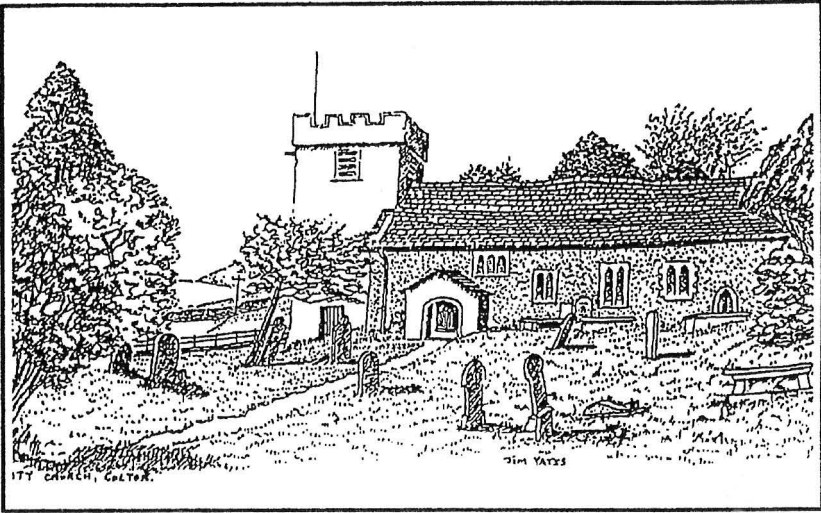




PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

HOLY TRINITY 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

THE PASTORAL LETTER

February 1998

Dear Friends

Our latest confirmation group have now completed their course and, by the time you read this, they will have been confirmed. We are so fortunate that the Bishop of Penrith, the Right Revd. Richard Garrard, has kindly offered to come out to Colton to confer the Sacrament.

Incidentally, the last Confirmation at Colton was in 1984 . This year all the youngsters are from Colton parish, and **all** are from farming families which is why we needed a date outside the busiest time for lambing!

Taking the classes has been for me, as always, a reminder of the "Duties of Church membership", which we deal with when studying the Catechism (Oh, yes, we still use the Catechism, in its 'Revised' form, for A.D. 2000 and beyond.)

Do you remember the 'Rule'? "To follow the example of Christ in home and daily life; to read the Bible carefully; to attend church every Sunday; to receive Holy Communion regularly; to give personal service to the church, neighbours and community; and to give (money) for the work of parish, diocese, and the work of the church elsewhere."

Most of us would readily admit that **we** have not lived up to this ideal; yet in our parishes of Colton, Satterthwaite and Rusland, as in other parts, there is a vast amount of 'spiritual capital' built up by each generation and producing the caring communities of today.

We can all recall the quiet, hard-working souls who were, and are, always ready to help their neighbours. These are the ones whom our Lord called 'salt of the earth' the 'leaven in the baking' and we can thank God that there are such in every generation.

Let us hope that our new 'adult' members will be able and willing to carry on

the task of showing God's love here and wherever they may go. May God bless them and each one of you.

Yours sincerely

Doreen Harrison

Doreen Harrison (Curate)



CHURCH MATTERS

Our thoughts this month are for the young people who recently have been Confirmed and Doreen has asked that we all pray for them.

BRIAN CORNTHWAITE	Old Hall Farm
HANNAH JACKSON	Oxen Park Farm
CLAIRE MILBURN	Stock Farm
ROBERT MILBURN	Stock Farm
AMY POSTLETHWAITE	New Close Farm
JOHN POSTLETHWAITE	New Close Farm
JAMES WATSON	Tottlebank Farm
PETER WATSON	Tottlebank Farm

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There was a Deanery Synod at the end January but it almost passed unnoticed; the Diocese is carrying out an infrastructure review which seems to be shrouded in mystery and confusion. We are told however that all will be come clear during May when incidentally there will be a Deanery Visitation, on the 14th. to be precise.

The Bridge Report which you may recall is dealing with the reform of Synodical Governance of the Church of England had a rough ride at the General Synod by Clergy and Laity alike and the debate is likely to rumble (as in thunder) on for some time.

We also had a PCC where the future of our Ministry took pride of place; it is as yet too early to say what the final outcome will be but it does look promising. What is sure is that the three valley parishes will stay together and that some finance is in reserve should we need a parsonage in the future.

Our Finances are in fair shape despite the various works that have been carried out during the last year but, although the planned giving is up the collections were down and we are surviving on Investment Income. As we have said before and will again 'the Lord loves a cheerful giver'!

The Services in Lent will include 11.15am. Mothering Sunday Family Service Sunday, 22 March; 6.30pm. Holy Communion (not Sung) on Maundy Thursday, 9 April; 2.00 - 3.00pm. Service of Devotion on Good Friday 10 April.

Other dates to note are the Annual Parish Church Meeting is to be held on the 20 April and nominations will be required for election to the PCC. The Garden Fête will take place on 18 July.

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The Women's World Day of Prayer for our area will be held in St. Annes Church Haverthwaite on Friday 6 March at 2.00pm. The speaker will be the Rev. Doreen Harrison; Refreshments will be served , afterwards, in the Parish Rooms and everybody is welcome .

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MOTHERS UNION

The Mothers Union will meet next on Wednesday 4 March in Bouth Village Hall at 2.30pm. The speaker will be Mrs Wright and her subject , 'Working with the Blind in Africa'. The following meeting will be held on 1 April in Rusland Parish Room again at 2.30pm. when Mr. & Mrs. Wilson will be talking about The Salvation Army.

Please note the times of these two meetings.

The Lady Day service will be held in Colton Church on Wednesday 25 March at 2.30pm. and will be taken by the Rev. Doreen Harrison . We shall be joined on this occasion by the Leven Valley Mothers Union.

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PARISH NEWS

It is not always easy finding the words you want, at least not the right ones, particularly on sad occasions and this is a very sad occasion. Tom Wren died on 9 February five days before his 85th. birthday . The church was full for his funeral service which our Curate Doreen conducted and spoke movingly about Tom, his life, his work and his faith.

He was a remarkable man with a deep christian faith and a sharp wit, a born and bred Cumbrian with a depth and breadth of knowledge of many subjects and particularly of life. He worked as a woodsman mainly with Holker Estates and saw service in the army in Burma often recalling his lifetime's experiences with a keen insight and a countryman's scholarship. He was a great reader and had an extensive knowledge of poetry which he loved and loved to quote.

He will be sorely missed and we extend our sympathy and love to his widow and family. Our Sundays will never be the same without that stooping figure leaning on the font with words of welcome to all and perhaps a sharp reminder to those who did not respond properly - he was loved!

Despite the mild weather it is winter and sickness has been about, both James

Lambert and Ted Boon have spent some time in Furness General but are happily back home and on the mend. Ted has to give up smoking so don't encourage him.

Some people are gluttons for punishment, Jack Burns has had a horrendous few years following a knee replacement operation and he is now back in hospital having the other one 'done'. The news is that so far all is well and Jack should be home by now. We wish you and Cynthia all the best and a happy and successful convalescence.

It is birthday time again and congratulations are due to Sarah and Stephen Patton on the birth of Daniel Thomas on Friday 6 February, a brother for Faye. Congratulations also to Hazel and David Sankey on the birth of Emma again on 6 February and a sister for Rebecca.

Jane and Bonzo Johnson chose delightful names for their daughters but gave problems to us lesser mortals who apparently have trouble in spelling them. For the record the name is Tamsin not Tasmin as printed in last month's edition. I am comforted by the words of Churchill who once said "All great men make mistakes."

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We commented in the last Parish News that when Christine Dobson went to hospital following what she described as 'her little accident' she had a four hour wait. Christine writes 'that I had wonderful treatment in Furness Hospital from the moment I got there until I left three days later. Great kindness and consideration from all staff, and the surgeon came to the ward to explain why I had to wait - a more urgent case had come in after me. The whole incident was a heart-warming experience.' As we have said before Christine is a remarkable person.

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"I shall remember while the light lives yet
And in the night time I shall not forget"

A C Swinburne

What a joy the Confirmation Service was with the warmth of our church matching Bishop Richard's finery: it was also a joy to have an evening service where one felt uplifted rather than just penitent and let's face it we all need a lift from time to time. Perhaps we can be more flexible in the future with our service times?

Congratulations to the young people on their confirmation and how good it was to see the church full with energetic singing ably led, as always, by our choir and organist.

Doreen says "THANK YOU" to all who helped in any way to make our Confirmation Service such a happy and memorable event. Well, on behalf of all of you may I as your editor say "THANK YOU DOREEN" without you it never would have happened.

Also our thanks to Bishop Richard and his wife Anne who travelled from Penrith to be with us on this joyous occasion. Indeed without the Bishop we could not have had a Confirmation.

"Wisdom is the principle thing; therefore get wisdom:
and with all thy getting get understanding"

Proverbs

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WOMENS INSTITUTE NEWS

BOUTH

In January Wendy Keegan, President of Sparkbridge & Lowick, came to our open meeting but was unable to talk about the Crake Industries (her husband had misplaced her notes!) Being an avid collector since childhood she brought along a fascinating assortment of fashion accessories, fans, boxes, buttons etc. etc. and illustrated how it is possible to start a collection at car boot sales, for example, and end up with a captivating hobby.

In February Mr. Staughton from Rookhow told us about the Quaker movement in this area starting with George Fox at Swarthmoor and the part played by Rook How as a meeting house in the district. The house stands in

14 acres of woodland and has been developed as a self-catering hostel for any denomination but with particular preference for disabled and disadvantaged children and adults.

The monthly W.I. walkers intend to visit Rookhow and will be welcome to a coffee and a look around. The next meeting is scheduled for 11 March when Mr. J Nettleton will talk about 'Beatrix Potter's Lake District.

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SPARKBRIDGE & LOWICK

President Mrs. Keegan welcomed twelve members and a visitor to the January meeting held in the warmth of the back supper room of the "Farmers Arms," Lowick. After the business, including the report on the 'Consultative Meeting', Mrs. Keegan introduced Mr. Whalley who took members on a pictorial ride along the Lancaster canal, showing some beautiful slides, whilst explaining the history of the canal and giving an insight on how life must have been when the canal was a busy and thriving working thoroughfare and how it has developed as a recreational waterway.

Mrs. Campbell thanked Mr. Whalley after which tea was served. As Mrs. Daniels was the only member to have brought a paper boat she, not surprisingly, won the competition. Mrs. Phizaclea won the raffle. The next meeting is to be held on 24 March when Mr. G Wood will be giving a slide show, anyone would be most welcome to join us.

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SCHOOL NEWS

CARTMEL PRIORY

Cartmel, like all Grant Aided schools, is reflecting on what the future may bring with the introduction of the new Education Act and more importantly the regulations that will stem from it. There certainly will be changes in the next academic year and if normal protocol is followed the school might know before the start of the Autumn term.

Life, however, goes on and this is the preparation time for those so important

exams and the future of the pupils to think of. To this end the school is holding a Careers Road Show at 7.30pm. on 17 March when speakers from Industry, Commerce and Education will be present.

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SATTERTHWAITE & RUSLAND

At the end of last year John Ruskin School held a 'Book Week' for all feeder Primary Schools in the area. School had two winners - congratulations to Amey Packham for her short story and Adam Crowe for his Book Review.

The Topic for this Term is Greeks and Ancient Greece.

Quiz night at the Manor, Oxen Park is in March so please look out for the posters for the date. All are welcome.

Fiona Baxter is holding a second hand book sale in Satterthwaite Parish Rooms on Saturday 28 March 1.00 - 5.00pm. Proceeds to P.T.A. and anyone wishing to donate books please leave at Fiona's at Danes How.

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THE CHRISTIAN

There are many definitions of Christians and here is one,
tongue in cheek, perhaps ?

A Christian is a man who feels
Repentance on a Sunday
For what he did on Saturday
And is going to do on Monday.

Thomas Russell Ybarra.



CLAIMING DATES

- 1 March Family Service - 9.30am. - Coffee in Hall afterwards.
- 4 March M.U.- Bouth Village Hall - 2.30pm.
- 6 March Womens World Day of Prayer - Haverthwaite Church, 2.00pm.
- 8 March Holy Communion - 9.30am.
- 11 March Bouth W.I. - Village Hall - 7.15pm.
- 15 March Holy Communion - 11.15am.
- 17 March St. Patrick.
- 22 March Mothering Sunday Family Service - 11.15am.
- 24 March Sparkbridge & Lowick W.I.
- 25 March Lady Day Service - Colton Church - 2.30pm.
- 28 March School Book Sale - Satterthwaite Parish Room - 1.00 - 5.00pm.
- 29 March Passion Sunday - Mattins -9.30am.- Summertime begins
advance clocks One hour. ✱
- 1 April M.U.- Rusland Parish Room - 2.30pm.
- 5 April Palm Sunday - Family Service - 9.30am. Coffee in Hall after.
- 9 April Maundy Thursday - Holy Communion (not sung) - 6.30pm.
- 10 April + Good Friday + Service of Devotion - 2.00 - 3.00pm.
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- 13 May *Christian Aid Luncheon - Satterthwaite Parish Room.*

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. Curate.