



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

- 1 March Women's World Day of Prayer (Interdenominational)
Service at Hawkeshead Hill Baptist Church 2.00 pm.
Refreshments will be served
- 3 March Family Service 9.45 am.
- 5 March Cartmel School Year 10 Parents Evening 7.00 pm.
- 6 March Mother's Union Service at Colton Church 2.00 pm.
Taken by Rev. Sheila Wareham
- 10 March Holy Communion 9.45 am.
- 13 March Bouth W.I. Meeting Village Hall 7.15 pm.
- 17 March Mothering Sunday Service 9.45 am.
4 St. Patrick's Day
- 18 March Start of week long OFSTED inspection of Cartmel School
- 19 March Cartmel School Careers Roadshow for year 9,10 and 11
Parents
- 24 March Holy Communion 9.45 am.
- 26 March 5 Cartmel School Year 9 Parent's Evening 7.00 pm.
- 29 March - 15 April Cartmel & Leven Valley Schools - Easter Holiday
- 31 March 6 Palm Sunday, Holy Communion 9.45 am.
CLOCKS GO FORWARD ONE HOUR
- 4 April Maundy Thursday
- 5 April Good Friday. Devotional Hour 2.00 pm.
- 7 April Easter Day. Holy Communion 9.45 am.

FROM THE REV SHEILA WAREHAM

Dear Friends,

By the time you read this letter we will have begun the procedure of putting together a new electoral roll. During February and March of this year every Church Of England parish has to produce a new electoral roll.

Under the rules, every six years, the old roll has to be scrapped and a new one produced. This means that everyone who wishes to be on the roll must re-apply.

Membership of the electoral roll entitles you to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and to stand for election to any one of the Church lay offices. But, more importantly, the electoral rolls provide the most accurate information about church attendance, so it is important that every church gives a complete list of its committed worshippers.

Who is entitled to be registered?

Anyone who is baptised, over 16, a member of the Church of England or of a church in communion with the Church of England and who is resident in the Parish or who has regularly attended public worship at that Church for the past six months. . . . and, of course, who has filled in the application form.

Form filling is a dull chore, but please complete one of the application forms which are at the back of the church and hand it to a sidesman on duty, or a P.C.C. member.

The old register is now obsolete and you are not on the new electoral roll until you complete an application.

As well as giving an accurate record of our members, the new roll will provide an up to date list for visiting and pastoral support.

Membership of the electoral roll may carry some privileges, but it also implies some obligations. Any loyal church member should be making this commitment

"1. To continue to develop my personal relationship with the Lord Jesus through regular prayer and Bible study.

2. To be regular in public worship.

3. To take a full part in the fellowship of the Church by :-
a: caring for others b: giving practical help c: providing regular financial support d: exercising the particular gifts that God has given them.

4. To pray for members of the Church, especially those in leadership.

5. To seek to share my faith with others"

Every blessing

Sheila



CHRISTIAN HUMOUR

Seen on an American car bumper: ' If you love Jesus, Tithe! Any fool can honk!'

Three vicars having coffee together one morning discover that all their churches are infested with bats. "Once I got so cross," says one of them, 'I borrowed a shotgun and fired at the creatures. It made some holes in the roof but did nothing to the bats."

"I tried catching them." says the second. "Then I drove 50 miles before releasing them - but they beat me back to the church."

"I haven't had any more problems," says the third.

"What did you do?" ask the others, amazed.

"I simply baptised and confirmed them," replies the third vicar. "I haven't seen them since."

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

BURIAL OF CREMATED REMAINS

John Hartley Armer

13 January, 1996



PARISH NOTES

We are sad to hear of the death of Margaret Douglas wife of Guy, Vicar of Haverthwaite, on 13 February. We send our loving sympathy to Guy and her family.

We also send our sympathy to Reg Minton and his family on the death of his wife, Betty, on 15 February. Betty was born locally into that well-known family, the Shackleys; she was a pretty, gentle lady who had lived in Bouth for many years. She will be sadly missed.

Unsurprisingly the talk this month is mainly of the weather, which is just as well as information from other sources is significant by its absence!

The reaction to the ice and snow has seen many acts of kindness and not just 'tea and sympathy' but with people of all ages actually getting out and doing something practical for others. On reflection it would seem that the residents of the Parish of Colton are more Christian than the numbers attending Church would indicate.

regrettably our 'sick list' is still with us and although Tom Wren is on the mend (it has been reported that he has been seen doing the washing up), his wife, Freda, is not too well. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

Church Affairs

The democratic structure of the Church is very like Government in that there are tiers of elected bodies, but they are called Synods (from the Greek for meeting). These Synods comprise elected members of the laity together with members of the Clergy. Below Synods are the Parochial Church Councils.

Those allowed to vote for candidates standing for the PCC are those listed on the Electoral Roll. Colton has three representatives on the Windermere Deanery Synod as well as our Minister.

At the last meeting of this Synod, matters arising from the General Synod, which meets in Westminster and is the equivalent in church terms of Parliament, were discussed.

The first was a report 'Something to celebrate', which dealt with marriage and the modern equivalent, cohabitation. Although there was ringing affirmation of marriage, the Synod acknowledged that cohabitation is a part of modern day civilisation and an understanding that Family Life in all its forms is a faithful and loving relationship.

Archbishop Carey, in a strong speech supporting marriage, summed up the situation admirably in his statement that "Marriage is public, cohabitation is private".

The second item concerned the Turnbull Report, which dealt with improving the management of church affairs. Problems arose as the recommendation included a cabinet style hierarchy, which many felt would increase the isolation between the parishes and the centre.

The Report was put 'put on hold' and, with some further information, was discussed and approved at the next meeting which was held on 13th February, 1996. This was accompanied by Press Headlines of 'Synod votes to press on with radical reforms'.

The vote followed a four hour debate in which worries were expressed that there had not been enough consultation throughout the country.

This is certainly true in this part of the Church's world; the supporters of the Report insisted that everyone would have the chance to state their views,

"The legislative process will be as long as it has to be" - we will see.

At the more ordinary level, the PCC met on 12 February 1996, when it was decided that we should continue with two services at Harvest. Evensong will be held on Friday 13 October with Holy Communion on the following Sunday.

The date for the Summer Fete was fixed for 6 July, 1996 and will again be held in the garden of the Old Vicarage.

Another item of note is that the National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts Societies has carried out a detailed survey of our Church. Bonzo is in charge of this, so if you wish to see the results please contact him.

On a less happy note our Treasurer, Bonzo again, reported that not only was attendance down but also the amount of Sunday Collections

Please note that the Annual Church Meeting will take place at 7.30 pm. on 15 April in the Church Hall, when the new PCC will be elected.

Satterthwaite and Rusland School House

The Trustees are improving the house, including central heating, and it will shortly be ready for letting at £300 per month. The house has a large kitchen/ living room and four rooms plus a bathroom upstairs.

Anyone interested, preferably local, should contact Mrs. S. Brooke, in writing, at The Old Bobbin Mill, Force Forge, Satterthwaite.

The school at Satterthwaite and Rusland have a ten year old Ricoh copier for sale, Type M10, A4 copies only. A box of toner is included but it comes with no guarantees!



"Whatever you do, do cautiously, and look to the end."

Anon



CARTMEL PRIORY SCHOOL

For those of us whose school days are but a fading memory of sternness and discipline, the learning process today is more enlightened.

At Cartmel, under the direction of the Art Teacher, Mrs. Kate Reid, pupils in Year 8 are learning about the "Mexican Day of the Dead", which is a Christian celebration when families remember relatives and friends who have died.

The families welcome them back each year for a feast in the home and everybody usually attends Mass in the morning. Often the villagers process to the cemetery where they dress the graves with fresh flowers and scatter petals.

Class members will act out some of the main features of the celebration during their school day. They plan to depict the procession, grave dressing and celebrations during morning Assembly. This will be followed at mid-day by lunch with a Mexican flavour, provided by the school kitchen, to which pupils will come in Mexican costume, accompanied by Mexican music



FLOWER ROTA

3 March	Lent
10 March	Lent
17 March	Mothering Sunday
24 March	Lent
31 March	Palm Sunday
7 April	Easter Day



THE MOTHER'S UNION

The March meeting will take the form of a short Lenten Service taken by the Rev. Sheila Wareham in Colton Church on Wednesday 6 March at 2.00 pm. Light refreshments will be served in the Hall after the service.

The trip to Bardsea in February was cancelled because of the heavy snow but has been re-arranged for Wednesday 3 April at 2.00 pm.. Arrangements will be notified later.

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Bouth

A successful meeting was held on 14 February when the speaker, Mrs Jennie Case, gave an illuminating talk on Lighting through the Ages. The candle competition was won by Cynthia Burns and Patricia Booth was the winner of the Guess the Antique.

The next meeting is to be held on 13 March when the speaker will be Mrs. A. Hopper and the subject - A Day on Radio Cumbria. The competition will be "A Limerick"

Sparkbridge and Lowick

The January meeting was welcomed by new President Mrs. Wendy Keegan. The speaker, Mr. Grindrod from SARDA (Search and Rescue Dogs) gave a fascinating illustrated talk, which included their association with Mountain Rescue and the use of dogs in disaster situations.

The competition was won by Mrs. Newby and the raffle by Mrs. Jackson.



"Everything's got a moral, if only you can find it"

Lewis Carroll



Rukba

The Royal United Kingdom Beneficent Association, known as Rukba, helps 5,000 elderly people on very low incomes by awarding them small additional income for life. It can also help some people who are over forty and unable to work through illness or disability.

Priority is given to those who have helped others, either in their professional or private lives: those from the caring professions, nurses, teachers, nannies; those who have contributed to the community by voluntary work; and those who have given up their own pension rights to care for a sick or elderly relative. They are the kind of people who have always helped others and now have no one to turn to.

Rukba's aim is to assist these men and women to maintain their dignity and independence in their own homes, close to their family and friends and in the neighbourhood they know. Help can also be given with residential home fees. Rukba are currently helping around 100 people in Cumbria. Even if applicants are on Income Support or Housing Benefit, the Government allows them to receive up to £10 p.w. from a charity without affecting their Benefit.

If you believe that you, or someone you know, may be eligible for help from Rukba, or you would like further information, please contact our Honorary Secretary for Development in Cumbria, Eric Lowe at:

15 Wellgate Scotby, Carlisle CA4 8BA, Telephone 01228 513030.

Total confidentiality is guaranteed.



Now unto him that is able to do exceeding
abundantly above all that we ask or think,
according to the power that worketh in us.

Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus
throughout all ages, world without end. Amen
Ephesians 3:20

