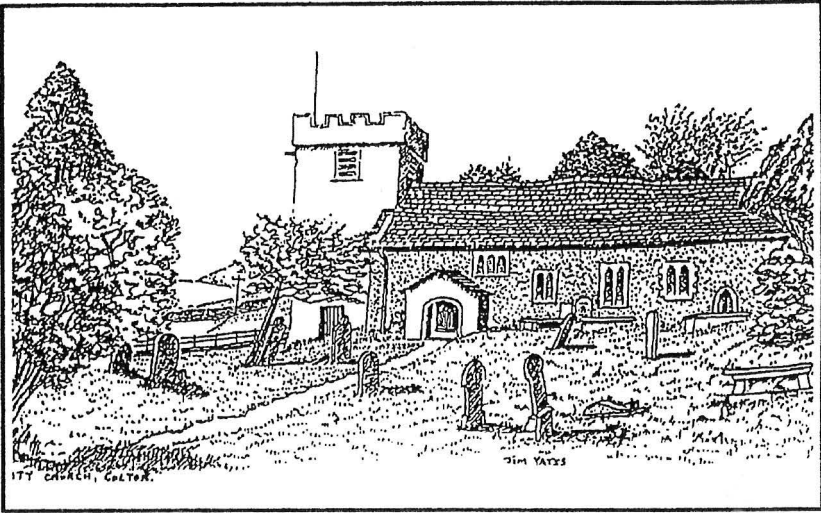




PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH COLTON

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Note: Friday is the Rest Day for our Vicar & Anne.

PASTORAL LETTER

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March 2016

Dear Friends

THE EASTER ENIGMA

Many of you will know that Jackie and I are preparing to move back to the midlands, to be nearer to our large family, for our remaining days. So this might be the very last pastoral letter that I write to you. The thought brings to mind an interesting topic, not unrelated to the season of Lent, Passiontide and Easter in which we now find ourselves.

During a coffee break my colleagues and I on the staff of the Board for Mission and Unity were once discussing what we should like to see on our tombstones. Our chief said he would settle for “A GENIAL PERFECTIONIST,” and our Home Secretary (an Anglican monk) offered, “LOVED AND WANTED, BUT NEITHER IDOLIZED NOR INDISPENSABLE”. Put on the spot, I came up with what I hoped was a fairly modest, “HE DID WHAT HE COULD!” – although when I shared this with Jackie later on she said, “If I have anything to do with it, it will have to say, ‘HE DID WHAT HE HAD TO!’”

There are, of course, several collections of amusing epitaphs. I think my own favourites are “SEE!” (the shortest ever, on the tomb of a hypochondriac) and “WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT” (on the headstone of an army officer accidentally shot by his batman!) My father was fond of one purportedly seen in St. Philip’s Cathedral churchyard in Birmingham, “HERE LIES A STOCKBROKER AND AN HONEST MAN.” My father (himself a stockbroker) said that the local joke was, “Who put them in together?”

There is, however, *one* epitaph that we cannot read on stone in the place of the corpse’s grave. The ‘Epitaph’ is for the Lord Jesus Christ, and, according to the Gospel account, it would say, “He is *not* here, HE IS RISEN.” It was spoken at the empty tomb, by an angel, to Jesus’ first followers. No-one knows the exact site of the place where Jesus body lay,

but everyone knows that millions of His followers will come together on Easter Sunday (as on *every* other first day of the week) to commemorate His sacrifice of Himself on the Cross and to celebrate His Resurrection – the evidence of His victory over sin and evil and death.

We celebrate at spring-time, when *empty* egg-shells and *empty* chrysalises testify to the glorious new life of birds and butterflies, just as the *empty* Cross and the *empty* Tomb witness to the wonderful reality of the Risen Christ. It is the central and indispensable truth of our Christian faith. I have a card before me on my desk which reads,

“The New Testament does not prove the truth of the Resurrection. It is the Resurrection that proves the truth of the New Testament.”

If this should be my “final word” in the Parish Magazine, may it be to echo the words of the Apostle Paul:

“If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”

May the LORD richly bless you at Easter and always.

David Gregg



GREENODD AND DISTRICT CHRISTIANS

LENT: “BIBLE AND COFFEE” SESSIONS

The subject will be **“The Apostle Peter:** What can we learn from the New Testament account of him?”



WEDNESDAY 2 March Woodside Cottage, Colton

WEDNESDAY 9 March Sunny Brae, Greenodd.

WEDNESDAY 16 March Water Yeat House.



All sessions start with Coffee at **10:00 am** and end at **11:30 am**. Everyone is welcome. Further details from David Gregg **T:** 01229 885 258



COLTON CHRONICLES

There was a PCC meeting in January which just about escaped this description of meetings – “It seems that superficial talking in endless ineffective meetings is now the norm, desperately trying to avoid actual decisions or any real commitment.”

The church is solvent although we do have some problems in that the Tower roof, both slates and lead work, is in dire need of refurbishment. Looks expensive – Help! Also our water supply decided not to supply, fortunately the problem has been isolated and provisionally solved thanks to the hard work of John Tarr + family. More needs to be done when the weather improves.

We are deeply indebted to the ‘Family Tarr’ for all they do for Colton Church always with love and selflessness; a special thanks to Joshua who has beautifully reconstructed the Donation Box – it really is a superb piece of craftsmanship. Thank you!!! **Yes**, there are others too and we thank them also!

Mrs Susan King told us that some readers of our magazine have deserted on the grounds that it is not about the parish but Bouth. Confined to the Parish News Section there is some validity in this complaint but it is only a few paragraphs in eight pages.

One has to consider that almost half the population of the parish reside in Bouth as do one third of the regular church goers and also one third of the members of PCC. The sad truth is that Bouth is the only place in the parish that volunteers information on a regular basis for the Parish News section of the magazine.

We would be delighted to include matters of interest from other localities, just phone or email; our contact information is at the bottom of the inside front cover page.

Donald.



On an American church notice board:

‘Honk if you love Jesus. Text whilst driving if you want to meet Him.’



PARISH NEWS

Sadly we have to tell you of the recent death of Josie Casson of Bandrake Head. We offer our condolences to husband Myras and family.

Congratulations to Molly Wilcock, Granddaughter of Parish Councillor Ken Dean and wife Sue. Molly a year 7 pupil at Ulverston Victoria High School represented Cumbria Schools in the Cross Country trials at Stockton-on-Tees and who holds the year 7 record at UVHS.

Defibrillator: Grateful thanks to mine host Nigel Barton for hosting a 'Quiz Night' at the White Hart to raise fund for a defibrillator and also for his generosity. We also thank all those who worked so hard to make the evening a success. It was a jolly if somewhat bizarre event as normally one would expect the questions to be based on general knowledge & common sense but in this case the quiz master, who shall be nameless, but works for the NHS, was besotted with pop music with questions that defied intelligent interpretation.

Furthermore it penalised those of mature years who had little alternative but to put their pens down and reach for a glass. And to make matters worse the 'Booby Prize' was beyond being described in words fit for a Parish publication. The amount raised was just under £500.

A word for those whom won – a highly intelligent team, which makes one wonder, bearing in mind their ability to answer such fatuous questions, just what do they do in their leisure time?

Note: The funds are for a Defibrillator to be attached to the wall of the White Hart. Further events are **1) Bingo, Friday 11 March, 7:30pm, Bouth Village Hall. 2) Talk by Ronnie Mein on the 'History of Bouth', Saturday 9 April, 4:00pm, same venue.**

Donald.



BOUTH WOMENS INSTITUTE

At the February meeting members enjoyed a slide presentation about Grasmere Gingerbread by the company's Sales Ambassador, Laura. The story of this world renowned confection invented by Sarah Nelson is fascinating, inspiring and at times tragic. The launch of Grasmere

Gingerbread coincided with the development and expansion of the railways and the boom in Victorian visitors to the Lake District.

Sarah cleverly trademarked and safeguarded her secret handwritten recipe and it is still fiercely protected today. The company is still a family concern owned by Andrew and Joanne Hunter, and only Andrew, also called the 'Gingerbread Man', knows and mixes the secret ingredients. Members particularly enjoyed sampling gingerbread and rum butter brought along by Laura who was thanked for an informative and tasty talk.

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 9 March, 7:15pm. Bouth Village Hall** when the speaker will be Marilyn Hale. Her subject will be "Glass Fuse Pendants ". The competition will be 'Glass Jewellery.' *Lynne.*



RUSLAND HORIZONS

After jumping through various formal hoops, the Rusland Valley and Fells Landscape Partnership (RVFLP) now has the Heritage Lottery Fund's 'permission to start' the *Rusland Horizons* scheme.

The first step is to appoint our project staff and a recruitment plan has been drawn up by the Lake District National Park Authority, our lead partner and accountable body. Opportunities to apply for some of our three-year posts will be advertised on our website: (www.ruslandhorizons.org) as well as in the local press. In the summer, at school-leaving time, we will be recruiting our apprentices who will spend either two or three years working towards an apprenticeship in Environmental Conservation (Levels 2 or 3).

Meanwhile, if anybody wishes to volunteer to help with any of the fifteen projects, (as outlined on the website), they can contact us by email: gwws@hotmail.co.uk Exciting times ahead! *Colin Barr.*



COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Community Transport Schemes: 'Voluntary Car Scheme', 'Rural Wheels', 'Village Wheels', 'Community Minibus Service', 'Wheels to Work' - are you confused about all the different Community? Then go to our

website which has details and contact information:- *'Local Information' link on www.coltonparishcouncil.org.uk*

Notice-boards – Oxen Park and Colton: Oxen Park now has a new notice-board mounted on the 'gig-house' door. Many thanks go to David Oldham for his time in sourcing and mounting it for us, and thanks also go to Henry and John Watson who own the gig-house. The original notice-board will now go to Colton (hamlet) to replace their dilapidated one (this was bought under a specific grant scheme some 10 years ago, but sadly was never really fit for purpose).

Rusland Reading Rooms - An 'Asset of Community Value': The Localism Act 2011 gives parishes and community groups the right to nominate a building (e.g. a village hall) or other land for listing by the local authority as an 'Asset of Community Value' (ACV). This means that the community has a 'right to bid' should the owner decide to sell. There is no compulsion on the owner of the asset to sell to the community; the listing simply provides a moratorium on the sale for 6 months to allow the community time to raise funds. We began the listing process with Rusland Reading Rooms and have now received confirmation that has been formally listed as an 'ACV'. We will be contacting other Colton village hall committees to talk about going through the same process.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 21 March, Rusland Reading Rooms, 7:00pm

Mandy Lane (Clerk), T: 01229 861408, E: coltonpc@btinternet.com W: www.coltonparishcouncil.org.uk



RUSLAND SPRING SHOW

The Show, this year will be held on **Saturday 19 March, Noon – 4:00pm & Sunday 20 March 10:30am – 4:00pm**. Indoors at **Rusland Reading Rooms & Marquee**.

There will be many events both for children and adults and an Entry form is now available. For more information contact Robert Wallace **T: 01229 860 244** or **Email: rwallace209@btinternet.com** .

Robert Wallace.



“A mother may hope that her daughter will get a better husband than she did, but she knows her son will never get as good a wife as his father did.”

Rusland Spring Show



growing money for our community

2016

Saturday 19th March 12 noon to 4pm
Sunday 20th March 10.30 to 4pm

Spring flowers, home produce, tea and cakes, entertainments for adults and children in Rusland Reading Rooms, the Marquee and St Paul's Church, Rusland.

Taffy Thomas, the storyteller, Shadow Puppet Show, Circus Workshop, Treasure Hunt, Wildlife Photography Exhibition, Plant and Cake sales, and more...

Children under 16 – FREE

Adults -- £4 (inc tea/coffee)

CLASSES

1. A bowl or pot of yellow daffodils or narcissi
2. A bowl or pot of bi-colour daffodils or narcissi
3. A bowl or pot of hyacinths
4. A bowl or pot of tulips
5. A vase of cut flowers, 5 of one kind, over 10"
6. A vase of cut flowers, 5 of one kind, under 10"
7. A vase of mixed Spring flowers
8. A bowl of primulas
9. Any container of bulbs (for first time exhibitors)
10. Container of Tete a Tete (for WI members)
11. Hellebores (3 flowering stems in a vase)
12. An orchid
13. An amaryllis
14. A flowering pot plant
15. A foliage plant
16. An Alpine plant

FLORAL ART (accessories allowed)

17. A petite arrangement in an egg cup (less than 9")
18. `Anything but Flowers` - foliage, seed heads, grasses
19. Modern arrangement with a Candlestick
20. An arrangement to depict `Easter`

HOME PRODUCE

21. A jar of chutney
22. A jar of marmalade (over half a pound)
23. A jar of lemon cheese
24. A tray bake, 4 pieces (WI members)
-balance to be sold for Reading Room funds
25. A Simnel cake (judged on decoration)
26. A filled sponge cake
27. A cob loaf, either white or brown
28. A teabread
29. 4 Hot Cross buns
30. 6 rum truffles
31. 2 Pasche eggs on a saucer
32. Four hen eggs

ARTS

- 33. A limerick beginning ' There was a young woman who said'
- 34. A poem entitled 'Peaceful Countryside'
 - (a) Adults
 - (b) Children
- 35. A photograph, subject 'Best Friends'
- 36. A photograph, subject 'By the Sea'
- 37. A painting or drawing, postcard size, of Spring Flowers
- 38. An article in any other craft

CHILDRENS CLASSES*

YEARS 5-6

- A) A sculpture or mosaic
- B) A clay model of an ancient dwelling (max 30cm x 40cm)
- C) A painting of a mountainous landscape
- D) A poem about a river
- E) A drawing of Tim Peake's space capsule

YEARS 3-4

- F) A sculpture or mosaic
- G) A piece of Egyptian jewellery
- H) A piece of Papyrus paper
- I) A drawing of a Roman (for animation)
- J) A drawing of Tim Peake's space capsule

YEARS 1-2

- K) A model or painting of a transport vehicle
- L) An Arctic animal or bird (made with natural materials)
- M) A painting or drawing of a famous face
- N) A drawing of a racing car

RECEPTION CLASS

- O) A model or painting of a transport vehicle
- P) A painting or drawing of a famous face
- Q) An Arctic animal or bird (made with natural materials)
- R) Sunflowers

***Cash Prizes awarded for Children's Classes!**

Note: TWO entries per exhibitor allowed in Classes 1 to 10 inc.

SHOW RULES

- a) No entry fees – All are Welcome
- b) Entries are restricted to ONE per exhibitor except for Classes 1 to 10 inc., where TWO are accepted
- c) Entry forms to be returned by Tuesday 15th March to Judi Winterson, New House, Thwaite Moss, LA12 8JZ or by email to judiwinterson@gmail.com
- d) Exhibits must be made or grown by the exhibitor
- e) Exhibits can be staged between 9am and 10.30am on Saturday and removed after 4pm on Sunday
- f) Entries exceeding the stipulated dimensions will be disqualified
- g) Entries may be repositioned by the committee, who cannot be held responsible for loss or damage
- h) The judges may open jars and cut cakes
- i) The judge`s decision is final

ENTRY FORM

NAME.....

TEL.....

EMAIL.....

CATEGORIES

LEVEN VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP FOR ST. MARY'S HOSPICE A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The 'Arty Farty Fashion Party': A celebration of fifteen years of 'Two by Two' in memory of Chris Benefield will be this year's **Fashion Show** and will be held **on Friday 15 April, Café Ambio**. More details in next month's magazine.

Dorothy.



SCHOOL NEWS

CARTMEL PRIORY ACADEMY: The annual ski course took place in January. Pupils travelled to the Alpendorf region in the Amade Valley, Austria. Those new to skiing were doing red runs by the end of the week whilst the advanced group skied from region to region each day. They covered dozens of kilometres of piste. Apres ski activities included swimming in Wagrain, dancing in Flachau, ice skating in Salzburg, dining out in Golling and a presentation evening in Alpendorf. Students also had ample opportunity to practise their German skills whilst shopping in Bischofshofen, a beautiful Alpine town in the Amade valley.

The Rotary Photography competition also took place recently with a variety of fantastic entries from our talented pupils. Winners Emma (KS3) and Isaac (KS4) going forward to the District (North Lancashire and Cumbria) stage of the competition.

Dr. Paul.



LEVEN VALLEY PRIMARYS CHOOOL: Class Two enjoyed their residential visit. They were hoping for snow but encountered all sorts of different weather instead. It was a wet and (very) windy walk on Wednesday, cold caving on Thursday and super sunshine on Friday! Everyone did really well with all the activities and challenges of living together away from home for the three days. The very windy walk around Malham Tarn and to the top of the hill certainly blew away the cobwebs!

Thistle and Runscar caves were explored squeezing through tight passages, wading through streams and puddles and admiring the underground formations. On Friday it was wonderful sunshine and clear blue skies as the summit of Malham Cove was climbed. The views from there were spectacular. The day progressed with a walk round the hillside to Gordale Scar before heading home. Thanks are given to Paul and Fiona from Ascent Training for leading the activities and to the staff for looking after everyone.

The children visited Madina Masjid in Preston as part of their RE curriculum, they were made very welcome by the Imaam. They learned about prayer in Islam, having to wash before prayer and praying five times a day. *Sue S.*



OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

Our first film of the month will be '*Wild Tales*' and shown on **Tuesday 1 March. 7:30pm, Greenodd Village Hall.** On **Thursday 3 March, 3:45pm, Leven Valley School,** '*The Book of Life*'. £2 for all including a snack, children to be collected at 5:30pm.

Saturday 5 March, 8:00pm. Carthouse, 'Difret'. And on **Saturday 19 March,** a Supper Special + £4 – **7:30pm, Carthouse.**

*Apologies for any errors, but Carol is away and this editor has cobbled this together via Google.



C A B

The Citizens Advice Bureau is offering help and advice to any who have suffered damage caused by Storm Desmond. Your local CAB can help you find options and support not just with housing issues but there might be problems with benefit payments, jobs or money worries.

The Cumbria Community Foundations Flood Recovery Appeal raised almost £5 million in the 6 weeks that followed 5 December and helped more than 1300 Cumbrian families in need. Support is available to individuals or families whose homes have significant structural damage or flooding and employees who have lost work or income because of storm or flood. Grants are also available to voluntary and community group. Check the website for details and forms. www.cumbriafoundation.org. The charity is still raising money and you can donate online or telephone 01900 825760.

There are several government measures to help those hit by floods. Details of which you can get from www.gov.uk.

If you have difficulty getting flood insurance in high-risk areas, information and advice is available on the National Flood Forum website www.floodforum.org.uk or telephone 01299 403055. DEFRA has published a guide entitled 'Obtaining flood insurance in high risk areas' giving information on how to obtain a suitable policy, it can be downloaded at www.defra.gov.uk



DIARY DATES

Services at Colton are at 9:30am. Benefice services both home and away 10:30am.

- 1 March Cinema Club, Greenodd Village Hall. 7:30pm.
- 2 March Bible Study, Woodside, Colton, 10:00am.
- 3 March Cinema Club, Leven Valley School, 3:45pm.
- 5 March Cinema Club, Carthouse, 8:00pm.
- 6 March Mothering Sunday, Morning Worship, 9:30am.
- 9 March Bible Study, Sunny Brae, Greenodd, 10:00am.
- 9 March Bouth W I, Bouth Village Hall. 7:15pm.
- 13 March Passion Sunday, Holy Communion, 9:30am.
- 16 March Bible Study, Water Yeat House, 10:00am.
- 19 March Cinema Club, Supper Special, Carthouse, 7:30pm.
- 19 March Rusland Spring Show, Rusland Reading Rooms. Noon >
Also 20 March, 10:30am.>
- 20 March Palm Sunday, Holy Communion, 9:30am.
- 21 March Colton Parish Council Meeting, Rusland Reading Rooms, 7:30pm.
- 27 March Easter Sunday, Holy Communion, 9:30am.



EASTER WEEK SERVICES

- Wednesday, 23 March, Holy Communion, 7:00pm, Penny Bridge.
- Thursday, 24 March, Maundy, Thursday, Holy Communion, 7:30pm.
Penny Bridge.
- Friday, 25 March, Good Friday, Devotions at the Cross 2:00pm. Lowick.
- Sunday 27 March, Easter Sunday, Holy Communion, 9:30am. Colton.



“Lord Jesus, risen from the dead and alive for evermore: stand in our midst as in the upper room; show us thy hands and thy side; speak thy peace to our hearts and minds; and send us forth into the world as thy witnesses; for the glory of thy name.”



Colton Church Readers & Prayer Leaders

Month March 2016

Date	Readers	Lessons	Prayer Leaders
6 March	1. Sue Lydon	1 Samuel 1:20-28	
Morning Worship	2. Margaret Sanders	2 Corinthians 1: 3 - 7	Judy Redhead
9:30am <i>Donald</i>	3. Rachel Tarr	Luke 2:33-35	
13 March	1. Judy Redhead	Isaiah 43:16-21	
Holy Communion	2. Roderick Smith	Philippians 3:4b-14	John Tarr
9:30am <i>Vicar</i>	3. Ian Pirnie	John 12: 1 - 8	
20 March	1. Margaret Sanders	Isaiah 50: 4-9a	
Holy Communion	2. Susan Smith	Philippians 2- 5-11	Rachel Tarr
9:30am <i>Joanna</i>	3. Graham Wallace	Luke 23: 1-49	
Easter Sunday			
27 March	1. John Tarr	Isaiah 65:17-25	
Holy Communion	2. Roderick Smith	Acts 10:34-43	Pam Priestley
9:30am <i>Vicar</i>	3. Ian Pirnie	John 20: 1-18	

SIDESPERSONS ROTA

MARCH

6 March	Morning Worship	9:30am	Mrs. S King
13 March	Holy Communion	9:30am	Mrs M Sanders
20 March	Holy Communion	9:30am	Mrs. S Smith
27 March	Holy Communion	9:30am	Mrs. S Dean



FLOWERS

L E N T

The Church will be decorated for Easter on **Saturday 26 March, 10:00am**



Achievement

Trust in thy own untried capacity
 As thou would trust in God Himself.
 Thy soul is but an emanation from the whole.
 Thou does not dream what forces lie in thee,

Vast and unfathomed as the grandest sea;
 Thy silent mind o'er diamond caves may roll;
 Go seek them – but let pilot will control
 Those passions which thy favouring winds can be.

No man shall place a limit in thy strength;
 Such triumphs as no mortal ever gained
 May yet be thine if thou wilt but believe
 In thy Creator and thyself. At length
 Some feet will tread all heights unattained -
 Why not thine own? Press on; achieve! achieve!

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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