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St. Andrew's Church Kildwick

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Kildwick, Farnhill and Cross Hills

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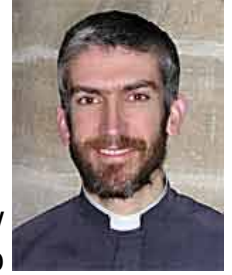
February 2007

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 THE WORLD
THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Church Website www.kildwick.org.uk

The Vicar's letter.....



Dear friends,

The first part of February finds us back in what is known as Ordinary Time. Having completed our celebration of the Incarnation (God coming to share our life in the person Jesus) through the seasons of Christmas and Epiphany, we now move towards the seasons of Lent and Easter when we will celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus.

In church we see this movement symbolised by the transformation of our Christmas tree first into the bare wood of our Lenten cross during Lent and then decorated with flowers to make our Easter cross.

This change of use of the same wood reminds us of the inextricable link between Christmas and Easter. The Christian story is not just concerned with the birth of Jesus but rather the whole of his story from birth, through his life, to his death and resurrection. If we neglect any part of the story then we will fail to understand fully how God has spoken, and continues to speak, to his people.

So now is the time to think about what you might do as your Lenten discipline this year. How will you give yourself time and space during the six weeks of Lent to think afresh about the deeper meaning of God's love for you revealed in the story of Jesus?

I hope you will consider coming to either the 9.15am or 7.30pm service on Ash Wednesday (21st February); I hope you will think about coming to one of the services of Stations of the Cross that will take place during Lent; you might wish to join one of the ecumenical study groups which will be following a course titled "Can we build a better world: learning from William Wilberforce".

The world continues to be full of pain and injustice; we live in a world which struggles with so much suffering, so many signs of death and destruction. We all long to see a better world, but don't know how to help achieve it.

Next month we will mark the bicentenary of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act in 1807. As we are reminded of the great achievements of Wilberforce and his friends we need to be inspired and challenged ourselves to do all within our power to bring liberation to the poor and marginalised and to those who are still held by modern forms of slavery.

The story of Christmas together with the story of Good Friday and Easter tells us that God has come to share our human life in all its ups and downs, joys and sorrows. Our story is part of God's story and God's story is our story.

Living and working together we can build a better world.

God bless you.

Robin

Enabling Ministry & Mission in the Parish: Ministry Development Teams

In the autumn of 2005 there were articles in this magazine introducing the idea of **Ministry Development Teams** as part of the future pattern of ministry in this parish and across the diocese.

Last July the PCC agreed that we should move towards setting up a Ministry Development Team to serve the mission and ministry of the church community at St Andrew's, Kildwick.

It was noted that the future mission of the local church will become increasingly dependant on non stipendiary (unpaid) members of the church community (lay and ordained) exercising an active ministry assisted by the stipendiary ordained minister (to be known as Priest with Pastoral Oversight).

The inherited model of parish ministry has been one in which a small number of lay people assist the Vicar in his/her ministry. In recent years this has shifted to a pattern whereby a growing number of lay people do exercise a ministry and there is some collaboration in leadership.

The emerging model will need to take this further, to a situation where an increasing number of lay people are assisted in their ministry by the incumbent, i.e. the incumbent is functioning largely in an enabling role.

The basic purpose of a Ministry Development Team (MDT) is to 'act as a focus and a catalyst for mission and ministry in the local church'.

A small working group have meeting recently to think about the process of setting up an initial MDT in this parish. It is intended to invite members of the church community to prayerfully consider who they feel are most suitable to being members of the MDT. Nominations will be called for by early March after which the PCC Standing Committee will consider the nominations and decide who should be invited to be part of the MDT. It is expected that the team will comprise 4 to 6 people. The membership of the team will be announced at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 29th April.

It is intended that there will be a transitional period of 12 months during which the MDT will carry out a review of the present ministry & mission, asking how it can best be carried forward after the APCM 2008. The authority of the MDT will come from the PCC who will continue to be the policy making body for the parish. Training and support for the MDT will be provided by a 'companion' from the diocese.

As we take this exciting initiative forward we must remember the call that lies at the heart of all that we do in ministry & mission: the call for the Church to be a sign of the Kingdom of God on earth.

**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 the world,
through the power of the Holy Spirit.**



NEWS FROM THE CROSS HILLS & DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES



Lent Course 2007 – *Can we build a better world?*

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 21st February. During the following weeks a number of small groups will meet across the Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches to study, think and pray together.

The course chosen is titled is "***Can we build a better world? learning from William Wilberforce***". The course celebrates the work and faith of William Wilberforce. 'We pay tribute to his achievements in combating slavery 200 years ago. We draw inspiration from his life – but it is not a history lesson. Like William Wilberforce we live in a divided and hurting world and with a burning question. As Christians in the 21st century can we – together with others of good will – build a better world?'

"Can we build a better world" is a five session course, using audio input produced in the style of five 14 minute radio programmes. Each session features the three main participants – Archbishop John Sentamu, Leslie Griffiths (Lord Griffiths – Minister of Wesley's Chapel in London) and television actress Wendy Craig. Each session closes with a reflection by a Poor Clare from BBC TV's series *The Convent*.

The sessions are:

1. Slavery, then and now;
2. Friendship & Prayer, then and now;
3. Change & Struggle, then and now;
4. The Bible, then and now;
5. Redemption & Restitution, then and now.

The following ecumenical groups will meet, beginning in the week commencing 26th February. Please just turn up or contact the host or leader for more details.

Mondays	1.30-3.00pm 5 Beanlands Drive, Glusburn Host: Ruth Ward, 632392; leader: Gill Jowett, 632405.
Tuesdays	2.00-3.30pm The Vicarage, Main Street, Sutton Host: Michael & Ann Cowgill, 633372; leader: Roger & Marion Smith.
Thursdays	7.30-9.00pm Braidagarth, Baxter Wood, Cross Hills Host: Mary Clough, 633198; leader: Clive Tedd.

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A NEW CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Every 6 years the church electoral roll is renewed. The next renewal takes place this year. In each following year until the next renewal in 2013 the roll will be revised. In a year of renewal, no names are carried over from the old roll and everyone must make a new application to be included on the new roll.

Why have an electoral roll?

It is your parish church's register of electors; it is the list of those entitled to attend and to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting where the elections take place for:

- a. the parochial church council;
- b. the parish's representatives on the deanery synod;
- c. the parish's representatives on the Cross Hills & District Fellowship of Churches Council.

Any person entitled to attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting may raise any question of parochial or general church interest.

What difference does it make?

By enrolling you become a voting member of the Church of England and so help to ensure that all the synodical councils of the Church – the parochial church council, the deanery synod, the diocesan synod, and the General Synod – are fully representative of its members.

Synodical government gives an opportunity for partnership between bishops, clergy and laity in the life of the Church:

First, the system is intended to enable church people at every level to be in touch with the Church as a whole and to play their part in decision-making. Secondly, the system is intended to ensure that the laity have their place in every aspect of church life, including its doctrine and services.

All persons who wish to have their names entered on the new Roll, whether their names are entered on the present Roll or not, must apply for enrolment not later than Sunday 8th April 2007. The new Roll will come into operation on Sunday 15th April 2007. Forms of application for enrolment can be obtained from the church or from the electoral roll officer, Christine Anderton, 6 Airedale View, Cross Hills.

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Confirmation – Taking a step on the journey of faith

A Service of Confirmation will take place in St Andrew's Church on Sunday 22nd April, to be taken by Bishop Ian Harland, retired Bishop of Carlisle. This will be a very special occasion not just for those people who have decided to take this important step in their journey of faith, but for the whole church community as we celebrate together the way that God leads us to deepen our life of faith.

It is right, of course, that there is a period of preparation for confirmation. For adults this may be through the Emmaus Nurture course or some guided reading. For young people there is a Youth Emmaus course.

Enquiries from adults or young people (or their parents) will be welcome. Please contact the Vicar, Robin Figg, as soon as possible; tel. 01535 633307.

BIBLE HISTORY

This is part 5 in a series of articles written by Michael Baumber
Amos and Hosea



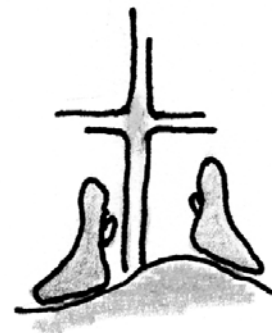
Israel was saved from Jehu's folly by a remarkable turn of events which, predictably, the authors of *Kings* do not deign to mention. The behaviour of Hazael stirred the Assyrians into action. Sometime around 800 BC they invaded and conquered Aram, which was absorbed into their empire. For the moment they stopped short of swallowing Israel as well, contenting themselves with forcing Jehu to return to a more tolerant religious attitude and imposing a heavy tribute on Israel. Jehu is shown (named) on an Assyrian stone stela, grovelling before the king. Of course the Old Testament omits the circumstances and damns Jehu along with all the other kings of Israel for deserting the Lord.

Gradually the Assyrian interest waned and by the time Jehu's grandson, the long lived Jeroboam II, came to the throne Israel was entering an indian summer of economic success. The key reason was that the blotting out of Aram removed Israel's main rival for control of the trade routes from the Mediterranean to Arabia. The forced reversal of religious policy helped too, enabling relations to be restored with Tyre and Sidon. Judah also returned to sanity after the murder of Ataliah and under King Uzziah rebuilt the alliance of Ahab's time with Israel . Many of the successes which were attributed to Solomon are now thought to be projections backward in time and should really be placed in Jeroboam's reign.

Imagine the situation in Israel. It was like living on the edge of a volcano. The soil was rich but you could never predict when an explosion would come. An attitude of 'eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die' was added to the social dislocations which always came when the state did not intervene to ensure that the new wealth was fairly distributed. The increased standard of living was confined to the court, big merchants and a coterie of rich landowners with the peasantry remaining as poor as they always had been. This is the context in which we must place the two earliest prophetic books those of *Amos* and *Hosea*. The earthquake mentioned at the beginning of Amos has been dated to c760 BC and Hosea was slightly later. These two books show the Jahweist cause in its best light. The usual fulminations are still there but attention is concentrated on social issues, the neglect of the poor in favour of conspicuous consumption, drunkenness in men, vanity in women and sexual depravity. Nor are the priesthood spared, their tithe exactions being denounced. Violence was to be avoided. Strikingly Hosea even denounced Jehu for his massacre at Jezreel (1 v4) and his account of his relationship with the prostitute, Gomer, emphasises the value of forgiveness. It would be nice to be able to say that the disaster which was to overtake Israel, which the two men both predicted, was due to this loose living but it was not. Even the most saintly lifestyle would not have avoided the cataclysm.

Next month: The hard choices of Ahaz, King of Judah

Page of Prayer



To create the Temple required the gifts of many people .
David gave first and then asked others to share in the giving.

The reason that Paul remembered the Philippians in his prayers was that they helped him in the work of the gospel from the beginning.

Jesus said that in the kingdom of heaven all who serve receive the same reward no matter when they start.

Pray for those on whose gifts the church depends:
those who work with children and young people,
sweep the floors, arrange the flowers, and care
for the garden;
who open the doors, welcome strangers,
preside at meetings, prepare the magazine,
spend hours writing minutes and days visiting
the sick.

Pray for those whose readiness to serve makes
it easier for others to join in:
whose generosity invites imitation;
whose smile dispels shyness;
whose goodness defeats evil.



Pray for those who proclaim the kingdom
by asking for no reward for their service
except to go on serving.

Prepared by Sandie Walton

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH

Our next monthly meetings to pray for the parish will take place on Tuesday 5th February in the Parish Rooms from 7.30pm until 8.15pm. For information contact Robin Figg, 633307.



On 25th March 2007 the Abolition of the Trans-Atlantic slave trade will be remembered in many countries around the world. Last month we introduced the **set all free** project which has been set up by Churches Together in England to help people mark this important anniversary.

An associated campaign is running called **STOP THE TRAFFIK** which will use this anniversary as a catalyst for a initiative whose goal is to cry for freedom for every human caught in trafficking around the world, with a particular focus on children and young people. The conviction that freedom is a human right drove both black and white abolitionists in the 18th and 19th centuries. That same conviction drives the STOP THE TRAFFIK coalition in the 21st century.

200 years ago, William Wilberforce realised the shocking news - Britain's slave trade was a growth industry and the backbone of Britain's economy at that time. A man whose convictions compelled him to act. That same spirit that whispered in his ear to end the slave trade whispers in our ears today. On March 25th 2007 there will a worldwide shout for change – we will raise our voices so that everyone may hear - we will shout with joy to celebrate the traffic that has already been stopped, and shout the call for the release of every trafficked. We will fight for those who cannot fight for themselves.

William Wilberforce was one man who mobilised a swell of voices to speak out against injustice and make a difference that impacted the world. You can be a voice that influences others by supporting the **STOP THE TRAFFIK** campaign.

The abolition of the Slave Trade Act (1807) was achieved by a mass movement made up of those who were enslaved, anti-slavery campaigners and ordinary members of the public, black, white, male and female.

Human trafficking is the fastest growing means by which people are forced into slavery and is the third largest source of income for organised crime, exceeded only by drugs and arms trafficking. 2.4 million people are trafficked each year - half of them children.

STOP THE TRAFFIK is a major global coalition of organisations, networks and community groups whose goal is to demand freedom for every human caught in trafficking around the world, with a particular focus on children and young people. It will be officially launched at the European Parliament in Brussels on 21 March by singer Daniel Bedingfield and STOP THE TRAFFIK Chair Steve Chalke, and it will culminate on 25 March, the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the Trans-Atlantic slave trade.

Daniel Bedingfield says, "The conviction that freedom is a human right drove Clarkson, Wilberforce, Equiano and the other 19th century abolitionists towards their goal. This same conviction drives the STOP THE TRAFFIK coalition at the beginning of the 21st century."



Set all free aims to remember the past and apply its lessons to tackle the legacies of Transatlantic Slavery and its modern equivalent.

To find out more go to www.setallfree.net and www.stophetraffik.org

The following meditation has been prepared to link with the celebration of Ash Wednesday.

A day of fasting.

We fast, not that we might wallow in guilt over actions or events for which we were not responsible but which continue to impact our society, but that we might step aside from our normal day-to-day concerns and renew our vision of living out the justice of the Kingdom of God within the kingdoms of this world.

To keep a true Lent

Is this a fast, to keep
 The larder lean?
 And clean
 From fat of veals and sheep?

No: 'tis a fast to dole
 Thy sheaf of wheat,
 And meat,
 Unto the hungry soul.

It is to fast from strife,
 From old debate
 And hate;
 To circumsise thy life.

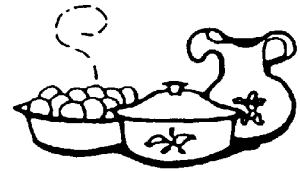
To show a heart grief-rent;
 To starve thy sin,
 No bin;
 And that's to keep thy Lent.

Lord God, you hold both earth and heaven in a single peace.
 Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our rages and sorrows,
 and give peace to your Church,
 peace among nations,
 peace in our homes,
 and peace in our hearts,
 in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Churches Together in the Merseyside Region

This month's recipes

Here is a recipe taken from a Kildwick Parish Church book produced for a Sale of Work in 1935.



Carrots á la Vichy

Scrape never peel your carrots. Cut into slices $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick, brown lightly in butter or dripping also 2 or 3 medium onions cut into thin slices.

Put into pan, do not cover but pour in stock sufficient to cook them and simmer very gently until tender.

Keep a lid on the pan unless there is too much liquid for the gravy when the carrots are cooked, in this case run off the liquid.

Put the carrots in a dish and thicken the gravy with a little flour out of the dredger—some chopped parsley and a little meat extract or Oxo cube is an improvement.

The sauce can be rapidly boiled until you have the desired quantity.

The onions can be omitted.

This recipe was provided by Mrs Clyne, wife of a Cross Hills doctor. (*anyone remember her?*)

Here is an easy to make up-to-date snack.

Tasty Toasties

1 apple, and 1 onion (or 1 or 2 spring onions)

2-4 ozs cheese.

Mayonnaise.

4 slices bread or 4 rolls or french bread.

Method

1. Core and chop 1 apple.
2. Peel and chop onion
3. Grate cheese.
4. Put all this into a mixing bowl and dollop in a good tablespoonful of mayonnaise.
5. Turn grill to high. Spread the mix thickly on bread half rolls or french bread.
6. Toast until bubbling and just brown.



For a change you could add grated carrot, chopped tomatoes, mushrooms or celery

Recipes supplied by Ruth Ward

Parcevall Hall: A Weekend Away 18th – 20th May 2007



Parcevall Hall is the Bradford Diocesan Retreat House, situated near Appletreewick. It has excellent facilities, offering the comfort of an old house, the peace of a rural situation and the scenic beauty of Wharfedale.

The Hall has been booked for a weekend away next May. The theme of the weekend will be *'Windows onto Faith'* and the leader will be the Revd Canon Graham Bettridge, recently retired Team Rector of the Kirkby Lonsdale Team Ministry. Graham is an experienced leader of church quiet days and weekends.

The cost will be £105 full board, from Friday supper to Sunday teatime. To book a place please send a £10 deposit to Robin Figg, The Vicarage. For more details contact Robin, 633307.



Women's World Day of Prayer



This year the service will be held at St Thomas's church Sutton on Friday 2nd March at 7.30pm.

It has been prepared by the Christian women of Paraguay and the theme is **'United Under God's Tent'**.

The speaker will be Mrs Marion Smith.

We do hope for a good attendance of both men and women at this service.

Learn
encourage
act
pray

Thursday 8 February 2007 in the
Parish Rooms at 10.00 a.m.



We meet again to explore in more depth the work of the mission agencies we have looked at - Barnabas. CMS and BibleLands. Please do join us.



into mission



BARNABAS FUND
...hope and aid for the persecuted church



26th Feb- 11th March is Fairtrade Fortnight

With over 1,300 Fairtrade certified products available, it's easier than ever to include Fairtrade in your everyday shop and Make Fairtrade Your Habit.

This Fairtrade Fortnight you can help spread the word about Fairtrade and the benefits it brings to farmers and workers in developing countries.

Saturday 10th March ***Our Fairtrade Fortnight*** ***Fairtrade Refresher***



Traidcraft and other fairly traded produce

St Peter's, Crosshills 10am to 3pm
Refreshments, including light lunches with fairtrade
baking available all day.

details from Gill on 632405

Choose products with the FAIRTRADE Mark www.fairtrade.org.uk

What is Fairtrade?

Fairtrade is about better prices, decent working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing world. By requiring companies to pay above market prices, Fairtrade addresses the injustices of conventional trade, which traditionally discriminates against the poorest, weakest producers. It enables them to improve their lot and have more control over their lives.

What is the FAIRTRADE Mark?

The FAIRTRADE Mark is an independent consumer label which appears on UK products as a guarantee that they have given their producers a better deal. The Mark is awarded by the Fairtrade Foundation, a registered charity set up by CAFOD, Christian Aid, Oxfam, Traidcraft Exchange and the World Development Movement. It shares internationally recognised Fairtrade standards with initiatives in 18 other countries, working together as Fairtrade Labelling Organisations International (FLO).

What does Fairtrade mean for third world producers?

For 500,000 workers and farmers in the developing world, Fairtrade means better terms of trade and decent production conditions. The Fairtrade Foundation, with its partners, maintains these standards by regularly inspecting third world suppliers, and checking contracts and trade terms.

What is the difference between fair trade and ethical trading?

Ethical trading means companies are involved in a process of trying to ensure that the basic labour rights of the employees of their third world suppliers are respected. The FAIRTRADE Mark, which applies to products rather than companies, aims to give disadvantaged small producers more control over their own lives. It addresses the injustice of low prices by guaranteeing that producers receive fair terms of trade and fair prices – however unfair the conventional market is.

Women's Institute News

WI News - Glusburn and Cross Hills WI - January

On 9th January in place of our January meeting we had our New Year Dinner at the White Lion, Kildwick. The dinner was excellent and was thoroughly enjoyed by all of us. Each member took a prize and after dinner each received a prize donated by some one else in a "raffle" in aid of Manorlands. We had a very happy social evening.



Our next meeting is on Tuesday 6th February at the Cross Hills Rest Centre. The Speaker will be Maria Glot, her subject "Saltaire". Visitors are very welcome.

Museums in Craven need you!

If you are interested in working behind the scenes in your local museum, or would like some like to gain some practical experience using your computer skills then the following could all use your help:

- Embsay and Bolton Abbey Steam Railway
- Craven Museum & Gallery (Skipton)
- The Folly,
- Settle Upper Wharfedale Folk life Museum, Grassington



There are a variety of roles requiring different skills, from opening the museum and meeting and greeting visitors to helping set up a Young Archaeologists Club in Skipton; and from cataloguing collections to helping with run a steam railway!

If any of these are of interest or you have other skills which you may think would be useful then please contact:

Anna Bowman
 Collections & Volunteer Co-coordinator
 Phoenix Project
 Craven Museum & Gallery
 Town Hall, High Street, Skipton, BD23 1AH.
 Tel: 01756 706407 Email: abowman@cravenc.gov.uk

 * **Flower Rota** *
 * There are a few vacancies on the rota for the flowers. *
 * If you would like to join the team that puts the flowers in *
 * church, sometimes in memory of a loved one, or to *
 * commemorate a certain date, or just because you like *
 * flowers, please contact June Whitaker on 01535 655320 or *
 * 01535 632255 *
 * **You do not need to be skilled at flower arranging!** *
 * **A bunch of flowers is equally suitable.** *
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Regular Events at Kildwick

Sunday 10am	KICKs in Parish Rooms (Starts in church)	School aged children's group. (not running at present)
1st and 3rd Sunday 7.pm-9pm	Craven Rock	Ecumenical Youth group for 11+
Monday 1.30pm	Bible Study at Low Green, XHills	Informal Bible study and fellowship, all welcome
Tuesday 10-11.30	Chuffs (Not in school holidays)	Fun for pre-school children and their grown-ups!
Tuesdays 10am	NottheKnot Group at the White Lion until further notice	Stitching and fellowship group.
Wednesday 6-30-7.30pm	Bubble and Laser Jets in Parish Rooms (Not in school holidays)	Primary school children's group
7.30 pm	Bellringing	
Thursday 2pm	Open House in Parish Rooms	Refreshments and items for sale
7pm-8pm	Choir practice	At Burnside, Bucklar Hill



Please note the deadline the
Deadline for the March 2007
Bridge is 19th February

February

- Fri 2nd Feb 2.45pm Kildwick School Collective Worship in church
 Sat 3rd Feb 7.00pm Talk by Yorkshire Dales National Park Officer (Parish Rooms)
 Thu 8th Feb 10.00am World Church Fellowship Group (Parish Rooms)
 Thu 8th Feb 7.30pm Deanery Synod (Sutton)
 Mon 12th Feb 7.30pm Fellowship & Focus Group (Parish Rooms)
 Tue 13th Feb 7.30pm Outreach Advisory Group (Croft Mount, Bradley)
 Wed 14th Feb 10.15am Worship Advisory Group (Vicarage)
 Wed 21st Feb ASH WEDNESDAY – LENT BEGINS
 7.30pm Holy Communion. Preacher: The Revd John Bennett
 Thu 22nd Feb 2.00pm Lang Kirk 21 Project presentation to the Diocesan Advisory
 Committee
 Mon 26th Feb CDFC Lent Groups begin

March

- Fri 2nd Mar 2.45pm Kildwick School Collective Worship in church
 Fri 2nd Mar 7.30pm Women's World Day of Prayer Service

Sun 11th Mar 12 noon Parish Lunch at the Cruck Barn, Craven Arms, Appletreewick
 Sun 18th Mar Mothering Sunday

April

Sun 1st Apr PALM SUNDAY
 Sun 8th Apr EASTER DAY

Services at Kildwick

Morning Prayer is said Tuesday-Friday at 7.30am
 Evening Prayer is said Tuesday-Friday at 4.45pm
 Mid week Eucharist on Wednesday at 9.15am.

04/02/07	8.15 am	Holy Communion
Third Sunday before Lent	10 am 6 pm	Family Service Holy Communion Parish Rooms
11/02/07	8.15 am	Holy Communion
Second Sunday before Lent	10 am 6 pm	Sung Eucharist with prayers for healing CDFC service at St Peter's Cross Hills
18/02/07	8.15 am	Holy Communion
Sunday next before Lent	10 am 6 pm	Sung Eucharist
21/02/07	7.30pm	Holy Communion. Preacher: The Revd John Bennett
Ash Wednesday		
25/02/07	8.15 am	Holy Communion
First Sunday of Lent	10 am 6 pm	Sung Eucharist Lenten Taize Service

Fellowship & Focus

Do you enjoy discussing stimulating topics relevant to Christians in a relaxed atmosphere? If you do (or think you might) please join us in a series of monthly informal get-togethers. Running from October to March, each meeting focuses on a seasonal or topical item followed by discussion and light refreshments.

The meetings are free and you don't need to 'sign-up' for all six. If you want to know more or tell us you are coming to the meeting, please talk to one of the following: Sandie Walton; Lesley Bannister (01535 636036); Eleanor Eastwood or Kevin Feather. (01535 635049)

Next meeting Monday 12th Feb **'The waiting game'**
 7.30pm (Kildwick Parish Rooms)

Church Rotas

04/02/07 Third Sunday before Lent	6.00pm Eucharist First Reading - Isaiah 6.1-8(9-13) Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 Gospel - Luke 5.1-11	Pam Brown Alan Jowett Margaret Jowett
11/02/07 Second Sunday before Lent	First Reading - Genesis 2.4b-9,15-25 Second Reading - Revelation 4 Gospel - Luke 8.22-25	Libba Utley Ruth Ward Gill Jowett
18/02/07 Sunday next before Lent	First Reading - Exodus 34.29-35 Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 3.12 - 4.2 Gospel - Luke 9.28-36(37-43)	Brian Charter Lesley Hudson John Hudson
21/02/07 Ash Wednesday	First Reading - Joel 2.1-2,12-17 First Reading - Isaiah 58.1-12 Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 5.20b - 6.10 Gospel - Matthew 6.1-6,16-21 Gospel - John 8.1-11	Sandie Walton Christine Anderton Marjorie Gee
25/02/07 First Sunday of Lent	First Reading - Deuteronomy 26.1-11 Second Reading - Romans 10.8b-13 Gospel - Luke 4.1-13	Barry Houghton Kath Morris Brenda Brock
Flowers		Cleaning
February 4th	Mrs Hutton	Marian Baxter, June Whittaker, Mary Peake Joan Tillotson
11th	Mrs Gee	
18th	Mr Doult	Lesley Hudson Libba Utley Margaret Jowett
25th	LENT	
Tea and Coffee 1st Sunday 2nd 3rd 4th 5th	(10am service) June Whitaker and Betty Hawkins Beth Taylor and Marjorie Gee Ann Mosley Christine Anderton Joyce Bonham and Libba Utley	Brass cleaning Mrs. S. Walton & Mrs. M. Jowett

Church Rotas

Date	Sidesperson	Intercessor	Communion
04/02/07 Third Sunday before Lent	Joan Houghton Barry Houghton Sandi Walton Isobel Stirk	Michael Baumber	Michael Baumber
11/02/07 Second Sunday before Lent	David Baxter Libba Utley Christine Anderton Ann Mosley	Elizabeth Figg	Tim littler Christine Anderton
18/02/07 Sunday next before Lent	June Whitaker Pam Brown Elaine Jamieson Howard Stirk	Janet Swain	Gary McKinney Gill Jowett
21/02/07 Ash Wednesday		Robin Figg	
25/02/07 First Sunday of Lent	Eleanor Eastwood Dorothy Ward Christine Hutchinson Joyce Boden	Peter Bannister	John Exley Janet Swain

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms

Sunday 14th January

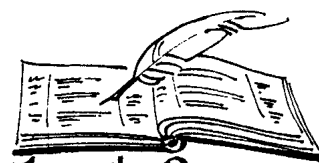
Jack Robert Birch, son of Andrew & Tara
of Clayton Hall Road, Cross Hills

Lexi Joy Cameron Fenton, daughter of Rupert & Emma of
Coates Lane, Silsden

Jacob James Forrest, son of Jamie & Rebecca of Clayton Hall
Road, Cross Hills

Funerals

Thursday 28th December Bob Thompson, of Cross Hills



From the Registers

Cross Hill Naturalists' Society (Founded 1904)

February meetings

- Thurs. 8th Microscope Workshop
- Sat. 10th Annual General Meeting followed by members' evening
- Sat. 24th **The Duncan Clough Memorial Lecture**
Andeep, life in the Antarctic Deep Sea Seas 2i miles down.

Meetings are held at St. Peter's church, Cross Hills at 7 pm and the Microscope Workshops are the Senior Citizen Centre, North Street, Sutton-in-Craven at 6.45 pm. Visitors and new members welcome at all meetings. For further details contact Jean Kendrew 01535 632447



CRAVEN MUSEUM & GALLERY Town Hall, High Street, Skipton EVENTS AND EXHIBITIONS



"Exhibition from Art Clubs in Craven & paintings from the Roebuck Trust" Saturday 13 January - Saturday 17 February

Paintings from the various arts clubs throughout Craven will be on display, together with a selection of the less well known pieces from the Roebuck Trust collection. Free

"What the Victorians Did For Us" Exhibition Saturday 3rd March - Sunday 29th April
The Victorians were great inventors and innovators. They lived in an age of incredible change when advances in science and technology gave them the confidence to believe they could change the world. This exhibition looks at how they did just that. Lots of interactives for the children and a glimpse into life in Victorian Skipton. Free

For further information/bookings, please telephone 01756 706407.

Email: museurn@cravendc.gov.uk Please contact the museum or consult the museum pages on the website for updated information, www.cravendc.gov.uk

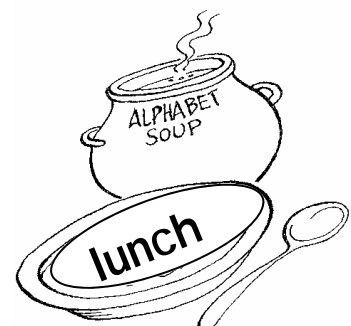
Parish Lunch

This year's Parish Lunch is to be on

Sun 11th Mar at 12 noon

at the Cruck Barn, Craven Arms,
Appletreewich

Please contact Mary Peake for further details
(01535 653345)



FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL

The Meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 4th January 2007 in Kildwick & Farnhill Institute.

The meeting was chaired by Counc G McKinney Seven members of the council were present and apologies for absence were received form CDC & NYCC Representatives. No members of the public were present.

CDC have been informed by an Officer from NYCC that our request to add the grass verge on Main Street to a maintenance programme is being dealt with at NYCC's Skipton Office .

The Parish Council have been asked by Highways Agency if they will consider removing their objections to the The A629 Trunk Road (Skipton to Kildwick Improvement and Slip Roads) Order 1996 (Revocation) Order200).

Highways have stated that they are revoking the orders to remove the legal protection for the large scale scheme which is a necessary prelude to detrunking the route. A new set of detrunking orders have been made:

- The A629 Trunk Road (Snaygill Roundabout To County Boundary) (Detrunking) Orders 20 The A629 Trunk Road (Thorlby Roundabout To Snaygill Roundabout) (Detrunking) Orders 20.

The Parish Council agreed that they would withdraw their objections provided Highways Agency could assure them that the detrunking orders will take place.

Clerk to write to NYCC to ask them to ensure that Highways will replace the road surface on the stretch of road between Kildwick Roundabout & Cononly Lane Ends with low noise road surfacing, before NYCC are prepared to take over responsibility.

The Council asked for the purchase of a plaque and seat for the Play Area to be put on the agenda for next month and a decision to be made on how the rest of the surplus money will be spent.

A Play Area Report supplied by Counc Fulton was discussed and rejected by the Council. Clerk to clarify with CDC if there are any regulations that must be adhered to in order for a member of the Council to carry out maintenance work (grass cutting, hedge putting, visual inspection etc)

Clerk to contact NYCC to ask them to give their urgent attention to getting lights No's 19 & 20 back in working order. Also to report that Light No 29 is burning all day.

Donations of £50 were made to Citizens Advice Bureau & South Craven Community Action Carefree, which are both local organizations who help local people.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL 1st FEBRUARY 2007
IN FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7-30pm
All members of the village are welcome to attend.**

Isobel's page

Once, my father caused us great anxiety when he went missing on a very foggy night – a real 'pea – souper'. Apparently the fog was so dense that, unbeknown to him, he had driven through the entrance of a school with a very large playground and every time he turned he came face to face with a stone wall. After what seemed a very long time he located the gate he had entered by and found his way back to the main road.

In November, I had been to Kettlewell, above Whitby, and decided, after leaving the coast in bright winter sunshine, to take the road home which led me over the North York moors- big mistake! Soon after leaving the busy road leading up to Teeside I encountered as bad a fog as I had ever driven in. The wonderful scenery of Fryup and Westerdale was quite lost to me. The moors stretched eerily all around and I could only just see the edge of the moor and the posts which had guided travellers in times past. I was thankful that I had fog lights, front and rear, and that there were white lines in the centre of the road.

We are lucky that people have invented sophisticated navigational tools and instruments to guide us about physical terrain. Sonar readouts have replaced sextants among sailors, precise computer imaging has made compasses obsolete in a pilot's cockpit and some cars come with a global positioning to ensure that the right turns are taken on a journey.

We are approaching the season of Lent which is a journey for us and all the joy of Easter morning will be the culmination of that long journey.

Lent starts on Ash Wednesday with a mark of soot on our foreheads- that mark reminding us that there is a dark and foggy road to travel. Lent can remind us that the world is a dark place – wars erupt, children starve, death and sadness are woven into everyday living.

I have seen a brilliant adaptation, by Polly Teale, of 'Jane Eyre.' What is so different about this particular adaptation is the fact that for part of the play Jane carries the mad Bertha Rochester on her back –giving food for thought that the first Mrs Rochester could actually be the alter ego of Jane – allowing her darker side to be exposed. Perhaps the journey of Lent allows us not just to acknowledge the darkness of the world but gives us the opportunity to acknowledge the darkness within ourselves.

However, throughout the journey through Lent, throughout the different darkness, we have a guide, someone who truly walks alongside us. As Jesus travelled the road towards the cross, this was a journey, a journey such as we make when we wait anxiously for news of a sick relative, when we walk alongside someone with a chronic illness or addiction, when parents wait for news of a missing child and the journey we take after the death of someone we dearly love. Jesus has walked all these roads – the journeys of the pain of the world and he continues to walk with us.



We cannot travel through Lent and avoid ending up in Jerusalem. No one would choose to witness the scene of betrayal in the garden or the terrible events at Golgatha but we must pass through the garden and climb the hill of Calvary before we can stand in awe

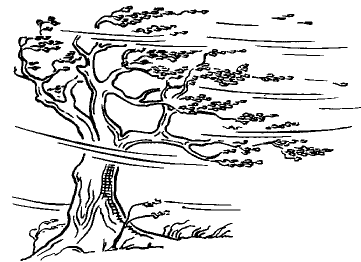
at the empty tomb. What is so marvellous is that, not just in our journey through Lent but in the times when we are simply travelling through life- through the ups and downs, through the foggy times, just like when I was driving in that 'pea-souper', and the road ahead seems unclear, we aren't abandoned without navigational resources, Jesus is walking with us - in our streets, on our roads and in our lives.

Lenten Contrition

During the middle of the tenth century the Bishop of Exeter, Leofric, presented a collection of religious poems to his cathedral. The author is unknown, but the meditations present an insight into the Anglo-Saxon Christian spirit. Here is one considering Lent.

Give me, O Lord, patience and sense of purpose in each of the things which you send to beset me. You know the many wicked deeds which burden my heart. But out of compassion you set aside all blame and receive me as your own. Please protect me through the dangers and confusion of my transient life on earth, ensuring that in all things I strive for eternal life in heaven. I know that I am very slow to make amends for my sins, despite the many favours you grant me. Fix my trust, my timid hopes, upon yourself, so that I may stand on a secure foundation. Lift up my thoughts with your wisdom. Take me out of this world as soon as I am fit to be received into the next.

Stand by me, Lord, and hold me upright when the gales of sin blow round me. And when the dark stormy night of wickedness closes in on me, guide my steps. My soul is already battered by the temptations to which I have submitted. My spirit is crushed by the weight of past misdeeds. My mind is stained by the memory of the evil in which I have participated. Throughout my life you have been unfailingly generous to me, although I have deserved only punishment.



The trees around me flourish and spread their branches. But I am hemmed in by the guilt which surrounds me, and I wither because of the poison of sin within me. Ah Lord, you are the only remedy. I accept that while I remain on earth I must endure hardship, and must be spiritually destitute. I may enjoy the affection of friends, and the hospitality of strangers, but these are only brief flashes of light in the darkness. Let my suffering bring me true contrition, that I may receive your forgiveness, and so be made fit for the everlasting joy of heaven.

WHO ARE THEY? - Where did all the Christian denominations come from?

Have you ever wondered about the beginnings of the Eastern Orthodox Churches? the Roman Catholic Church? the Church of England? the Baptists? the Presbyterians? the Pentecostals? Where did all these denominations come from and why did they start in the first place? Why don't we have one Christian Church around the world to which all Christians belong? Don't all Christians believe, more or less, the same doctrines? Don't all these doctrines come from one Book – the Bible? And, in particular, don't all Christians worship the same God? If so, why are there so many denominations? so many divisions? so many different names for Christian churches? This series will try and answer these questions, so look out for your denomination and where it came from!

We begin with:

Part 1 Eastern Orthodox Churches.

In this brief summary the Eastern Orthodox Churches will be referred to as Orthodoxy. This does not mean orthodoxy as opposed to heresy; rather it is a convenient name for these Churches that originated in the East in the earliest days of Christendom.

Orthodoxy can rightly claim to be the oldest part of the Christian Church. As early as Acts 13 we have the record of how the Christian Church in Antioch, in Syria, sent out the first Christian missionaries, Barnabas and Saul (later Paul). Already the centre of gravity in the Church was moving from Jerusalem, where it began at Pentecost, and out into the Gentile world. Over the next few centuries great Christian centres grew up in Antioch, in Caesarea, in Alexandria in Egypt, and in Constantinople in Asia Minor (now Turkey). Some of these churches were established before there was a Christian Church in Rome, and this fact is very important for the subsequent history of Christianity.

At the beginning of the fourth century, the Roman Empire divided into an Eastern Empire and a Western Empire. In this way the Churches in the Empire were known as Eastern or Western, depending on their geographical location. So Constantinople was very clearly an Eastern Church while the Church in Rome was clearly a Western Church. Even when the Empire was later united under the rule of the first Christian Emperor, Constantine (276? – 337), the East/West division of the Church continued.

The fourth and fifth centuries witnessed the Church's great theological battles on Christology and Trinitarian doctrines. At Church Councils held at Ephesus in 431 AD and at Chalcedon in 451 AD, it was apparent that a rift was developing between the Eastern and Western Churches. Part of the reason for this was rivalry and Bishops in Alexandria, Constantinople and Rome were jealous of their authority and the extent of their jurisdiction. As Constantinople became the most important Christian centre in the East, its bishop was designated 'Patriarch,' just as the bishop of Rome was being called 'Pope.' In 1054 came what has been called the Great Schism. The Patriarch of Constantinople repudiated the claims of the Pope in Rome, and the Pope in turn, repudiated the Patriarch. While there were various theological, political and cultural differences that finally led to this rift, there were three main doctrinal reasons for the split.

- First, the Eastern Church totally refused the Pope's claim to have absolute authority in the whole Christian Church.
 - Second, while the Eastern Church confessed, 'I believe ... in the Holy Spirit ...who
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proceeds from the Father...' the Western Church added a phrase and confessed, 'I believe ...in the Holy Spirit ... who proceeds from the Father and the Son...' This added phrase was the cause of fierce theological dispute.

- Third, while the Eastern Church allowed its clergy to marry, gradually the Western Church imposed celibacy on its priests.

Today the Orthodox Churches are found mainly in Greece, Romania, Bulgaria, Russia, Belarus, Georgia, Macedonia, Serbia, Moldova and Cyprus. The total number of Orthodox Christians in the world is about 220 million, making them the second largest part of Christendom. Orthodox Churches are strongly committed to the fundamental doctrines of classic Christianity, including the Trinity, the full deity and humanity of Christ and especially his resurrection. Orthodox worship is very liturgical and almost the entire service is chanted, part of it being a sung response between the priests and the congregation. Adults wishing to join an Orthodox Church must be baptised by being immersed three times in the name of the Holy Trinity. Baptism is considered a 'mystery' in which the old life with its sins is buried and a new life is given. The children of Orthodox families are normally baptised soon after birth. While Orthodox Churches seldom have the kind of statues that are common in Roman Catholic churches, they have instead many icons. Icons are paintings depicting Christ or saints but Orthodox Christians protest that they don't 'worship' these icons; rather they use them as visible aids to devotion.

Incense is widely used in Orthodox worship. This practice is said to be a continuation of the kind of worship that was offered to God in the Temple in Jerusalem. The ingredients, mostly frankincense and resins, are burned in a golden censer, and usually this censer hangs at the end of three chains representing the Trinity. The incense is meant to portray the prayers and worship that are rising up to God.

The bitterness and rivalry that followed the Great Schism in 1054 lasted for 900 years. At Vatican II in 1964 there were attempts to 'mend fences' between the Roman Catholic Church and the Orthodox Churches. Currently Pope Benedict XVI is making efforts to further fellowship between the two communions.

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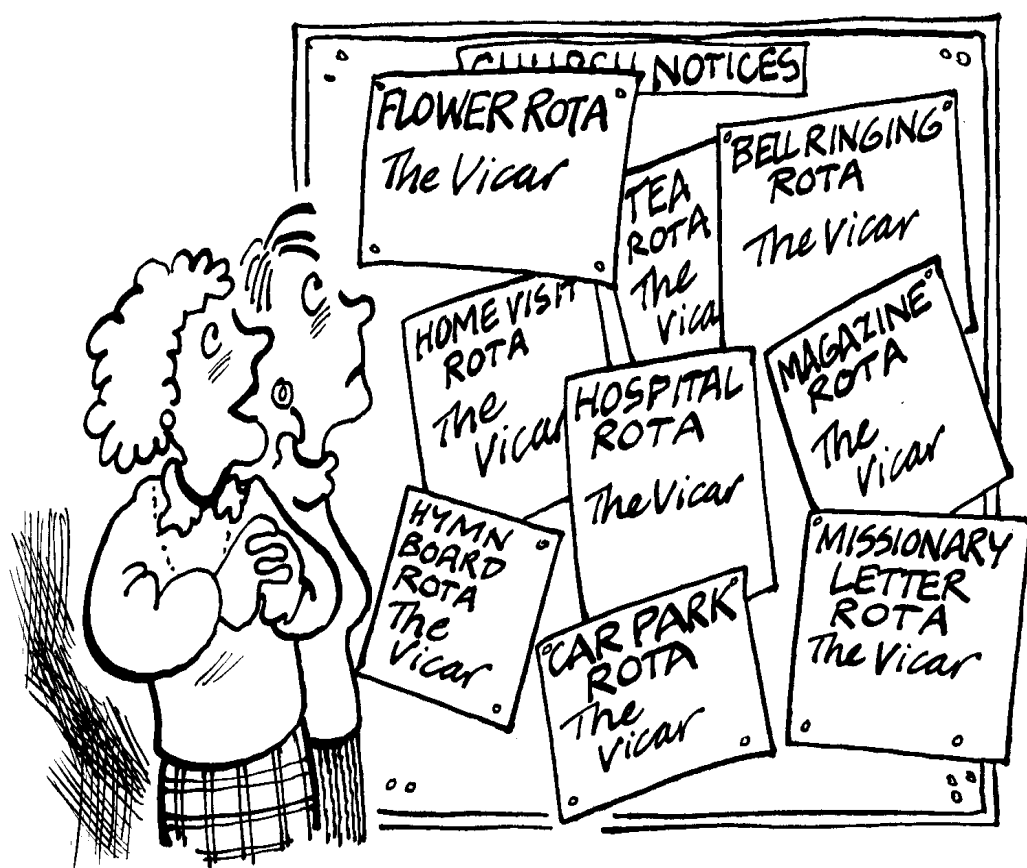
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John 3:16

St. Valentine's Day. 14th February



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