



PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

PASTORAL LETTER

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Dear Friends

Refreshment

Ex 23:12 “Six days do your work, but on the seventh day do not work, so that your ox and your donkey may rest and the slave born in your household, and the alien as well, may be refreshed.

Rest, refreshment and holidays are important to all of us. The verse in Exodus makes clear that we should take a day of rest each week. Although this day is often a day when we do not have to go to work, with so many people being able to work from home, it is difficult to avoid doing something each day.

As we move towards the holiday season I hope that many of you are able to enjoy a holiday away from work – a time of rest and refreshment. For some it will be an opportunity to visit new places, or to revisit favourite destinations. Others will be able to catch up on things around the house, or garden, which need doing and the change may be “as good as a rest!” Some of you may not be able to have a holiday but I do recommend a time of rest to re-charge and be ready for the days, weeks and months ahead.

Lives today are busy and are filled with many activities as well as work. Sometimes we need to be at peace, to be quiet and to reflect. Where do we go to avoid the noise of mobile telephones, car stereos, etc.?

Many people tell me how important it is to them that some churches are still left open during the day. It is important because they are places of calm, quiet and peacefulness. Unfortunately Lowick Church is kept locked but Colton and Penny Bridge are open.

If you feel you need a quiet place to sit and be at rest, drop in and experience the peace which the Lord offers in his house to those who “call in”. More importantly, that same peace can be found when we have a real knowledge of God’s presence with us day by day.

Ex 33:14 The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

Yours sincerely

Gary

Vicar.



FLOWER ROTA

4 August Mrs. Joanna Henson

11 August Mrs. Joanna Henson

18 August The Walker Family

25 August The Walker Family



1 September Mrs. Charlotte Sharphouse

8 September Mrs. Charlotte Sharphouse

15 September Mrs. Susan Smith

22 September Mrs. Susan Smith

29 September Mrs. Pauline Parkin



COTTON CHRONICLES

Since Churchwarden Barbara Watson has left us our remaining custodian, John Tarr, is sorely pressed and needs all the help he can get especially as this summer he is engrossed in family weddings, a situation extremely stressful to a father and husband. Please rally round and support.

His absence is also the cause of a unique complaint – ‘The church was too warm.’ The boiler was blazing away cheerfully and it seems that nobody had the nous to know how to turn it off.

The Church: The Anglican Church is in a state of flux partly due to the past when the Church Commissioners lost many billions of pounds in poor investments but now mainly because of the falling numbers of ordained priests and the fact that although the church pays their salaries it has no powers to direct where they shall work.

It is also beset with an incredible number of rules and regulations which make life difficult for churches and their PCCs e.g. individual churches have to get permission to carry out work on their buildings, it is called a Faculty, and there is a fee to pay.

The good news is that the Church in Cumbria is looking to the future but whilst other organisations have management and reorganisation plans the church has 'Visions & Missions', which is fine, apart from sometimes there is a lack of pragmatic thinking.

Colton is in a Benefice of three churches with one vicar but the proposed plans for the future put us in a 'Cluster' comprising our present benefice, Coniston & Torver and the Broughton benefice (five churches). There will be one ordained priest at Broughton and with as many Non Stipendiary priests as can be found plus lay people who have permission to officiate.

Not all are happy as the population of this cluster is about 3,500 and could be unmanageable but there is a faint hope that we could return to our heritage and look north to Rusland and Hawkshead, Hawkshead being our Mother Church.

Poems: The redoubtable Jean Sly at the wonderful age of 94 has produced a charming compilation of her own poems including illustrations. It is now on sale at a modest £4.50 through her 'agent' Susan King but beware for Susan's sales technique has a close affinity to an organisation based in Sicily.

They will also be on sale at the Fête and the Rusland Show; **importantly** profits will go to both Colton and Rusland churches.

In the past we have included several of Jean's poems in these pages and here is one from her new book.

Cats

Some cats are sleek
And some look stunning.
Most are clever
And all are cunning.
However fluffy,
However neat,

However friendly
And under your feet,
You can be sure
They'll never obey,
For cats will go
Their own sweet way.



Donald.

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Oxen Park: Considering its age, it is no wonder the Hall is looking more than a little woe begone.

The year is 1902 – “OPENING OF THE NEW READING ROOM AND RECREATION ROOM” – This interesting event took place at Oxen Park on February 18th. The committee had invited Mr. A Burns of Bandrake Head, to perform the ceremony. In a few well chosen words, he hoped the members would take full advantage of all the privileges the room afforded..... The Vice-President then proposed thanks to all who had assisted in the erection, specially mentioning those who had lent horses and carts free of charge”

The Hospice: Everybody except this editor knows that the name is St. Mary's and not St. Anne's; my apologies and only excuse is a past memory.

One of the 'joys' of being editor is the reaction of readers to errors and these come in different forms. A quiet word, a noisy confrontation, usually in the White Hart and uniquely an offer to proof read. This was declined on the grounds that without mistakes, the Colton Parish News would become just another boring church magazine.

The villagers of Bouth being a social bunch got together and organised a 'Coffee Morning' at the Coronation Hall, Ulverston and their hard work paid off as they returned home with profits of £380 split between the Village Hall and the 'Matrons of Bouth' otherwise known as the W I. Grateful thanks to all those involved.

Old Hall Farm has opened its doors to the public which has brought some old fashioned charm to the village as with the beautiful shire horses seen in working mode, which is what they should be doing. Not as last autumn when the grass was greener in the garden of this editor leaving a lasting memory of hoof prints. Mind you this was an improvement on their last incursion when they decided that the phlox made a good dessert.

Horses are not altogether popular at the farm as Charlotte Sharphouse was unceremoniously tumbled from her beloved steed resulting in a nasty back injury. We wish Charlotte a good recovery although it will not be speedy which sends our thoughts to husband Alex for his dear wife is not attuned to rest and is likely to be akin to Mount Vesuvius, although we are sure she will find an outlet for all that pent up energy.

Donald.

BOUTH WOMENS INSTITUTE

At our June meeting we were not only informed but entertained by a whimsical cleric, our vicar, but in civvy mode. His talk was about his experiences with the Landmark Trust; a charity which purchases historic buildings restores them and lets them as holiday homes, but with a difference.

They are well but simply furnished with good equipped kitchens and bathrooms and praise be, no television. They have 195 extraordinary places to stay up and down the kingdom; castles, forts, follies and towers. If you want to know more, there is always the internet. All profits go to purchasing more properties and restoring them.

We will not be holding a formal meeting in August but it is hoped to have an outing to Ullswater on **Wednesday 14 August**.

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 11 September, 7:15pm**. when Mr. D Fellowes will be talking about Ulverston Station. Have your tickets ready.

New members are always welcome - we meet once a month in **Bouth Village Hall at 7:15pm**. and have a lot of fun. For details please contact Mrs Susan Smith, T. 01229 861 370.

Jane & Donald.



SCHOOL NEWS

Cartmel Priory

Pupils in our Pottery Club, and several members of staff, have been busy producing individual clay tiles, guided by Teaching Assistant and potter Phil Lubelski. The two themes for the tiles, being 'Patterns in Clay' and 'Food'.

The tiles, decorated in bronze, silver and gold acrylic paints, have been assembled to form a large tile panel creating a stunning effect. The wall tile panel is going to have a permanent position in the school canteen. A 'revealing ceremony' was held on 10 July 2013, where parents of the children that helped create this piece of art were invited to celebrate their child's involvement and success.

The School's John Muir Award group recently took part in the 'relocation of ranunculus plants' into the river Eea at Aynsome pool. This helped the students gain a better understanding of the importance native plant species in conserving our natural river ecosystems.

Dr. Paul.



Leven Valley

On the 4th. July a very important assembly took place when children parents, neighbours, teachers and clergy met at school for an 'Everyone Get Together' event. The principle was to connect Church and School led by Parish Priest Peter Calvert and newly appointed Church Youth Officer, Chris Mason.

There were representatives from the churches of Colton, Rusland, Haverthwaite and Staveley and the main theme was practical actions in sharing as illustrated by the bible story of the loaves & fishes.

All the children brought with them a piece of fruit which went to make a giant fruit salad which all shared. The day was brought to a close by a service led by Rev'd. Peter Calvert.

Susan King.

* If there any errors or omissions it is the fault of this editor and not Susan



Leven Valley Support Group – St. Mary's Hospice

Leven Valley Support Group for St Marys Hospice held their annual summer fair and car boot sale in Haverthwaite on 16th June and with the help of many friends and volunteers surpassed all expectations by raising the magnificent amount of £5000!!!!!! The weather held out and was very kind to everyone producing a warm sunny day on this rather poignant year which was the first summer fair after the passing of Geoff Wilkinson who had held the chair for 17 years raising the grand total of £80,000 for the hospice!

Corio Raptors drew in the crowds with their wonderful owls, the magician enthralled the children with his tricks and Taffy Thomas The Storyteller took them on a journey to another world with his stories. Bargains to be had were many, ranging from books, cakes, plants and the car boot items! Many thanks to all our friends and volunteers for helping us make the day such a success and to everyone for their continued support.

Dorothy C.

LOWICK SHOW

Saturday 7 September 2013

**Please visit the new show website at
www.lowickshow.co.uk
to read about this year's exciting program to celebrate life in the
Crake Valley.**

**A fun day for all the family.
Cattle, Sheep, Horses, Home Produce and other class schedules are
available. These and entry forms can be downloaded from the
website.**

**Schedules and entry forms are also available from
secretary@lowickshow.co.uk or by contacting Les Ingham on 01229
885173**



Sparkbridge Village Hall

Duck Race



*Please come and join us for our annual
Duck race and fun day
on Sunday 11th August, 2013
2.00pm till 4.00pm
Cake Stalls, Refreshments, Tombola,
Raffle, Bouncy Castle and much more*

*Duck tickets available from the Royal Oak And all
Committee members Price £1.00*



Animals of the Bible Word Search

Can you find 28 animals of the Bible listed below? There are also a few extra animals to confuse! Words go vertically, horizontally or diagonally and at least two are hidden twice.

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F	L	Y	O	P	N	O	I	L	G	F	C	M	D	O
O	E	S	R	U	N	S	E	P	A	R	E	E	D	G
X	P	R	E	A	G	L	E	D	N	O	H	L	H	S
M	H	E	M	O	L	E	V	E	T	G	O	C	A	U
N	A	P	O	Z	Y	U	O	Z	S	Q	R	U	R	S
O	N	P	T	B	I	R	D	S	X	S	S	C	E	E
Q	T	O	H	W	S	T	U	D	Y	E	E	K	H	J
Y	D	H	E	L	T	T	A	C	Z	E	E	O	A	R
E	R	S	L	E	B	A	O	T	A	B	S	W	P	E
K	A	S	T	N	I	E	X	E	L	E	U	C	Y	G
N	Z	A	E	A	B	L	E	V	I	A	O	A	D	D
O	I	R	E	R	L	F	I	S	H	R	M	P	O	A
D	L	G	B	C	O	R	M	O	R	A	N	T	G	B

ants - antelope - apes - badger - bat - bear - bees - birds - camel - cattle - cormorant - deer - dog - donkey - dove - eagle - fish - flea - fly - fox - frog - goat - grasshoppers - horse - leopard - lion - lizard - moth



“Oh what a joyful thing it is to be thankful” Prayer Book

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DIARY DATES

* SERVICE TIMES: ALL at 9:30am.*

- 1 August Lammas day
4 August **Family Morning Service, 9:30am. Coffee afterwards.**
5 August Oswald, King of Northumbria, Martyr.
6 August **Transfiguration of our Lord.**
11 August **Holy Communion, 9:30am.**
Sparkbridge Village Hall Duck Race, 2:00pm.
14 August Bouth W I Possible Outing
15 August **The Blessed Virgin Mary.**
17 August Rusland Show, Whitestock Meadow, 12:30pm.
18 August **Holy Communion, 9:30am.**
22 August Battle of Bosworth Field – Guess who won?
24 August **Bartholomew, Apostle.**
25 August **Holy Communion, 9:30am.**
26 August Late Summer Bank Holiday.



RUSLAND SHOW

This year the Show will be held on **Saturday 17 August, Whitestock Meadow, 12:30pm.** There will be all the usual categories, Fell Races, Hound Trails, Children's Competitions, Pet Show Fancy Dress, Races, and Local skills & crafts Demonstrations.

Schedule & Entry Forms are available from the Show Secretary Mr. Meanwell. The Syke, Rusland, Ulverston LA12 8JT. **T:** 01229 860 076.

Email: ameanwell@msn.com



"What we call the beginning is often the end and to make an end is to make a beginning. The end is where we start from"

T. S. Elliot.

