

# St Andrew's Church, Kildwick

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#### Dear Friends

As I begin to write this letter England men's cricket team is entering into the unknown of a day-night test match with a pink ball against the West Indies team. For weeks we have been entering the unknown of Brexit, which seems to become more complicated and uncertain every day.

As a parish we are entering the unknown situation arising because of the vacancy. It is common knowledge that our church is to be linked with Cononley and Bradley,

but how this will affect our congregation is anybody's guess. Obviously there will be changes, which some will find difficult although some changes might be exciting and rewarding. Following Christ involves helping each other as Jesus did with everyone

he met. Jesus loved people, healed them and sometimes challenged them to transform their lives for the better. Our three congregations need to follow this pattern both individually and collectively.

What will we be looking for in our new incumbent?

We hope they will be prayerful, caring and compassionate with good people skills, community minded, good worship leading skills, good with children, young people and the elderly with vision for collaborative ministry, encouraging lay ministry, and committed to strong pastoral care and a good sense of humour. I have no doubt every one of you could add even more to this list. Can one person be so talented? I fear even the archangel Gabriel would find it hard.

Obviously the new incumbent will

have to work out how to manage our three churches and our PCCs. I wonder how they will like the vicarage? St Andrew's church has a major building problem with the roof. I expect Cononley and Bradley will also have their share of problems. I wonder what will attract

someone to come and share in the ministry of Christ with us?

I hope the new incumbent will have the energy and drive to be able to contend with the problems they will encounter and also be able to inspire us to be courageous witnesses for Christ in this place.

God bless you all **Peter Bannister** 

#### **Deadline for next month**

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The October edition of The Bridge should be out on **Sunday 1st October.**That means the deadline for all material will be on:

**Sunday 24th September** 

#### Thank you from Robin & Elizabeth

Greetings from Warton, across the border in Lancashire!

We are settling in well to our new home and community and looking forward to beginning ministry in the parishes of Warton and Yealand.

We have brought with us many good memories from Kildwick and especially want to thank everyone who helped to make our last weekend a very special time.

The Saturday evening party was a lovely time to look back over the 16 years we spent with you and remember many of the highlights through poem and song. Thank you for the gifts presented to us: the picture of Malham Cove will remind us of the beauty of the Yorkshire countryside, the copy of Michael Hardin's latest book will remind us of all we learnt together from Michael & Lorri's visits in recent years and the very generous cheque is already helping us make our new Vicarage into a lovely home.

The Sunday morning service was a wonderful celebration of the Eucharist and a fitting end to our journey with you. Thank you for your prayers for us; we continue to pray for you during the vacancy as you move towards welcoming a new parish priest. Peace and blessings to you all.





#### **Kate and Tim Lee in Britain**

**Kate and Tim Lee** are CMS mission partners based in Britain. They lived in Manila in the Philippines



from 2003-2009. Together with members of a local squatter church, they formed Jigsaw Kids Ministry, which shares the love of Christ with children and families at risk from poverty and abuse. Currently Jigsaw works with over 800 children and their families, all of whom come from the slums,

squatter camps and street. They now support Jigsaw from the UK and Tim visits the Philippines regularly.

#### Dear friends,

Greetings from us all! Thank you so much for your continued support through your prayers and gifts for Tim's work as a CMS mission partner with Jigsaw Kids Ministry in the Philippines and Jigsaw Kids Ministries in the UK. Your support through CMS is helping to transform children's lives through God's love. Your gifts provide an allowance for Tim to work three days a week (based in the UK) developing and nurturing the ministry of Jigsaw and fund triannual airfares for him to visit and work on the ground as part of Jigsaw's monitoring, planning and development team. Your faithful love and support of him as a mission partner is enabling a ministry to be established that combats poverty by bringing God's love in action to so many children, young people and families in the Philippines.

Tim's full Link Letter is available in church. Take it away and read it! Alternatively, download it from http://tinyurl.com/katetim15

#### **During the Vacancy**

During our vacancy, Kildwick parish will have no resident priest in charge. All contact should be made through the Churchwardens, Lesley and Sandie. Their contact details are on the back page.

The Vicarage telephone is now working again and will let callers know how to contact the relevant person. The mail box will be checked regularly.

Emails to vicar@kildwick.org.uk

will be forwarded to the Wardens who will deal with them as appropriate.

#### **The Kildwick Ringers**

#### - large and small

The MiniRingers have taken a well-earned rest over the summer. Actually, I'm not sure that they have earned the rest –but their leaders certainly have! They finished their first year in fairly spectacular activity with the casting of some bells. Being made of aluminium and made far too thick, they don't sound properly. "But that", said one parent, "is possibly a very good thing!"

Four of our MiniRingers have now moved on to South Craven and so we'll be looking to recruit some new members as soon as the new school year begins and then we'll see where our next year's voyage will take us!

The (for want of a better word) MaxiRingers have been making great progress. Not being averse to a little publicity, tales of our efforts seem regularly to appear in print, both locally in the Craven Herald and the "Western Branch" newsletter and also nationally in the Ringing World weekly newspaper.



Learning to ring is quite a hard task. When you are learning among a group of experts, that task is made a good deal easier. Not only do you have a solid framework within which you can work, you can also get a wide variety of ideas and advice. When a new band is starting from scratch, most of that support is missing, though one advantage I'd not anticipated is the way that the whole band has bonded together, standing together in adversity!

You'll have heard us, now that we are ringing on Sunday mornings. We're still not very good! If we had an established, competent team, then one or two of the band might not yet qualify for Sunday Service ringing – but that's not where we are. We stand together as a band and we'll keep on doing the best that we can.

The end of this month will see a new landmark for one of the emerging band. To mark a significant birthday, we are gathering a band that will include Ed in an attempt to ring a quarter peal. This is an uninterrupted piece of ringing of 1,260 changes and takes about 45 minutes to complete. Just to be able to contemplate making this attempt is significant. If it is successful, it will be, I think, the first "first quarter" for a Kildwick ringer since Peter Ford achieved his first, 20 years ago.

But this is dangerous talk! That particular chicken hasn't even laid the egg yet – let alone hatched it. So, no counting chickens yet!



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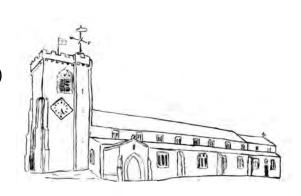






#### St Andrew: A Church built for survival

St Andrew's church in Kildwick is known to be one of the few churches in Craven mentioned in Domesday Book: *Kildwick, Arnketill (held it from King Edward), there are 2 carucates (ploughlands) which are taxable, and 1 church.* There is a small amount of Norman stonework, which survives from a later rebuilding, and some Anglo-Scandinavian sculptured stones are displayed in the church, although whether they were originally part of the church is not known.



The significance of the mention of the church in Domesday Book is, I suggest, not so much to mark out Kildwick as being unusual in having a church, but to mark out Kildwick as being unusual in the survival of its church.

The northern nobility had never easily recognised the kingship of William of Normandy, and in 1069 there was a major rising against his rule. In response, in the early months of 1070, King William launched the infamous 'harrying of the north', with the west of the county bearing the brunt of his ferocity. Even otherwise favourable writers commented on the exceptional barbarism involved, which included the destruction of buildings, crops, herds, tools and the killing of many people, either directly or through starvation. The bleak record of the Domesday Book shows the consequences over a dozen years later. 77 carucates in Craven had belonged to King Edward, all were described as waste. Of 35 settlements, only one, Kildwick, is recorded as having a church.

This is unlikely to be because there were no churches in settlements like Skipton or Bolton, later famous for its priory, all of which were larger than Kildwick. Also, a quick look at other parts of the county towards the south, show that many places had a church – for example Leeds and its surrounding settlements, and the extensive eccelesiastical complex at Kippax, Ledston and Barwick-in-Elmet. This reflects the long-established Christian church in the area, and a powerful, extensive archdiocese, independent of Canterbury.

The evidence suggests that Kildwick's church, against the odds, survived. How, and why, we don't know. It may have been missed, it may have been durably built, and able to survive a sudden, but not lasting incursion.

For the Church Renovation and Repair project the survival of the church against these adverse circumstances gives us hope that it will again be able to weather the current adverse condition of the roof which threatens the whole of the fabric. As we await the outcome of our Heritage Lottery Fund application we hope that, once again, St Andrew's church will show its capacity for survival and continue to be a place of worship in the heart of the community.

#### How to make a lot of gaps waterproof

Let's face it... A slate roof is nothing much more than a load of gaps with stones around them. How come it's supposed to be waterproof?

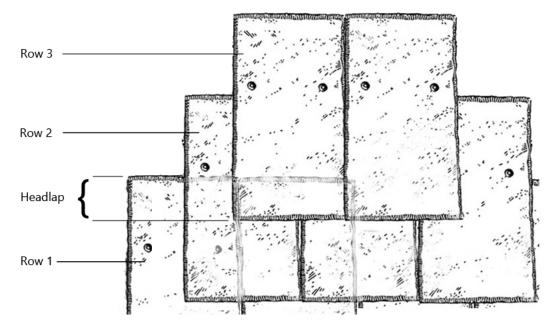
The slates need to be arranged carefully so that any water that drains from a slate will hit the flat surface of one below and avoid any gap between them. To help that happen, you'll often find that a natural slate roof (like ours at St Andrew's) is made with large slates at the bottom and then slightly smaller ones as they climb towards the ridge. *Have a look when you next come to church!* 

#### Top nail – or middle nail?

It would seem to make sense to nail (or peg) a slate from the top, rather than making holes in the middle of your slate. Indeed, when cladding a wall (vertical slating), that is often done. However, in a wind these slates will easily be lifted up and blown off. A centre-nailed slate cannot "hinge" and is held down more securely. Many roofs are nailed down (nowadays, using stout aluminium "clout" nails) but older roofs may be fixed with wooden pegs that simply hitch behind the roofing battens.

#### Front or back?

If you look at a slate carefully, you'll soon see that it has a definite front (outer surface) and back. The outer surface has a bevelled edge and the nail holes are countersunk so that the nail heads don't make the overlying slate sit



proud. Of the eight ways round you could place a slate, only one is correct!

#### The headlap

This overlap is the essential feature that keeps a stone roof weathertight. Water that runs from the bottom of a slate is bound to find the gap between the slates immediately below, so it is crucial that there is another slate below that to catch the drips. This overlap is called the headlap and should be at least 75mm.

It is the growth of vegetation in this crucial small overlap that is causing our current roof to leak.

#### **An Interim Minister?**

Over the past few years the Church of England has been starting to make greater use of the new provision to appoint Interim Ministers to parishes. These are fixed term appointments for a maximum of three years (although they can be renewed once to make a maximum of six years). Interim posts are primarily about helping parishes to respond to new circumstances or a new mission opportunity, and are about helping PCC, congregations and local communities to make the shifts in understanding, relationships and leadership that are needed to enable them to move forward well. The legislation particularly suggests that interim ministry can enable parishes to:

- Come to terms with the past, lose old fears, find new hopes, and perhaps discover a fresh identity;
- See if they have a future together with other parishes and whether pastoral reorganisation is viable;
- Consider their future witness, mission and ministry;
- Reassess their resources, needs and priorities;
- See where and how they need to change, and work through the inevitable transition;
- Make plans for the future and;
- Prepare for the next chapter of their life.

St Andrew's Kildwick and St John's Cononley with St Mary's Bradley are both parishes where the respective vicars have recently left after long ministries: 20 years in the case of Revd John Peet at Cononley with Bradley, and 16 years for Revd Robin Figg at St Andrew's. Knowing we have fewer clergy available to deploy, and more limited financial resources, there have been plans in place for some years that these two adjoining parishes should be served in future by a single incumbent. With both parishes now being vacant, these plans now need to be put into effect.

After such lengthy periods of continuous ministry from the previous vicars, the two parishes are therefore now entering a period of considerable change. This change needs to be carefully managed. There are also some difficult questions - some new, some long-standing - that must be addressed. That is why, following the appropriate and necessary consultations locally and within the Diocese, an interim ministry appointment is being progressed for the two parishes. This will be for up to three years as a shared role working with the parishes to bring about the necessary changes to build a platform for a sustainable and flourishing ministry in these villages into the future.

Five specific tasks have been identified that will be expected of the Interim Minister:

- Establishing a coherent, attractive and workable pattern of worship across the three villages.
- 2. Developing, agreeing and implementing a pastoral scheme for the future of the two parishes: this should include a consideration of the needs and opportunities for co-operation with other adjoining parishes, especially the benefice of Sutton, Cowling and Lothersdale, as well as the lessons to be learnt from that benefice's history.
- 3. Developing and starting to implement a sustainable strategy for new ministry and styles of worship to reach out to reach out to children, young people and families.
- 4. Evaluating the needs, opportunities and challenges of the three church buildings in furthering the churches' mission in the parishes and developing and agreeing plans for their future in conjunction with PCCs and the DAC.
- 5. Helping the parishes develop and articulate their identity in a new and developing relationship with each other, setting them up so that they know what kind of skills and experience they are seeking in a new incumbent.

The Interim Minister will also undertake the responsibilities normally associated with a vicar. However, to ensure that there is good progress in taking forward the five important specific tasks, there will inevitably be less time available to commit to these responsibilities. Expectations of the interim minister must therefore be realistic.

As well as the usual support that can be expected from the Church Wardens, PCCs and congregations, the Interim Minister will also have good back up and advice available from the team of Diocesan officers whose roles relate to the specific tasks above. I also expect to meet regularly with them to keep things under review and particularly to help ensure that the specific tasks associated with the interim role are progressing well.

I am really grateful for the speed with which everyone has concluded the necessary consultation. There are just a couple of further details yet to finalise, including where the minister will live, but we expect to be able to progress the appointment quickly. In the meantime, I hope you will join me in praying about the appointment of your Interim Minister, and for the Lord to be preparing this person, yourselves and the people of Cononley and Bradley for all He has in store for you over these next few years.

Andy Jolley Archdeacon of Bradford 10 Rotas for

Date	Time	Service	Readings
<b>3 September</b> Twelfth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	NO SERVICE Family Communion	Jeremiah 15.15-21 Romans 12.9-end Matthew 16.21-end
<b>10 September</b> Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	NO SERVICE Parish Communion	Ezekiel 33.7-11  Romans 13.8-end Matthew 18.15-20
<b>17 September</b> Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Communion	Genesis 50.15-21 Romans 14.1-12 Matthew 18.21-35
<b>24 September</b> Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.15am 10.00am	Holy Communion Family Communion	Jonah 3.10-4 end Philippians 1.21-end Matthew 20.1-16

#### **Tea and Scones**

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Weekdays not Thursday 8.30am	Morning Prayer	In Church
Tuesday <i>not in holidays</i> 10.00 – 11.30am	Chuffs Fun for pre-school children and their grown-ups!	In the Parish Rooms
Tuesday 7.15 – 8.15pm	Choir practice	In Church
Wednesday 9.30am	Midweek Eucharist	In the Parish Rooms
Wednesday 10.15 am – 12.30pm	NottheKnot Group Stitching and Fellowship Group	In the Parish Rooms
Thursday 3.30 – 4,30pm	MiniRingers	In the Parish Rooms or the Tower
Thursday 7.30–9.00	Bell Ringing	In the Tower

September 11

Readers	Intercessor	Communion	Sidespeople	Tea and Coffee
Reading not used Reading not used Glennis Attwood	Jill Wright	Sue and Christine	Eleanor Eastwood Sandie Walton June Whitaker	June Whitaker Sylvia Ackroyd
Tim Littler/ Kathryn Taylor Jill Wright Lesley Bannister	Sue Hargreaves	Sandie and Tim	Sandie Walton Glennis Attwood	Joyce Bonham (vacancy)
Glyn Evans Christine Anderton Tim Chapman	Chris Wright	Christine and Jill	Ann Mosley Christine Anderton	Jill Wright (vacancy)
Sylvia Clark Lesley Hudson Pat Wilcock	Lesley Hudson	Sue and John	Joyce Bonham Geraldine Sands	Ann Mosley Christine Anderton



	Flower Rota	Cashiers
3rd September	Mrs S Whitley	Lesley and Nick
10th September	Mrs G Leach	Sandie and Brenda
17th September	Mrs C Hutchinson/ Mrs J Tillotson	June and Christine
24th September	Vacant	Jill and Ellie
1st October	Mrs S Whitley	Lesley and Nick



#### From the Registers

#### Weddings

Saturday 22nd July Benjamin Woodhead and Melissa Yeoman

of Bridge Street, Silsden

Friday 4th August James Waring and Georgina Riley

of Brownbank Terrace, Cross Hills

Saturday 19th August James Burke and Danielle Shackleton

(also) of Brownbank Terrace, Cross Hills

#### **Baptism**

Sunday 2nd July Freyja Grace Watts, daughter of Nick Watts

and Louise Brown of Priest Bank Road, Kildwick



Sep	tem	ber

Mon 4th	7.30pm	Robin's Institution at St Oswald's Church, Warton
Sat 9th–Sun 10	)th	Heritage Open Days
Tue 12th	6.30pm	PCC meeting (Kildwick School)
Fri 15th	2.45pm	Kildwick School collective worship in church
Tue 19th	2.00pm	CDFC Grief & Loss Support Group (Parish Rooms)
Mon 25th	7.00pm	Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms)
Thu 28th	9.00am	Gardening and Church Cleaning
Fri 29th	9.00am	Gardening and Church Cleaning
	2.45pm	Kildwick School Harvest Collective Worship in church

#### October

Sun 1st	10.00am Harvest Festival Family Communion
Tue 3rd	7.30pm Deanery Synod meeting (venue t.b.c.)
Sun 15th	NO 10.00am Service at St Andrew's
	10.30am CDFC One World Week Service followed by Annual Meeting (St Thomas' Church, Sutton)
Mon 16th	10.30am CDFC Residential Homes Worship Teams meeting
	(St Peter's)
Mon 23rd	All Week Redecorating Parish Rooms (downstairs)

7.00pm Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms) **Sun 29th** Bible Sunday

November

Sun 5th		All Saints
Sun 12th		Remembrance Sunday
Tue 14th	6.30pm	PCC meeting (Parish Rooms)
Mon 27th	7.00pm	Prayers for the Parish & World Church (Parish Rooms)
Thu 30th		ST ANDREW'S DAY
	7.30pm	Patronal Festival Eucharist. Preacher: The Revd Canon Philip Gray, Area Dean



## **The Prayer Page**



God our refuge, you share the journey with migrants and refugees, lightening their footsteps with hope. For you, Lord, are close to the broken hearted. Pour out your Spirit upon world leaders. May they see the tragedies and be moved to respond with of our human family, wisdom, compassion and courage. Open our eyes and hearts to the God given dignity Move us to welcome our neighbours, of all your people. and so bear witness to your love. Through Christ our Lord, Amen

Send Thy peace O Lord, which is perfect and everlasting, that our souls may radiate peace. Send Thy peace Ó Lord, that we may think, act and speak harmoniously. Send Thy peace O Lord, that we may be contented and thankful for Thy bountiful gifts. Send Thy peace O Lord, that amidst our worldly strife, we may enjoy Thy bliss. Send Thy peace O Lord, that we may endure all, tolerate all, in the thought of Thy grace and mercy. Send Thy peace O Lord, that our lives may become a Divine vision and in Thy light all darkness may vanish. Send Thy peace O Lord, our Father and Mother, that we Thy children on Earth

may all unite in one family.

Amen

Make your ways known upon earth, Lord God, your saving power among all peoples. Renew your Church in holiness and help us to serve you with joy. Guide the leaders of all nations, that justice may prevail throughout the world. Let not the needy be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor be taken away. Make us instruments of your peace and let your glory be over all the earth. Amen

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#### **Christmas with Traidcraft**

I hate to mention the word, but ... ... the Traidcraft catalogues with Christmas things in them have arrived in town! The reason I'm writing about them now is that last year, I left ordering till quite late on, and some people were disappointed. Also, I ended up with a few Advent calendars left over (though my family enjoyed having to deal with that problem!)

I'm determined to be better organised this year – and also keen that you get what you have planned for and ordered. I have already got some samples of the things that were popular last year to display on the stall in church on September 10th: Advent calendars and candles, small gifts and chocolate. There are also a few packs of cards left over from last year, at a bargain price. Naturally, there will be all the usual things, of course.

I know several people have already borrowed a copy of the catalogue. Please, if that's you, will you bring it back when you've finished so that others can have a look? There will be order forms about, but if you simply write down the page number and reference number for what you want and let me have it, I'll do the rest. You can also ring me or email me with your requests – and I'll be sending more than one order!

There will also be a Traidcraft stall at St. Andrew's Fair on 25th November, so please encourage friends and family to support us. I hope everyone will come prepared to order or buy at least one thing. Let's make a real effort to share God's generosity with the Traidcraft family as well as our own – and incidentally, to make some money for church. What's not to like?

Jill Wright

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#### **Scarecrows A-Go-Go**

James and Danielle had some unscheduled "extras" for their wedding in August. Climbing a worryingly rickety ladder onto the South Aisle roof was "What? The Tyler", while around the West Door, a small band of ringers gathered to ring some rather flat bells.

Sadly, neither Wat nor the new ringing recruits managed a great deal of real action. It's not a part of the regular scarecrow specification! They did, however, attract a good deal of interest and appreciation – and the ringers were clearly approved by the judges who awarded them the first prize, along with a second prize from the public vote. We lost out by a single vote to Donald Trump!

Wat Tyler was created by the Renovation Group with some help from Libba and was well supplied with Slate Sponsor leaflets!

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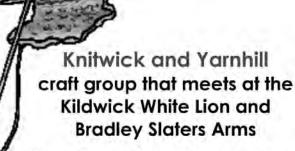
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The next monthly meeting to pray for the parish and worldwide Church will take place on Monday 24th July in the parish rooms from 7.00pm until 8.00pm.

For more information contact Sue Hargreaves, 959218

A prayer for church growth

God of mission, who alone brings growth to your Church,

send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you.

in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community; through Jesus Christ our Lord.





#### **Farnhill Parish Council**

- A meeting of Farnhill Parish Council was held on the 27th July and was attended by the Clerk, five members of the Council and CDC and NYCC Representatives
- **Blue Bins** Residents at the top of Main Street have had to swap their recycling pods for blue bins though they have nowhere to keep them. A dialogue with CDC to resolve the problem has come to a halt and the residents have no means of re-cycling. Clerk will try to re-open this negotiation.
- **Craven Local Plan** Consultation on the Craven Local Plan is due to end shortly. If approved, it should be completed by about August next year.
- **Housing Trust for young people** Community Groups can claim up to £600,000 to set up a trust but it may be better to see how the scheme proceeds as there may be problems regarding responsibility.
- **NYCC** After the local elections the Conservatives now held 55 seats with 17 in opposition. Cllr Mulligan is now Education & Skills Executive. Another round of Locality Funding is available for supporting Community groups.
- **CDC** are to improve their system for gritting especially for Car Parks. A bid has been put made for towpath improvements from Bradford up to Gargrave.
- **The pothole** at the Culvert on Main Street has been reported to NYCC who have been asked about progress with repairs to the diversion sign by the Vicarage. CDC will add the leaking trough at Bucklar Hill to their inspection schedule.
- **Temporary fence & notices** above the Culvert are rotten, inadequate and an eyesore. The Canal & River Trust to be asked what their plan and timescale are and Highways contacted to see if they can make any progress with them.
- **Street Light LP15** is beyond repair. The pole mounted junction box, bracket and lantern all need to be replaced. A standard 10W LED lantern would be suitable at an estimated cost of £700 + VAT including the fees to transfer the cable to the new light fitting. The Parish Council Resolved to go ahead with the work.
- **Street Names** CDC Planning have responded regarding a Street Name for a development of 4 houses at the Grange Kildwick. The area has several properties with "Grange" in the name, together with Grange Road and Grange Lane. Government guidance is that similar names where they already exist in an area (e.g. Orchard Drive, Orchard Close) are not allowed as these could have a detrimental effect in an emergency situation. **Dove Cote Lane** is the preferred choice and the developer has been notified of the Council's agreement to this name.



#### The Birds in Your Garden





Little and Large – Mike Gray. This is how Trichomoniasis is spread.

Last month I talked about the benefits that we, the food providers, get from feeding garden birds. This time it's a brief view of the subject more from the birds' point of view.

There have been several studies of both Blue and Great Tits in our gardens which have concluded that those breeding where food is put out for them generally produce smaller broods somewhat earlier than those breeding elsewhere, though often with better survival rates.

Perhaps surprisingly, the general conclusion was that there was no proven benefit to overall breeding success when food was provided.

Garden BirdWatch data has also been used to show that a combination of climate change and feeding has persuaded the majority of German Blackcaps to overwinter in the south of the UK, rather than round the Mediterranean as they used to. Crucially, they were found to be present almost uniquely in gardens in which food was put out.

It seems that our love of feeding garden birds can change their behaviour; in the latter case significantly, and in a way that I suggest is potentially not beneficial to them.

In contrast to our UK view, advice given by NABU in Germany and the LPO in France (their RSPB equivalents) is very different. They say that since only 10-15 species commonly use bird feeders; all of them apart from sparrows having stable populations, year-round feeding provides no support to any species of environmental concern. Furthermore, since there is plenty of natural food for these common species, concentrating them around feeders merely helps to spread disease – as has happened in the UK where Trichomoniasis has more than halved the Greenfinch population. In addition, hungry insectivorous birds will help reduce the population of pests that damage our garden plants and crops, reducing the amount of insecticide we feel the need to use.

Certainly, as they also point out, the general decline in most bird species has not been halted in the UK by our feeding habits. They suggest, quite reasonably, that the way to help birds in general is to concentrate on providing them with a well managed and uncontaminated natural environment. You can't argue with that, though the difficulty here lies in making it happen, as we all know.

They further claim that birds become dependant on the food put out, from fledging onwards, and do not learn how to seek their natural food efficiently. According to the BTO this is not backed up by any evidence, as birds have been shown to move around quite freely seeking food as they need it.

Our continental neighbours do encourage winter feeding though, which is not surprising in view of the much harsher winters that much of Germany and some parts of France endure, but suggest weaning them off extra food as spring progresses.

So there you have it, food for thought (sorry)! I have to admit that I do feed my garden birds all year round, though from June to October it's mainly sparrows that continue to eat me out of house and home.

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 gbwmike@gmail.com.





#### **Churchyard Seats**

You may well have spotted that the wooden seats in the churchyard are becoming well past their prime.

We need to replace at least one of them – would you like to contribute, perhaps in memory of someone who would have loved to sit and admire the view?



# September 29 Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

In the Bible, angels are messengers from God. The word angel comes from the Greek word for a messenger and it appears hundreds of times in the Bible. But the only angels whose names we know are Michael, Gabriel and Raphael who are archangels, captains among the angels. Each of these three has a different task: Michael Gabriel protects: announces; Raphael guides.

In the New Testament, in the book of Revelation, Michael leads God's armies to final victory over the forces of evil and in the Old Testament he is in the book of Daniel, defending Israel against its enemies.

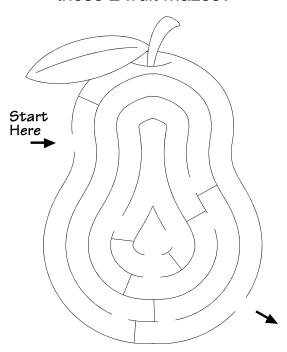


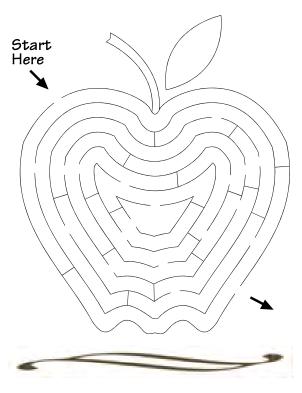
Gabriel is best known for his appearing to a young Jewish girl named Mary to tell her that she will give birth to Jesus.

Raphael is in the Old Testament story of Tobit where he guides Tobit's son Tobiah.

#### **HARVEST PUZZLE**

Can you find you way through these 2 fruit mazes?





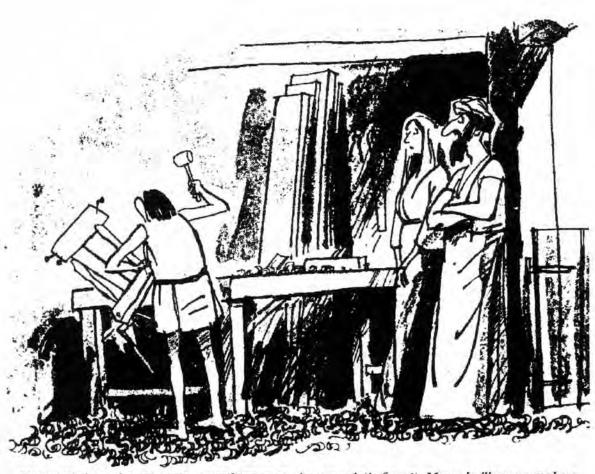
What kind of nuts sneeze the most?

Cashews.

What is a vampire is favourite fruit?

Nectarine.

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'Well, let's hope he gets into something soon, because let's face it, Mary, he'll never make a carpenter'



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