



PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

PASTORAL LETTER

The Vicarage
Penny Bridge
ULVERSTON
LA12 7RQ

October 2009

Dear friends

God's Generosity through Creation

I think to myself what a wonderful world. Well I do, do you?

Many people say that they feel closer to God when out on a walk in the countryside. They enjoy the views and the beauty of all that is around them: the animals, the birds, the flowers and so on. But where did it come from?

I have no idea except to say that I believe it is no accident and that, as far as I am concerned, the power behind such order is the God I believe in. The God who brings order out of chaos.

How we respond to that God can have a fundamental affect upon how we live our lives as individuals, in family and in community. As we receive such a generous gift from God we should respond to him in generosity. This can be the obvious in financial terms, it can be in service or it can be through helping others see the beauty we see.

As we approach our harvest services (**October 4th at 11:00am in Penny Bridge Church, October 11th at 10:30am in Colton Church and October 18th at 9:30am in Lowick Church**) let us gather together to thank God for the benefits we receive from his hands and for the beauty of all that is around us.

A further picture of this beauty is to be seen at the **Flower Festival** being held in **Penny Bridge Church** from the **2nd to the 4th of October** . Not only the richness of flowers, etc. but also the work and dedication of those who have made, or donated a series of new kneelers to adorn the church using the God given talents and skills they have.

It is 22 years since the last Flower Festival so please make an effort to come and have a look around the displays which I am certain will be wonderfully put together.

The earth shall bring forth her increase, and God, our own God, will bless us.

Psalms 67:6

Yours sincerely

Gary

Vicar

HARVEST

For those of you who have been tardy, a reminder that our **Harvest Supper** will be held on **Friday 9 October** following the traditional **Farmer's Harvest Service at 7:00pm**. There has been, and still is, a clipboard at the back of the church to be signed by those who want to attend; you can also contact Judy Redhead Tel: 01229 588 684. Cost: grownups £7 children under 15 £4.

*The church has to be decorated for Harvest and this will take place on the morning of **9 October, 10:00pm**. onwards. However, not only do we need all the help we can get but also gifts of fruit, vegetables (in season, none of your Kenya beans) and anything else that is suitable*.

COLTON CHRONICLES

The more attentive of you will have noticed a substantial improvement in the Churchyard which is due to the lively efforts of one Roderick Smith who had got a little twitchy since giving up the chairmanship of the Bouth Village Green. Clearly he needed a project to occupy his mind and keep him off the streets so Roderick, being Roderick decided, and quite rightly, that the Churchyard was much in need of a thorough tidy up.

His fertile mind came up with the solution that the Probation Service might help and they readily obliged; there is much more to do but work has been held up by transport problems and holidays. Our grateful thanks to the said Mr. Smith and to the Service.

PCCs come and go and the July meeting covered the usual matters of maintenance of buildings and grounds, correspondence, finance and what

went on elsewhere, which was not very much. Otherwise it was vaguely entertaining and the only thing that was missing was Dawn French.

We are much obliged to John Tarr and his Team for organising and running the Fête held on a beautiful day but could have been better attended; however the workers were rewarded in that the nett proceeds amounted to £1,500. We and the Church are duly grateful and now perhaps we can get on with installing a new boiler, although at the present rate of progress we are in for another cold winter.

Sometime ago working parties were created to look at finance buildings and worship but they have not met for some time however with a little hope and a fair wind they will be back in operation shortly.

It is good to see that the vicar has got his leg back and no longer looks like Hopalong Cassidy (sorry youngsters, it is the age that is showing; ask your elders and betters) and is less menacing now he no longer waves his crutch about with lethal intent.

As perhaps you know he is the Rural Dean for Furness and should have ended his stint this year but the new Bishop has asked him to continue for a further year. It is a very time consuming job, which is why we do not see him as often as we would like, and often stressful, so be patient and give our dear Vicar all the help and support that you can, accepting that that this is not always as simple as it might be.

The air these days seems to be full of gloom and doom over the future of our church, particularly as to whether it will survive iniquities of the current culture of selfishness and greed. The church is for all and we have a responsibility to keep it going for all; to do this we need to have positive attitude remembering that a place of worship has been in Colton for over five hundred years and this is not the time to let it go. Our cause is not helped by the stupidity of some politically correct authorities, the ones that say that it is alright to have Christmas as long as you do not have Christ. This is not the time to be faint hearted.

The strength of our Christian faith is that it is based on loving one another, tolerance and forgiveness, unlike some others whose basis appears to be condemnation and revenge.

Donald.



FLOWER ROTA

4 October	Mrs. Wendy Smith
11 October	Harvest
18 October	Harvest
25 October	Harvest



COFFEE

4 October Mrs Margaret Sanders + Helpers



MOTHERS UNION

Colton, Rusland and Leven Valley Branches

The first meeting of the autumn was held in Colton Church Hall with the rain never stopping. Our speaker was unable to come so Mr. Ronnie Mein very kindly stepped in at very short notice.

His talk, illustrated with photographs, was about the Backbarrow Blue Mills, 1955 – 1969 when Ultra Marine pigments were manufactured. We so enjoyed his talk with much laughter from us all which, all in all, was a great afternoon. Thank you very much Ronnie.

Our next meeting is our **Annual General Meeting** and will be held on **Tuesdays 6 October, Rusland Reading Room, 2:00pm**



The Children's Society

A big thank you to all the Box holders who's giving amounted to a magnificent £471.07 for 2008 – 2009. I am hoping to pass on the Society's work to someone else or maybe have a Coffee Morning instead.

I will be grateful for any ideas that would work with a group of us together so keeping this very important work going for those children in need. *Wendy.*

"I shall light a candle in your heart, which shall not be put out." Esdra.

PARISH NEWS

We extend a warm welcome to Frances and Stan Lurkins now resident in the refurbished Kiln Cottage, Bouth, together with Bailey who is a very civilised dog; a Doberman with a tail! We hope that you will be very happy in this friendly and helpful village.

Clearly 1969 was a gem of a year for it was then that Judy & Bryan Redhead and Sue & Ken Dean were married. Judy and Bryn celebrated their Ruby (40th.) Anniversary on the 16 August, whilst Sue and Ken will celebrate theirs on 1 November, which happens to be All Saints Day. Congratulations to both couples although one is left wondering which of the four are the saints. I, being a mere male, couldn't possibly comment.

Bridget Hughes of Bouth has, recently, had a serious operation but is now back to her vigorous best. Bridget would like to express her appreciation and gratitude for the flowers and kind enquiries from the W.I. and the many good wishes, cards and visits from her friends in the village during her stay in hospital.

The ubiquitous shoe fashion of Crocs has hit stormy waters and may become just a passing fashion. Unfortunately, depending on your point of view, the company that produces them is close to bankruptcy as apparently the soles refuse to wear out. If you look after the uppers the soles will look after themselves. Sorry!

There is nothing better in a rural village to create tension, no matter how civilised, than by suggesting change. The Parish Council have wondered whether or not a Speed Limit should be introduced on the road through Bouth and have conducted a mini poll. As one might expect those least affected are against, mainly for the dubious reason that it would mean more signs. Apparently neither the safety, of residents on the fastest sections of the road nor the children straying from the playground are considered to be of any significance.

Oddly Bouth is one of the very few villages in South Lakeland that has not got a speed limit. **See Parish Council News.**

The last W.I. meeting was an open one and the chaps were invited, nay, instructed. England might have beaten Croatia that evening, but in these parts, it was Bouth W. I. 3 – England 0.

Penny Lovegrove is clearly addicted to running, and perhaps should seek help, but then some charities would suffer. In the meantime she has just completed Great Yorkshire Run in a respectable 1 hour 2 minutes coming 9th. in her class and is taking part in the Great North Run, in aid of Cancer Research, more next month.

Donald.



BOUTH WOMENS INSTITUTE

We have had various trips during our recess including visits to Constable Burton Hall and the Tatton Flower Show. There was also a splendid day out with a group [ed. Any suggestions for a collective noun for a group of W.I. members?] visiting Derwent Water and enjoying lovely walks, a trip on the Launch and tea (of course) at Lodore Falls.

The subscription for 2010 is £29.50 – cheap at half price, considering the friendship, humour, trips out, speakers and the Christmas party. Note: A meeting is to be held on **Wednesday 30 September, Village Hall. 7:30pm.** for ‘volunteers’ to take part in and help with t’entertainment.

At our September meeting the speaker was Commander Hoskins OBE, RN who gave us an illustrated talk on the “Involvement in the Kursk”. It was a full house and anyone not attending missed a fascinating and forthright talk. The ‘Kursk’, a Russian nuclear submarine, was trapped in shallow waters, 100 metres, on the sea bed. The Commander was in charge of the British rescue team.

The account was quite harrowing, frustrating and moving; 118 Russian sailors died in the accident and despite Russian intransigence, the offer of British assistance, the proof of our capability and the demonstration of our total openness has left the way open to give hope anywhere in the world to those unfortunate enough to need help.

Proof, if proof were need, that openness, communication and trust are amongst some of the most important aspects of life today.

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 14 October, 7:30pm. Village Hall.** The speaker will be Mrs. A Wood, her subject ‘Dialect Stories and Poetry’. The competition will be a limerick, the first line being “There once was a lass from the Fells’ and do keep it clean.

Penelope.

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Concern about speeding motorists in Bouth, especially adjacent to the playground, prompted the Council to reconsider the possible introduction of a speed limit. Local opinion was again canvassed via a questionnaire sent to residents of Bouth asking whether they favoured no limit, 30mph or 20mph. The response was overwhelmingly in favour of 20mph, unanimously supported by the Council who will be writing to Cumbria Highways.

The Council has discussed a planning application for an extended season at Black Beck Caravan Site, Bouth, currently closed from November to March inclusive. The Council had objected on policy grounds: i) that the extension would allow the occupation of caravans for all bar 6-weeks of the year, with the potential that this very large site could become permanent or semi-permanent accommodation, and ii) that the site was within a 'Quieter Area' of the National Park and an extension of season would lead to increase in traffic, recreational use and disturbance which the policy (NE5) was designed to restrict.

The Council reconsidered the application in the light of new information about the possible restriction of use to holiday accommodation only, but upheld its decision to object on the basis of the 'Quieter Area' policy and the need for Bouth residents to have a break from associated tourist pressure.

Colton & Satterthwaite Councils' negotiations with Highways has resulted in agreement for the road (C5022) from Penny Bridge through to Hawkshead, to included on the 'Priority 2 pre-salting list'. We are sending Highways a map of bins and salt heaps to try to ensure that salt/grit is properly provided this winter.

Our next meeting will be held is on **Monday, 26 October, 7.30 pm at Bouth Village Hall.**

Mandy Lane (Clerk) Tel: 01229 861408. Email: coltonpc@btinternet.com
Website: www.coltonparishcouncil.org.uk



"There was a young lady called Bright, Whose speed was faster than light, She set out one day, in a relative way, And returned home the previous night."

Punch. 19 December 1923.

CARTMEL PRIORY C of E SCHOOL NEWS

This is the time of year when the old Year 11 have left and the new Year 7 have just started. Year 7 have settled in well so far and congratulations go to the Year 11 pupils who left this summer.

For the second year running record GCSE results were achieved with 81% of pupils attaining 5 or more A*-C grades and 72% 5 or more A*-C including English and maths. Seven pupils achieved all grade A* and A grades and one student all A* grades. Most importantly there were success stories by pupils of all abilities with 100% achieving at least one qualification.

It was a joy to see so many delighted young people collecting their results at the end of August. We wish them all well whether they are carrying on with their education at 6th form/college, or going into employment and/or training.

Prize Distribution this year will be held on **Tuesday 13 October, 7:30pm.** and the **School Founders Day Service** will be on **Thursday 15 October** starting just after **9:10am**, parents are welcome. *Paul Williams.*



Oxen Park Cinema Club

The new season has started with many great films coming up between now and April. Look out for the programme or have a look at our website www.oxenparkcinemaclub.org.uk

The next films are *"In Bruges"* **Tuesday 6 October, 7:30, Satterthwaite** and *"The Reader"* **Tuesday 3 November, 7:30, Rusland Reading Room.**

Everyone is most welcome especially at our Saturday films at which have a supper to start with. You can always bring your own drinks and don't forget your cushion. *Carol.*



Age Concern

Age Concern has welcomed the Green Paper on the reform of adult care - *'Shaping the Future of Care Together'*. It has organised a **'Big Response'** to be held on **Monday 5 October, Castle Street Community Centre.** Details from Age Concern, South Lakeland, Tel: 012397 28118. *Brenda Went.*

Services and Rotas for October

4th	Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am Communion		
Holy Trinity	Colton	10:30am Morning Worship with baptism		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am Harvest Service*		
Readings:	First Reading	Job	1:1; 2:1-10	
	Second Reading	Hebrews	1:1-4, 2:5-12	
	Gospel	Mark	10:2-16	
Readers:	Colton	E Fleming	S Lydon	D Wroe
	Lowick	A Naylor	& W Keegan	
	Penny Bridge	Penny Bridge School		
Sidesmen:	Colton	S King	& B Watson	
	Lowick	S Wood		
	Penny Bridge	Penny Bridge School + R Long & T Long		
11th	Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity			
Holy Trinity	Colton	10:30am Benefice Communion & Harvest Service*		
Readings:	First Reading	Joel	2:21-27	
	Second Reading	1 Timothy	2: 1-7	
	Gospel	Matthew	6:25-33	
Readers:		E Wemyss	J Gregg	B Watson
Sidesmen:				
	No service at Lowick and Penny Bridge			
18th	Luke the Evangelist			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am Harvest Service*		
Holy Trinity	Colton	9:30am Communion		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am Communion		
Readings:	First Reading	Isaiah	35: 3-6	
	Second Reading	2 Timothy	4: 5-17	
	Gospel	Luke	10: 1-9	
Readers:	Colton	M Saunders	I Pirnie	C Holden
	Lowick	G Mitchell	& B Mitchell	
	Penny Bridge	P Ashton	R Atkinson	R Long
Sidesmen:	Colton	B Watson	& M Sanders	
	Lowick	A Wood		
	Penny Bridge	A Greateorex	& W Greateorex	
25th	Last Sunday after Trinity			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am Methodist Communion		
Holy Trinity	Colton	9:30am Communion		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am Communion		
Readings:	First Reading	Job	42:1-6, 10-17	
	Second Reading	Hebrews	7:23-28	
	Gospel	Mark	10:46-52	
Readers:	Colton	R Tarr	R Smith	B Watson
	Lowick	D Gregg	& J Davis	
	Penny Bridge	J Lancaster	D Lancaster	C Styles
Sidesmen:	Colton			
	Lowick	G Mitchell		
	Penny Bridge	P Ashton	& D Lancaster	

* Harvest Readings are different from the regular Sunday Readings except at Colton.

DIARY DATES

***A reminder that the Service on the first Sunday of every month starts at 10.30am as does the second Sunday whilst the third and fourth are at 9.30am.**

- 2 October Flower Festival 'til the 4th. – 10:00am – 4:00pm. Penny Bridge Church.
- 4 October Harvest Service - 11:00am. – Penny Bridge.
- 5 October Age Concern – 'Big Response.' Castle Street Community Centre.
- 6 October M. U. Annual General Meeting – 2:00pm. – Rusland Reading Room.
Oxen Park Cinema Club – 7:30pm. – Satterthwaite.
- 9 October Decorating the Church – 10:00am. & Farmers Harvest + Supper – 7:00pm.
- 11 October Harvest Service – 10:30am. – Colton.
- 13 October Cartmel Priory School Prize Distribution – 7:30pm.
- 14 October Bouth W.I. – 7:30pm. – Village Hall.
- 15 October Cartmel Priory School Founders Day Service – 9:00am. – Priory.
- 18 October **Luke the Evangelist.**
Harvest Service – 9:30am. – Lowick,
- 23 October **Simon & Jude Apostles.**
- 16 October Colton Parish Council Meeting – 7:30pm. – Bouth Village Hall.
- 1 November **All Saints Day.**
- 3 November Oxen Park Cinema Club – 7:30pm. – Rusland reading Room.



FLOWER FESTIVAL

For those of you who have not read the Pastoral Letter, a reminder that there will be **Flower Festival in Penny Bridge Church on 2 to 4 October, 10:00am – 4:00pm.** The first for 22 years.

On **Friday 2nd**, there will be an Official opening by the Bishop of Carlisle, a Dedication of New Kneelers, Hand Bell Ringers and The Jubilate Singers. All washed down with wine and nibbles.

On **Saturday 3rd. - 7:00pm.** The Ulverston Victoria High School “Swing Band”. Wine, Coffee & Homemade Biscuits. All for £5.00. Tel: 01229 861 632.

Sunday 5th. – 11:00am. – Harvest Service & 6:30pm. “Songs of Praise.”

daw/aug09/pmag127.