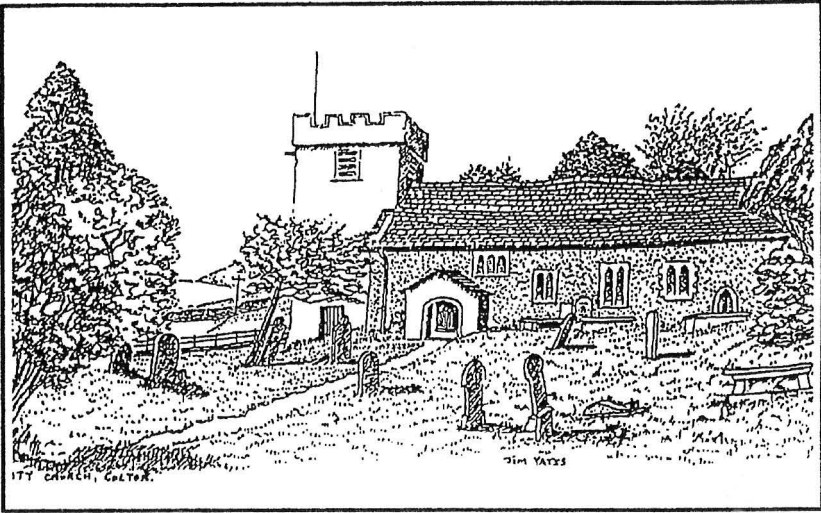




PARISH NEWS

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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

Fox How
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May 2001

Dear friends

It has been especially poignant that the readings appointed in our churches have been about sheep and shepherding at this sad time for our parishes. The words “Feed my lambs; tend my sheep” have special meanings. Just as they refer to our farms (many empty now of stock) they also refer to the human flocks of the Good Shepherd, the families of our parishes.

Our three, the most rural in the Deanery, have shown the effects our present plague. **Farms** have become fortresses and some have emerged as the scars of the battle; families have been ‘confined to barracks’ and we have communicated with them as if they were in quarantine!

Huge courage and faith in spite of real distress has been the mark so many with a determination worthy of the ‘Dunkirk spirit’. Roads and beck’s have (almost without much logic) divided the ‘culled’ from the ‘unculled’ and the generosity shown by neighbours has once again proved the ‘Christian way of life’ which is found here.

What of the rest of our **communities**? New signs on our lanes, disinfectant mats and ‘foot washing’ (even outside our churches) have been physical reminders of this pestilence.

The dramatic, almost ritual events of slaughtering have gone on around us; organised with precision, though with humane compassion, by the military and carried out by teams of weary slaughtermen. The MAFF officials and vets (many in England for the first time) have needed our patience and understanding. The 'rules' were from **beyond** and showed a lack of knowledge of our ways in the North! This may be the strongest case yet for really **local** government!

And '**home life**'? There has been some real, and more imagined, fear with the consequent withdrawal from normal activity. As always in times of crisis there is a delicate balance between justifiable prudence and retreat into inactivity.

May we all emerge from this trial more aware of our dependence on the Good Shepherd, less sure of our comfortable lives and may God show us His will to **restore** our lovely land, its people and its animals; a small corner of His Kingdom.

Yours sincerely

Doreen Harrison, Parish Priest.



NOTICE

As most people have, sensibly, stayed on their own patch and with so many events cancelled this issue may not be its usual brilliant self. More importantly your esteemed editor is going on holiday in June so there will NOT be Parish News in July but happily or sadly there will be issues both in August and September. Copy please for these months.

daw

CHURCH MATTERS

It has been PCC time again and it is strange that the fewer people who turn up the shorter the meeting and we shall be discreet and not tell you who was not there. Listening for the hard of hearing is likely to get better as the introduction of a 'Loop System' which was scheduled for next year may be installed sooner due to the promise of a donation to fund it.

You will remember, but why should you? that we are going to have a Book of Remembrance the problem is that the specification keeps changing and people keep forgetting! The water filter system has been troublesome for some time but happily Ronnie Mein has fettled it and we are very grateful especially as we are not used to such efficiency. We are sorry Ronnie but it is called 'making a rod for.....'. You know the rest.

Wonders upon wonders a Church Hall committee meeting has been held and the rumour is that it might result in something happening but it was only a rumour.

To more serious matters, as you should know both the Christian Aid Lunch and the Garden Fete have been cancelled. The C A Committee are hoping to hold a 'bit of a do' later in the year as we do need, really need to keep supporting this cause. Famine and hardship is still a huge problem in war torn and other parts of the world; whilst we have problems we must never forget those who are suffering unmitigated deprivations throughout the world.

Unzip your pockets and your purses for we are still having a raffle for church funds – did you know we have to pay the Diocese £11,814.53 this year and it takes some finding. I am told that it will be a BIG raffle and will be drawn after the 11.15a.m. Service on 22 July. It will be in the Church Hall, all being well and she, who shall be obeyed, from Burn Knott, tells us that it will be a jolly occasion and you will be able to donate to the Church funds, as well. There might be the odd bun.

daw/jr

The next Standing Committee is on the 11 June, presumably at Bonzo's and the next P C C is on the 9 July, somewhere.



ROTAS

We have no idea where and when the next Service will be but we live in hope but the following information may well turn out to be more fiction than fact.

FLOWERS

3 June Whit Sunday
10 June Trinity Sunday
17 June Mrs P Parkin
24 June Mrs P Parkin
1 July Mrs W Smith

COFFEE

3 June Mrs S Smith & Mrs H Brooks
1 July Mrs Campbell & ?



MOTHERS UNION

A trip to the beautiful gardens at Holehird has been arranged for Wednesday 20 June at 2.00 p.m. Those wishing to go please get in touch with either Wendy or Margaret. On the way home we shall be calling at Fellfoot Park for afternoon tea.

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PARISH NEWS

Warm congratulations to the young people who were confirmed in Ulverston in May: Luke Franklin Tarr, Jacob George Tarr, Robert John Walker and Kayliegh Elizabeth Dixon.

We were saddened to hear of the untimely death of Bob Driver from Light Hall, Rusland. Our prayers and sympathies are with Carol his wife and his family particularly Nicki one of our neighbours in Bouth.

The vitality of youth is inspiring and Guy Redhead is a prime example for on the 25 June he and girlfriend Sally will embark on their travels around the world. Flying to Mexico, thro' Central Americas to San Francisco then New Zealand,

Australia, Singapore, Nepal and home. The length of the journey is not known for, as his mother said 'He'll be back when his money runs out'.

We welcome home again the near Ancient Mariner, Roger Perry from Bouth after trawling round the Falklands on our behalf. It has also been a pleasure to see Douglas Brooks back in civilisation again, if not for long.

* Pride of place this month, if not this year, must go to Penny Buick who, for the past months, has been trotting round the lanes in these parts in seeming agony, but don't all runners? Her self inflicted torture ended in triumph as she completed the London Marathon and in so doing raised over £500 for Derian House, a Children's Hospice. Congratulations Penny from all of us, even if the Westmorland Gazette did give you short shrift.

jr/daw



THE RUSLAND & DISTRICT FARMERS APPEAL

A Fund has been started to assist farmers resident in the parishes of Colton, Rusland & Satterthwaite; so far £5,400 has been raised. Of the 32 farms in the parishes 16 have suffered a cull and these have been offered help.

This small amount of help cannot, of course, solve the problems created by the epidemic but is a gesture of sympathy and concern at this time from those, year on year, who have benefited from the work of the farming community.

DONATIONS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED

For donations, enquiries and requests please contact:

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Rev Doreen Harrison ☎ 01539 433 021
Bonzo Johnson ☎ 861 437
Gordon Pickles ☎ 861 159
Giles Wingate-Saul ☎ 860 3000

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WOMENS INSTITUTE

BOUTH

At our May meeting we were honoured to have as our guest Christine Sellen, the co-ordinator of the Federation Millennium Costume project. Christine displayed a wonderful collection of needlecraft much from her family from the days when women stayed home and stitched.

Her collection was enhanced with examples that she had assembled whilst working abroad including some stunning items from China and Japan. It was a tremendously varied and exciting exhibition of needlework.

On 13 June we are having our annual outing which will be a sail on Coniston followed by supper at the Royal Oak, Spark Bridge. The outing will be preceded by the usual monthly meeting at the Village Hall at 5.45 p.m. Note the time!

bmw



SCHOOL NEWS

CARTMEL PRIORY

Staff movements continue and four new appointments have been made the most important of which is the Headteacher who from September will be Clive Peaple. Clive is currently the Vice-Principal of King Alfred's (Community & Sports College), Oxfordshire and is an Honours graduate in History. We all look forward to a new and exciting start in the next academic year.

The other appointments are Catherine Sarsfield (Head of Humanities), Jane Whitaker (Food Technology) and Lisa Stephenson (Head of Modern Languages). A Head of Science and a PE teacher still need to be appointed. We warmly welcome to Cartmel those appointed and those about to be appointed.

daw



SATTERTHWAITE & RUSLAND

Little to report this month other than the Barn Dance has been cancelled and now will be held in October.

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CRIME WATCH

There have been two burglaries in Spark Bridge; an insecure house was entered and a small amount of cash stolen along with several screwdrivers. The screwdrivers were recovered at the scene of the second burglary at the Village *Hall and had, apparently, been used to enter the coin operated meters which was a bit of a waste of effort as they are emptied regularly.

The Car Park Cash Box at the Haverthwaite Railway was stolen and the collection box at Rusland church has been interfered with. The police believe that there is one late night visitor who is responsible for all these crimes and a suspect has been identified. If anybody else has suffered in a similar way please contact PC 896 Baldwin at 01229 583 311.

At the time of writing there were 8 confirmed cases of Foot & Mouth on the Rural Beat and many more farmers have lost their stock. A reminder of some useful phone numbers and sources of information.

Footpath Bans: Queries re footpaths, bridleways & highways to Cumbria C C at 0845 609 6609.

F & M: Queries from all to MAFF at 0845 050 4141 or www.maff.gov.uk

Advice & Guidance: Rural Stress Network at 0247 641 2916

Financial Assistance:

Material lost.

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DIARY DATES

The times of the services should be correct but watch the notice boards for the venue, which at the time of writing is Rusland Church. ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖

- 3 June Whit Sunday, Family Service, 9.30 am. Coffee afterwards.
- 9 June H M The Queen's Official Birthday.
- 10 June Trinity Sunday, Our Patronal Festival, Holy Communion, 9.30 am.
- 11 June PCC Standing committee, Greenbank, Oxenpark, 7.30 pm.
- 13 June Bouth W I, Annual Outing, Village Hall, 5.45 pm.
- 14 June Corpus Christi.
- 17 June Holy Communion, 11.15 am.
- 20 June M U Visit to Holehird, 2.00 pm. Contact Wendy or Margaret.
- 21 June 'Summer' begins. Longest day.
- 24 June St John the Baptist, Holy Communion, 11.15 am.
- 1 July Family Service, 9.30 am. Coffee afterwards.
- 3 July St Thomas.



Let schoolmasters puzzle their brain,
With grammar, and nonsense, and learning
Good Liquor, I stoutly maintain
Gives genius a better discerning.
Goldsmith.

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LENTEN COURSE

In case you missed it in the main text there is to be a Lenten Course for all the Parishes in the Rusland and Leven Valleys. It will be held in Haverthwaite Parish Hall on the Wednesday evenings of 7, 14, 21 and 28th. of March.

There will be some reading matter so anyone who is interested should contact either the Revd. Doreen Harrison or the Revd. Guy Douglas.



“I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance”.

Mathew 13.

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