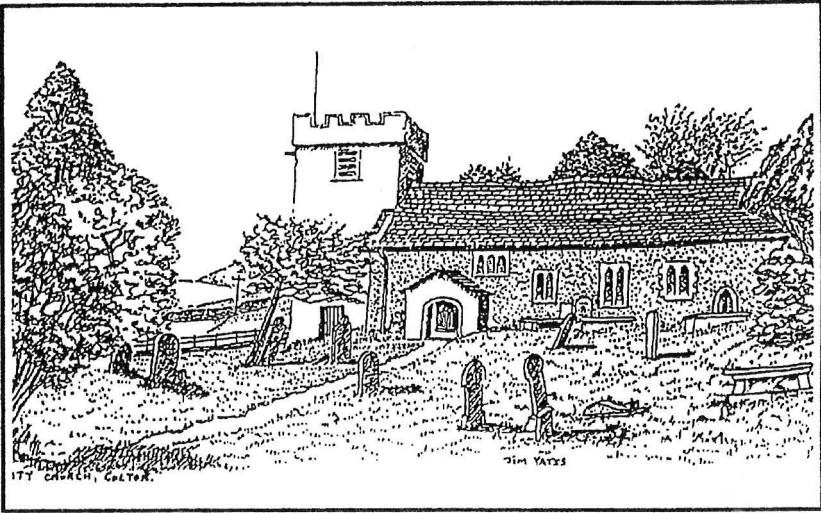




PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

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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

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February 1999

Dear Friends

As we travel through 1999, the media keep the Millenium in our minds; but the Church has a big celebration **this** year, for Sunday 7 March 1999 is the 450th anniversary of the Book of Common Prayer.

In 1549 it was startlingly innovative; a service book in **English**, so that people could actually read the service instead of simply 'hearing Mass'. With its revisions up to 1662 (and the unofficial 1928 version) it is perhaps the greatest legacy of the Church to the nation and indeed to the English-speaking world (together with the Bible and Shakespeare).

Read its lovely services, look occasionally at its **less** familiar sections; the Preface, the Creed of St. Athanasius ('though he may not have had anything to do with it!) The "39 Articles" to which all clergy must officially subscribe and some of us actually accept!

If some of these seem esoteric (weird!) look at the way the book provides for every occasion : being at war, in a tempest at sea, needing fair weather and good harvests, giving thanks for babies and the Royal family and being Christened, married, ill, buried or ordained as clergy!

What more could you need? It will even tell you the date of Easter up to the year 2299. Seriously, it is a **treasure** and when the **new** 'Common Worship' book is published next year we are reminded that it is only a **companion** to the old Prayer Book and NOT a replacement.

Together with our lovely buildings, good music, careful preaching, set prayers and readings (the Liturgy) it helps us towards dignified and sincere **GOD-centred** worship.

So, as Anglicans, let us be proud of our contribution to Christian worship and make sure that our young people get to know and love the Book of Common Prayer.

In these dark days of winter may its words of peace and comfort lift up your hearts.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Doreen Harrison". The script is cursive and elegant, with a long horizontal flourish at the end of the name.

Doreen Harrison, Parish Priest



CHURCH MATTERS

One could never accuse the Church of England of being revolutionary, indeed the very whiff of the word change has the cassocks in a whirl but, January has seen a remarkable turn about. The first meeting of a new 'Executive'.

This band of brothers, and sisters if you want to be PC, comprises a small group of leading Church & Lay men charged with bringing order and good governance to Church affairs. A kind of cabinet who will have a hard row to hoe and we wish them well in their endeavours for our future

* Closer to home things have moved on a pace for at last and mainly due to the labours of our Parish Priest we will soon have a fitting Memorial Stone for those whose ashes have been and those who will be buried in the Churchyard Cremation plot.

If you wish to have the names of loved ones whose ashes are buried in the plot

inscribed on the stone, which is currently at the masons; the cost will be £2.50 per letter or figure. You might guess that there are Diocesan regulations and these allow ONE Christian name, other initials, surname and birth & death dates. The stone will be removed each year to have names added.

Those who wish to have a name inscribed please contact, **as soon as possible**, the Revd Doreen Harrison @ 01539 43 30 21*.

A Roman by the name of Lucilius once complained that the Roman Army in Britain having reorganised itself, immediately started reorganising again, which sounds remarkably like the Windermere Deanery.

Just as we are getting used to our new ministry team, if two be a team, our friends in Finsthwaite & Haverthwaite seem to have taken a shine to the idea and enquiries have been made as to whether they could join us. A meeting of the PCCs in the current cluster generally favoured the idea but there were those found further change a little too radical for their taste.

The proposal has a certain logic as Hawkshead is the mother of Colton and Colton the mother of both Finsthwaite & Haverthwaite. Discussions are in progress and you all know the drill; if you have any views let either Doreen or any member of the PCC know !

The main problem is likely to be the name - West Windermere was even suggested which is probably marginally better than East Coniston. Well up on the list is High Furness slightly shading Furness Fells. You will find these names on both old and new maps of the area. Views and ideas please !

daw



MOTHERS UNION

A Christmas afternoon was enjoyed by the ladies of the Mothers Union at their meeting on 2 December. Firstly they met in All Saints church, Satterthwaite for an Advent Communion service followed by a social chatter and mince pies in the Parish Hall. We were met by the Revd. Stephen Pye and his wife and the afternoon ended with Carols, ably accompanied by Barbara Wroe on the piano.

During the month we distributed Christmas parcels to the ill, house bound and elderly of the parishes. The appreciative welcomes and greetings reciprocated by these people made the task, if it were a task, so worthwhile.

A gentle reminder that the next meeting will be on the first Wednesday (3rd) of March. Service - Rusland Church - 2.00pm mc



FLOWER ROTA

7 February Mrs M Lambert

14 February Mrs M Lambert

L E N T



WOMENS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is to be held this year on Friday 5 March and will be celebrated with a Service at Sawrey Parish Church-2.00pm. ws



PARISH NEWS

There is a competition in the Teasedale clan, and with good cause, as to who is the proudest. On 11 December Donna wife of Matt the son of Zella and Frank Slater and grandson of Tissie and Jim gave birth to a son, Alexander James. And it doesn't end there for baby Alexander was delivered by Judith the wife of the Slaters' youngest son Craig. My money's on Jim.

It was a good month; Sarah wife of John Cooper and daughter Joyce and Ian Cunliffe of Colton also gave birth, on 12 December, to a daughter Emma Jane.

Congratulations to the parents, grandparents and great grandparents and a warm Colton welcome to the bairns.

The flu' and colds have been doing their worst in the parish and many have been layed low but as yet all seem to be on the way to recovery. George Pricket has not been too well but is home and fighting the good fight. We wish you well George and trust you are not making too many demands on Jean.

It is the end of an era as David Thornthwaite has sadly announced that the Post Office in Bouth is to close on the 31 March. The bureaucracy of the business tax and the inflexibility of its implementation has mortally wounded yet another victim and removed an essential asset from rural life. It makes you wonder what the instigators of the so called 'Furness Integrated Transport Plan' will make of this as they plan a bus route elsewhere and propose yet another Pedestrian & Cycle way?

David has asked us to thank customers who have supported the Village Post Office and expresses his regrets at the inconvenience caused by its closure.

Xmas was used in the last edition instead of Christmas and attracted some mild criticism. Research has shown that the word has been in use since 1551 and is acceptable to write but not to say ! See the Shorter Oxford English Dictionary.

Everybody wants your money in deep mid-winter and even the Parish News has to be paid for so if you haven't and most of you have please do. Everybody has been giving and the Children's Society Boxes raised £164.74, the Christmas Fair £369 and the Bouth Village Green Carols £121. A big thank you all round.

LUNCHEON CLUBS

Bouth - A club has now been set up at the White Hart and we are grateful to the Barton family for their help. It meets the 4th Thursday of each month, 12/12.30 and our local contact is May Lambert (who else) @ 01229 861 456. The next lunch is on 28 January.

Satterthwaite - The club meets on the 2nd. and 4th. Wednesday of each month at 12.30. Contact @ 01229 860 237. The next lunch is on 27 January. daw

BRITISH LEGION

The Backbarrow & District Branch would like to thank everybody concerned in the Remembrance Services which were held at Cartmel Fell, Colton, Finsthwaite and Haverthwaite Churches. The service at Haverthwaite has been held every year since 1921.

Special thanks are due to Rusland where for 30 years a District Service, the week prior to Remembrance Sunday, has been held.

fwb



WOMENS INSTITUTE

BOUTH

The Christmas party was a success, again, helped by the 'entertainment' who were truly in tune with the guests. The only puzzle was how everybody got home safely.

Margaret Taylor came to our January meeting to demonstrate Encaustic (wax) painting. So much hidden talent was uncovered and we were so intrigued by the process that we decided buy our own kits and ask Mrs Taylor to return and spend a day with us.

The W I has arranged an OPEN MEETING on Wednesday 24 February at 7.30pm. in the Village Hall to give **everyone** a chance to put forward ideas for ways in which Bouth can mark the arrival of 2000 AD.

brnw

SPARKBRIDGE & LOWICK

At the AGM only seven names were nominated for seven places on the committee. Mrs Campbell was elected as President, Mrs Philips as Secretary and Mrs Phiizacklia remaining as Treasurer. Mrs Leece gave an interesting talk on cross country skiing and the evening ended with the partaking of Christmas gifts.

In December members joined for a delightful evening at the Farmers Arms and we all went home with a small raffle prize. Next meeting is on 26 January.

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SCHOOL NEWS

CARTMEL PRIORY

Based on GCSE results the school is arguably the best in South Cumbria and without doubt is the most improved school, over the last five years, in the whole of the County. It is also in the top ten most improved schools in the North West.

And it it doesn't finish there for Adult Education goes from strength to strength and now has the largest non-vocational courses (where you don't take exams) in the South Lakeland District. This success is largely due to the efforts of manager Sue Vernon.

SATTERTHWAITE & RUSLAND

The Annual School play Aladdin was held at Grizedale on 11 December and the children were brilliant, putting on an excellent evening's entertainment. With donations and the raffle we raised £120.20 ; thanks to all who helped and who came and supported us!

The school visited Colton House and Hollow Oak in December to sing Carols with the residents. Also in December, on the 15th., the school party was held and all the children had a good afternoon. Father Christmas (yes, there is one) visited and the school was open for everyone to come and join in Carols, Sherry and mince pies.

HALF TERM

Schools' last day before half term is Friday 12 February and 'Back to School Day' is Monday 22 February.



POSTSCRIPT

Ian Pirnie the vice-chairman of our PCC has temporarily relinquished his post as Chairman of the Hospital Authority in this area in order to take on the difficult task of Chairman of the troubled Ashworth Hospital Trust. Ian clearly likes a challenge and we can but wish him well in his herculean labour. With his skill, strong will and smooth diplomacy he is sure to succeed.

We are lucky to have our very own poet laureate in Colton - Jean Sly - who not only sings in the choir, plays the organ but also writes a pithy verse. Usually, as last time, head scratching and thought provoking. Her latest, "No Rush" is no exception.

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No Rush

When I grow up I am going to be -
Well there's no rush now
Whilst I'm young and free.

Oh I'll do it soon
For there's plenty of - gee!
Am I sixty three ?

Oh another time
And another day
Oh I meant to call
And I meant to say.

Oh the churchyard's cold
And the churchyards grey !
What a beautiful tombstone !
Let me see -
It says R.I.P.
Who's lying there ?
It's me !

jean sly

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OVERSEAS

We have heard from Roger Perry who is , so he tells us, 'defending the faith' in Split. It seems it is a touch cold in Croatia but as yet does not require WI balaclava or mittens. He just can't wait to get back to the warmth of Bouth !



CLAIMING DATES

- 27 January Lunch Club - Eagles Head - Satterthwaite - 12.30pm.
- 28 January Lunch Club - White Hart - Bouth - 12.00 - 12.30pm.
- 2 February The Presentation of Christ..
- 7 February Sexagesima - Family Service - 9.30am.- Coffee afterwards.
- 8 February P C C - Church Hall - 7.30pm.
- 10 February Lunch Club - Eagles Head-12.30p.
- 10 February Bouth WI - 'Booths Supermarket' - Village Hall - 7.15pm.
- 14 February St Valentine. - Holy Communion - 9.30am.
- 17 February Ash Wednesday - First Day of Lent - Service - 6.30pm.
- 21 February Holy Communion - 11.15am.
- 24 February Lunch Club - Eagles Head - 12.30pm.
- 24 February OPEN MEETING - BOUTH VILLAGE HALL - 7.30pm.
- 25 February Lunch Club - White Hart -12.00 - 12.30pm.
- 28 February Holy Communion - 11.15am.
- 1 March St David
- 3 March M U Service - 2.00pm. - Rusland Church.
- 5 March Womens' World day of Prayer - Sawrey Church - 2.00pm.
- 7 March 450th. Anniversary of the Book of Common Prayer +

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