



PARISH NEWS

Holy Trinity Church

COLTON

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SERVICES

1st Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Family Service
2nd Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Holy Communion
3rd Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Holy Communion
4th Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Holy Communion
5th Sunday in the month	9.45 am	Morning Prayer

SERVICES AND CLAIMING DATES

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| 30 November | Bouth Village Green Committee
7.00 pm Village Hall |
| 3 December | Advent Sunday Family Service 9.45 am
G. Wyngate -Saul |
| 6 December | Mother's Union Advent Service
2 pm Satterthwaite |
| 10 December | Holy Communion 9.45 am.
Canon W. Tyson |
| 13 December | W.I. Christmas Party
Bouth Village Hall |
| 17 December | NO Morning Service
Carol Service 4.00 pm Rev.S. Wareham |
| 24 December | Family Christmas Service 9.45 am.
Holy Communion 11.30 pm. Rev. S. Wareham |
| 25 December | Christmas Day |
| 26 December | St. Stephen's Day (Boxing Day) |
| 27 December | St. John the Evengelists Day |
| 28 December | Holy Innocents' Day |
| 31 December | Holy Communion 9. 45 am
Rev. S. Wareham |
| 1 January | Naming of Jesus |
| 6 January | Epiphany |
| 7 January | Family Service 9.45 am
Rev. S. Wareham |

14 January	Holy Communion 9.45 am Canon . W. Tyson
21 January	Holy Communion 9.45 am Rev. S. Wareham
25 January	Conversion of St. Paul
28 January	Holy Communion 9.45 am Rev. S. Wareham
4 February	The 9th Sunday before Easter

N.B. The news of those taking Services in January is provisional

From the Rev. Sheila Wareham December 1995

Dear Friends,

Towards the end of last month I spent a day in Lancaster. It was a wet and miserable day and through the gloom my eyes were drawn to a brightly lit shop sign: "SUGAR AND SPICE". Crossing the road to get a closer look I saw that this was a shop full of beautiful clothes, prams, cots and toys for babies.

My mind was drawn to the baby whose birth 2000 years ago, we celebrate at Christmas time.

NO SUCH LUXURIES FOR HIM
NO FRILLS AND FANCIES
NO TOYS

Just a bed of straw in a refuge far from home.

That fact seems to get lost in all the preparations for Christmas today. Amidst the cards, presents, turkey, mince pies, fir trees, carols, can you see the baby?

It is right to celebrate. God comes to us afresh with the reminder of the birth of a baby. God has made Himself and His nature known to us in the Christmas miracle.

As we share goodwill and love with our friends and families, let us also share with others the picture of a baby born into the world that we might have eternal life.

In the words of Ann Lewin:

Ready for Christmas?
You're joking! With all
I've got to do,
I'll be lucky if
I'm ready by
This time next year.

Stir-up Sunday
Found me without even
the ingredients,
Let alone the time to
Stir them....

The cards -
I was going to write
More than
"Hope all is well"
This year
But I haven't

Shopping's a nightmare
With all those people
Intent on spending
Christmas.....

Working out who's
Visiting who, and
Who'll be offended
If we don't.....

The tree, the decorations,
Enough food for the cat,
Not to mention us,
I'll never be ready,

But I'm certainly ready for
Christmas - that moment when
The world seems hushed
In silent expectation,
The light in the stable
Draws us from chaos
To the stillness of
God at the centre.
And love is born

I'm longing for that.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a joyful and love filled
Christmas.

Sheila

CHRISTIAN HUMOUR

It was the Christmas season and the Vicar decided to ask the children what difference it would make if Christ had not been born. There were the usual answers.....no Christmas trees, no presents, no nativity play and so on. After the Service, one ten-year old boy sidled up to the Vicar and said, "If Jesus hadn't been born, you'd be out of a job". The Vicar was glad that that point hadn't been made during the service!

FROM THE REGISTERS

Christian Burial

Friday 27th October

Mrs. K. Abraham

The Service was conducted by the Rev B. Armitage from Yorkshire

PARISH NOTES

After nearly three years of cajoling reluctant parishioners to come forth with news, information and titbits for this magazine, Christine Dobson is putting the cap on her pen.

We are all indebted to Christine for not only keeping the Church Magazine alive during a very trying period but for doing so in such a lively, informative and captivating style. Christine will be a hard act to follow and your present 'volunteered' incumbent is feeling very nervous.

Mistakes and errors are bound to occur so please be patient; on the positive side we are blessed with a most efficient typographical operator in Joanna Henson.

Whilst on the subject of putting caps on pen, Judy Redhead has given notice that she intends to retire as secretary of the PCC. Judy has been Secretary for an incredible fourteen years not only recording what people actually said, as opposed to what they thought they said, but also dealing with Church and Parish correspondence always in an efficient manner; more of this at a later date.

The **IMPORTANT** thing is that by the next AGM in April 1996, we require a new Secretary - **PLEASE!**

SUCCESS - The wonderful total of £1330 was sent to Christian Aid in this the 50th year of this so deserving Charity. This sum was amassed from the Soup and Cheese lunch, the Coffee morning held at the house of Wendy and Peter Smith and the two collections of boxes. The committee would like to thank all who gave and those who helped in so many ways. On your behalf I would like to that 'The Committee'

Zella Slater has done it again! Not only was her Coffee morning notable for Zella's wonderful food but it raised £260 for the NSPCC. Our thanks seem a little inadequate - but 'Thank you' - Zella.

Mrs. K. Abraham died recently and at the age of 96 she was the oldest "Friend of Colton Church" Since leaving the Parish 20 years ago she kept in touch by taking the Parish Magazine. She was buried at Colton on 27th October next to the graves of her dear friends Austin and Bea Smith. We send sympathy to her daughter and grandchildren.

Eric Aspinall of Black Beck, a character and stalwart of these parts, died on 8th November 1995, aged 73. His funeral took place at the Crematorium on the 13th November. Our sympathy to Kate and the family.

We send our good wishes to Jean and John Mitchell who have recently become "mine hostess and host" at the Manor House, Oxenpark. David Oldham organised a very succesful musical evening at the "Manor" and an official welcome took place on the 4th November.

We extend our best wishes to Mrs. B. Wright, Hilary Brook's Mum, who is not very well in Furness General Hospital.

We also have news that 'Dr. Mac' has been in hospital for an operation and is now recovering and is at 'Boarbank'. We send our good wishes.

The collection round continues with its earnest deliberation and this time the Oxfam Fund is £46.50 better off. We thank all those in Bouth who participated.

Christine Dobson reminds me that I have to remind you, the readers, that the cost of this Magazine , FOR THE YEAR, is now £3.00.

" All the choir of heaven and furniture of earth - in a word, all those bodies which compose the mighty frame of the world - have not any subsistence without a mind."

Bishop Berkeley

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3 December	Christine Dobson
10 December	Christine Dobson
17 December	Christmas Decorations
24 December	Christmas Decorations
31 December	Christmas Decorations
7 January	Mrs. M. Campbell

The rota for the remainder of January has not yet been fixed. If anybody would like to put flowers on the Altar in Church on a particular Sunday during 1996, for an Anniversary or in Remembrance, please contact Mrs. W. Smith Tel. 015395 31872



THE MOTHER'S UNION

The Mother's Union are holding an Advent Service in Satterthwaite Parish Church on Wednesday 6th December at 2.00 pm, to be taken by Canon Southward. Light refreshments will be served after the Service in the Parish Room and everyone will be welcome.

There will be no meetings during January and February.

FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Following the successful inaugural meeting a second gathering took place at Ealinghearth and again St. Mark's Gospel was the subject of the discussion. Dealing with symbolism and praying for the body, mind and spirit.

Both meetings have been lively and friendly; an invitation is extended to you all. The next meeting is at Ealinghearth, the home of Peter and Wendy Smith, on Thursday 30th November at 7.30 pm. and the subject for discussion....."The Eucharist"

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE, BOUTH

The Annual Meeting was held on Wednesday 8th November, unfortunately with a very low turn out. In consequence, there were no acceptances for either President or Secretary. Neither were there sufficient nominations to form a full committee.

The existing President and Secretary have agreed to continue, in a caretaking capacity, until after the Christmas Party which will be held on Wednesday 13th December in Bouth Village Hall.

CHURCH SCHOOL EDUCATION

The Church of England provides Christian Education in this area both at junior and senior level. The Parish of Colton provides at least one Governor to Leven Valley School and to Cartmel School.

Both are excellent schools and your Governors are Sally Pirnie at Levens and Donald Wroe at Cartmel. If you have any queries or want to know anything about these two schools do not hesitate to contact Sally or Donald. If you can find them at home!

An old Cumberland Saying

" Some to Church
Some to Fell
Some to Heaven
and
Some to Hell"

FINAL THOUGHTS

In an age where youth tends to dominate and all too often maturity has to take a back seat there is, perchance, more to life than a computer keyboard, with or without a mouse.

As you mature.....

You learn not to engage in self-destructive behaviour

You learn not to burn up energy in anxiety

You discover how to manage tension

You learn that self pity and resentment are amongst the most toxic of drugs

You find the world loves talent but rewards character

You come to understand that most people are neither for you or against you; they are thinking about themselves

You learn that no matter how hard you try to please, some people in this world are not going to love you - a lesson that is at first troubling but in the end quite relaxing,

It may almost be a question whether such wisdom as many of us have in our mature years has not come from the dying out of the power of temptation, rather than as the result of thought and resolution.

Trollope

