



PARISH NEWS

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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 2002

Dear friends

I pray that the New Year has begun hopefully and reasonably healthily for you. It will be a busy year for all of us and so, we need God's help as ever and must not be tempted by busyness to forget Him!

One highlight will be the Golden Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen. How good it is, for those of us who are old enough can look back on 50 years of relative peace. Whatever else we have gone through, Great Britain has remained our stable home.

The festival will be held nationally over the whole of the weekend plus, 1 June to 4 June and with two bank holidays! On Sunday 2 June there will be a public celebratory service in each of our three churches. We hope to have at least one church-related project in each parish and maybe do something for the wider parish communities in each parish too.

I trust that our schools will take part in some appropriate activity and I have approached the two civil parish councils to lend our support to them and to make sure that our plans are co-ordinated with theirs.

Even before the Jubilee our parishes have good cause for celebration; this year our Confirmation is to be on the morning of Sunday 5 May at COLTON. **Please** make sure that none of your neighbours miss this opportunity to become fully-fledged members of the Church of God. Young or more mature i.e. "rising 12" to 100 + are welcome!

See me to get your preparation/instruction arranged; I am happy to come and meet groups or individuals at their homes each week. The Confirmation will never be nearer or more welcoming.

Now, for weddings! I have booked the first three of 2002 already, all at Colton. Some people get the idea that Church rules are inflexible and stern. **NO!** Do come and see me and we can talk it over and can I remind you that church weddings do not 'cost the earth' (less than £200 – you could pay more than that for your flowers)

If there are any complications come and chat with me and I will unscramble the jargon.

It is wonderful to see the new animals happily munching in our fields; this is a good place to be, with good folk around us. Anyone would be proud to be parish priest here. I know that I am! [Doreen, we are proud and glad to have you. Ed.]

So God bless you and keep you safe in His love and care. Be happy, keep healthy and enjoy a Holy Lent.

Yours sincerely

Doreen Harrison, parish priest.

COLTON CHRONICLES

'How often misused words generate misleading thoughts.'

H. Spencer.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has announced his retirement and the messy process of appointing a successor has started. Regrettably this process has already become political and as we know, politics in any form is an unseemly business. Sadly it is not the church or the Queen who has the final word but the Prime Minister!

There has been a PCC meeting, which was dysfunctional and lengthy but did get through a fair bit of work. The future of the Deanery generated an exchange of views without reaching a conclusion and the good news is that through the good stewardship of Bonzo we are financially afloat. It is the money he saves on oil.

The loop system is still being considered as there is a problem in that Digital aids do not work with this system. On safer ground Jane, Bonzo's better half, has

generously offered to create an Altar Frontal for the Queen's Jubilee. The PCC also considered a small stained glass window decorated with the Royal Cipher.

The organ needs some attention as it keeps doing its own thing to the distress of our organists who, week in and week out work extremely hard to provide us with precious music. We are very lucky and particularly so a Sunday or two back when Barbara pleasantly startled the congregation, at the end of the service, with a grand rendering of the Gavotte by Thomas Arne. The PCC is appreciative of peoples' work in and for our church.

"In a more serious vein, the proposals for the future ministry of the Rusland Valley churches are being revealed from the veil of secrecy. The official thinking is that Rusland & Satterthwaite will join up with Hawkshead & Sawrey whilst Colton will be shuffled off to Egton-cum-Newland & Lowick. No effort has been made to keep the three parishes together and one suspects that the proposals are financially driven. Your comments are not just welcome they are needed!"

The next PCC will be held on the 11 March. The December Fair raised £400 or so, please accept the usual thanks.

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FLOWER ROTA

3 February Mrs M Campbell

10 February Mrs M Campbell

Wednesday 13 February is Ash Wednesday

LENT



COFFEE ROTA

3 February Mrs Z Slater

3 March Mrs S Dean

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MOTHERS UNION

A large number of our members attended the Deanery Advent service at St. Anne's Haverthwaite in December, which was very uplifting and enjoyed by all.

This is a quiet period for our branch as we normally expect adverse weather conditions but more recently we have visited the Leven Valley branch and joined in their January & February meetings helping to swell their numbers. So, on Tuesday 16 January we went to Haverthwaite where the Leven valley held a 'bring and buy' sale and where a young man from Flookburgh exhibited his work on illustrating books.

His latest work, which enthralled members, was the illustration of a new Bible for children for an American publisher.

On Tuesday 12 February we will again be visiting the Leven Valley when Anne Emmett will be demonstrating her 'Painting on Silk'. Anyone needing transport please contact either Margaret or Wendy.

Mc

Just in case the usual happens and the diary dates and times are not entirely accurate the Mothers Union want their own, not that they put it that way but the message was clear.

12 February Leven Valley at Haverthwaite – 2.00pm.

1 March Womens World Day of Prayer at Rusland – 2.00pm

6 March Satterthwaite Parish Room – 2.30pm.

and something that is nothing to do with them but they mentioned it just the same

23 & 24 March Rusland Valley Horticultural Society Spring Show.

'For we that please to live must live to please.'

S Johnson



PARISH NEWS

The goose got fat, was eaten, Christmas, spirit and all, has gone and all that remains is for any ladies in the parish who were unhappy with the 'wonderful' present from their partner to find the receipt!

Congratulations to Tiezy Teasdale who celebrated her 88th. Birthday in January and Elizabeth, daughter of Jack & Cynthia who has been promoted to Deputy Ward Manager for the Special Baby Unit at Barrow General.

It is grandchildren time again and so congratulations to Margaret & Frank Campbell on the birth of granddaughter Chloe on 13 December and also to Joanna & Bob Henson on the birth of grandson Harvey on 12 January. Whether these additions to their families will keep them young or merely make them feel older is a matter of debate.

There are three gentlemen of Bouth all of mature years who apparently believe they are still 26, with the unfortunate consequence that they all had tumbles which resulted in cuts and bruise all round accompanied by cracked ribs. We wish them all a speedy release from pain and full recovery but will refrain from offering them advice in case we are similarly injudicious.

We also send our best wishes to Eileen Buttriss daughter of May who has now returned home after having a knee joint replacement and will shortly be returning to have the other one 'done'. Those of us who have been there know it is an unpleasant experience and our thoughts and prayers are with her. Tommy (Lambert) is now nicely settled in at Aldingham Rest Home which will be a relief to May and we wish them both well.

Sorry folks but it is back to Christmas. First, a big thanks to the ladies of Bouth W I who laid on a magnificent party not only providing the food but some great raffle prizes and entertainment.

Members of the Ulverston School Band, who played valiantly in atrocious conditions, enhanced the Carols round the Bouth tree. We are more than grateful to the Minton family for their generosity, as without it we would not have had anything to sing round or hang lights on. Also thanks to Kath and Nigel Barton of the White Hart for the mince pies and mulled wine. The collection for St. Mary's Hospice amounted to £120 - must do better next year!

The Carol Service at church was as charming and as evocative as ever; much thanks to all involved and to the Miners for the church tree. That is about it, apart from the Village Hall bingo, which raised a much-needed £500 for the Hall. Special thanks to May Lambert & Alma Pennington without whom it never would have happened. The less said about the dyslexic caller the better but it did add some spice to the evening. Who is he? Don't even ask.

Colton House, staff and residents would like to thank everyone in the parish for the donations received for their Bus appeal. They have now got the bus but need help towards the running costs.

Barbara tells me 'I don't do tidy' and I tend to mislay things, like bits of paper thrust into my hot little hand, so if I have missed anyone or anything out, my apologies and if you let me know I will try to do better next month.

Donald.



'Yes Minister' is still alive and well.

This, from official Cumbria County Council advice to schools. "*It is essential that all schools have a Policy for the development of policies. Without that policy, policies will be developed randomly and without an overall cohesion that a Policy Policy will provide.*"

WOMENS INSTITUTE

The next meeting of the Sandringham branch is to be held in Sandringham House as the Queen and Queen Mother find the Village Hall a little too cold at this time of year. *From the Daily Telegraph.*

BOUTH

We began the year by inviting friends and family to hear Bobby Dobson describe his journeys to Greenland and Baffin Island to cross the frozen sea with dogs. The temperature, - 30°C, eating seal meat and blubber to provide 3000 calories a day needed to survive, sleeping under canvass and the comradeship between men and dogs in the extreme conditions. Bobby's slides vividly showed the vast and barren white landscape. It was a sharp contrast to the excesses of Christmas and the thoughts of warm summer holidays.

Our diary dates are rapidly filling with events and outings taking place in the next few months; a good year in prospect after the sad but necessary restrictions of 2001. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 13 February at 7.25pm. when Mrs Jennifer Buxton will give a talk on 'Cooking Disasters' (that'll be popular. Ed.)

Golden Jubilee – A special meeting, for ALL not just W I, is to be held on Wednesday 27 February at 7.30pm in Bouth Village Hall to discuss ways in which to celebrate this occasion, Please attend, with ideas! bmw



SPARKBRIDGE & LOWICK

It is believed they are still sleeping off their excellent Festive Dinner. Perhaps nearer the truth is that they have not as yet held their January meeting but normal service will resume next month.



SCHOOL NEWS

CARTMEL PRIORY

The school is justly proud of its sporting achievements and is now finding success in the performing arts. Congratulations to Rhiannon James who has won a place, as a violinist, in the National Children's Orchestra. We hope to build on this success with the appointment of Rachel Lee as Head of Music. Rachel, for over ten years, has been the Director of the renowned 'Rushley Singers', which she founded. The group, from Lancaster, regularly sing Evensong in Blackburn Cathedral. daw



LEVEN VALLEY

Sadly, Mrs Julia Jones who has been at school for 13 years, first as Deputy and then as Head has retired on grounds of ill health. A special leaving Assembly was held when children, staff, governors and parents said 'Thank You' for her years of dedicated service and to present leaving gifts. The children, fittingly, led the assembly, which was a moving tribute to a very special person. Mrs Jones will be greatly missed in Leven Valley School.

We were privileged to have a special visitor in December when Bishop Graham Dow visited the school. ls



SATTERTHAITE & RUSLAND

We will be holding our Annual Coffee Morning at the Coronation Hall on Thursday 14 February starting at 9.45am. Raffle, Tombola, Cakes etc and the 'Best coffee in the North West'!!!! **BE THERE** another 1s



St. MARY'S HOSPICE – LEVEN VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP

We held a very successful event on 4 December at the Coach House, Lakeland Village when Alan Milner gave a humorous demonstration on the 'Art of Flower Arranging' It was a jolly evening and raised £613.20 for the Hospice.

The committee would like to thank the Whitewater Hotel, the Lakeland Village, Mr Milner, those who gave and those who came.

The next event will be the Annual Summer Fair and car Boot Sale on Sunday 7 July at the Haverthwaite Playing Fields.



CRIME WATCH

No news or information this month as regrettably, our favourite Policeman, PC John Baldwin was assaulted in the course of his duties. We wish him a speedy and full recovery. Telephones: Ulverston: 10229 824 532. Crime Stoppers: 0800 555 111

DIARY DATES

- 1 February St. Brigid, Abbess
- 2 February Presentation of Christ
- 3 February Family Service – 9.30am. – Coffee afterwards.
- 10 February Holy Communion – 9.30am.
- 11 February Standing Committee.
- 13 February Ash Wednesday – Bouth W I – Village Hall – 7.15pm.
- 14 February St. Valentine – Satterthwaite & Rusland School – Coffee Morning
Coronation Hall – 9.45am. →
- 17 February Holy Communion – 11.15am.
- 23 February Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr.
- 24 February Holy Communion – 11.15am.
- 27 February Golden Jubilee Meeting – Bouth Village Hall – 7.30pm.
- 1 March St. David.
- 11 March P C C.

EASTER

- 28 March Maundy Thursday – Holy Communion – 6.30pm.
- 29 March Good Friday – Devotions – 2.00pm.
- 31 March Easter Sunday – Holy Communion – 9.30am.



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