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St Andrew's Church Kildwick

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Kildwick, Farnhill and Cross Hills**

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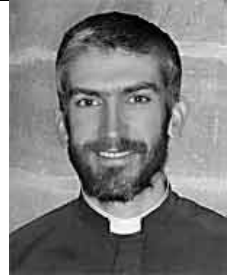
Parish Mission Statement

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

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Dear friends,

For many people the month of September means the start of a new phase in their life. Young children begin the journey through the world of education; older children make the switch from primary to secondary; young adults move on to college, university or employment. For each of them and for their parents these changes can be daunting as they wonder what excitements and challenges the future will have in store.



Of course, we all face times of transition in our lives. As individuals, as a family or local community, as a nation, or as the world, life is never static. We are people on the move, with each new day bringing new experiences which require us to reassess the future in the light of the past.

In early August we marked the centenary of the start of the First World. Across our country and Europe on 4th August people gathered together in cities, town and villages, at war memorials, in cemeteries and in churches to remember and reflect. During the next four years we will spend a lot of time reflecting on the past and wondering about the human condition that leads the human family to resort to such extreme violence in its pursuit of justice.

Though on holiday, I was able to watch the evening Solemn Vigil of Commemoration service held on Westminster Abbey during which the lights in the Abbey were gradually extinguished to symbolise the lights going out all over Europe. It was a deeply moving service, but I do wonder how many people noted, and understood the significance of, the conclusion of the service which left one light burning in the Abbey; the Paschal (or large Easter) candle was left alight in the Lady Chapel, representing the light that for ever shines in the darkness, offering us hope. This light brings to mind the verse at the beginning of the Gospel according to John: "The light shines in the darkness and the darkness did not overcome it" (John 1.5).

At the very end of the BBC coverage of the events of 4th August there was, for me, another moment of deep profundity when Baroness Shirley Williams was asked to offer a closing thought. After a short silence she quietly called to mind some words from W.H. Auden's poem '1st September 1939', written on the outbreak of the Second World War: "We must love one another or die".

The starkness of this idea of Auden that "[Humankind] must love one another or die" is, of course, frightening in the context of the increasing violence of the world today. We cannot look on at what is happening in the Middle East, in eastern Europe, in Africa and elsewhere and not be alarmed.

We are alarmed and left wondering what is an appropriate response to the rapidly changing picture. Much has been said, much has been written and it is difficult not to be swayed by the rhetoric that is shouted by people on all sides of the debates. We need to seek out the words that speak truth into the violence and shine light into the darkness.

I was struck recently by a piece from the founder of the *Holy Land Trust* (<http://www.holylandtrust.org/>). The Trust offers a vision of a peace "whereby all the rights of all the communities of this land are recognized and honoured as being equal and respected despite whatever political framework is created". The Trust recognizes that "fear, anger, hatred, demonizing and dehumanization have for decades been boiling like hot lava in the belly of the Holy Land".

We must pray for transformation of hearts and minds; we must pray for peace. We must pray that the light will shine in the darkness. Peace, Shalom.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robin', with a horizontal line underneath.

Prayer for Iraq and the Middle East

The Church of England is joining calls to encourage its members to pray, act and give to those suffering in Iraq.

A poster has been designed for individuals and churches to display to show their support for all religious minorities fleeing persecution.

The poster uses the Arabic letter, "N", which has been daubed on the homes of Christians (often called 'Nasrani' in Arabic) in Mosul to identify them as targets for persecution or execution. This symbol has been picked up around the world as a way in which we can identify with those from all religious and ethnic communities who are being targeted by Islamic State. The Church of England is committed to championing freedom of religion and belief worldwide as a fundamental and internationally recognised human right. Even in the UK, the Church stands firmly against any labelling or targeting of people on the basis of their religion, and we work for a society that continues to be welcoming and respectful of all faiths.

In a gesture being adopted by people around the world, the Archbishop requested that his website, Twitter and Facebook pages photograph be changed to the Arabic letter "N".

The Archbishop of Canterbury issued a statement on the situation in Iraq in which he stated "It is extremely important that aid efforts are supported and that those who have been displaced are able to find safety. I believe that, like France, the United Kingdom's doors should be open to refugees, as they have been throughout history."

The Bishops of Manchester, Leeds and Worcester have also called for asylum to be granted to those fleeing persecution.

UK humanitarian support has been welcome as has humanitarian support from the UN and others. But, the need is currently much greater than the support that is being provided. This will be a sustained crisis and support will be needed for the long term, as well as to meet immediate needs now.

Donations can be made to the Anglican Diocese for Cyprus and the Gulf (<http://cypgulf.org/iraq/>) which is part of the Church network functioning alongside the Kurdish authorities in the absence of the normal international relief agencies. Churches can also fund the work of Canon Andrew White at St. George's Church in Baghdad and his Foundation for Relief and reconciliation in the Middle East (<http://frme.org/>). Canon Andrew White has provided harrowing insight into the persecution being suffered by Iraqi Christians and the Iraqi people by Islamic State.

Churches are also encouraged to give to Christian Aid's Iraq Crisis Appeal. Christian Aid is responding to the humanitarian crisis by working through long standing partners that are operational in the North of Iraq and Kurdistan.

PRAY. ACT. GIVE.
STOP THE SLAUGHTER



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www.churchofengland.org/iraq



Visit by Michael Hardin of Preaching Peace, 17th - 21st September

Following the successful visit of Michael Hardin to St Andrew's last November when he led a seminar on Nonviolent Atonement and introduced a showing of the film *Hellbound?*, we are delighted that Michael is making a return visit in just a few weeks.



During the visit Michael will lead 3 seminars as follows:

Wednesday 17th 7.00 - 9.30pm The Nicene Creed (Part 1)

Thursday 18th, 7.00 - 9.30pm, The Nicene Creed (Part 2)

Cost of each evening: £5 (£3 students) including drinks.

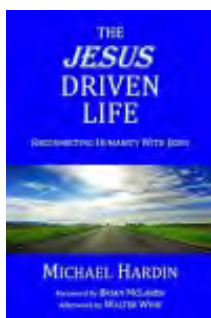
Saturday 20th, 9.30am - 4.00pm, How Jesus Read His Bible

Cost £10 (£5 students) including drinks.

To book for any of the seminars or for more information contact the Vicar, 01535 633307 or vicar@kildwick.org.uk

Michael will also preach at the 10.00am Parish Communion on Sunday 21st.

Michael is the co-founder and Executive Director of Preaching Peace (www.preachingpeace.org) based in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, whose motto is "Educating the Church in Jesus' Vision of Peace." Michael is the author of the acclaimed *The Jesus Driven Life* and *What The Facebook?: Posts from the Edge of Christendom* and editor of the forthcoming book *Reading the Bible with Rene Girard*.



American theologian **Walter Wink** said of *The Jesus Driven Life*, "[This book] is nothing less than a magisterial synthesis of much that can be known about Jesus and the early centuries of Christianity and their continuing relevance for today." British theologian **James Alison** also praised the book calling it, "...a great new resource in the Christian Adventure. *The Jesus Driven Life* is thoroughly ecumenical in its scope, richly biblical in its sourcing and gloriously Christ-centred in its excitement about God."

His current book project is *Lamb up!: the Resurrection Gospel*. He has published over a dozen articles on the mimetic theory of René Girard in addition to essays on theology, spirituality and practical theology.



The General Synod of the Church of England



The General Synod of the Church of England has given its final approval for women to become bishops in the Church of England.

The vote at the University of York in July was carried by the required two-thirds majority in the three constituent parts of the Synod: the House of Bishops, the House of Clergy and the House of Laity.

It is thought that the first woman bishop could potentially be appointed by the end of the year.

The vote comes 18 months after the proposal was last voted upon in November 2012 when the proposal failed to achieve the required two thirds majority in the House of Laity.

The **Rt Revd Nick Baines**, Bishop of Leeds, said, "I'm delighted that the General Synod has today voted in favour of the legislation that will allow women to be consecrated as bishops.

"It's been a long time coming, but that's because the Church of England has worked hard to hold together those of contrasting views, even when those opposed were in the minority. But the wrestling has paid off and we have upheld our commitment to being a broad church.

"With the guiding principles the bishops have set out, we have a process that will both fully support women bishops while providing for the flourishing of those who are still opposed, and we can now move forward in a spirit of reconciliation and trust.

"I believe women bishops will have a hugely positive impact on the Church of England, and I look forward to the first consecration."

The **Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby**, said: "Today is the completion of what was begun over 20 years with the ordination of women as priests. I am delighted with today's result. Today marks the start of a great adventure of seeking mutual flourishing while still, in some cases disagreeing.

"The challenge for us will be for the church to model good disagreement and to continue to demonstrate love for those who disagree on theological grounds. Very few institutions achieve this, but if we manage this we will be living our more fully the call of Jesus Christ to love one another. As delighted as I am for the outcome of this vote I am also mindful of those within the Church for whom the result will be difficult and a cause of sorrow.

"My aim, and I believe the aim of the whole church, should be to be able to offer a place of welcome and growth for all. Today is a time of blessing and gift from God and thus of generosity. It is not winner take all, but in love a time for the family to move on together."

The legislation approved includes a House of Bishops declaration, underpinned by five guiding principles and a disputes resolution procedure. The measure now moves to the Legislative Committee of General Synod and then to the Ecclesiastical Committee of the Houses of Parliament where the legislation will be considered. Subject to Parliamentary approval the measure will return to the General Synod in November of this year where it will come into force after its promulgation (legal formal announcement).



The Diocese of West Yorkshire and the Dales



A brass band-led procession through a city's streets, a fanfare from West Yorkshire Police trumpeters, oaths made on a town's medieval Bible, a single note sounded by the Ripon Hornblower and bishop-shaped biscuits.

It could only happen in the new Diocese of West Yorkshire & the Dales as a momentous week in July saw three separate enthronements of the new bishop, the Rt Revd Nick Baines, in each of the three cathedrals of Wakefield, Bradford and Ripon – an historic first for the Church of England.

A wide variety of music marked the enthronement service held on Thursday 17th July at **Bradford Cathedral**. After he had ceremoniously knocked three times on the Cathedral west door to be admitted, Bishop Nick was led into the Cathedral by the dramatic sound of the drums of the Punjabi Dance Academy who led him up the nave. Music of a different sort was provided by the City of Bradford Brass Band which played before and during the service - hymns were led by the Cathedral Choir.



In his sermon, Bishop Nick revealed that it had not gone unmarked that this was the second time he had been enthroned there. "When I was put into my cathedra, I looked down at that solemn moment and saw this, "Welcome back" ... then I looked a little further along and saw, "PS we are not doing this a third time!" In his address, he talked about the changes to the diocese, drawing parallels to the changes the people of Israel went through. Drawing

on the reading from Jeremiah Chapter 29, he said, "One of the things Jeremiah says, and this is my language not his, is 'stop whinging ... don't be a victim, you've got to put your roots down in the place of exile and pray and work for the welfare of the city. Stop complaining that it isn't what it used to be ... start to shape your future from the place you find yourself.' He is speaking to exiles and is asking them to look differently at where they are and who they are



and what it means to belong there. Are you a victim, or a shaper of change?"

Civic, community, police and faith leaders from across the area were represented at the service and readings were given by representatives of the link dioceses - Bishop Mark Bourlakas of Southwestern Virginia, and Bishop Ismael Gibreil Abugigin of El-Obeid in the Sudan.



The diocese has a new coat of arms which is being used for the first time on the orders of service for Bishop Nick's enthronements.

It's the first time in more than 60 years that a new coat of arms (granted by the College of Arms under Crown authority) has been requested for a diocese in England.

It incorporates the Tau-Rho (the Greek letters T (Tau) and P (Rho), which was an early Christian monogram) and the Yorkshire rose.



New Bishops announced for West Yorkshire & the Dales

Downing Street has announced the appointment of two Area Bishops for the Diocese of West Yorkshire & the Dales.

The Revd Dr Toby Howarth, currently Secretary for Inter Religious Affairs to the Archbishop of Canterbury and National Inter Religious Affairs Adviser for the Church of England will be the Bishop of Bradford.

The Revd Dr Jonathan Gibbs, currently Rector of Heswall in the Diocese of Chester, will be the first ever Bishop of Huddersfield. This is a new bishopric covering the local authority areas of Calderdale and Kirklees and is one of five areas in the diocese, which each have their own bishop.

The Diocesan Bishop, Nick Baines, says, "I am delighted with these appointments which complete our team of bishops. They bring wide experience, great expertise and substantial gifts to our leadership and ministry as we build the new diocese. Both will bring important outside perspectives to this complex task and help bring bishops closer to the ground in parishes and local communities."

"Toby Howarth brings expertise in teaching, pastoral care, leadership and interfaith relations at parish, national and international level. This is an important appointment for the Church of England and for Bradford where he will serve as Area Bishop.

Commenting on his appointment, Toby says, "It is a great joy to have been appointed as the new Area Bishop of Bradford. The role has no shortage of opportunities and challenges. I am very much looking forward to working with clergy, congregations and ecumenical partners in the diversity of the city itself, the surrounding towns and rural areas. I am also looking forward to engaging with the communities of which our churches are a part, and building relationships with those involved in the range of civic, statutory and community organisations which make up this vibrant metropolitan district. The Church of England has been bold in creating the new Diocese of West Yorkshire and the Dales, and it will be exciting to work with Bishop Nick Baines and the diocesan leadership team in developing structures that will better enable local churches to flourish and to serve their communities. I want to pray, to look and listen for what God is doing here so that I can join in and take my part."

Toby Howarth and Jonathan Gibbs will both be consecrated as bishops in a service at York Minster on Friday 17th October at 11am, conducted by the Archbishop of York.



**Kate and Tim Lee
with James, Rebekah & Grace
CMS mission partners
*Britain***



Dear friends,

Greetings to everyone! It is wonderful to write to you all and share the incredible work that God is doing through Jigsaw for the neediest of children in the Philippines. Your love, support and prayers, together with the staff in the Philippines, form part of the Jigsaw family whose ministry is changing lives through the love of Jesus. Sharing the love of Jesus is so powerful in rescuing children from lives of abusive poverty and bringing hope of a future through the growth of God's love

This year is our twelfth year as a family with CMS and Jigsaw has reached its tenth year. As we look back to the first days of Jigsaw 10 years ago with just a few of us in the Philippines, setting out toys and sharing the love of Jesus with the first children, it's amazing to see where Jigsaw is today, a wonderful family ministering with over 1,000 children each week.

And yet, although Jigsaw has developed in many ways, its foundation remains the same which is rooted in Jesus and the growth of His love through significant, secure, permanent and caring relationships. Such transformation of hearts and minds in unity with Christ sees God shaping Jigsaw not just into a ministry of people that loves and cares for God's children but a ministry whose love for both others and one another is sowing seeds that bring significant and lasting change within the lives of children and their context. This is their family, community and society, truly transforming "lives" only as Jesus can.

Last November we held our 10 year Jigsaw celebrations in the Philippines and I was totally overwhelmed with love as I was greeted by a group of boys who were

the first Jigsaw children that we met 10 years ago. How wonderful to meet them again now and see the love that has grown in their lives. Their lives have not been transformed into becoming multimillionaires with big houses or successful careers. In



fact all of them live in the same area where we first met them, but their lives are transformed in a deeper and more significant way. They were physically healthy, their minds were clear and I encountered an ability to love that I have rarely seen, a love that brings peace, joy and security.

After the anniversary service we went to eat together and chat further and I asked if Jigsaw could have done more for them, thinking that they would talk of education, jobs, housing, health etc, but they didn't. I was blown away with how they all responded.

Santiago, one of the boys who Jigsaw had walked with through terrible losses and hardship, said something that I will never forget:

"Koya Tim (brother) don't ever stop doing Jigsaw; it made me human."

Tears ran down my cheeks. What did he mean? I had to ask.

"Who would have ever called me by name", he said, "and visited me, cared about me, known me, comforted me when my mother and father died, helped me when our house burnt down, listened to me, played basketball with me, gave me the opportunity to go to school, took me to hospital when I was sick, smiled when they saw me, gave me a place to come to, shared with me how Jesus loved me, brought me friends, shared food with me and was there every day with me. Please don't ever stop doing Jigsaw ... it made me human."

Lendhel and I sat frozen, tears dripping down our faces, as the grown boy who is now a man sat next to his wife and young baby boy, a life transformed and being transformed by the things that really matter... love. There in front of my eyes was all that Jigsaw worked for, hoped for – the growth of love and a life being transformed by Jesus. Yes, Santiago's life was still very difficult as he needed a job, a place to live, they were short of food and had no money for health care, but his child had a father who loved him and a mother who was loved by his father. Together, they loved their child so powerfully that the child will himself know love. Generations from now will also know love because of this, a love and faith founded on Jesus.



I sit overwhelmed with the transformation that I encountered that day in Santiago and the change apparent in the other first Jigsaw children.

I have said many times since that I have never encountered so much love as in Santiago that day and I knew at that moment we could truly say that God is changing lives through Jigsaw. It's been through many difficult and challenging times and so many times we felt that we couldn't go on. Yet it has been in those difficult times when

God has been able to shape and mould Jigsaw into something wonderful and I don't doubt that He will continue to do so.

In May last year in the midst of some particularly difficult times, God reinforced our calling and His leading, and clearly spoke to Jigsaw these words: "These are my children and I love them; will you go out and be with them and show them that I love them, be salt and light in their families and communities?"



The Jigsaw work of the first 10 years was so significant but here God was building for the next 10 years; a few months ago, we seemed to be in a dead end with no way forward possible, but God used this to show us His way forward – it was amazing (Moses looking at the Red Sea as it parted comes to mind). Eight months on, I am overjoyed to report that Jigsaw is ministering on the streets, in the centre of communities and in parks where the children live. As a result we have community and parent volunteers, police protection, links with local councillors and a sense that Jigsaw is an even stronger part of the community. God moved us out into the streets and into the parks where His most needy children were, leading us out so that His children

could come in.

Kate writes...

It's hard to believe that we have now been back in the UK for nearly five years! As Tim regularly travels to and from Manila and the faces of the Jigsaw staff are often on our computer screen via Skype, it sometimes feels like we are still there but we miss the work and the Jigsaw family so much. Jigsaw is so much in our heart, minds and lives. It is challenging for Tim living between the two cultures with the daily life of the UK often being overshadowed by the frequently life threatening concerns in the Philippines. I see how important his work is in supporting, encouraging and enabling Jigsaw; this nurturing is so important and so exciting as we see what God is growing in and through Jigsaw.

So life here ticks along but mine and the children's dream is to visit the Philippines' and we are praying to God for the funds to be able to do this; they talk about it all the time. Over the last year we have been able to visit a large proportion of our link churches which has been a wonderful and encouraging experience for us all. For us it is like visiting old friends and family as many of our churches have supported us for much of the last 10 years. It has also been a real privilege to see how God has not only worked in the Philippines but in the churches in the UK too.

Tim writes again...

Jigsaw could and never would exist without the partnership, faithfulness, love and support of CMS. They are the rock behind me and Kate, James, Rebekah and Grace. Yet CMS is not a group of independent mission partners but instead is much more powerful, like the vine of Jesus that connects and enables people to unite in community for God's work. Over the last 10 years CMS has united you and I, and our brothers and sisters in the Philippines, and through this the work of Jigsaw has been enabled, empowered and inspired. Without CMS and without you all, Jigsaw would not exist and we want to thank you so much on behalf of every child and family that Jigsaw works with.

My work continues to be significant in Jigsaw and your support through CMS for me to continue this is so important; it enables me to continue to encourage and be part of the development, governance and growth of the work of Jigsaw. Jesus said *"the devil comes to lie and to destroy but I have come that they may have life in all its fullness."*

This is our prayer for the next 10 years: *"Life in all fullness for children in Jigsaw"* and we praise God for you all and ask that you may continue this journey with us of hope and new life for children in the Philippines, the growth of a life in all fullness through the love of Jesus.

Take care everyone and God be with you.

Tim, Kate, James, Rebekah and Grace

Prayer page



May the blessing of light be on you
 - light without and light within.
 May the blessed sunlight shine on you
 like a great peat fire,
 so that stranger and friend may come
 and warm himself at it.
 And may light shine
 out of the two eyes of you,
 like a candle set
 in the window of a house,
 bidding the wanderer come in
 out of the storm.
 And may the blessing
 of the rain be on you,
 may it beat upon your Spirit
 and wash it fair and clean,
 and leave there a shining pool
 where the blue of Heaven shines,
 and sometimes a star.
 And may the blessing
 of the earth be on you,
 soft under your feet
 as you pass along the roads,
 soft under you as you lie out on it,
 tired at the end of day;
 and may it rest easy over you when,
 at last, you lie out under it.
 May it rest so lightly over you
 that your soul may be
 out from under it quickly;
 up and off and on its way to God.
 And now may the Lord bless you,
 and bless you kindly.
 Amen

You are the peace of all things calm
 You are the place to hide from harm

You are the light that shines in dark
 You are the heart's eternal spark
 You are the door that's open wide
 You are the guest who waits inside
 You are the stranger at the door
 You are the calling of the poor
 You are my Lord and with me still
 You are my love, keep me from ill
 You are the light, the truth, the way
 You are my Saviour this very day.
 Amen

Through the dark hours of this night
 protect and surround us
 Father, Son and Spirit, Three
 Forgive the ill that we have done
 Forgive the pride that we have shown
 Forgive the words that have caused harm
 that we might sleep peaceably
 and rise refreshed to do your will
 Through the dark hours of this night
 protect and surround us
 Father, Son and Spirit, Three.
 Amen



Prayers for the Parish & Word Church

The next monthly meeting to pray for the parish and worldwide Church will take place on Monday 22nd September in the church from 7.00pm until 8.00pm. For more information contact Robin Figg, 633307.

Church Rotas

| Date | Sidespersons | Intercessor | Communion |
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| 7 September Twelfth Sunday after Trinity | Joan and Barry Houghton David Baxter | Marie Stinson | Christine and Sue |
| 14 September Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity | Marie Stinson Peter McNeill | Lesley Hudson | Sandie and Tim |
| 21 September Matthew, Apostle | Christine Anderton Ann Mosley June Whitaker | Michael Baumber | Christine and Michael |
| 28 September Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity | John Mitchell Michael Baxter Sandie Walton Kath Morris | Sue Hargreaves | Sue and John |

| Flower Rota | September | | |
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| 7th | Mrs. Whitley | 21st | Mrs. Hutchinson/ Mrs. Tillotson |
| 14th | Vacant | 28th | Vacant |

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| Brass Cleaning September/October | Jan Richardson and Libba Utley |
| Church Cleaning: September | Lesley Hudson, Libba Utley, Christine Anderton |

Readers Rota

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| 7 September Twelfth Sunday after Trinity | <i>Ezekiel 33.7-11 Romans 13.8-14 Matthew 18.15-20</i> | <i>Reading not used Reading not used Katharine Calvert</i> |
| 14 September Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity | Genesis 50.15-21 Romans 14.1-12 Matthew 18.21-35 | Marjorie Gee Sandie Walton Tim Littler/Kathryn Taylor |
| 21 September Matthew, Apostle | Proverbs 3.13-18 2 Corinthians 4.1-6 Matthew 9.9-13 | John Mitchell Marie Stinson Brenda Brock |
| 28 September Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity | Ezekiel 18.1-4,25-32 Philippians 2.1-13 Matthew 21.23-32 | Glyn Evans Michael Baumber Christine Anderton |

From the registers

Weddings

Friday 15th August Matthew Cottam & Heather Dickens, of Westfell Way, Keighley

Friday 15th August Joseph Ellis & Samantha Gilbert, of Starkey Lane, Farnhill

Saturday 16th August Mark Webley & Kate Atkins, of Lowfield Crescent, Silsden

Renewal of Marriage Vows

Sunday 13th July Adam & Helena Lee, of Main Street, Farnhill

Funerals

Friday 8th August Doris Bradford, formerly of South View, Farnhill

Friday 22nd August Stephen Stupka, formerly of Farnhill

Burial of Cremated Remains

Monday 7th July Pat Benson, formerly of Cringles Park, Silsden

Wednesday 16th July Edna Clare, formerly of Cross Hills

Tuesday 22nd July Vida Rooke, formerly of Steeton

Wednesday 23rd July Barry Robinson, formerly of Skipton Road, Silsden

Regular Events at Kildwick

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| Monday 2.00pm | 5 Beanlands Drive | Informal Bible study and fellowship, all welcome |
| Tuesday 10.00-11.30am Last meeting 15th July | 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 No practice from | 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 | |



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| Mon 8 th Sep | 8.00am | Work starts on new entrance to Parish Rooms |
| Mon 8 th Sep | 6.00pm | Kildwick School governors meeting (School) |
| Tue 9 th Sep | 6.30pm | PCC meeting (Parish Rooms) |
| Sun 14 th Sep | 12 noon | Church open for Heritage Open Days weekend |
| Wed 17 th Sep | 7.00pm | <i>The Nicene Creed, Pt 1</i> with Michael Hardin (Parish Rooms) |
| Thu 18 th Sep | 7.00pm | <i>The Nicene Creed, Pt 2</i> with Michael Hardin (Parish Rooms) |
| Sat 20 th Sep | 9.30am | <i>How Jesus read his bible</i> with Michael Hardin |
| Sun 21 st Sep | 10.00am | Michael Hardin preaching |
| Mon 22 nd Sep | 7.00pm | CDFC Outdoor Nativity planning meeting (Parish Rooms) |
| Mon 22 nd Sep | 7.00pm | Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Church) |
| Tue 23 rd Sep | 2.00pm | CDFC Grief & Loss Support Group meeting (Parish Rooms) |
| Fri 3 rd Oct | 2.45pm | Kildwick School harvest collective worship in church |
| Sun 5 th Oct | 10.00am | Harvest Festival Family Communion |
| Mon 6 th Oct | 6.00pm | Kildwick School governors meeting (School) |
| Sun 19 th Oct | 10.30am | CDFC Service for One World Week (Baptist Church) |
| Sun 26 th Oct | | Bible Sunday |
| Mon 27 th Oct | 7.00pm | Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms) |
| Tue 28 th Oct | 10.30am | CDFC Residential Homes Visiting Teams meeting (St Peter's Church, Cross Hills) |
| Sun 2 nd Nov | | All Saints Sunday / All Souls Day |
| Sun 9 th Nov | | Remembrance Sunday |
| Fri 14 th Nov | 2.45pm | Kildwick School collective worship in church |

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)

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| 7 September Twelfth Sunday after Trinity | 8.15 am 10.00 am | Holy Communion Family Communion with baptism |
| 14 September Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity | 8.15 am 10.00 am | Holy Communion Parish Communion |
| 21 September Matthew, Apostle | 8.15 am 10.00am | Holy Communion Parish Communion |
| 28 September Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity | 8.15 am 10.00am | Holy Communion Parish Communion |

Heritage Open Days Sunday 14th September



St Andrew's Church will be opening its doors to show off its architectural treasures to local people and visitors on 14th September. The openings form part of Heritage Open Days 2014, a national event coordinated 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 between 12 noon and 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 **go up the tower** to see the clock and the bells under the supervision of our own bell ringers.

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

During the summer a young homeless man called David came to the village. He had walked from Birmingham where the hostel in was in had been closed. Like many homeless people his was a very sad story, but in conversation with him it was clear that he was a Christian and wherever he is on the road he goes to church on a Sunday. We were privileged to share in worship with him and offer him hospitality after the service.

He shared some words with us which are worth sharing with others and he gave his permission for them to be printed in the Bridge.

Monday I was all alone
Tuesday I had no home
Wednesday I cried and cried
Thursday I thought I was going to die
Friday I read my Bible all day
Saturday I started to pray
And Sunday Lord I let the heaviness depart
I believe God I believe God
Ask what you will and trust and obey

Don't tell me that God is dead
Cos I spoke with him this day
Don't tell me that God is dead he lives within my heart
He opened up my blinded eyes and set me on my way
Don't tell me that God is dead
'Cos I spoke with him today.

David Crowley 20/7/14

Please pray for David that he will be kept safe and that he will meet with kindness and receive the help which he needs.

**COME FOR
COFFEE
AND CAKE**



It's for Macmillan
September 26th
10.30am-12.30pm
44 Station Road Cross Hills
Raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support

The Village Pump

*A meeting Place for over 50's
Every Wednesday*

2.00-3.30 pm

*Farnhill Methodist Church
(in the foyer)*

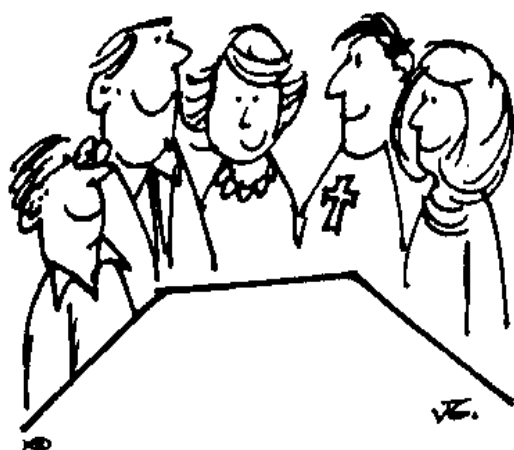
Farnhill Methodist Church holds a Coffee Morning

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.

St Andrew's Pastoral Care Group



Want someone
to talk to?

Lonely?

Need some
help?

Call June on
01535 655320

Need a
listening ear?

BIBLE HISTORY

written by Michael Baumber

THE GOSPEL STORY: THE ROAD TO THE CROSS 11: THE ARREST AND TRIAL BEFORE CAIAPHAS



All the accounts are quite clear that the arrest of Jesus was by the temple police sent by the chief priests and that the Romans had nothing to do with it. They also agree that Judas showed them how to find him, whatever his motivation, and Mark has him kiss Jesus so that there could be no mistake. The first reaction of the disciples was to prevent the arrest by violence and a servant of the high priest had his ear struck off. When Jesus intervened to prevent any further fighting the disciples all fled.

The three synoptic gospels say that Jesus was taken to the house of Caiaphas, the high priest, which appears to have been in the southern part of the Upper City but John disagrees, remarking that it belonged to Annas. Annas had been High Priest from 6-15 AD and had then been succeeded by his five sons in turn. Caiaphas was the 4th and by far the most successful, occupying the office from 18-37 AD. Recent discoveries suggest that Annas and Caiaphas lived in the same house and John agrees that it was the latter who took the decision to send Jesus to Pilate. Traditional interpretations lay great stress on the irregularity of the proceedings in Jewish law. The initial examination of Jesus does appear to have taken place at night and at Caiaphas' house instead of the Sanhedrin building – 'The House of Hewn Stone'- both of which were illegal but Mark says that it was followed by a full and proper hearing early the following morning.

Did Jesus claim that he could destroy the temple physically and then rebuild it in three days? No he didn't. Did he believe that it would be destroyed by God directly or by the Romans acting as his agent? In its present form, yes, he almost certainly did. As I have written earlier Jesus believed that he could forgive sins which was a priestly office and that forgiveness did not depend on animal sacrifices. He also claimed his reinterpretations of the scriptures were superior to those of the scribes even though he had not sat at the feet of any rabbi. He had told his disciples that they would be judges over the reunited twelve tribes of Israel and he would be their link with God. That was more than enough to justify a charge of blasphemy in the eyes of the Sanhedrin but Caiaphas needed a direct claim so he asked Jesus whether 'he was the Messiah son of the Blessed?' Both Mark and Matthew have Jesus rising to the challenge. 'Yes it is as you say. But I say to all of you: in the future you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.' Luke has little to say about the night questioning but he too has Jesus claim the high ground at the full Sanhedrin meeting which was more than enough justification for a death sentence in their eyes.

Some Days of Hell - Lebanon/Syria border – August 2014

Report from Maggie Tookey, Edinburgh Direct Aid project Director.

The news has been full of the advance of the Islamic State across Syria and Iraq and the accompanying atrocities being inflicted on so many who are not of this Sunni, brutal jihadist mindset. However there has been another less trumpeted piece of hell going on inside Lebanese territory very recently. Once again, innocent, displaced people have found themselves caught up in a terrifying situation within a place where they had once sought sanctuary.

This was supposed to be a quick trip to the Lebanon/Syria border town where Edinburgh Direct Aid has been working for some time now.

My only job, nevertheless a very vital one, was to deliver the 10 tons of food and medical aid plus a fully equipped ambulance, to the border town of Arsal. This consignment had been stuck in the port of Beirut for several weeks and had only just been released. EDA was also supplying around \$3,000 of school text books to 2 Syrian schools ready for the start of the new school year.

This was not such a difficult task to complete because I now have much experience of working in this tricky refugee border zone and pretty much know the ropes – I'm now something of an expert at getting past the Shia Hezbolah checkpoints and getting aid through to the huge Sunni Syrian refugee population up in the hill town which is now home to around 80 – 100,000 refugees.

However, this time I hadn't accounted for an extremely dangerous incursion into Arsal by the Islamic State (ISIS) and the Al Nusra Front. Some of these militant members emerged from around this dispersed town around the beginning of August, to attack Lebanese army positions following the arrest of one of their leaders at an army checkpoint.

I tried repeatedly to access the town but was blocked by heavy shell fire from Lebanese tanks and constant gun fire in the streets. I was in frequent contact with my Syrian refugee team of humanitarian workers who were sheltering wherever they could find safe refuge. On the phone I could hardly hear what they were saying, so deafening was the terrible background noise of war.

After 4 days of intensive battle, the militants agreed to a cease fire negotiated by high ranking clerics from Beirut and they withdrew to the 'no mans land' area outside the town boundaries.

I finally entered on my own without our aid trucks. I was so pleased to see my Syrian team unscathed but clearly shocked despite their previous



experiences in Syria itself.

The town was a grim sight. The signs of heavy shelling were everywhere – buildings had huge holes blasted through their walls but much worse was to come.

They took me to the remains of what had previously been well maintained and functioning tented camps. This is where the real horror had taken place.

Lebanese army shells had landed in at least thirteen of these large camps and set fire to the closely packed tents.

Many people inside the tents had no chance to escape – especially young babies.

It was a terrible scene. Bodies were still being recovered from some camps and the actual death toll is still unknown.

I spoke to one young father who had lost both his babies in the conflagration.

What could I possibly say? What could I possibly do? What can anyone do to lessen this suffering?

Those who had survived, and many had by fleeing into the nearest half built concrete structure or building to get protection from the bullets, were now kicking around in the ash ruins of what had once been home – what had once held the precious items that they had managed to save from their last terrifying flight from Assad's Syrian forces.

I don't do tears – it's not my style. I do 'action' but this was one of the hardest times of my voluntary aid career.

Some of the people from the burnt out camps were so desperate for water and bread. No other aid organisation had yet entered the town except for EDA.

I had money – thank God for money. We immediately trucked in some large water tanks and loaded around 500 large family packs of bread into one of our old Syrian cars – we stuffed it into every corner and crevice of the vehicle and set off on a delivery round that was received as though we were delivering gold bars!

We repeated this exercise where it was most needed and until I'd run out of cash.

I got our aid trucks in the next day headed by the UK donated ambulance. We had a tricky journey. Hezbollah gave us a bit of a hard time at one point but we made it in to Aarsal carrying amongst many other things, many hundreds of kilos of good quality flour. This went straight to the bakery where it was turned into around 2500 family bread packs.

There was still no other aid arriving.

The Syrian teams are impressive – highly organised and dedicated and for the next week I stayed in Aarsal working with them as they sought to bring material relief and shelter where they could.

Over one thousand tents were destroyed inside the Aarsal boundary but also another 120 outside in the camps in the 'no mans land' buffer zone.

To bring emergency food packs to these camps was a more dangerous operation.

We discussed the risks but the plea for help from these people was irresistible.

The Syrian team risked arrest by the Lebanese army because they have no ID and are technically illegal – I risked entering a zone where militants were not too far away. We decided that these risks were manageable

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FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 5th August 2014 in Kildwick/Farnhill Institute. The meeting was chaired by Counc. D Atkinson. Three members of the council were present plus the Clerk and one member of the public. The minutes of the meeting held on the 1st July were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Vice Chairman.

A member of the public expressed concerns about the planning application for Barns End and Old Stable which includes the diversion of footpath No 19/2. They stated that the footpath was a well used path and they were concerned about it being inaccessible during building works.

Highways have responded to the request for the lining work at the junction of Kildwick and Main Street Farnhill and state the work has been ordered and they would expect the lining contractors to carry it out next month. (They have had to wait for other lining works in the area to be done to make it more cost efficient). A sign for Kildwick roundabout for the Skipton exit has also been ordered, and should be in place next month. Their inspector looked at the lining at the top of the Arbour and thought the keep clear appeared to be ok and was not in need of refreshing at the present time.

Clerk to inform NYCC that the verges are really overgrown on Bradley Road and causing problems by narrowing the road. This is becoming a safety issue for pedestrians and motorists and requires attention.

Issues were raised on the progress of safety on the A629 following the recent fatality. Clerk to write to NYCC and ask what action has been taken since the meeting at Cononley. The Parish Council would like to know if a review of the speed of the bend and a pedestrian survey and gap analysis have been carried out yet and if so why have we not heard the results. If it has not been carried out could a date for the survey be arranged and possibly a meeting with the Parish Council on site. Clerk also to contact Cononley Parish Council to ask if they know of any progress made and to suggest getting together to decide what further action we can take to move things on.

The Parish Council reviewed the Insurance Policy and considered it to be adequate for the needs of the Council.

Following the recent Audit for the year 2013/2014 the External Auditor has stated that in their opinion the information in the Annual Return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

The Canal & Rivers Trust have now granted permission for the Parish Council to place a Christmas Tree at the site near Redmans Bridge for 2014. Clerk to ask NYCC Street Lighting to provide a price for the work and ask if they would provide a method

statement for the Canal & Rivers Trust.

The grass has been cut in the Play Area and the gate has been adjusted to eliminate the entrapment area by the gatepost. The yearly inspection will be carried out by ROSPA some time during September.

The weedkilling has been carried out on the paths at the Arbour and the Parish Council resolved that the contractor be used on a regular basis for the weed spraying when necessary. Counc M Scarffe has carried out some grass cutting and clearing but it was agreed that more clearance work was needed in the section of the Arbour where the heather is or it will be lost. Clerk to arrange for some quotes for the work. Also to ask a relevant person for advice on planting for the area which has recently been cleared. Counc M Scarffe agreed to clear the path from behind Arbour House to Main Street.

A Leeds & Liverpool Canal Access Plan consultation document has been circulated round the members of the Council and the plan will be considered and a response will be made at the September meeting.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2014 IN KILDWICK/
FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM
All members of the village are welcome to attend**

and on one day we entered this zone on a desert track which avoided army detection and delivered many hundreds of large food packs in three vehicles.

The scenes were the same out in this buffer zone – desperate people who had endured days and nights of intensive shelling from Lebanese army tank positions on the surrounding hills – burnt out camps – lives destroyed.

I've learnt gradually in this job, that it's not just the material aid that is so important to people who've lost all, it's also so much about showing that people from far away places like the UK are also aware of their plight and do care.

Trite as this may sound, it is absolutely true. It counts for a lot. I never saw this as clearly as here in this border battle zone. My presence meant a great deal.

Then it was time for me to leave Aarsal. The guilt was huge. Why? I'd done what I could but it's just never enough. I absolutely hated leaving my Syrian team and I worry about them and will always worry about them until I hope I see them again. They are some of the finest and bravest humanitarian workers I've ever met and I feel nothing but honour to have worked with them.

Maggie Tookey – EDA project Director.



Autumn Migrants



I'm writing this article in August so when you read it things will have moved on, but it seems an appropriate time to talk about a couple of migrants we see each year for just a short period.

Back in the spring I wrote a piece about cuckoo tagging, so here's an update to give you an idea of how varied are their ways of getting back to Africa.

Twenty-two birds are still sending back signals, with twenty-five who's tags are no longer active, some of which will have died of natural causes. Currently two cuckoos are in France, five in northern Italy and six in Spain with one apparently taking a tour of the European mountain ranges via the Austrian Alps and the Pyrenees! One is in each of Montenegro, Austria and Croatia.

Seven are already in Africa; six south of the Sahara, mostly around Lake Chad, including one that chose the longest route across the Mediterranean at around 515 miles. You can catch up on their current locations on the BTO website.

The second African migrant, also in trouble, is the Swift, with a third of British Swifts having been lost since 1995, and again the reasons underpinning this decline are unclear. Until recently, their routes and destinations were a mystery, but clearly the more knowledge we have the better our chances of helping them.

BTO scientists are involved in a project aiming at filling these knowledge gaps. Tiny geolocators were fitted to adult Swifts captured at the nest in 2010 and retrieved in 2011 when they returned. This work revealed the migration routes and important wintering areas for this species, which could help identify key areas for Swift conservation.

These small birds' annual journeys are incredible. The wintering range of individual Swifts is huge, with birds visiting several countries across Africa once they've completed their migration. Swifts also live up to their name, with one taking only 5 days to travel 5,000 km from West Africa back to the UK, having first stopped for 10 days in Liberia, a previously unknown refuelling point.

This stopover is really interesting: presumably the birds are fattening ready for their journey back to Britain – we know they can make it back from there in less than a week! Previously it was thought that, because they feed on the wing, Swifts travelled slowly, but directly, feeding as they go, without the need for extended stopovers. This is completely new information and pinpoints a focal area for future research.

As Swifts haven't changed their arrival date in Britain to match climate changes, understanding their migration strategy will be a very important step. It is difficult to

provide confident estimates of the decline in Swift numbers, and the only difference that we, as individuals, can make is to ensure that there are nest sites available. However, looking at the year-round story of one Swift's life, there may well be other processes at play with which we need to get to grip

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 07596 366342** or mikegbw@btinternet.com.

Kildwick Church Clock

The clock was the gift of William Curren of Steeton in 1709. The clock face was renewed by subscription in 1828.

The clock you see today dates from 1867, and it was set going on August 24th 1867.

The clock is wound by hand. This requires someone to wind 3 heavy weights up using a pullet system.



The clock will go for about 4 days if its fully wound up. We have a small team of people who wind the clock regularly but they could do with some more help. It is much easier if it is wound often. You do need to reasonably able bodied as the clock chamber is up a narrow spiral staircase.

Please contact Lesley Hudson (01535 523291 email lhudson@talktalk.net)





Sunday 19th October

2.30-4.30 pm

Your family is invited to

Messy Church

at St Andrew's

Kildwick

Messy Church has become very popular around the country and is a way of being church that families others can enjoy together. It's all very relaxed for all-ages lots of fun, music, making things together to explore the Bible, then celebrating Jesus in a short time of story, action songs, puppets, prayer and sharing food together.

It's noisy, happy and very messy! We hope your family is able to join us for the afternoon, there is no need to book but it is helpful if you let us know you are coming.

Further details from

Lesley 01535 523291 lhudson@talktalk.net

Back to school

Young James finished his summer holidays and went back to school. Two days later his teacher phoned his mother to tell her that James was misbehaving. "Wait a minute!" protested his mum. "I had him here for weeks and I never once called YOU when he misbehaved!"

No tables

TEACHER: John, why are you doing your maths multiplication on the floor?

JOHN: You told me to do it without using tables.



Scarecrow Festival

Friday 15th—Sunday 17th August

Visitors to the churchyard on the weekend of August 15 - 17th might have expected to see a bridal party being met by a vicar - they may have been unsurprised to see three cheeky children playing hide and seek around the trees....but the sight of St Andrew fishing for people next to the main road and St Francis chatting to the birds by the noticeboard may just have flummoxed them!

As you will see from the photos, we were very happy to help raise money for Manorlands and the Yorkshire Air Ambulance by taking part in the village Scarecrow Festival. The event was hosted by Suzie and Dave Townend of the White Lion pub and was a success despite the rather wet and blustery weather.

A big, "Thank you!" to Libba Utley and her crafty team for putting together the church scarecrows; what will they come up with for next year?!



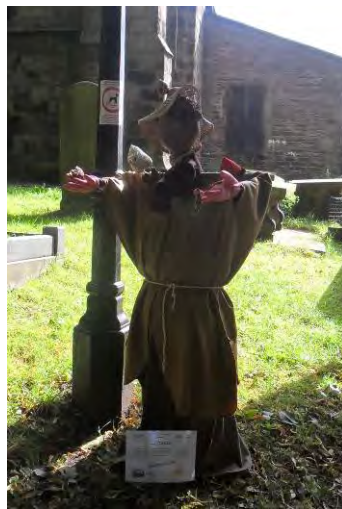
St Andrew fishes for people while...



..the children play hide and seek ...



..the Vicar waits as the bridal party rush to church!



..St Francis speaks to the birds and...



HILDEGARD of BINGEN

Hildegard was born in Germany in 1098 and at a very early age she dedicated her life to God by becoming a nun. She lived to be 80, a great age for that time and is best known today for her songs and poems. It seems quite amazing that an elderly nun who lived nearly a thousand years ago could write words that are on a CD that you can buy today – not quite Top of the Pops but in all the bigger record shops!



Hildegard wrote that she wanted to be 'a feather on the breath of God', to move as He wanted rather than as she wanted. When we say the Lord's Prayer we say 'Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done' we follow Hildegard in asking to be shown what to do, which way to go. Not like a feather blown about by the wind, but one blown on the breath of God.

BIRD WORDS

Can you find all these words about birds and feathers? The words go up, down, backwards, forwards and diagonally and some letters are used more than once.

B L A C K B I R D C
 P K R A L Y K S A O
 E T E R N A L N O C
 A K R E H T A E F K
 C R P A R R O T R A
 O N A L Y W R E N T
 C W B V U E V O D O
 K L L R E M D A B O
 N O R E H N E J A Y
 R O B I N L L I U Q

* blackbird * canary * cockatoo *
 * dove * feather * heron * jay *
 * owl * parrot * peacock * plume
 ** quill * raven * robin * skylark *
 * tern * wren *

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My cat took first prize in the local bird show.

How could your cat get a prize in a bird show?

He ate the prize canary.



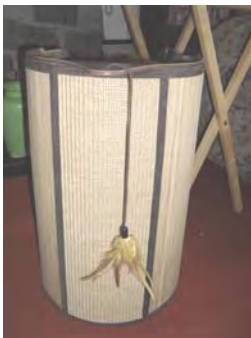
What bird is always out of breath?
 A puffin.

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| 2 x Giro Helmets | £10.00 each |
| 1 x Ladies Altra ¾ Cycling pants | £10.00 |
| 1 x Men's Cycling shorts. | £10.00 |

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Contact 01535 637849 mob 07718142000 or email dovecottagewild@btinternet.com

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