



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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Dear friends

This time of year has brought us new beginnings for the parishes in the '**Growing Healthy Churches**' plan, for our Confirmation candidates as they begin life as adult members of the Church of God (not just the C of E) and as an introduction to our new Bishop of Penrith.

It may also have been an introduction for him as we talked with farmers, school children and an assortment of the local citizenry!

June is a time for a fresh look at our nation as we join with HM the Queen in her Golden Jubilee celebrations. Rusland PCC suggested a grand get-together for the three parishes before we all go on our several ways after November and the proposal for a joint 'do' at Whitestock Meadow has been accepted by the Jubilee 'committee'! At Colton, my tentative suggestion for a modest piece of stained glass in a chancel window has also grown into a firm intention to celebrate the Royal year with a window in the south aisle (actually above the main door) and the plan is being facilitated by the inevitable committee/group; with visits to local churches to look at good examples of modern glass.

We could also celebrate more than 30+ years of the link between our three parishes and communities, apart from a couple of >

Years of intermission, but what about our own lives and the chance to take stock this year?

As we remember the Confirmation 'vows' and the Coronation Oaths of our Queen we could decide to look towards our own future and, like the late Queen Mother, give it a firm direction in duty to God and our neighbour.

Interestingly, our 3 PCC's found, in the Healthy Churches' project, that they seemed stronger in neighbourliness than in Godliness, that is, if Godliness is meant to mean spiritual things! We can all look at our prayer life and its reflection in our daily lives; let the joy of the Gospel shine through!

Our Quaker Friends remind us that 'there is that of God in everyone' so may our Jubilee fun and fellowship show this across this lovely part of Furness. Bless you all.

Yours sincerely

Doreen Harrison, Parish Priest.



JUBILEE SERVICES

Lively services to be held in all three parishes as noted in the May newsletters.

Sunday 2 June – 9.30am. - COLTON
11.15am -SATTERTHWAITE
and 6.30pm. - RUSLAND.

Come & join the national Church celebrations and enjoy some well known *patriotic hymns!!*

COLTON CHRONICLES

We have been taken to task about what some see as beastly criticism of the Church hierarchy, well, the following is but a small example of what goes on. Serious obstacles have been placed in the way of two of the strongest candidates for the next Archbishop of Canterbury.

A clutch of African Bishops have written to Downing Street and the Commission objecting to the Archbishop of Wales on the grounds that he is too liberal. The Archbishop of York has objected to the Bishop of London on the spurious grounds that he (Bishop of London) has made ‘improvements’ on Schemes originated by the Archbishop. We shall continue to use the phrase ‘the iniquities of the Church hierarchy!’

The Healthy Churches exercise resulted in a stunning self-analysis of our church and ourselves and it will come as no surprise that we are a steadfast collection of strong-minded individuals. The comment of our parish priest in her Pastoral Letter is intriguing as it occurs to this parishioner that the interpretation of Godliness in our rural community is spiritual but pragmatic and can be best summed up in that oft quoted Biblical phrase ‘Thou shall love thy neighbour as thyself.’

In reality we probably do not talk enough together and whilst it is no criticism of anybody we need training in intercessions and readings and we need to make our worship more attractive. Just a flavour of the discussions but it should tell you that the PCC is working on your behalf to strengthen Colton Church.

Jack Burns has stood down from the Deanery Synod after a record-breaking 42 years. We add our congratulations and thanks to those of the Synod who gave him a well deserved round of applause. Well-done Jack, but you could not have done it without Cynthia.

CHRISTIAN AID

What a good lot you are, as you not only listened to the pleas of help you dug deep and gave over £1,000. It would not have happened without the wonderful band of workers and givers and it certainly would not have happened without Judy Redhead, who organised, advertised (star of Cumbria radio), chivvied and worked like two. Thank you Judy and everybody else, we are lucky to have you.

FLOWER ROTA

2 June Trinity Flowers

9 June Wedding Flowers

16 June Wedding Flowers

23 June Wedding Flowers

30 June New Wedding Flowers



COFFEE ROTA

2 June Zella Slater



MOTHERS UNION

It has been a very busy month for our Branch; on 22 April we hosted Afternoon Tea at Rusland when members from other Deanery Branches came to meet our two visitors from Zululand, Ruth and Tulukali who are visiting the Diocese. This was a return visit following the visit of members from our Diocese to Zululand last year. Presiding member Mrs Campbell presented each visitor with a small coaster from Grizedale Forest together with a book on Cumbrian Lakeland, to take back to their members.

Later that week three members joined up with 170 other members from the Diocese for the Conference in Swanick where the theme was “Here I am Lord”; it was a very uplifting experience for us all and we came back all the stronger in our spiritual faith and very thankful for the love and fellowship we found there.

Mrs Kath Wise was the speaker at our monthly branch meeting on 1 May. Kath was one of the ladies who visited Zululand last year and she very enthusiastically gave an illustrated talk on her visit.

On 8 May three members joined other members from the Diocese at Windermere for Sharing Day; another very happy occasion when the fellowship of the Mothers Union shines and when we are invited to share our hopes and fears for the future with others. The service at the end of the day was simple but enjoyable.

We visited Leven Valley for their last meeting of the season on 14 May when Mrs Campbell and Mrs Watson gave a joint report on the Swanick Conference.

We have been invited to our Link Branch at Rampside for their closing service and afternoon tea on **Thursday 30 May at 2.00pm**. Members who wish to go please contact either Wendy or Margaret for transport. Our final meeting of the season is a trip to Gleaston Water Mill on **Tuesday 18 June, 2.00pm** at the Mill followed by afternoon tea. Again please let Wendy or Margaret know.

Margaret

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PARISH NEWS

It is with great sadness that we report the death of Tommy Lambert. Tommy was very much loved by his family and was a stalwart of our church and community. His faith was reflected in his work and even when no longer sprightly worked hard, privately and quietly for the good of others as he had done all his life, wherever he could use his skills.

His funeral, a celebration of the life of a contented man, was a reflection of the love and respect in which he was held in our rural community when old friends and colleagues met not only to pay their tribute to an honourable man but also to support May and her family to whom we send our love and sympathy.

Amongst others it was good to see the Revd. Derek Tinsley and the estimable Hilary in our midst again and we wish them well, although Derek drinking orange juice was a bit of a shock.

We send our good wishes to Tiesy Teasdale and Jack Thompson both of who have been unwell and both have been in hospital. We are not sure of their whereabouts but wherever they are our thoughts and prayers are with you. We also send our good wishes to Mrs Ethel Saunders who has been in hospital and is now in Swarthdale before coming home.

We were sorry to hear that Ronnie Mein has lost his mother after a long illness and our sympathies and condolences are with Ronnie and his family.

The good news is that communications have been re-established, by a circuitous route, and we can now tell you that Anne and Graeme Reeves are the proud parents of Freya Mary born on 24 March, granddaughter of the even prouder Margaret and Frank Campbell. Congratulations to ALL!

Our world wild traveller Guy Redhead has again succumbed to gastro enteritis and has been in hospital in China; he is becoming something of an expert on International Medical Centres. Judy and Brian will be glad to see him return home on 19 June after visiting 14 countries. Life will not be quite the same again.

There is no end to senior foolishness in Bouth as another elderly gentleman bit the dust. Despite his wide experience at the helm and deep knowledge of the construction world he failed to circumnavigate a pile of rocks in his garden, took a dive and slightly damaged his fishing arm. This has resulted in shopping trips rather than fishing trips. To be fair the rocks were cunningly disguised as a black plastic sack and it was gloomy. A pond, squashed groceries and now rocks, there has to be a connection somewhere; probably the White Hart.

The white rose, not unexpectedly, didn't think much of short arms and long pockets but like the red rose was keenly aware that this is a family fight. Peace is restored, until the next time, and there will be a next time!

You remember the story of the mulish car, well, it transpires that the lady in question is more than a little strong minded and takes no advice from 'sir' when buying a car, which accounts for a certain amount of righteous male indignation.

It also has some connection with the quote of the month.

'He makes all the big decisions and I make all the small ones, but I decide which is which!'

sk.

Judy/Donald

WOMENS INSTITUTE

BOUTH

At the start of our May meeting President Elspeth Cooper offered our condolences to Mrs May Lambert on the loss of her husband Tommy. She welcomed Mrs Kathleen Skelton as a new member before we went on to discuss The Federation proposals to be put forward at the IGM Conference in Brighton.

The proposals, which were approved resulted from the trauma of Foot & Mouth and were twofold. 1) Urging the government to support, promote and re-establish local abattoirs and 2) To pressure the government to implement stricter controls on the importation of foodstuffs into this country.

On a lighter and brighter note Mrs Gita Lawrence brought along her collection of beautiful silk saris in all colours richly embroidered with gold. She showed how the sari is worn and how suitable it is for every occasion depending on the cloth.

Next month is the Annual Outing with the chaps and it is on **12 June, meeting at 5.45pm. Carriages at 6.10pm** to Water Park followed by supper at the Royal Oak, Spark Bridge.

Barbara.



SPARKBRIDGE & LOWICK

Members were, at their April meeting, transported via a slide show to the Indonesian Rain Forests. Environmental biologist Richard Scott had spent two years in Indonesia, in an advisory capacity, in the management for the future sustainability of the Rain Forests. It is a primitive country but they are trying to encourage people to replant. It was interesting to see how the forests were managed and how the people were being educated to look after them.

Our next meeting is an open meeting on **25 June, 7.30pm. Lowick Sunday School** when we are to be entertained by the 'Kirby Singers'. Come and enjoy!

Margaret.



BOUTH JUBILEE SUPPER

Reminder to turn up, well you have paid, at the Village Hall on Tuesday 4 June at 7.00pm. Whilst there will be some Home Brew please do not be shy to bring your own 'poison' and if you want to be classy, your own glass.

SCHOOL NEWS

It is not that there isn't any it is because of snail mail, Royal or otherwise, and it hasn't reached this desk.

ANNUAL FÊTE

The Old Vicarage is still the venue and the date is still **Saturday 20 July at 2.00pm**. Make this as successful as the Christian Aid Lunch – Charity still begins at home. Cakes, Raffle & Tombola prizes will be required.

Donald.



The following prayer was read at the funeral of Tommy Lambert and it is worth sharing it with you.

TOMMY'S PRAYER

I said a prayer for you today
And know God must have heard,
I felt the answer in my heart
Although HE spoke no word.
I didn't ask for wealth or fame
I knew you wouldn't mind,
I asked Him to send treasures
Of a more lasting kind.
I asked that He'd be near you
At the start of each new day
To grant you health and blessings
And friends to share the way.
I asked for happiness for you
In all things great and small
But it was for His Loving Care
I prayed for most of all.



LATE NEWS

We are a hardy lot in Furness for despite the atrocious weather over a 100 souls turned up for the Bouth WI Spring Walk. The magnificent cream tea at the end was well deserved and for the bedraggled mortals that I saw passing my window it would have been a necessity. Congratulations to the walkers and WI members.

DIARY DATES

- 2 June Jubilee Service – 9.30am. – Coffee afterwards.
- 4 June Jubilee Celebrations – Whitestock Meadow – 1.00pm.
Bouth – Supper – Village Hall – 7.00pm.
- 9 June Holy Communion – 9.30am.
- 11 June Barnabas the Apostle.
- 12 June Bouth WI Outing – Carriages 6.10pm.
- 16 June Holy Communion - 11.15am.
- 18 June MU trip to Gleaston Mill – 2.00pm. at Mill – Tea at 3.00pm.
- 22 June Alban Martyr.
- 24 June Birth of John the Baptist.
- 25 June Sparkbridge & Lowick WI – Open meeting – ‘Kirby Singers’ .
7.30pm at Lowick Sunday School.
- 27 June Deanery Synod – Grasmere – 7.00pm- H. C. followed by meeting.
- 28 June WI – Federation Alnwick Weekend.
- 29 June Peter & Paul Apostles.
- 30 June Morning Service – BCP – 9.30am.



‘If it is not true, it is a happy invention.’

Not the motto of this magazine but a sixteenth century Italian saying.

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