



PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH COLTON

The Church is part of a United Benefice comprising Holy Trinity, Colton,
St. Luke's, Lowick and St. Mary's the Virgin, Penny Bridge
“We are now in an **Interregnum** as we are bereft of a Vicar”.

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PASTORAL LETTER

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Dear Friends

FILLING THE VACANCY

When I was working for the General Synod, it was reported that the then Bishop of Worcester, Robin Woods, (who had previously been Dean of Windsor and a confidant of the Queen) was sat one day in the tea-room with his senior chaplain. At the next table was a very new young synod-member showing off about all the famous people he claimed to know. After a while the Bishop got a bit fed up with it, and said in a rather audible voice to his chaplain, “If there is one thing that the Queen and I cannot stand, it is *namedroppers!*”

We are very blessed to have Her Majesty as Supreme Governor of the Church of England, and we pray for her regularly as such. However, we have just received a very encouraging and significant visit from our Archdeacon, and she began by saying that we should avoid the word “inter-regnum” (= “between the reigns”) to describe our present situation, and refer instead to the “Vacancy” created by Gary Wemyss’ departure.

There are three main reasons for maintaining a full-time stipendiary ministry in the Church, which have been described as *Apostolicity* – the maintenance of the teaching and practice of the Apostles of Jesus; *Availability* – to ensure the provision of Christian ministry, either personally or by delegation, on a permanent 24/7 basis; and *Acceptability* – the provision of someone who is recognized by the whole community as a focus for the Mission and Ministry of the Church by *all* who seek God’s help and blessing.

We were informed that it is the intention of the Diocese to fill the vacancy in our benefice with another full-time stipendiary minister, hopefully by

about Easter next year. However, in the light of the major pastoral re-organization that is going on, to establish local “mission groups” (with a strong ecumenical element) by the year 2020, the new vicar will be asked to be prepared to take on one extra parish (at least) in due course.

Meanwhile Joanna and I are seeking to maintain the ministry in the benefice between us, with Barbara’s authorized assistance and the enhanced participation of the Churchwardens and Lay-chairmen of the PCCs.

Overall responsibility lies with the Rural Dean (Canon Alan Bing, Rector of Ulverston), but if anyone does require personal ministry of any kind, do please contact one of the local ministers or officials. Our details are inside the front Cover of the magazine.

We pray for the Lord’s guidance for those concerned in the appointment of our new leader.

May God’s blessing be on us/you all.

David Gregg



“COFFEE and BIBLE” SESSIONS”

You had the details last month: the sessions for July are as follows.

Wed. 9 July AMOS – Social Injustice
(Woodside Cottage, Colton)

Wed. 23 July NAHUM – The Wrath of God
(Water Yeat House)

Wed. 6 August ZEPHANIAH – The Judgement Day
(Barnside, Bouth)

Wed. 20 August ZECHARIAH – The Coming Saviour
(Tottlebank Baptist Church)

All are welcome.



FLOWER ROTA

5 July Mrs. Wallace

12 July Mrs. Wallace

17 July Mrs. Margaret Sanders

24 July Mrs. Margaret Sanders



~~COTTON CHRONICLES~~

Despite our early fears it has now been confirmed that we will be having a full time priest although not as we knew it but a 'Priest in Charge'.

Previously our priests held the freehold of the parish and as such were difficult to move so the church introduced appointments in a similar way to that of commercial undertakings; the result is that it gives bishops power to move them. To be fair it is a power that is rarely used.

The not so good news is that the appointment will not be made until early in 2015; the sole reason is for the Diocese to save money as it costs around £58,000 p a for a priest. In the meantime the Vicarage has been let for 6 months.

There has been some discussion as to whether we should return to the Windermere Deanery but the P C C was of the opinion that we should be looking to the future and not the past and so decided that we should continue in our present Benefice.

Yet again there has been vandalism in the church and although nothing serious has occurred one wonders just what is behind these mindless acts. Please watch out and pray for whoever the misguided soul is.

Church Fête: This year we are holding the Fête on **Saturday 19 July, 2:00pm in the School Room & the Church.** Sue Lydon, Lees Cottage, Main Street, Greenodd would appreciate items for the tombola, especially any bottles. Please ring 861 511 if you can donate. Books can be left in the church.

Cakes, scones and other edible goodies for both the teas and the cake stall would be most welcome on the morning of the fête at the school room.

Teas	Rachel Tarr
Tombola	Susan Lydon
Cake Stall	Susan Smith & gang
Books	Pam Priestley (stall located in the Church)
Plants etc	Susan Dean
Big Raffle	Susan King
Small raffle	Margaret Sanders

Please contact Susan King if you think you can sell some raffle tickets, this is our main fund raiser of the year and every little helps. Any queries please contact Johnny Tarr on 586174 or email john.tarr@hotmail.co.uk

Pam Priestley, in order to remember the centenary of the start WW1 and as a tribute to those, locally, who lost their lives in that terrible conflict, would like to hold a small exhibition, at the Fête, in the church, of photographs and memorabilia. To do this we need your help so if any of you have any photographs or interesting material, with a few words of description, names, places, anecdotes or memories handed down could you please contact Pam **T:** 01229 861 866 or bring things to either Susan King or Donald.

We intend to also have a page of remembrance for any to write the names of family or friends who lost their lives in that conflict. *Donald.*



PARISH NEWS

If there is anything of interest going on in the parish then this editor is blissfully unaware. If you do know of any happening that may be of interest to others please let me know. Details on the front inside cover page.

Congratulations to John Sidwell who has recently celebrated his 50th. Birthday and the village is, remarkably, still in one piece. Also we are delighted to tell you that Linda Perkins is recovering well from her stroke but as a lovely but very feisty lady one would not expect anything else. A word of warning, Linda has a mobility scooter, which, incidentally, has developed a fault: it keeps stopping outside the White Hart.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Paul Holden, who has just returned from a spell in hospital. We wish him a good and speedy recovery.

If you should wander into the White Hart at weekends be careful how you dress for there are those, the feminine of gender, who are inclined to appraise your attire and comment, not always kindly. To misquote Mrs. Gaskell “What does it signify how we dress here in Bouth, where everybody knows us?”

Donald.

BOUTH WOMENS INSTITUTE

Bouth WI had their Summer Outing in June which took them onto Coniston Water for a cruise. The weather was ideal - a beautiful sunny evening. They then reconvened to the White Hart for a splendid meal. It was lovely to see so many attend and altogether made for a perfect Summer Outing.

Next month's talk is on 'Red Squirrels', as always on the **2nd Wednesday of the month, (9 July) 7:15pm Bouth Village Hall**. New members always welcome; please contact Mrs S. Smith **T: 861 370** for more information.

Jane.



COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

All About Highways: At its June meeting, the Council reviewed the list of ongoing Highways-related issues. These include re-painting of various road markings (e.g. double yellow lines around Bouth Village Green), substantial repairs needed on the Bessie Bank road and the Ickenthwaite loop, and enquiries about SLOW signs at Oxen Park. Communications with Highways appear to be at an all-time low: we are still unclear about who is our liaison officer, reports to the Highways hotline go un-acknowledged, and we are no-longer consulted about re-surfacing priorities. These problems were discussed at a recent 'South Lakeland District Parishes Association' meeting, and it seems most parishes are experiencing the same breakdown in communications - whatever happened to Localism?!. The Area Highways Engineer for South Lakeland will be asked to attend the next meeting in the autumn. On the plus side, we have worked together with one very helpful officer at Highways to get some trees cut back at Lowick Bridge and drainage works resolved at Colton – so there is hope!

If you want to add your voice to the present Highways issues – then please phone 0845 609 6609 or Email: highways@cumbria.gov.uk.

We have intervened in works planned for July (laying electricity cables) at Tottlebank crossroads, and asked that works be delayed until the autumn. The 4 roads meeting at the crossroads were each to have been closed for a week at a time with various diversions, some of which were definitely not suitable (Cappy Lane/Hellpot Bridge for example....!). BUT, officers from Highways and Electricity North-West have been extremely helpful following a meeting at the cross-roads – they have re-scheduled the works and re-routed the diversions. They will also minimise the closures as much as possible. This IS localism at work!

The next meeting will be on **Monday 21 July, 7:30pm Rusland Reading Rooms.**

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SCHOOL NEWS

Cartmel Priory:

The School is running a Pottery Club run by Phil Lubelski one of our very talented teaching assistants continues to take place each Wednesday after school in the Art Room. The aims of the club are to develop pupils' pottery-making ability and boost their personal confidence and social skills.

The beautiful tile panel created last year which is displayed in the canteen was further improved by the addition of specific lighting above it. These lights were very kindly supplied and fitted free of charge by Robinsons Electric of Grange. Next time you are in school Please take time to view our tile panel if you haven't yet done so.

In recent months pupils have been concentrating on individual projects sometimes using examples from a range of fantastic new glazes which the PTFA helped to buy. Presently pupils are experimenting with some new coloured decorating slips (liquid clay) the results of which will be seen shortly.

Dr. Paul.



Leven Valley:

Some of you may remember that the air ambulance had to land on the school field earlier this year, the children chose to give the money raised

from the community coffee afternoon in April to NW Air Ambulance, which meant that £243 in total was given to this charity. Thanks to all those who supported the coffee afternoon. Congratulations to the Kwik Cricket team for winning the annual CPPSSA tournament!

Year 6 had a wonderful time on their week's residential visit to Rydal Hall starting with a railway journey on a special steam train and setting off on the lake from the Lakeside Hotel. Thank you to both local businesses for their support. Kit was loaded into water tight barrels for the canoeing and sailing journey down the length of Lake Windermere. The children called in at Ghyll head for water before arriving at the campsite. Tents were pitched and a meal cooked on camping stoves on the beach. After a night's sleep and a breakfast of porridge and Cheerios the children set off on the boats until they reached Red Nab where they exchanged boats for mountain bikes their mode of transport to Rydal. Thank you to Cyclewise.

A mountain walk was undertaken on Day 3 to the summit of Silver Howe where the children could look back on the journey so far, then on to a tea shop in Grasmere. On the fourth day the highlights were Class 1 visiting during the day and preparing for the final award presentation. On the fifth day after breakfast and packing and cleaning up the final challenge was an independent journey to Waterhead where everyone caught the ferry back to Lakeside and the train to Haverthwaite, tired but very happy. *Sue Sanderson.*



OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

While we have a break from film watching we have the Rusland Show Filmmaking class competition to look forward to. This year the title of the 2 minute films is 'The Great Outdoors' – to be entered to the secretary, Carol McNeill, **T:** 01229861 507, Email: carolmcneill@tiscali.co.uk by **11 August**. *Oppc.*



The Mothers Union

The Windermere Deanery invites you to come along to our **Open Day, Saturday, 12 July, 10:00am until 4:00pm. St Paul's Parish Rooms, Grange-over-Sands**

Discover more about the Mothers Union, its role at home and overseas.

Enjoy a warm welcome, Free Refreshments, Stalls, Raffle, Children's Corner a Special Free 'Star Draw'.

Edwina.



WINDERMERE REFLECTIONS

On washing up

Too much phosphate is getting into our lakes causing excessive algal growth. This is bad news for wildlife and can be a big problem for people and pets that enjoy using the lakes.

Algal 'blooms' stop sunlight from reaching other plants in the lake. As a result, the deprived plants below die and, in addition, the algal bloom uses oxygen from the water as it decomposes. This process reduces oxygen at deeper levels and forces some deep water fish such as the Arctic charr up the water column, affecting their natural behaviour patterns.

The reduction of phosphate at source, in our homes and businesses, is the priority of 'Love Your Lakes'. You can do your bit to reduce the amount of phosphates getting into the lakes by simply choosing phosphate-free dishwashing products. Check the label or look at our website for some well-known products to try.

As well as using phosphate-free dishwashing detergent, you can help to reduce the phosphate levels and improve the Windermere area's environment by reducing water use; composting food waste, making sure it doesn't go down the sink; taking care of your septic tank; and practicing organic gardening. You can download a Property Pack from the Nurture Lakeland website for more detailed advice and information.

Love Your Lakes is Windermere Reflections' project run by Nurture Lakeland www.nurturelakeland.org. For more information on Love Your Lakes and sustainable tourism initiatives you can get in touch with sophie@nurturelakeland.org.

If you'd like more information about this or other Windermere Reflections' projects call 015394 34401 or email debbie.binch@windermere-reflections.org.uk.



DIARY DATES

† During the Interregnum everything is being done to ensure Service Times remain constant but this may not happen so please take note of the Rota & Below.



- 2 July Equal Voting Rights introduced for women, 1928.
- 3 July **Thomas, Apostle.**
- 6 July **Morning Family Worship, 9:30am.**
- 9 July Bible Study, Woodside Cottage, Colton, 10:00am.
Bouth W I, Village Hall, 7:15pm.
- 12 July Mothers Union, Windermere Deanery Open Day, St. Paul's Parish Rooms
Grange over Sands, 10:00am – 4:00pm.
- 13 July **Holy Communion, 9:30am.**
- 15 July St. Swithin's Day.
- 20 July **Holy Communion, 9:30am.**
- 21 July Colton Parish Council Meeting, Rusland Reading Rooms, 7:30pm.
- 22 July **Mary Magdalene.**
- 23 July Bible Study, Water Yeat Cottage, 10:00am.
- 25 July **James , Apostle.**
- 27 July **Holy Communion, 9:30am.**
- 29 July First potatoes brought to England from Columbia, 1586.



Henry Sutton

Henry Sutton
Made his wife
Serve him mutton
All his life.

When going to sleep
His mind was rested
By counting the sheep
That he'd digested!

Gerald Dee.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH COLTON

ROTA

MONTH - JULY 2014

Service	Sidespersons	Readers	Prayers
6 July		Roderick Smith	
Morning Worship	Susan King	Margaret Sanders	Susan King
9:30am.		Graham Wallace	

13 July		Sue Lydon	
Holy Communion	Roderick Smith	Rachel Tarr	Judy Redhead
9:30am.		Ian Pirnie	

20 July		Susan Smith	
Holy Communion	Sue Dean	John Tarr	Pam Priestley
9:30am.		Janet Pickles	

27 July		Margaret Sanders	
Holy Communion	Margaret Sanders	Donald Wroe	Rachel Tarr
9:30am.		Pam Priestley	



“We act as though comfort and luxury were the chief requirements of life, when all we need to make us really happy is something to be enthusiastic about.”
Charles Kingsley.

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