



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

PASTORAL LETTER

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Dear Friends

August is often an anxious time for young people and their parents as exam results arrive; the choice of a job, career or university place may hang upon the grades achieved. But, a factor which can influence the choices made now, **or at any later stage of life**, may be the sense of a growing **vocation**.

In its literal sense, of a direct call (from God), a sense that *something* (actually *someone*) is prompting us to think very seriously about giving ones' life to a distinct form of service, may be the medical or teaching professions, the law or the church is **rare** compared with what most people experience.

Today's bewildering range of actual jobs within any of these spheres shows the wide scope of individual gifts and abilities which are acceptable to selectors. The approaching Millennium (less than 200 days ahead) has focussed attention on 'callings' in the Church.

This Petertide (late June-ish) 400 people will have become Deacons and another 400 will have been Ordained to the priesthood, and this is only within the **C.of E.** ! Add to the newly accepted ministers and priests in other Christian churches in this country and the Church of God really begins to look like a 'mighty army'

In the last five years the number of men and women accepted for college and other forms of priestly formation has doubled, although the numbers of young folk offering themselves for **religious orders** needs to be **much** greater. Other forms of work for the Church include the mission societies [teaching, agriculture, nursing, engineering etc. in developing countries], social work with our voluntary organisations such as the Children's Society and local groups. All

are calling for skills ranging from secretarial to practical trades.

Do **you** know of someone whose career is beginning or **who might be 'called' to a change?** If you do know someone who would make a fine **priest**, not *goody-goody*, for all of us (priests) should be able to relate to the real world, please encourage her/him to think about it. Get them to talk it over with me or any other priest.

If even they only feel a slight interest in becoming a monk or nun * they can visit a monastic community for a few days to get the feeling of it. The continuing of the Church's work is a task for **all** of us and **you** could prove to be God's 'voice' for someone (God will take care of the inner call for Himself!)

Remember, it is a call for LIFE !

Bless our young folk and all of you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doreen Harrison".

Doreen Harrison, Parish Priest.

**I am writing this on the Feast of St Benedict, Father of Western Monasticism !*



CHURCH MATTERS

There has been a PCC meeting, to use the word loosely; there are seldom hard decisions to be made and it is more a process of exchanging information. It was reported, from the Pastoral Reorganisation front, that as Haverthwaite, Finsthwaite and Staveley have given the nod the Bishop has approved the proposed extension to our team ministry. In which case, after the slow grinding of the mills of Carlisle, it will be a proper team and we can look forward to the

further strengthening of our spiritual and pastoral needs.

There is a snag of course in that the preferred (by the majority) name of "High Furness" does not altogether meet the wishes of some in Hawkshead who appear to want to take a more parochial approach. If you have ever had the chance to peep behind the ecclesiastical curtains you would understand why the hymns 'Fight the Good Fight' and 'Onward Christian Soldiers' are so popular in the Church of England. It's a battlefield out there ! My money is on the high ground. The alternative was "Furness Fells".

The tale of the trees in the churchyard is becoming a saga and any felling is in deep recession so fear not ye environmentalists all is not yet lost. Have you ever thought that if nobody had felled any trees this island would be nothing but a forest.

Well done to Bonzo and his team for the resurrection of the lectern area, it looks super. Now, well nearly now, for the loos and the church hall and even perhaps the taming of the central heating. Thanks are also due to the workers who have been tidying up the churchyard and weeding the paths.

There has been an interesting suggestion that we should set aside a small portion of the church yard that has not been used for nye on a hundred years and leave it to develop as a natural meadow which would encourage both wild flowers and life. Sounds good.

You will be interested to know that there has been a General Synod which appears to have taken note of the comments of a parliamentary committee . Although there will be a disciplinary process for stubborn Church Wardens, for that's what it was all about, should the Bishop so decide, there must be good and sufficient reason and the PCC must be consulted. In an extraordinary democratic move, an appeals is procedure is to be introduced.

The popular view did not last very long as it is intended to re-introduce heresy trials for priests who defy the doctrine. The last one was held in 1847; we will have ducking stools next !

Our Church is trying hard to maintain clergy numbers and is currently investing

£8 million pounds a year in training. The trouble is however a shortage of trainees. Still on the investment front, policy has been relaxed and we are now the proud owners of £14 million worth of brewery shares. It's comforting to know that some of us are striving bravely to see that the Church gets a good return for its money,

Nearer home Zella, who has valiantly and quietly dealt with our covenants and the vicissitudes of the Inland Revenue has decided enough is enough. Thank you Zella but don't you dare stop making that gorgeous bread for our fairs and fetes. Our thanks also to Gordon Pickles for agreeing to take over.

Peter Kershaw and his family have moved to Windermere and sadly we will no longer see them in our church. We wish them well in their new abode and we extend our thanks to them all for their help and work in our church and parish.

Judy tells us that the Christian Aid boxes realized £188 and that from those that were handed in. Thank you ! Those that weren't, don't forget next time.

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'Democracy means simply the bludgeoning of the people by the people for the people'

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FLOWER ROTA

- 1 August Wedding
- 8 August *Flowers from wedding*
- 15 August Mrs T Teasedale
- 22 August Mrs T Teasedale
- 29 August Mrs J Henson

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5 September Mrs J Henson
 12 September Mrs P Parkin
 19 September Mrs P Parkin
 26 September Mrs A Silcock
 3 October Mrs A Silcock

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PARISH NEWS

The 14th. of the month saw the inspection of Bouth for the Cumbria in Bloom competition having been entered by the guiding hand of the W.I. Win or lose the village looked a picture and the community should be grateful for all who not only made a supreme effort in their own gardens but tidied up the roads and the village green. The Council did their bit by actually sweeping the roads and fortunately left their verge trimmers in the depot so the natural country look was maintained.

Bouth has always seemed to be a habitat for teachers and ex-teachers perhaps because of its situation it is a refuge from both pupils and parents. Whatever the reason we give a warm welcome to Nicki Driver and hope she will soon feel at home in this special place. Also a belated welcome home to Roger 'The Refrigerator' Perry from his onerous service with the Fleet Auxiliary in Split and congratulations on reaching your fiftieth birthday.

There is a paucity of news at the moment, not because it is not happening but because nobody tells the poor harassed editor. Please help as people, especially those who can't get out and about, do like to know what is going on.

One little item missed from Church Affairs is that at a recent Diocesan Synod the reorganisation mess, of the Diocese, was more or less sorted out with the immediate result that we shall continue to have an Archdeacon.

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MOTHERS UNION

The Mothers Union is in its summer recess but as there will not be magazine next month this an advance notice that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 1 September.



WOMENS INSTITUTE

BOUTH

On a balmy summers' evening a flotilla of cars left Bouth and wended its way to Glasson Dock where members and their fellas had a conducted tour of the Smokery. The most fascinating part was the master class in fish filleting which brought tears of envy to the fishermen in the party. There was the inevitable shop and larders and fridges hereabouts are now well stocked with smoky bits and pieces.

The evening continued with a pleasant meal in the adjacent Dalton Arms and a gentle drive home. On behalf of the fellas, our thanks to the ladies for arranging the outing, attempting to keep us in order and for the good work you do in the village even if it does mean that occasionally we have to take our jackets off and do a bit !

There is no meeting in August and the next is on Wednesday 8 September when the speaker will be Mr Brian Adams and his subject - 'Visiting Other Peoples' Gardens'.
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SPARKBRIDGE & LOWICK

'Creative Photography' was the subject Eileen Kirby spoke on to the members at their June meeting in Lowick Sunday School. Mrs Kirby told of a course she had enjoyed attending, on the east side of Loch Lomond, and shared her new found knowledge with us.

How and what to take, what to look for and the type of equipment required for differing circumstances and photographs. She even showed us what not to take

and generously displayed some mistakes she had made. Mrs Davies, our own enthusiastic photographer, gave the vote of thanks.

The next meeting is to held on 24 August when Mr Graham Malestone, Head Gardener at Holker Hall, will be giving a talk. Please do feel free to join us.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Apart from the on going saga of funding, the biggest concern in all schools is that education continues to be in a constant state of change which adds to the already demanding workload of teachers and staff.

CARTMEL PRIORY

Money is still a big problem, despite what you read in the papers, but the school is maintaining a balanced budget by the prudent use of carefully garnered reserves and Foundation Funds. These funds are sourced from the Diocese and the Parishes and the school is very grateful for their existence. The control of the funds lies in the hands of the Foundation Governors, who are from the parishes, not the Full Governing Body and are used circumspectly.

On a more cheerful note congratulations to Kate Reid, Head of Art , on her latest production, baby Isabella.

Not for the faint- hearted, GCSE results will be available at school - 10.00 am - 12 noon on Thursday 19 August.

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LEVENS VALLEY

It has been a busy term with year 2 and 6 children being involved in the Standard Assessment Tests and staff involved in preparation for the introduction of the 'new framework' in September.

The school play, written by Mrs Jones, which took a humorous look at teachers and life in school, was a huge success and the children took great joy in playing the parts of teachers, for a change. Class 2 visited the Barrow Dock Museum , class 3 spent a day at Haybridge and the annual outing to Chester Zoo was thoroughly enjoyable.

The School Sports Day turned into a 'Fun Evening' as our field continues to be unfit and rain washed out the alternative venue at the Community Centre. All was not lost and the event raised £450 for the school fund. jj

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BARNADO'S HOME

Sue Dean tells us that the house to house collection in Bouth raised £63.06 for this charity.

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GARDEN FÊTE

It was a good job we didn't call it a Summer Fête as the weather deserted us but even the wind and the rain could not subdue the occasion. It was wonderful to have Tizzie and Jim Teasedale with us and Jim's opening speech was a cracker.

The 'outside' staff battled on through the elements and in particular the tea ladies did a grand job and even seemed to relish their free shower and hair wash. The day was enlivened by the Yarl River Jazz Men and we are grateful to them for their performance which was so enjoyable. They are 'booked' for a return next year when, hopefully, the weather will be better and they can really let themselves go. Many thanks 'Lads'.

Thanks also to Philomena & Chris Ball for the loan of the Old Vicarage, to Margaret & Ronnie Dixon for the field for parking, to all the helpers, to all those who hustled and sold raffle tickets in advance, those who gave, those who spent and to Judy Redhead without whose enthusiasm and organisation the event might never have taken place.

And by the way we actually made a bob or two: £1204 or thereabouts.

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MILLENNIUM - BOUTH

The committee is well ahead with their projects to celebrate the turn of the century; it is intended to produce a book about the village *as it is now* and to erect a flag pole on the village green, planning permission willing.

Thanks to all who took part in the treasure hunt, it realized £183.84. The next event will be a sale of Local Produce on Sunday 29 August - 12 noon on the Village Green or Hall if wet. Contributions not only welcomed but needed. pb

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CLAIMING DATES

- 1 August Family Service - 9.30 am. - Coffee in Hall afterwards.
- 6 August *The Transfiguration.*
- 8 August Holy Communion - 9.30 am.
- 15 August Holy Communion - 11.15 am.
- 19 August GCSE Results - Cartmel School - 10.00 am to 12 noon.
- 22 August Holy Communion - 11.15 am.
- 24 August *St. Bartholomew, also known as Nathanael, one of the twelve!*
- 24 August Sparkbridge & Lowick WI - Lowick Sunday School - 7.30 pm.
- 29 August Mattins - 9.30 am.
- 29 August Local Produce Sale - Bouth Village Green - Noon.
- 30 August Bank Holiday
- 1 September Mothers Union - Service at Colton - 2.30 pm.
- 2 September Sorry folks - its BACK TO SCHOOL.
- 8 September Bouth W I - Village Hall - 7.15 pm.

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As is normal there will NOT be a magazine next month and to add to the confusion your editor is off to foreign parts in September. In order to have an issue for October could all contributors PLEASE GET THEIR COPY to me by 10.00 am. on Friday 10 September, otherwise Thank you. Donald.

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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. Parish Priest