



PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

PASTORAL LETTER

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Dear friends

O Lord Hear My Prayer

There are times when we are genuinely afraid as opposed to being fearful. Usually it is an accompaniment to not knowing and not being in control. We may even know the facts but not the outcome - and we need help.

The psalmist says, "When I was in trouble I called to the Lord; I called to the Lord and he answered me." (Psalm 120 verse 1).

Once again, as in 2001, there is a fear moving through many in the farming community and although people are saying the latest outbreaks of foot and mouth are under control we are still being alerted to possible new outbreaks.

Inevitably, people are worried, people are afraid because of the enormous repercussions of the outbreak in 2001 and the effect it had on our local communities. Many others, as well as farmers and their families, were affected socially, emotionally, even psychologically as well, as in some cases, financially.

At that time many affected found help in the concern shown by the whole of the United Kingdom as well as the local community. Help was also found by many in the prayers and support of the churches, of all denominations, working together as a network.

The present outbreak has been confined to a small area in the South of England but there are fears in other parts of our nation, there are memories being stirred up from the past bringing with them new anxieties and there is a need for us all to support those affected in prayer.

Below is a prayer which has been written for our use to help all affected in various ways. There is also a helpline number but I also ask you to lift your eyes to the hills and to know your help comes from the Lord. (Psalm 121 verse 1 and 2 abridged).

A Prayer for use during the Foot and Mouth Disease Outbreak.

Gracious God, we pray for all who are affected by the outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease.

Bless the efforts of those who are working to limit the spread of the disease: COBRA; the government's emergency response team, Defra, and the veterinary services.

Bless all whose farms have been infected and those whose livestock has been destroyed.

Bless all those for whom restrictions on the movement of livestock will bring economic hardship or create animal welfare issues.

Guard and keep all for whom this present outbreak will bring back many painful memories and all those who are anxious and fearful.

Loving God, look in mercy upon us and hear our prayer.

We ask it in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Yours sincerely

Gary

Vicar



Farm Crisis Network

Helping farming people through difficult times.

National FCN Helpline 07002 326 326.

7am –11pm every day of the year. www.fcn.org.uk

Praying for Revival

Teaching day with Bishop Graham and Mrs Molly Dow on the **13 October at St Mark's Barrow-in-Furness.**

The aim of the day is firstly that we may grasp the power of prayer together. Secondly it is to inspire us to pray for revival and to lay a ground plan for a map of prayer all over the diocese. We hope for circles of prayer, meeting regularly in many locations, and sharing a common vision. The Bishop and his wife Molly will be teaching the day together.

Further details and an application form can be found in each church in the benefice.



COTTON CHRONICLES

The summer break is over and it is back to being irresponsible again. This year is the first time in decades that we have not held a Church Fête and this has caused some quiet and understandable murmurings of discontent. Mainly perhaps, because it was as much a social event as it was a money raiser.

As usual the less than content are not those who do the work of putting up and pulling down the marquee, cooking, baking, manning stalls and serving teas. The bleak truth is that there are fewer and fitter good souls to undertake this work so the P C C thought it was time for a change.

The happiness and sadness is that although the magnificent sum of £1935 has been raised plus a donation of £350 it is the same ladies, gentlemen please note, that have achieved this result. The raffle organised by Wendy + Peter made £503, Judy's Concert £230, £27.50 from Jenny Cooper's Note lets and the amazing Margaret Sanders with a variety of efforts raised £1175. Thank you all but especially Margaret and not forgetting the other ladies who helped at the various events. The men should be suitably ashamed.

Harvest & Joanna although not necessarily in that order. There will be a **Farmers Harvest Service** on **Friday 12 October, 7.00pm**. Followed by a **Pie & Peas Supper**. To make sure of a place there will be a list at the back of the Church or phone Sue Dean **Tel: 861 435**.

The Big Day, however, is on **Sunday 14 October** when there will be a **Benefice Harvest Communion Service, 10.30 am.**, which will be taken by our newly ordained priest, one Joanna Henson, her first. During this

service Joanna will enrolled into the Mothers Union and Barbara Watson will be licensed as a Commissioned Lay Minister.

To celebrate there is to be a DIY i.e. 'Jacobs Join' light lunch in the Hall afterwards. Get cooking!

Donald.



FLOWER ROTA

2 September Mrs. T Teasdale

9 September Mrs. T Teasdale

16 September Mrs. S Smith

23 September Mrs. S Smith



COFFEE

2 September Mesdames S Smith & H Brooks



CHILDRENS SOCIETY

Thank you to everybody who supported us during the year; the Boxes have raised £347.27

Getting involved is easy.....

There are 13,300 disabled children and young people who are placed away from home in England and who are not consulted when decisions are made about their lives. They deserve better, so the Society is campaigning for them to have access to independent advocates.

This will cost £200,000 annually and so 13,300 Boxes are being distributed each year for this cause. Please contact Wendy Smith Tel: 015395 31972.



MOTHERS UNION

Our first meeting will be held on **Tuesday 18 September, Haverthwaite Church Hall, 2.00 pm.**

There is to be a **Coffee Morning, Greenodd Village Hall, Saturday 20 October.** Details next month.

Wendy.



“WALK CUMBRIA” AND AFTER

The small group commissioned to follow-up on our involvement in ‘Walk Cumbria’ are continuing their task, and would like to comment the following:

CONFIRMATION: It is hoped to encourage some (adults particularly) who were stirred by our participation in ‘Walk Cumbria’, to sign up for the Confirmation Course publicized elsewhere in the Magazine (even if you may not necessarily want to be actually presented for Confirmation, it will hopefully be a very good (re-) introduction to the fundamentals of our Christian faith.)

“OASIS”: On each **fifth Sunday** in the month (when there **is** one!) there will be an informal opportunity to meet together for a quiet period of music, reflection, prayer and fellowship for up to a couple of hours, at Tottlebank Baptist Church, commencing at 4.00 p.m. This “Oasis” is open to all, and the next session will be on Sunday 30th September. You would be very welcome.

RAYER CYCLE: We are promoting a monthly cycle of prayer for the communities in our valleys. To start with each community will be featured at our monthly prayer meeting, held at Lowick Farm House on each second Saturday morning from 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. In August we prayed for Oxen Park and Bandrake Head. In September it will be Penny Bridge. New pray-ers would be most welcome.)Later we hope to develop prayer walks and leaflet ‘drops’ in the ‘community of the month’.)

For further details please contact Joanna Henson, David Gregg, Carolyn Dykes or Phil Gomersall.



WOMENS INSTITUTE

There being no meeting in August ten of us had a trip down Coniston on the Gondola from the Blue Bird café to Sunny Bank via Lakeside and then

walked back to the café for tea and the odd cream bun. Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 12 September, Bouth Village Hall, 7.15 pm.** when Mr. Lowe will talk on “Lakeland’s Old Crafts and Industries”

Penny thanks all of you for supporting her Marathon Appeal which, after some gentle nagging reached £1000. Her penance is giving a talk to the Coniston W I.

Penny



PARISH NEWS

It is very sad to have to report three deaths this month. Myles Newton lived all his married life in Bouth and apart from being a character was a gifted mechanic and an excellent swill maker. We send our condolences to his family.

Renée Phizacklea died on 23 July and had lived for many years in Bouth and was the heart and soul of any party but above all she was a lovely person so kind and considerate to others. Our thoughts and prayers are with Neville and daughter Gill.

Recently Lila Minton died after a long illness and again our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Husband Terry, his brother Dave, sisters Alma and Milly and brother George. Amen

On a happier note we send our congratulations to Christine Dobson who has just celebrated her 89th. birthday.

The Leven Valley Support group for the Hospice raised £4,370 at their Summer Fair and Boot Sale, this brings the total raised over the years to £52,848.

The Church is always pleased to have visiting groups to and recently there were a pack of Cubs from Dalton who stayed in the Hall and also attended our service. Not only were they well behaved and a credit to the movement they left the Hall spotless and even set out the tables for our evening ‘do’.

Susan King tells us of another group; she writes:-

Colton Church and its environs were alive recently with all the joyous sounds young people create whilst happy. Greengate School have been

coming from Barrow for 12 years and Colin Smith , Headteacher loves Colton. Neighbouring farmers welcome these visits and give time to the children who scramble off the bus – chatter their way up the hill – come dusk they tumble down, proudly clutching trophies after having thoroughly explored the area. Rain never dampens their spirits and they spend time in the church and graveyard, which fascinates them. I am told that last year following their visit one boy brought back his family. That says it all!

Let us hope the school continues to enjoy this beautiful part of the parish – it is always a pleasure to have them here.

Donald.



PARISH COUNCIL

A new seat has been placed on the lane up to the Church with a magnificent view. Our thanks are due to Cllrs. Atkinson and Cunliffe for positioning and securing the seat.

The Council has submitted a letter of support to the ‘Save our Post Offices’ campaign. It is a case of use them or lose them.

The next Council Meeting will be held on **Monday 3 September, 7.30 pm. Bouth Village Hall.**

Judith



NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 11 September, 7.30pm. Greenodd Village Hall.** This is an opportunity to meet your councillors and discuss any problem you may have, always providing you can get a word in edgeways. There will also be a Police presence, not to keep the peace but to answer questions.

Editor.



Children

Have you ever thought that as parents you spend the first two years of your children’s life teaching them to walk and talk. You then spend the next sixteen years telling them to sit down and shut up!!!



CARTMEL PRIORY SCHOOL

The term starts on Tuesday 4 September with new Headteacher Dr. Paul Williams who is, like his predecessor a committed Christian but also a Lancastrian and a Scientist all of which bodes well for the future.

The **Annual General Meeting** where parents and carers are invited to attend and even ask questions will be held on **Tuesday 25 September at 7.00pm.**

Donald.



A Thank You

Michael Taylor would like to thank all those on his (ex) post round for the tankard, cards, warm wishes and the very generous gift on the occasion of his retirement, with a special thanks to those who kept the occasion small, informal and not too embarrassing. Pictures are available on www.craike.org (from the menu on the left, select About the Area then People then Pages). I will miss the daily banter but will be keeping busy! All the best to everyone.

Michael



TOTTLEBANK BAPTIST CHURCH

Art Classes

At

The Church

Five Tuesday 4 September to 2 October

10.00am to 2.00pm.

Local artist Debbie Madell will be your tutor. If interested please contact

Beryl Newbold Tel: 772 563

Costs are £30 for the whole course or £8 per session.



Children

God's first word to his children Adam and Eve was, 'Don't

DIARY DATES

Colton Church Services

- 2 September **Morning/Family Worship – 10.30 am.** Coffee to follow (Joanna)
9 September **Benefice Holy Communion – PENNY BRIDGE – 10.30 am.**
16 September **Extended Communion – 9.30 am.** (Joanna)
23 September **Extended Communion – 9.30 am.** (Joanna)
30 September **Ecumenical Benefice Holy Communion- 10.30 am.**
At PENNY BRIDGE (The one you all love to miss)



Other Dates

- 3 September Parish Council Meeting – Bouth Village Hall – 7.30 pm.
4 September Start of new School Term.
Art Classes – Tottlebank Church – 10.00 am. >
8 September **The Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**
11 September Art Classes – Tottlebank Church - 10.00 am. >
Neighbourhood Forum – Greenodd Village Hall – 7.30 pm.
12 September Bouth W I Bouth Village Hall – 7.15 pm
13 September **Holy Cross Day.**
18 September Art Classes – Tottlebank Church - 10.00 am. >
Mothers Union – Haverthwaite Church Hall – 2.00 pm.
21 September **Matthew, Apostle.**
25 September Art Classes – Tottlebank Church - 10.00 am. >
Cartmel Priory School – A G M – 7.00 pm.



Children

“Be nice to your children. They will be choosing your nursing home one day!”



Services and Rotas for September

2nd	Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am	Communion	
Holy Trinity	Colton	10:30am	Morning Worship	
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am	Morning Worship	
Readings:	First Reading	Ecclesiasticus	10:12-18	
	Second Reading	Hebrews	13:1-8, 15-16	
	Gospel	Luke	14:1, 7-14	
Readers:	Colton	H Brooks	E Fleming	R Smith
	Lowick	W Keegan	& A Naylor	
	Penny Bridge	TBA		
Sidesmen:	Colton	S King	& B Watson	
	Lowick	E Phizacklea		
	Penny Bridge	C Line	& E Line	
9th	Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity			
St Mary	Penny Bridge	10:30am	Benefice Communion	
Readings:	First Reading	Deuteronomy	30:15-20	
	Second Reading	Philemon	: 1-21	
	Gospel	Luke	14:25-33	
Readers:		P Ashton	R Long	D Gregg
Sidesmen:		J Lancaster	& D Lancaster	
	No service at Lowick and Colton			
16th	Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am	Communion	
Holy Trinity	Colton	9:30am	Extended Communion	
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am	Communion	
Readings:	First Reading	Exodus	32: 7-14	
	Second Reading	1 Timothy	1:12-17	
	Gospel	Luke	15: 1-10	
Readers:	Colton	I Pirnie	M Sanders	D Wroe
	Lowick	F Inman	& G Mitchell	
	Penny Bridge	S James	C Sadler	D Lancaster
Sidesmen:	Colton	TBA		
	Lowick	A Wood		
	Penny Bridge	S James	& N Lord	
23rd	Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am	Methodist Service	
Holy Trinity	Colton	9:30am	Extended Communion	
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am	Extended Communion	
Readings:	First Reading	Amos	8: 4-7	
	Second Reading	1 Timothy	2: 1-7	
	Gospel	Luke	16: 1-13	
Readers:	Colton	R Tarr	J Redhead	W Smith
	Lowick	G Jagar	& J Davis	
	Penny Bridge	J Lancaster	R Atkinson	J Henson
Sidesmen:	Colton	TBA		
	Lowick	F Inman		
	Penny Bridge	J Law	& B Law	

30th	Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	10:30am Ecumenical and Benefice Service	
Readings:	First Reading	Amos	6:1a, 4-7
	Second Reading	1 Timothy	6: 6-19
	Gospel	Luke	16:19-31