



PARISH NEWS

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SERVICES

1st Sunday in the month	9.30 am	Family Service
2nd Sunday in the month	9.30 am	Holy Communion
3rd Sunday in the month	11.15 am	Holy Communion
4th Sunday in the month	11.15 am	Holy Communion
5th Sunday in the month	9.30 am	Morning Prayer

THE PASTORAL LETTER

April 1998

Dear Friends

When you read this, it will be almost time to say "Happy Easter" . Yes, but why should we be happy, or hopeful, optimistic, confident this Easter (or any time when the future can so often seem uncertain?) We are not expected to go around with a permanent smile just because some of us in this world are Church folk: (indeed if we **do**, we make the church look silly!)

The news, at home or abroad, is often grim: people we know face trials of every kind; and each of us knows the pain and suffering, loss, failure, and the 'ills that flesh is heir to'.

"God so loved the world that He gave His only only Son;" and the world **crucified** Him. Yet through the victory of the cross came our salvation. William Penn, the great Quaker thinker said "No pain, no palm; no thorns no throne; no gall no glory; no Cross no crown." This made Good Friday **good**.

And the message of Easter is **hope**. This year's Lent course is called 'Hope in a time of Change' and a gentle reminder of the difference that Easter makes to this world, and to your life and mine. St. Paul told his flock at Corinth "If Christ was not raised, **then** is our Gospel null and void - and so is your faith . . . But the truth is, Christ **was** raised to life . ." and **THIS** is our Easter **hope**.

We can face the world, life and all it throws at us, the future, even death itself, with total confidence :- not in ourselves and our own strength and wisdom, but in the One who said "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."
Hope affects our daily life, for as we believe, we behave.

In the glorious springtime, as we look around us and see signs of new life everywhere let us find new meaning in the world. As we emerge from dark nights of wintertime to the longer days towards the summer, may hope grow more brightly within us.

As the quiet time of Lent bursts out in the joy of Easter, may our thinking, praying and **hoping** help us face the future, and maybe even **change** the future for those around us that they may know the peace, joy and love which is God's Easter gift for all. So let us live by faith, walk in hope, and be renewed in love until the world is filled with the glory of God. . . . and the world begins **here** at home, among our families, friends and neighbours.

God bless them and each one of you.

Yours sincerely

Doreen Harrison

Doreen Harrison (Curate)



CHURCH MATTERS

Things have been moving apace in the affairs of the Church, although we have not, as yet, had firm news of the future of our ministry. The news we have could have been better as our Rural Dean, Canon Christopher Atkinson, is off to pastures new. But then he always did like a challenge and his vigorous approach to life will undoubtedly be appreciated in his new parish in Gateshead where he is to be Team Rector. We are sorry to lose him but wish him and his wife well for the future,

The Diocesan report on the Review of Infrastructure - "Progress & Partnership" has been published and will, no doubt, be the subject of much and probably heated debate at both parish and deanery level. One of the proposals is that this Archdeanery which consists of Kendal, Windermere, Barrow and Dalton Deaneries should be reduced from 4 to 3.

Inevitably this would result in the demise of our deanery which effectively would be split between Dalton and Kendal, This paper proposal might appear to have merit until one looks at the geography of the area and the practicalities

involved. The very beauty of this area with its estuaries, lakes and fells makes communication and travelling in particular very difficult. P.C.C. members will have copies of the report and anyone who is interested should contact one of them.

Change is the fashion of the day and a recent press report tells that the Mothers Union is not exempt. It seems that the Union is considering dropping the word "mother" from its name in a bid to broaden its appeal. In the last 10 years, it has lost 100,000 members in Britain and now has a membership of 140,000. The search is on for a more inclusive name which will appeal to women without children as well as men who have been admitted since 1974.

A new "mission statement" explaining the union's aim to "promote the well-being of families" will also be put to the 10-yearly conference in York this summer.



The Church Annual Meeting will be held on Monday 20 April at 7.30 pm. in the Church Hall. Apart from the church officers giving an account of their stewardship for the past year members of the P.C.C. are elected. New faces are not only welcome but needed, so, if anyone on the Electoral Roll wishes to stand, nomination papers can be obtained from our secretary, Margaret Campbell



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I have been asked, somewhat forcefully, I might add, to remind you all that the Annual Christian Aid Luncheon will be held this year at Satterthwaite Parish Room on Wednesday 13 May, 12.00 noon to 2.00 pm. Come, even if you are on a diet; you don't have to eat, its your money they are after!



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The Womens World Day of Prayer in our valley, Hawkeshead to Haverthwaite, was held at St. Anne's, Haverthwaite where the ladies shared in a service prepared by Christian Women in Madagascar, titled "Who is my

Neighbour". The Rev. Doreen Harrison gave the address encouraging us to be neighbourly in all we think and do to all people near and far.

The service was the same service as followed by women of all denominations, all over the World, and it was very inspirational to think that we were only a minute fragment of a large number taking part and following the same service, starting at sunrise in Japan and circling the world.

Next year on the first Friday in March the service prepared by the Women of Venezuela on "God's Tender Touch" will be held at Far Sawrey.

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MOTHERS UNION

The March meeting was held during the Diocesan "Wave of Prayer " week when Mrs Campbell led prayers from the service leaflet provided, praying for and remembering other Union members in various corners of the world as well as are own little corner.

Mrs G Wright from Allithwaite then gave an insight into her work with the blind in Africa. Even though it was thought to be no job for a woman she went to Ghana and taught occupational therapy to the blind. Despite the hardships she encountered her talk was lively and amusing.

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FLOWER ROTA

One of Auden's poems said "You shall pick flowers" - but not yet awhile as it is still Lent. But blooms will be in profusion on Easter day 19 April and the following week . We have no May dates as yet.

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The next Mothers Union meeting will be held on Wednesday 1 April at Rusland Parish Room at 2.30 pm.

PARISH NEWS

Although it is not all unconfined joy this month it is certainly a lot better than it has been. Jack Burns is back home and progressing well and taking care. We wish you well Jack and also Cynthia who has been putting up with you, sorry, looking after you. Good wishes also to Des Dalton also returned from hospital and on the mend.

On the down side Alison Hambrey, wife of Fred (former Vicar of Colton) had a horrendous accident recently, falling backwards down the stairs and landing on her head. After some time in a specialist unit in Preston she is now at Whitehaven and making progress. The situation is not improved as Fred has had a cataract operation and so can't drive to visit Alison.

Christine Dobson, that indomitable lady, is due to go to the Nuffield hospital on the 23 March to have her hip re-done. We wish you well, Christine for a successful operation and a good recovery.

On the joyous side we give a warm welcome to Elliot James, son of Lois and Philip Wood, grandson of Sally and Ian Pirnie who was baptised in our church on 7 March.

Just missing our last deadline was the marriage of the month when Tamsin Johnson daughter of Jane and Bonzo tied the knot with David Kidwell. The ceremony on the 21 February was at the slightly unusual time of day, sunset. The church looked resplendent, lit by candles and lamps and nary an electric bulb in sight. We wish the couple well in their adventure into married life.

We have just heard that the Bouth W.I. intend to enter the Village in the Cumbria in Bloom event, or whatever it's called this year. So please everybody make an effort as unlike other villages we have to do it on our own without the help of sponsors.

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"Why is it that men know what is good but do what is bad?"

Socrates.

WOMENS INSTITUTE NEWS

BOUTH

There was a good attendance at the March meeting to hear Mr. Nettleton speak about Beatrix Potter's Lake District. Apart from her children's books she did much to preserve large parts of this area for the National Trust.

We were pleased to have Kay Marsh back with us and to welcome her daughter Lynn as a new member.

The ever popular guided 'bluebell' walk followed by the even more popular cream tea will be held again this year so walkers and gluttons alike write 16 May firmly in your diaries.

At last 'Pergamano' is back on the agenda for the next meeting on 8 April at 7.15 pm. when the competition will be - 'A Pretty Bookmark'.

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SPARKBRIDGE & LOWICK

'Only' thirteen members of Sparkbridge & Lowick W.I. turned up for the annual Hotpot supper, so they invited President Mrs. Keegan's husband to join with them for the meal, which turned out to be very enjoyable, especially for the few ladies, who since it was Shrove Tuesday, also indulged in pancakes for dessert. (we trust that the sole male also enjoyed his hotpot and pancakes. ed)

After Mr. Keegan had departed the members discussed, at great length, the Group meeting for 1998 which we are hosting: the news letter was read, discussed and names were taken of members who were interested in attending the various events being organised around the area.

The joint winners of the competition 'A blast from the past' were Mrs. Keegan & Mrs. W. Edmondson. There has been a change in the program for April; Mr Woods will be entertaining us with slides and anyone is welcome to join us on the 28th. at 7.30 pm.

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SCHOOL NEWS

CARTMEL PRIORY

The Grange Rotary Club held heats for a young Chef of the year competition which saw a very high standard. The eventual winner was Rachel Unsworth who cooked an exceptional and esoteric meal. She now goes forward to the District Finals.

The school has just received a grant to re-floor and re-decorate the main hall and also for the provision of new chairs. This work will be very welcome and a starting date is eagerly awaited.

The Basket Ball team has now got new strip kindly provided by Batemans (Toyota) of Grange who also have agreed to be sponsors.

School terms seem to be getting shorter and the current one ends on Friday 3 April when there will be a Priory Service at 9.15 am.

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SATTERTHWAITE & RUSLAND

The Coffee morning held in the Coronation Hall in January raised £253 • 54. Many thanks are due to those who contributed and all those who helped on the day and without whom it never would have happened.

Important to note that the next fund raising event will be a cake stall at the Grizedale Visitors Centre on the 4 May.

School said a sad farewell to Nathan Burgess who has now moved to Barrow with his family. Good luck Nathan !

School ends on Friday 3 April and re-opens after the Easter holidays on Monday 20 April.

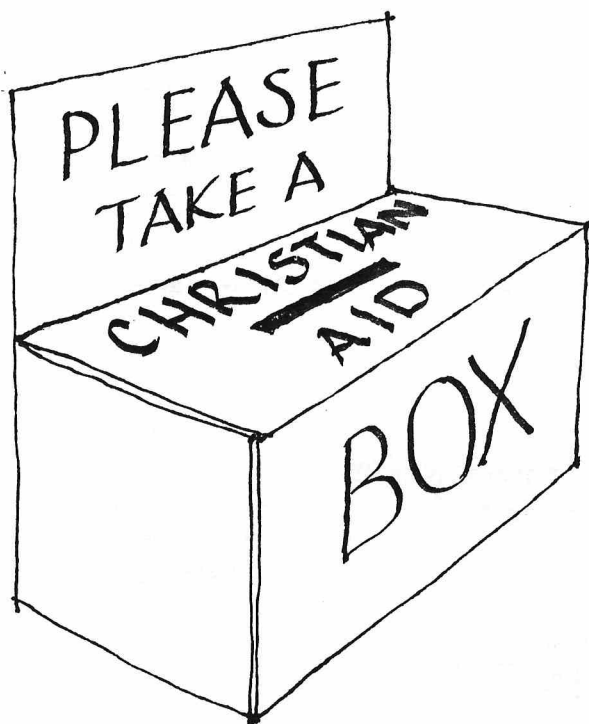
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"Education is what survives when what has been learnt has been forgotten"
B F Skinner

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10 - 16 MAY



FILLED BOXES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT CHURCH SERVICES ON
SUNDAY 10 MAY

CLAIMING DATES

- 1 April Mothers Union - Rusland Parish Room - 2.30 pm.
- 3 April End of Term - Priory Service - 9.15 am.
- 5 April Palm Sunday, Family Service - 9.30 am. Coffee in hall afterwards
- 8 April Bouth W.I. - Village Hall - 7.15 pm.
- 9 April Maundy Thursday - Holy Communion (not sung) - 6.30 pm.
- 10 April + Good Friday + Service of Devotion - 2.00 - 3.00 pm.
- 12 April Easter Sunday - Holy Communion - 9.30 am.
- 19 April Holy Communion - 11.15 am.
- 20 April Church Annual Meeting - Church Hall - 7.30 pm.
- 21 April Birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II
- 23 April St. George's Day - Wear a Red Rose !
- 26 April Holy Communion - 11.15 am.
- 28 April Sparkbridge & Lowick W.I. - 7.30 pm.
- 4 May Bank Holiday - S & R School Cake stall - Grizedale Centre

10 - 16 MAY CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

- 13 May *Christian Aid Luncheon - Satterthwaite Parish Room - 12 to 2.00*



CHURCH SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY	COLTON	SATTERTHWAITE	RUSLAND
1st	9.30am Family Service	11.15am Morning Prayer (BCP)	2.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
2nd	9.30am Holy Communion (+)	6.00pm Evengsong (BCP)	11.15am Family Service
3rd	11.15am Holy Communion (+)	9.30am Holy Communion (+)	2.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
4th	11.15am Holy Communion (+)	6.00pm Holy Communion (+)	9.30am Family Communion
5th	9.30 Morning Prayer (BCP)	See Church Notice Boards	

(BCP) - Book of Common Prayer 1662

(+) - "RITE B" SERVICE - (Similar to Prayer Book)

Other services will be announced as appropriate

A very warm welcome to all

D. Harrison. Curate.