



PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

Worship and Study for Lent

2004

First A Prayer For Lent

Thanks be to you, O Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits which you have given us,
for all the pains and insults which you have borne for us.
O most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother,
may we know you more clearly,
love you more dearly
and follow you more nearly,
day by day. Amen.

A month of reminders.

Lent Study

These continue and are based on a Diocesan Course called *Lift Up Your Hearts*.

The weekly topics are: *Discipleship in a Healthy Church; Worship in a Healthy Church; Ministry in a Healthy Church; Outreach in a Healthy Church; Young People in a Healthy Church* and *Resources for a Healthy Church*.

Two evenings are on offer to allow those who have commitments on one evening to have an alternative evening to join in. Meetings are on Mondays in Haverthwaite Church Hall and Thursdays at Hawkshead and at the Vicarage in Penny Bridge. **Please note that this is a change from that published last month.**

Wednesday 25th February (After the Ash Wednesday Service)

Monday 1 st March or Thursday 4 th March	Session Two
Monday 8 th March or Thursday 11 th March	Session Three
Monday 15 th March or Thursday 18 th March	Session Four
Monday 22 nd March or Thursday 25 th March	Session Five
Monday 29 th March or Thursday 1 st April	Session Six

All the evenings except the Wednesday will be from 7:30 - 9:00pm.

Worship on Wednesdays at 7:30pm:

25 th February	Service in Colton Church (Discipleship)
3 rd March	Service in Penny Bridge Church (Worship)
10 th March	Service in Lowick Church (Ministry)
17 th March	Service in Colton Church (Outreach)
24 th March	Service in Penny Bridge Church (Young People)
31 st March	Service in Lowick Church (Resources)

We pray that many of you will be able to join us in worship and study during Lent.

Confirmation

On the 14th March the Bishop of Penrith is coming to Penny Bridge Church to Confirm a number of candidates and to be the preacher and celebrant at the Eucharist Service. The service begins at 10:30am and we encourage you to pray for those who are being confirmed.

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

These take place after the Eucharist Service during Holy Week as below:

Monday 5 th April	Lowick Church
Tuesday 6 th April	Colton Church
Wednesday 7 th April	Egton-cum-Newland Church

Notices for nominations for election, etc. will be in the appropriate church at least two Sundays before the meetings.

Gary Wemyss

Vicar, The Vicarage, Penny Bridge.



COLTON CHRONICLES

The 15th. of the month is the deadline for the magazine but sadly most contributors are gleefully ignorant of this fact and sadly never think that the editor might have problems and deadlines. But the 15th. of February was a joyous if chilly occasion, particularly for those of a superstitious nature who believe that things come in threes.

The church was cold following a sharp frost and electricity cuts (Bonzo wisely had fled the parish), we did not have an organist and were a reader short. The intrepid Joanna was not fazed and led us in the singing of hymns with a clear voice, and in tune. It was a spiritual experience but not one to repeat too often.

The PCC in its wisdom has at last made the decision to have a full sound system installed in our church; it will include a loop, microphones, speakers and a music making facility (emergencies only?)

The General Synod has been meeting and hit the headlines for two totally different reasons. A report on closer union with the Roman Catholic Church, published some time ago was heavily censured despite efforts by Dr Rowan Williams to tone down the criticism. The report supported the acceptance by the C of E of the primacy of the Pope and the concept of infallibility.

The second item is of a more practical nature as in recent times and with the diminishing number of clergy plus the growth in Benefices and Team Ministries priests in many parishes no longer hold the freehold which is in effect a job for life.

They are Priests in Charge and appointed for a fixed period, usually 7 years, and at the end of that time they can be discarded like a pair of old socks. As such they have no protection under secular employment laws but all is to change as a report was endorsed that will give clergy the level of protection enjoyed by other workers. Did you know that that the Church is exempt from the Sex Discrimination Act?

Personal columns in newspapers can be sad but Valentine notices are something else. "*Adoring Monster Loves Squidgy Bits zillions of universes.*" What on earth can it mean?

Donald

FLOWER ROTA

7 March Lent

14 March Lent

21 March Mothering Sunday / Mothers Union

28 March Lent



COFFEE ROTA

7 March Mrs Margaret Sanders & helper



MOTHERS UNION

Leven Valley will be joining us for our meeting on **Wednesday 3 March in Colton Church Hall at 2.00pm.** when Lynda Madlihurst will speak on the “Pension Service.”

The **Lady Day Service** for the Deanery will be held on **Thursday 25 March in Cartmel Priory Church at 2.00pm.**

Wendy



WOMENS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

A service will be held on **Friday 5 March in St. Anne’s Church, Haverthwaite at 2.00pm.** Light refreshments will be served in the Hall afterwards. All are welcome, men , women and young people.

CHILDRENS SOCIETY

A good friend of ours, **Robert Alty**, is taking part in the London Marathon on Sunday 18 April and like most amateur participants he is running for a cause. We are delighted that this cause is the Children’s Society, which is a charity that we in Colton support. It needs all the help it can get.

Running in the Marathon will be a tough personal challenge for Robert and in order for his effort to have a real impact towards helping young people we are asking people to support Robert and if any one would like to sponsor him please contact **Wendy/Peter Smith – 015395 31872.** *Thank you.* Wendy & Peter.

PARISH NEWS

Sadly we have to report the death of Reg Minton of Bouth and our prayers and condolences go out to Alma and Milly and their families in this, their hour of need.

Reg settled here many years ago, coming as a woodcutter but was better known locally for his skill as a wine maker and is fondly remembered for the generous donation, over many years, of his brew to the W I Christmas party. Apparently innocuous it was imbibed freely to the regret of some the morning after. Characters like Reg are slowly slipping away and the world without them is a poorer place.

After dark, the light. Congratulations to Judith and Craig Slater, now at Flookburgh, on the birth of a son, Joseph Craig on 4 February. Joseph is the third grandchild of Zella and Frank Slater who are so proud that they clean forgot to give the birth weight.

Last month we happily gave you news of the 90th. birthday of Tiesy Teasedale and said it was the 18th. January. Sadly this is not so for that day was just one of her many celebrations. The actual date is 14th. January and you will remember she did not want presents but rather contributions to our Hospice. To date the sum raised is over £500 and growing. Congratulations all round.

We hear that Derek Lancaster of Benthawes, Colton is in Furness General suffering from Diabetes and related problems. Happily Myles Newton is back home but friend Sophia is still in hospital. We wish them all the best and better health in future.

It has been a little quiet in Bouth these last few months and not unconnected with Hilary and Noel Brooks hibernating in Australia. They telephoned recently and sent their warm good wishes to all their friends whom they missed. What they have not missed is the weather, which is hardly surprising. We in turn wish them a pleasant and safe journey home early in March.

Donald.



*“Don’t let us make imaginary evils, when you know
we have so many real ones to encounter.”*

Goldsmith

WOMENS INSTITUTE

BOUTH

Our last meeting was memorable as Mr Steele who came to talk, with pictures on 'Lakeland Allsorts' surprised us all. We were presented with an automated slide show with music and a narration.

We were taken on a delightful trip starting with the history of Mitredale passing on to the flora and fauna of Wastwater then to rush bearing in Grasmere and ending our journey in the drowned village of Mardale. It was just, superb.

After working for hard for many years to keep our numbers up it is pleasing to report that we have 5 new members.

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 10 March in the Village Hall at 7.15pm.** when Mr Shaw will be talking on 'My Life and Work in Mongolia.'

Sue/Debbie.



SPARKBRIDGE & LOWICK

The first meeting of the year was rather disappointing, as the weather decided to become seasonal, and it started to snow. Our speaker for the evening was local, so after a quick discussion by the brave souls who had ventured out, he was rung and asked not to come.

During the business part of the meeting the ladies had a welcome cup of tea accompanied by a slice of Yorkshire Tea Luxury Fruit Cake, which Mrs. Pat Goyder had won in the December WI News Tree Time Teaser competition, before going home early in safety.

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 23 March in Lowick Church Hall at 7.30pm.** when Margaret Metcalf will be demonstrating 'Easter Cake Decorating.' We welcome all ladies to come and join us.

Margaret.



O Lord thou knowest how busy I must be this day. If I forget thee, do not thou forget me.

General Lord Astley, before the battle of Edgehill

SCHOOL NEWS

CARTMEL PRIORY

After a two year struggle the Department of Education has finally approve specialist college status to nine rural schools in Cumbria to be known as the Rural Academy. Cartmel is one of those schools and should benefit from this new status which will concentrate on Technology.

Not only will it give a boost to out fragile finances but will afford a wider curriculum and a sharing of best practice with the other schools. Although all subjects will benefit Cartmel will specialise in maths, science, Technology and ICT.

Bearing in mind the Government's ambivalent attitude to rural affairs, this can be seen as a breakthrough. If many rural schools were in inner cities they would be seen as deprived.

Success comes in many forms and on Saturday 14 February Cartmel Priory School not only won the 'Team Award' but also the 'Best speaker Award' in the District Finals (Carlisle to Leyland) of the 'Youth Speaks' competition beating such schools as Casterton, Windermere St. Anne's and King Edward VII & Queen Mary Schools

The stupidity of present day legislation precludes us of telling you the names of the successful team, it's pathetic really.

Clive/Donald.



CINEMA CLUB

The club has now grown to 90 members and we are grateful to everyone who has supported us. The film which won a Best Picture Oscar in 1981 **The Chariots of Fire** will be shown on **Tuesday 2 March at Oxen Park at 7.30pm**. Pies and Peas at the Manor after the show.

The next Children's Show is on **Saturday 13 March at Rusland Parish Room at 4.00pm**. There is a change of film and it will now be **Finding Nemo**. It is cheap at half the price, only £1.

Linking up with the Easter Orienteering Festival the Club & Satterthwaite & Rusland Primary School will be manning a **Cake & Food Stall** on **Saturday**

10 April at Dale Park - 9.00am to 2.00pm. The usual help with providing the food and manning the stall will be welcome.

In the evening of that day we will be showing the film **Touching the Void** described in the *Times* as *'powerful, painful, unmissable'*. The venue is **Ulverston High School at 7.30pm.** Price £4 and members £3. No need to book.

In response to our request for speakers we now have four new ones and thanks are due to the Wood family and Kate Lampard.

To book seats telephone Carol McNeill @ 861 507, for other information see last month.

Carol.



CHURCH SERVICE TIMES

There is still confusion over Church Service Times which we will try to dispel. But watch out for changes e.g. – March 2nd. Sunday is Confirmation.

1st Sunday 10.30am. – Family Service. At home.

2nd Sunday 10.30am. – Benefice Communion. Any of the 3 churches.

3rd Sunday 9.30am. – Communion, (might be 'extended'). At home.

4th Sunday 9.30am. – Communion. At home.

**5th Sunday 10.30am. – The one you love to miss. Ecumenical Service.
Any of the 3 churches.**

To add to your confusion the PCC will be discussing times of services later on in the year so if you have any views that you would like to express please button hole any PCC member or the Vicar or this editor and TELL THEM. It is no use, as usually happens, saying nothing and moaning afterwards.



*'If all good people were clever,
And all clever people were good,
The world would be nicer than ever
We thought that it possibly could.*

*But somehow, 'tis seldom or never
The two hit it off as they should;
The good are so harsh to the clever,
The clever so rude to the good."*

Elizabeth Wordsworth.

DIARY DATES

1 March	St. David.
2 March	Cinema Club – Oxen Park – 7.30pm.
3 March	M U – Colton Church Hall – 2.00pm. Service Penny Bridge – 7.30pm.
5 March	Womens World Day of Prayer – St. Anne's, Haverthwaite - 2.00pm.
7 March	Family Service – 10.30am. Coffee >.
10 March	Bouth W I – Village Hall – 7.15pm. Service Lowick – 7.30pm.
13 March	Children's Cinema Club – Rusland Parish Room – 4.00pm.
14 March	Confirmation – Penny Bridge – 10.30am. – Bishop of Penrith.
17 March	Service – Colton – 7.30pm.
19 March	Joseph of Nazareth
19 March	St. Cuthbert and Spring is sprung!
21 March	Mothering Sunday – Communion – 9.30am.
23 March	Sparkbridge & Lowick W I – Lowick Church Hall – 7.30pm.
24 March	Service Penny Bridge – 7.30pm.
25 March	The Annunciation. Lady Day Service – Cartmel Priory Church – 2.00pm.
28 March	Communion – 9.30am. Clocks go forward - get up an hour earlier !
31 March	Service Lowick – 7.30pm.
4 April	Palm Sunday.



Services and Rotas continued

28th	Fifth Sunday of Lent			
Holy Trinity	Colton	9:30am Communion		
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am Methodist Service		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am Communion		
Readings:	First Reading	Isaiah	43:16-21	
	Second Reading	Philippians	3:4b-14	
	Gospel	John	12: 1-8	
Readers:	Colton	C Holden	M Sanders	J Pickles
	Lowick	G Jager	& J Thomas	
	Penny Bridge	S James	R Long	J Lambton
Sidesmen:	Colton	C Holden	& M Campbell	
	Lowick	F Inman		
	Penny Bridge	C Line	& E Line	
31st	Wednesday	7:30pm Service at Lowick		
	Reading	Daniel	3:14-20, 24-25, 28	
	Gospel	John	8: 31-42	
Chancel Guild	Penny Bridge	V Lambton		

