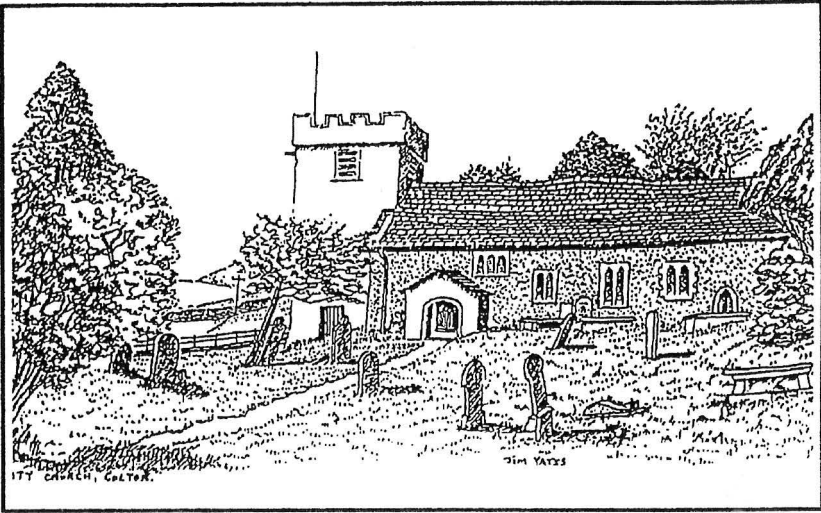




PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

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SERVICES

1st Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Family Service
2nd Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Holy Communion
3rd Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Holy Communion
4th Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Holy Communion
5th Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Morning Prayer

SERVICES AND CLAIMING DATES

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| 1 | May | Mother's Union at Satterthwaite Parish Room
The Rev. Sheila Wareham on the Work and
Organisation of the M.U. Also something new
an A.G.M. |
| 5 | May | Family Service 9.45 am. |
| 8 | May | Bouth W.I. Meeting - Mrs. Jackson on "Kangol Hats"
Bouth Village Hall 7.15 pm. |
| 12 | May | Holy Communion 9.45 am. |
| 15 | May | Christian Aid Annual Soup and Cheese Lunch
12 noon - 2.00 pm. Rusland Parish Room |
| 16 | May | Ascension Day |
| 19 | May | Holy Communion 9.45 am. |
| 26 | May | Pentecost. Holy Communion 9.45 am.. |
| 28 | May | Spark Bridge & Lowick W.I. Meeting
"Social Time" |
| 28 | May | Standing Committee Meeting |
| 2 | June | Trinity Sunday - Family Service 9.45 am. |
| 10 | June | P.C.C. Meeting |
| 6 | July | Annual Church Fete - Same time - same place |

"There is really no such thing as bad weather, only different kinds of good weather"

Ruskin

FROM THE REV. SHEILA WAREHAM

Dear Friends

This month sees the celebration of Pentecost, the day the Church was born through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The story of Pentecost is one of the most amazing stories in the world. Yet as read this story in the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 2, we must sometimes ask, "What did this mean?"

It meant to the Disciples that from now on God's power was in immediate contact with their lives. That God was within their very souls. The Holy Spirit was making them new men able to face the world and giving them the power to spread the good News of Jesus Christ.

The day of Pentecost is not just a memory. It is still with us. God has never withdrawn His Holy Spirit. Let us wait with open hearts and with expectation for God to enter our hearts and lives.

Every blessing

Sheila

CHRISTIAN HUMOUR

A Bishop visiting a primary school proclaims:

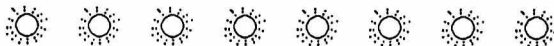
"I'll give 10p to the boy or girl who tells me who I am"

Small boy says:

"Please sir, you are God"

To which the Bishop replies:

"No I am not - but here's 20p"



FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Christian marriage

Shirley May Thwaites and Howard David Jones

23 April, 1996

Christian Burial

Thomas Eric Walker

16 April, 1996



PARISH NOTES

It is yet again a time of sorrow in Bouth as on Thursday 11 April we lost Eric Walker. He was a doughty man who before he went into hospital lived in the same house that he was born in 74 years ago.

He went to school in what is now the 'Old School House' in the village and after serving in the Royal Navy he worked for the Highways Departments of the Lancashire and Cumbria County Councils. He had a healthy disrespect for engineers, especially those whose theoretical knowledge ill-equipped them to deal with practical problems.

Eric was a superb craftsman with a canny ability to solve awkward problems. He was an excellent gardener and the garden he created at 'Fell View' is a wonderful memorial to him.

Those who were privileged to know him spent many hours with him amongst the blooms and blossoms putting the world to rights - we were never wrong.

Our sympathy and prayers go out to Ruth, her children Susan, David and Peter and their children. Ruth is special as well. for even in her sorrow she remembers others and has asked us to express her thanks for all the cards, notes, flowers, support and donations they received during and since Eric's mercifully short illness.

Mr. Minton also wishes to thank everyone who made donations to the Christie Cancer Research Fund in Memory of his wife Betty. The total donation was £345.

We are sorry to hear that Tom Wren is in hospital, as always we send our good wishes and will remember Tom in our prayers.

Sadness and sorrow seem to have been uppermost in our recent thoughts but there is joy about too!

Kay and Jack Marsh celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary, complete with telegram from the Queen on 11 April. And just down the road Cynthia and Jack Burns commemorated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 22 April. Both couples were presented with beautiful bouquets of flowers by the Bouth W.I. at their April Meeting.

It was good to see Eleanor and Don Worsley back in Church and we all hope that their journey back to health continues.

We are pleased to welcome into the Parish Dr and Mrs. Kramer who have settled at Low Ickenthwaite Barn and also to Mr and Mrs King who have moved from Cartmel to Colton Cottage. We hope both families come and see us at Holy Trinity.

CHURCH MATTERS

On the evening of the 15 April the Annual Church Meeting was held. It was heavily attended by members of the PCC who, in the absence of any support, Christine Dobson apart, re-elected themselves.

There are a few changes, however; after 25 years of duty Tommy Lambert is stepping down as a Churchwarden although he will remain on the PCC. Saying thank you seems inadequate, but 'thank you' Tommy. The post will remain unfilled for the time being.

Another old or rather long-serving worker to retire is Judy Redhead from the post of secretary after a mere 14 years. It probably felt like 40!

Thank you, Judy, for a thankless but worthwhile job well done.

As a star recedes it is replaced by another: we have a new secretary to the PCC - Mrs. Margaret Campbell, who will no doubt, after the first few tentative weeks, become as formidable as Judy. Her telephone number is 01229 861327

It was reported that the Parish has shrunk. The Electoral Roll now stands at 79 - a reduction of 20. The size of the coffers has also reduced with an excess of expenditure over income this year of £609.

The fabric of the Church required attention and now the winter is all but passed the boiler has been fettled. Warmth is with us and there was an unconfirmed report that someone nodded off in the service.

The 'front office' wants a bigger contribution and although the planned giving has remained constant (what about inflation?) the collections and donations are down. Currently we are guided by the Rev. Sheila Wareham who is a non-stipendiary Minister and who looks after us very well. But all good things come to an end and it is pretty certain that Sheila will be retiring at Easter 1997.

There was a goodly congregation at Easter and the Church was lovely and the music, well....musical. This was no miracle however, and all our thanks are due to everyone who prepared the Church, to the providers, the musicians and, especially, to those who are all three.

And here, as promised last month.....

MORE POEMS AND PRAYERS FROM THE MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE.

Dear God, My Mummy is very special to me. She cooks my dinner, she washes my clothes. I love my Mummy very much. Amen

Eleanor Lambert.

Father we thank thee for each hour.
For every bird and plant and flower.

Richard Walker

For apple tart and ginger cake,
The kind that Mothers always make.

Robert Walker

THE MOTHERS' UNION

Eight members spent an enjoyable afternoon with the Bardsea M.U. on Wednesday 3rd April in their newly decorated Hall.

The speaker was the Rev. Charles Potter from Aldingham Church.

On Wednesday 1 May the meeting will be held in Satterthwaite Parish Room at 2.00 pm. when the speaker will be the Rev. Sheila Wareham talking on the work of the M.U..

A 'short' AGM will be held.

The June meeting will be an outing.



FLOWER ROTA

5 May	Mrs. Silcock
12 May	Mrs. M. Young
19 May	Mrs. M. Young
26 May	Pentecost (Whit Sunday)
2 June	Trinity Sunday



CHRISTIAN AID

Once again Colton, Rusland and Satterthwaite invite you to a home-made soup and cheese lunch, with stalls and raffles.

This year it is to take place in the beautifully re-furbished Rusland Parish Room on Wednesday 15 May from 12 noon to 2.00 pm. The cost is still only £2.50. Do come, meet your friends and help the truly needy.

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

BOOTH

At the business meeting Patricia Booth won the prize and Hilary Brooks came a creditable second in the competition for best photograph of a gardenor was it the photograph of the best garden?

This WI obviously know a good thing when they hear it. Last month their speaker was a Radio Cumbria presenter and this month on 10 April they invited another radio personality - Peter Haworth who spoke on the "Does and Don'ts of Gardening". It was a wonderful and productive talk.

The ladies, being conscious of who really does the work in the garden, declared it an open meeting so the chaps could attend. At least we knew who won the raffle. It was Birkett Cooper who went home happy!

SPARK BRIDGE AND LOWICK

President Wendy Keegan welcomed 30 fellow members from neighbouring WI Groups to the Sparkbridge and Lowick meeting in March.

All were enthralled with Mr. Steel's showing of his "Lakeland Alphabet". The scenes with accompanying music and commentary were stupendous.

The next meeting on 28 May is described as a 'Social Time'.



"go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation"

Mark 16:15



HELP ME TO REMEMBER

Lord, when I become impatient with old people, help me to remember.

When I tire of their complaints and demands, help me to remember.

When I resent occasional ill-humour and ingratitude, help me to
remember.

When I grudge what little I may do for them, help me to remember.

When I see their needs and want to turn the other way, help me to
remember

Help me to remember, Lord that there was a time when they were my
age.

Help me to remember that when they were younger and stronger, and I
was a child, they also looked after old people.

Grant, O Lord, that I may humbly and gratefully do my best to render
thanks to the old for all they did in their day by giving them the loving
care that is now their due.

Let it be, Lord, that when, in my time of age and infirmity I need a
helping hand, I may have the comfort of remembering that I did not
neglect the old people I see around me today.

Grant, Lord, that I may offer help before it is sought of me.

Anon.

