton Michael Baumber Brenda Brock
29 September	Revelation 12.7-12	Lesley Hudson
Michael and All	Hebrews 1.5-end	Marjorie Gee
Angels	John 1.47-end	Sylvia Clark



Harvest Festival Celebration

Join us for our Harvest Festival services on **Sunday 6th October** as follows: 8.15am Holy Communion 10.00am All Age/Family Communion Service to be followed by auction of produce

Proceeds from the services & auction will be given to support of the

Kadugli Appeal for the Church of Sudan

Why not also join us for a Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches **Harvest Supper**

at St Peter's Methodist Church on **Friday 4th October** at 6.30pm *Look out for details of how to book.*

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 holidays) 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	



Tue 10th Sep 6.30pm PCC meeting (Parish Rooms) Sun 15th Sept 12noon Heritage Open day Fri 20th Sep Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms) 10.00am Fri 27th Sept 7.30-9.30 pm Church Social event Thu 3rd Oct Deanery Synod meeting (Keighley Shared Church) 7.30pm Fri 4th Oct 2.45pm Kildwick School Harvest collective worship in church Sun 6th Oct 10.00am Harvest Festival Family Communion Sun 20th Oct 10.30am CDFC Service for One World Week (St Andrew's Church, Cowling) Sun 27th Oct Bible Sunday Presentation of Recording of contents of 10.00am church Tue 29th Oct CDFC Residential Homes Visiting Teams meeting (St 10.30am Peter's Church, Cross Hills) Sat 2nd Nov ALL SOULS DAY 5.00pm **Evening Prayer** Sun 3rd Nov **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY** Tue 12th Nov 6.30pm PCC meeting (Parish Rooms) Fri 29th Nov ST ANDREW'S 7.30pm Patronal Festival Eucharist. Preacher: The Revd Canon Steve Allen Sat 30th Nov 10.00am St Andrew's Fair (Church & Parish Rooms) Sun 1st Dec **ADVENT SUNDAY**

6.00pm

Carol Service

Sunday Services at Kildwick

Midweek Eucharist on Wednesdays at 9.30am

1 st September The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15 am 10.00 am	Holy Communion Family Communion
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15 th September The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
22 nd September The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15 am 10.00am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist
29 th September Michael and All Angels	8.15 am 10.00am	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist

Please come and join us at St Andrew's

For a relaxed informal evening with wine, soft drinks and light refreshments.

on

Friday 27th September from 7.30 to 9.30 pm.

RSVP by 8th September Sandie Walton 01535 636501 June Whitaker 01535 655320



Glusburn & Crosshills WI

Over 40 members of Glusburn & Crosshills WI turned out on a wet and windy Tuesday evening this week to enjoy a visit from the "Nidderdale Llamas" followed by a strawberry INSPIRING WOMEN supper. Harry, Chester and little Oscar (pictured) posed happily for photographs, before owner Suzanne Benson

explained how she and her husband built up the business from small beginnings to a family-run trekking centre offering the whole llama experience. Each of their 19 llamas have their own distinct personality and they are available for weddings, hen parties and even llama therapy.

Our meetings take place on the first Tuesday of each month at Cross Hills Village Centre. All ladies welcome."



Message from Stephen and Christine Westcott

Dear Friends,

After four weeks of quite hard work, we are having a rest. Christine and I thought that this would be an opportune moment to write to you all to say how much we have appreciated your love and fellowship over the past few years. We have many very happy memories of our brief sojourn in North Yorkshire and especially at St. Andrew's. We will miss you all. Yesterday we went to church in a village about 6 miles from home, and stayed after the service, having a coffee and chat to others in the congregation. As the group thinned and we were about to leave, the clergyman taking the service (the vicar is on holiday) said to me "You will be the last to leave". I replied that it was nothing unusual as at St. Andrew's we always seemed to be one of the last.

We had a smooth removal on the Thursday and Friday, and were blessed by the whole family lending a hand to get things into some sort of order on the Saturday. Our son arrived early from Coventry; the locals getting here a few minutes later. Everyone, including the youngsters worked very hard all day at their allocated tasks. That evening we all repaired to the local Indian Restaurant for a curry.

Since then the house has been redecorated externally, after 13 years of neglect, and now looks very smart in its new livery. As I write the kitchen is being modified and a new cooker installed. Then I think it will time to start on the garden.

Again we would like to send our love and best wishes, and thanks to you all.

Stephen & Christine

Cooking Corner

Crunchy Romaine Toss

Serves 8

Ingredients

- 1 cup walnuts chopped
- 1 package of Ramen noodles, uncooked and broken, discard flavour pack
- 4 tblsp of unsalted butter
- 1 bunch broccoli coarsely chopped
- 1 head romaine washed and broken into pieces
- 4 green (spring) onions chopped
- 1 cup sweet and sour dressing

Method

Brown walnuts and noodles in butter cool on paper towels

Combine noodles and walnut with broccoli, romaine and onions.

Pour over dressing and toss to coat

Dressing

Combine:-

1 cup vegetable oil1/2 cup red wine vinegar1 tablsp sauce

salt and pepper

Blueberry soured cream cake

Ingredients

6oz soft marg 6oz golden caster sugar

3 large eggs 8oz SR flour

1tsp BP 2tsp vanilla extract

142ml soured cream 3 x 125g punnets blueberries

Frosting

200g soft cheese 4oz icing sugar

Oven temp 180c /160c fan, gas 4

Line a 22cm loose bottomed round cake tin.

Method

- 1. Beat together with a wooden spoon the first six ingredients
- 2. Beat in 4tbs soured cream
- 3. Stir in half the fruit
- 4. Tip into the cake tin, smooth the top
- 5. Bake 50mins until well risen, firm to the touch. Cool in the tin 10mins before taking out to cool completely

Frosting

Beat together the cream and icing sugar, add remaining soured cream and mix until smooth. Spread over the cold cake and cover with the remaining fruit

Will keep in the fridge for two days

Can freeze un-iced, Serves 10 470cals per slice !!!

I think that raspberries might be rather good too!

From the registers

Weddings

Friday 9th August Simon Tyson & Samantha Halstead, of Park Road, Cowling

Thursday 29th August Wayne Bryar & Gaynor Ross-Bryar, of Bainbridge Wharf,

Farnhill

Baptisms

Sunday 4th August Connor Owen Joyce, son of Gary & Leanne of Manse Way,

Sutton-in-Craven

Seth Peter Musgrove, son of Thomas and Laura Musgrove

of Lane House Farm, Kildwick Grange

Isaac Fassenfeld, son of Joseph Fassenfeld and Rachel

Robson of Black Abbey lane, Glusburn

Funerals

23rd July Brian Charter, formerly of Newby Road, Farnhill

Memorial Service

23rd August Alan Jowett, formerly of Beanlands Nursing Home and

Laycock



"Calling all bakers ...and would be bakers!
Why not join us at Fallfest on Saturday 21st Sept. and submit your favourite cake, buns, tart, scones, savoury whatever YOU believe to be a tasty bite!

Entries to the main marquee by 12-30 ready for judging at 2-00. Entry is FREE though we do ask you to leave your submissions for afternoon tea in our Fallfest tea tent.

Winning Prize-our lovely Fallfest trophy cake stand."

CROSS HILLS TENNIS CLUB

New Members Wanted & Welcome

A Christmas Bread-Making Demonstration By Mike Armstrong

(Award winning Master Baker)

To be held in The Kildwick and Farnhill Institute on

Tuesday October 1st at 7.30 pm

Tickets £5.00 to include refreshments.

Tickets can be obtained from Joyce 01535 635880

Or Jill 01535 633620

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.

FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 2nd July 2013 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. The meeting was chaired by Counc G Harling. Four members of the council were present, + NYCC Rep Counc. P Mulligan.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4^{th} June were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

No members of the public were present but a request was made asking if the Parish Council would sponsor a flyer for a Scarecrow Day to be held in the village. The Parish Council agreed to design a flyer and have it printed.

The Parish Council proposed Counc D Atkinson be considered for Vice-Chairman and after a vote by the Council he was elected.

NYCC District Counc P Mulligan reported to the Parish Council that there had been a hiccup with the faster Broadband as British Telecom are having trouble with locating a site for the cabinet. He is awaiting a response from the officer.

He also informed the Parish Council that under NYCC's Community Budget Spending Review they have to make further savings of 10%. There are five issues which need to be considered:- Review of criteria for access to social care, Charges for some services at Re-Cycling Centres (starting with commercial), Public Transport subsidies provided by NYCC, Community Services and Means Testing, Looking at more joint issues between NYCC & CDC plus raising revenue through charging.

The Parish Council resolved to have the hedge at the Play Area cut by the same contractor that cut it last year but to have it cut back further to about 4foot in height in order to make it easier to cut in future years providing the cost does not exceed £100.

The test certificate for identification of bulk asbestos for a small sample of materials from works at the Arbour came back ND (not detected), but some of the elements found could be harmful to plants. Clerk to make arrangements to have the materials removed and the ground re-instated to how it was previously. Clerk to contact Craven District Council and ask them to confirm in writing, the correct procedure to follow and to refer the Parish Council to the legislation that gives the correct procedure.

Clerk to contact the contractor carrying out tree work at the Arbour and ask him to cut back the brambles when doing the trees and to get a quote for strimming the grass. It was proposed that an extra meeting be held in August to follow up items regarding the Arbour and decide on any further work to be carried out.

NYCC Street Lighting have provided a map with possible locations for a new Street Light to replace Light No 25 when the telegraph pole is removed, but will arrange a site visit when the BT pole has been replaced.

NYCC are aware that the road markings at grange Road have still not been carried out and have apologized for this. Their contractors started the lining works and have for some reason not completed but they are continuing to chase up for an update and outcome of the unsatisfactory progress. With regards to the refreshing of Starkey Lane/Newby Road junction, they are putting another package of lining works together

so will include it with that and will also refresh Mary St and Back Mary St.

The footpath at the top of Main Street will be considered for slurry sealing next year by NYCC. They do not really think there is a great deal wrong with it. They have requested the gully o/s 41 is cleaned within the next 7 days.

A response has been received from NYCC regarding cutting of the verges and they state they do try to manage the verges in conjunction with their biodiversity team and other concerned groups as far as is practicable. The rural verges on their cutting schedule currently receive two cuts per year in accordance with NYCC Policy.

They state determining the best timings for verge cutting is very difficult, because the ideal first cut for wildlife is April, but from a visibility perspective there is very little grass to cut, so there is little point in it being done then. Highways need to wait until the grass is high enough to warrant cutting, but of course that is when the wildflowers are out. We have opted for a compromise of end of May, to try and allow as many spring flowers to set seed but not have the summer flowers too developed. At this time the grass is hopefully long enough that the timings of the second cut is towards the need of the summer when the flowers have seeded, not earlier on when everything is blooming.

YEDL are aware of a problem with power cuts in Farnhill and are trying to fix it. The problem stems from an Auto Re Closer which is a protective device on the overhead line which trips the network out. YDL are carrying out line patrols in the area but the cable could be damaged anywhere. If there are concerns over loss of supply the number to ring is 0800 668877

CROSS HILLS NATURALISTS' SOCIETY

Founded 1904 Affiliations: Yorkshire Naturalists' Union & Yorkshire Wildlife Trust



<u>1904 -2013</u>

After 109 years existence, the Cross Hills Naturalists' Society has held its final meeting. Following its decision to close members celebrated their remarkable history by holding a "Farewell Tea Party " on Thursday 22nd August at its final "home", St Peter's Church in Cross Hills.

Between 50 and 60 current and previous members listened and watched a presentation given by Jean Kendrew, the Society's last President. There were many displays and presentations by members which showed the wide range of activities undertaken by members over the past few decades. These included lots of photographic memories of many "field meetings" all over Craven and beyond.

Michael Jackson, a previous President, gave a vote of thanks to Jean for her years of dedication to the Society and presented her with flowers and a gift from the Society.

Saints and Such

3rd September St Gregory the Great - the man who saved the 'angels'

Pope Gregory never called himself 'the Great', but instead 'the Servant of the Servants of God'. Nevertheless, Gregory was one of the most important popes and influential writers of the Middle Ages. The son of a very rich Roman senator, he left the service of the State upon his conversion as a young man. Gregory then sold off his tremendous estates to found six monasteries in Sicily and a seventh in Rome, and gave generously to the poor. He became a monk and adopted an austere lifestyle.



But he was destined to be a frustrated monk, because successive popes kept appointing him to jobs with major public responsibilities.

Christians in England owe him a great deal. When Gregory came across some English slaves for sale in Rome, he asked who they were, and was told, 'They are Angles.' Moved with compassion for these humiliated and despised men, he replied, 'They are not Angles, but angels!" He wanted to lead a band of missionaries to England to evangelise the Angles, but then plague broke out in Italy, and during this time he was elected Pope.

Reluctantly he accepted, and then sent to work to deal with the crises facing Christendom: plague, floods, famine, and a Lombard invasion. But busy though Gregory was, he did not forget the Angles. He sent Augustine to England, and so indirectly became the apostle of the English.

8th September The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

In both eastern and western churches, Mary has always been held as pre-eminent among all the saints. The unique, extraordinary privilege of being the mother of the One who was both God and Man, makes her worthy of special honour. Thomas Aquinas believed she was due hyperdulia, or a veneration that exceeds that of other saints, but is at the same time infinitely below the adoration, or latria, due to God alone.

The gospels of Matthew and Luke give Mary most mention. Luke even tells the story

of Jesus' infancy from Mary's point of view. Her Song, or Magnificat appears in Luke 1:46-55.

The virginal conception of Christ is clearly stated in the gospels. But after Jesus' birth, Mary fades quietly into the background. During Jesus' public life, she is mentioned only occasionally, as at the wedding at Cana. She reappears at the foot of the Cross (John's Gospel), and is given into John's care. In the early chapters of Acts, Mary is with the Apostles, and received the Holy Spirit along with them on Whitsunday. But her role was not the active one of teaching and preaching.

Mary's significance grew with the centuries. By the fifth century she was called Theotokos, The Mother of God, and from the seventh century onwards, she was given four festivals: the Presentation in the Temple (2 February), the Annunciation (25 March), the Assumption (15 August) and her Nativity (8 September).



The Blessed Virgin Mary Czesochowa (Poland)

Marian devotion has played an enormous role in the church down the years. Mary has been the object of countless prayers, accredited with performing many miracles, and the subject of thousands of artistic endeavours. She has had hundreds of chapels or parish churches named after her. During the Reformation many images of Mary were destroyed. The Second Vatican Council 1962 made an extended statement on her, stressing her complete dependence on her Son, and regarding her as a model of the Church.

Principal Marian shrines of today include Lourdes (France), Fatima (Portugal), Walsingham (England), Loreto (Italy), Czesochowa (Poland) and Guadalupe (Mexico).

11th September St Protus and St Hyacinth – victims of mindless violence

On this, the 12th anniversary of the Twin Towers, we remember two innocent people who also met their death in the flames of mindless violence. These were Roman martyrs mentioned in the 4th century list of martyrs. Hyacinth's tomb was discovered in the cemetery of Basilla, with his name and the date of his burial (11 September). Inside were charred bones, indicating death by fire. An inscription by Damasus says Protus Hyacinth were brothers, and another ancient source called them 'teachers of the Christian law'.





The Birds in Your Garden

By the time you read this, autumn will be just around the corner and the swallows and martins will be getting ready to migrate south for the winter. But, as I write, it is still warm and there are more butterflies and bees around now than I've seen for years. Whether this rich bounty will have come at the right time to provide food for late or second breeders only time will tell.

Until a couple of weeks ago my feeders were going down by the hour, suggesting that many young birds, and I saw tits and finches and sparrows, were being brought by their parents to a food source that could help them make the transition to independence.

There are plenty of other young in and around my garden, including some leucistic Blackbirds (ones that have patches of white feathers) suggesting that our original leucistic male had mated successfully!

Sitting out in the shade I've been listening to the bird calls and trying to learn which is which. It's a challenge worth attempting. The most distinctive is probably the Chaffinch with a piercing single call but, more recognisably, a song that ends in an increase in pitch. The melodic and varied call you hear is probably a Blackbird, although if you are lucky and it is a repeated three-part phrase, perhaps a Song Thrush. Then there is the Starling, an excellent mimic; one of ours copies the house alarm! Its song is a mix of clicks, squeaks, bubbles and whistles. Heard more often than seen, the Wren has a really loud song for its size, and it delivers a machine gun like sound, usually from a low perch.

If the idea of learning some bird songs appeals to you, why not have a go? There are several internet sites that include calls, and various CDs are available. If you are into smart phones, there are several apps that do a similar job.

If, like me, you find the lives of our garden birds to be of real interest, and if you would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden across the seasons, please contact me or visit the BTO Garden Bird Watch website (www.bto.org/gbw). Please also get in touch with me if you know of a local organisation who would like a talk on garden birds: Mike Gray 07596366342 or mikegbw@btinternet.com.

They do make a mess but I think it is worth it for pictures like this! Well done peter for snapping such images!







DIFFERENT HARVESTS

The beginning of autumn and the time of harvest is here again – a time when we thank God for all his blessings.

The Harvest Festival service in churches and schools are full of tins of beans and boxes of fruit and vegetables. There are flowers and lots of different sights and smells. Harvest Festival is a very popular service but while we are busy saying 'thank you' we have to remember that there are lots of different harvests.



Very few people work on the land nowadays and most people don't grow their own food but buy it from

the supermarket. Perhaps our harvest isn't one that others can easily see. We might not make or grown things but we can offer whatever we do to God as our harvest.

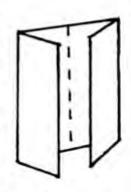
Outside, the trees are beginning to lose their leaves but you can

MAKE YOUR OWN FOREST

Take a piece of stiff card or thin paper and fold it in half, creasing it down the centre. Then open it out and fold both sides to the centre crease.

Fold the paper as shown and draw half a tree on the top fold. Cut round the tree then glue the centre faces together. This makes a three sided tree.

You can paint the tree before gluing it or afterwards. A forest of them would look good as name cards for a party or you could make just one as a different birthday card for a friend.







What is a tree's least favourite month?
Sep-timber.



"Oh, good . . . you're not busy."

Old leaf?

A little boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out of the Bible. He picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed in between the pages. "Mum, look what I found!" the boy called out, turning the leaf over and over.

"What is it, dear?" asked his mother.

With awe in his voice, the young boy ventured: "I think it's Adam's underwear."

Deliver us...

I had been teaching my three-year-old daughter, Cathy, the Lord's Prayer. Then one evening at bedtime she attempted it solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer. "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some e-mail. Amen"