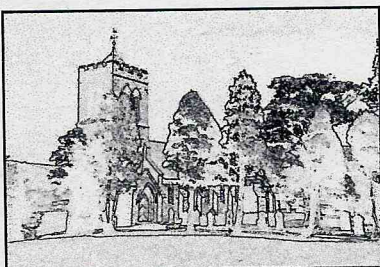


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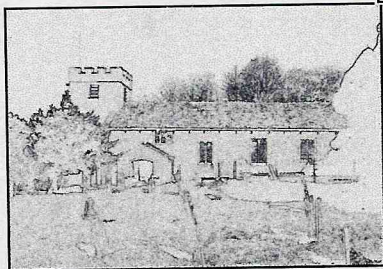
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Dear Neighbours,

One of my favourite Larsen cartoons (he of “far side humour”) shows a very nasty-looking dog behind a bush near a front door, clutching a well-crafted “Beware of the Dog”



sign. In its place, at the front gate, as the postman approaches, is a very scrappy substitute sign, which reads “Come in – Dog okay.” (By contrast, a Punch cartoon once showed a very tiny innocuous-looking pooch lying on a mat at the entrance to a shop, with a prominent “Beware of the Dog” sign on the door. To the ironic enquiry of an incoming customer, “Is *that* the dog we’re supposed to beware of?” the shop-keeper replies, “Oh, yes! You’d be surprised how many people used to trip over him!”)

We are all too familiar with warnings – road signs, weather forecasts, dangerous waters, fire hazards and even global warming. We rightly regard anyone who ignores them as extremely foolish. Yet there is one, even more serious, warning that countless people seem to ignore – the coming “end of the age”!

In my previous letter I wrote about visiting the Hadron Collider and its pre-occupation with the *beginning* of creation. (And no serious scientist has established a case for a universe *without* a beginning!) But equally there is a consensus that everything appears to be moving to an end of all things, and, perhaps even sooner, the end of the human race. And this has been a pre-occupation of spiritual enquiry for many millennia. Long before the coming of Jesus, the prophets were warning of the coming “Day of the LORD” and its attendant consequence – that those whom God has created will be called to account before Him – the “Day of Judgement.” Even the most cursory glance at

human history teaches us the lesson that good *does* triumph over evil in the end, and we have every reason to expect to see human wickedness, selfishness, petty nastiness or even mere “carelessness” attracting its inevitable retribution.

The season of Advent (which means “Coming”) is a solemn reminder, at the beginning of the Church’s year, of the Christian belief that the “Last Day” will be heralded by the re-appearing of Jesus Christ to “judge the living and the dead.” It is, of course, the very necessary prelude to our understanding of why we *need* the birth of a ‘Saviour’ (which we then celebrate at Christmas) whose life and ministry and teaching and eventual atoning death and vindicating resurrection provide the God-given way to forgiveness and reconciliation and eternal life.

Even if the “end of the world” seems a distant rather than a near reality, we are also advised that “it is given to (each) man once to die, and after that comes judgement.” At least our *own* personal end is an absolute certainty (and, for some of us, *sooner* rather than later!) May the LORD give us grace to understand, and take to heart, and act upon, the implied invitation of the carol we shall sing again at Christmas:

“No ear may hear His coming
But in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him
Still the dear Christ enters in.”

With love in Christ, and Christmas greetings

David Gregg

Services and Rotas for December

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7 th	Second Sunday of Advent			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am BCP Communion		
Holy Trinity	Colton	9:30am Morning Worship		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am Communion		
Readings:	First Reading	Isaiah	40: 1-11	
	Second Reading	2 Peter	3: 8-15a	
	Gospel	Mark	1: 1-8	
Readers	Lowick	A Naylor	& W Keegan	
	Colton	M Sanders	R Smith	J Pickles
	Penny Bridge	C Styles	D Lancaster	B Watson
Sidesmen	Lowick	S Wood		
	Colton	S King		
	Penny Bridge	W Greateorex & A Greateorex		
14 th	Third Sunday of Advent			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am Communion		
Holy Trinity	Colton	9:30am Communion		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am Communion		
Readings:	First Reading	Isaiah	61: 1-4, 8-11	
	Second Reading	1 Thessalonians	5:16-24	
	Gospel	John	1: 6-8, 19-28	
Readers:	Lowick	E Wardle	& M Calvert	
	Colton	S Lydon	G Pickles	I Pirnie
	Penny Bridge	D Gregg	P Ashton	M Henderson
Sidesmen:	Lowick	J Wood		
	Colton	R Smith		
	Penny Bridge	J Law	& B Law	
21 st	Fourth Sunday of Advent			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am Communion		
Holy Trinity	Colton	3:00pm Benefice Carol Service		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00 am Communion		
Readings:	First Reading	2 Samuel	7: 1-11, 16	
	Second Reading	Romans	16:25-27	
	Gospel	Luke	1:26-38	
Readers:	Lowick	J Gregg	& D Gregg	
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24 th	Christmas Eve			
St Mary	Penny Bridge	3:00pm Crib Service		
Holy Trinity	Colton	11:30pm First Communion of Christmas		
Readings:	First Reading	Isaiah	52: 7-10	
	Second Reading	Hebrews	1: 1-4	
	Gospel	John	1: 1-14	
Readers	Lowick		Penny Bridge	Colton
Sidesmen:	Colton	S King		
25 th	Christmas Day			
St Luke	Lowick	10:30am Family Communion on Christmas Day		
Readings:	First Reading	Isaiah	9: 2-7	
	Second Reading	Titus	2:11-14	
	Gospel	Luke	2: 1-14	
Readers	Penny Bridge	Colton		Lowick
Sidesmen	B Mitchell			
28 th December	First Sunday of Christmas			
St Luke	Lowick	9:30am Methodist Service		
Holy Trinity	Colton	9:30am Communion		
St Mary	Penny Bridge	11:00am Communion		
Readings:	First Reading	Jeremiah	31:15-17	
	Second Reading	1 Corinthians	1:26-29	
	Gospel	Matthew	2:13-18	
Readers:	Lowick	G Mitchell	& B Mitchell	
	Colton	J Redhead	D Wroe	S Smith
	Penny Bridge	C Sadler	S James	J Lancaster
Sidesmen:	Lowick	G Mitchell		
	Colton	M Sanders		
	Penny Bridge	J Lancaster	& D Lancaster	

Please note some service times and places are different.

Lowick Community Hall

The Indian summer has enabled us to continue with outside work in the garden area. Richard Ellwood has sown grass seed which germinated quickly in the warm soil and will provide a great area for use by next summer. While this work was going on Helen Ellwood and Linda Haworth spent 2 days painting the fence around the raised lawn. Our regular grass cutters Moira Andrew and James Wood gave the grass a final cut so all sorted for winter. Kevin Dibble has donated a garden gate for the rear of the hall and Mr and Mrs Roblin have donated a selection of plants for our use including some red remembrance poppies.

This month the hall received a cheque from the Keswick to Barrow Walkers for £700, this will be used to buy 20 more chairs which should be sufficient for our future needs. As a consequence our old chairs are no longer required so they are free to anyone willing to take them away.

As you are aware the committee has decided to introduce a policy of free wifi to users of the hall. This in addition to no charge for electricity means that the Hall could be hired for less than £3.50 per hour for regular users.

A reminder: there are now, three different ways to book a session at the Hall.

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- The second method is to go on line at lowick.org.uk and on the Community Hall page you can access the booking diary to see when the hall is free. You can then download a booking form and post to the address on the site.
- The third method is to do everything on line, check the diary, fill out the on-line form and send to booking@lowick.org.uk you will receive an email confirming the booking.

On receipt of the booking fee you will be given your personal code and instructions for use of the key safe at the hall.

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Rob Dove.

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Getting to know Jesus better

This month many people do things to remember and celebrate Jesus being born on this earth as a baby. Mark wrote about many different things Jesus did, but he didn't write about Jesus' birth at all. Mark wanted to spend time reminding people what Jesus did next... and so this month we will continue to look at some more things that Jesus said and did to see what He wants to say to us today. *(Notes and comments are by Matt Rich)*

Mark 4 continued...

21 Also He said to them, "Is a lamp brought to be put under a basket or under a bed? Is it not to be set on a lamp stand?
22 For there is nothing hidden which will not be revealed, nor has anything been kept secret but that it should come to light.
23 If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear."

24 Then He said to them, "Take heed what you hear. With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you; and to you who hear, more will be given. 25 For whoever has, to him more will be given; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him."

In this story Jesus encourages His followers to live open lives - not to hide what they believe from others - but just to live it as it is and let people see the difference following Jesus makes to their lives. This is how a Christian should live today, letting those around see that it is a natural part of their life and how it effects all of their life - they shouldn't need to hide it.

Jesus is now explaining that those who follow Him here on earth, those who have gained Him in their lives, will be given even more in the life that is to come (after we die). Those who don't follow Jesus, who don't have Him in their life, will experience even the little they have (ie life on this earth without Him) taken from them when they die and they will go somewhere with even less.

26 And He said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground, 27 and should sleep by night and rise by day, and the seed should sprout and grow, he himself does not know how. 28 For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head. 29 But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

Jesus is teaching that we are to sow seeds (seeds of truth - telling people about Him and His gospel) even though we don't know what the soil is like (we don't know if people we tell will believe us and decide to follow Jesus). God will make some of the seed grow, which means some of the truths we tell about Jesus will change people so they want to follow Him. We don't need to worry about how God will change people and open their eyes to see the truth about Him - that is God's business! We are simply not meant to hide what we know, and instead sow what we know, so that it can grow inside others who don't know Jesus.

30 Then He said, "To what shall we liken the kingdom of God? Or with what parable shall we picture it? 31 It is like a mustard seed which, when it is sown on the ground, is smaller than all the seeds on earth; 32 but when it is sown, it grows up and becomes greater than all herbs, and shoots out large branches, so that the birds of the air may nest under its shade."

Jesus' Kingdom started small but was not going to stay small - look at how big it is today - it's incredible to think that it all began with those first few followers.

33 And with many such parables He spoke the word to them as they were able to hear it. 34 But without a parable He did not speak to them. And when they were alone, He explained all things to His disciples.

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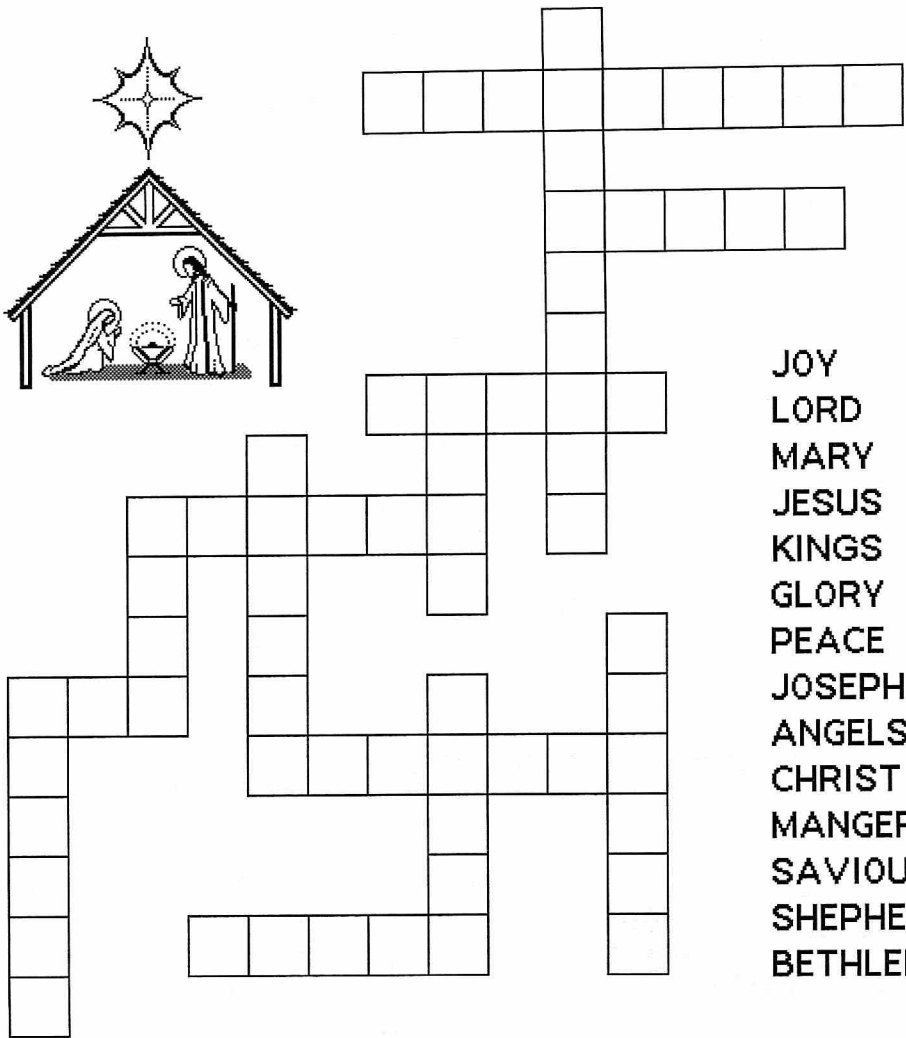
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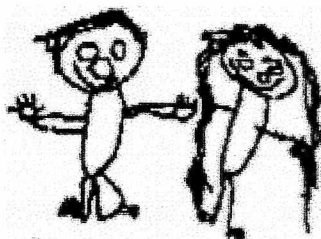
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A QUESTION OF IDENTITY

I've always loved that well-known story about the singer Frank Sinatra who was visiting an old people's home. As he chatted to one elderly lady it soon became apparent that she had no idea he was a 'celebrity'. This rather stung Sinatra's pride. "Do you know who I am?" he asked (no doubt in as kindly a way as possible!) "No dear" she replied, "but if you ask matron over there I'm sure she'll be able to tell you"!

I was recently reminded of that incident while attending a meeting at the 'Dementia Services Development Centre' in Stirling. Somebody asked what I (or anyone else) would say to a nun with dementia who expressed her fear of "forgetting God". We all thought for a while, secretly grateful that this wasn't an actual scenario we were facing. Then the person who had asked the question came up with a superb answer. "The best thing to say" she suggested "would be that even if you forget God – He will never, ever forget you".

The question of identity is one that has been around since the beginning of time. "Who am I?" is one of the three big questions facing all human beings and most famously expressed by the Beatle, George Harrison. (The other two are "Why am I here?" and "Where am I going?") Various answers have been offered – ranging from 'a collection of cells with no obvious purpose or meaning' (Secular Materialism) through to 'the crown of God's creation' (Psalm 8). Most people simply don't know who they really are; and even if they do, they're afraid of letting on. As the author Robert Powell so memorably put it, "I don't want to tell you who I really am – because if I did, you might not like who I am, and that's all I've got".

Nor does our contemporary society help very much. Trying to get across Westminster Bridge in London the other day I could hardly move for people (middle-aged as well as young) taking 'selfies' with their mobile phones. In fact, as I reflected on this strange phenomenon I realised that 'the selfie' has begun to dominate the way we live. Ill-advised selfies have led to the resignation of politicians and outrage of actresses; while even 'harmless' ones could indicate a sort of obsession with 'me' that is frequently echoed in the social media. If I'm not quite sure who I am, I need to let everyone else know that I'm here; that I'm alive; and that I matter.

But of course the whole point of that great answer to the nun is that the key to our existence is not who we are – but whose we are. What gives us our true identity is our relationship with God, who has made us in his image; and that then extends to our various relationships with each other. Our identity isn't just an individual affair – it has a corporate dimension too. John Donne recognised that when he wrote 'No man is an island, entire of itself', and St Paul expressed the same thought in his more focussed image of the Body of Christ.

So when people talk about their fear of 'losing our identity' with the advent of Ecumenical Mission Communities, I want to reply that this is an opportunity to discover that identity more completely. Local congregations will remain. So will our different denominations with their particular styles and practices. But as we engage in mission together, we will discover who we really are in Christ – which is a message we desperately need to convey and the world desperately needs to hear.

James Newcome – Bishop of Carlisle

GROWING DISCIPLES WITH SCHOOLS



Who you are and when and why did you come to Cumbria? My name is Penny Hollander and I came to Cumbria in 2004, having taught in a number of primary and secondary schools in Berkshire and Oxfordshire. Latterly, I had some involvement with

Oxford diocese as I worked in a small Church of England primary school there. I have always been interested in church school education. Both my sons attended Church of England primary and secondary schools. As my sons grew up and left home, I was looking for a new challenge and direction. I had the opportunity of moving to Cumbria and through the Oxford Diocese Adviser was able to make contact with Bert Thomas at Carlisle Diocese.

Who inspires you? This is a difficult question to answer! There are many people, both friends and work colleagues who have been inspirational to me over the years. Interaction with so many children over the years has often given me insights and fresh ways of looking at life.

What do you do for the diocesan board of education? I have various roles. I originally trained as a SIAMS inspector in 2005 and have been doing Church School inspections ever since. However, in recent years my role has widened to include advisory and pastoral support work in church schools, as well as in-service and governor training. Most recently, I have worked with school-based colleagues on producing new units of work for religious education in Early Years and Key Stage One. I also represent the Church of England on Cumbria SACRE.

What is the most rewarding thing that you do? When I go into schools to assist with different aspects of church school education and know that what I do helps to make a difference and that staff, children and governors are more confident as a result.

What is the most challenging? Balancing the different roles that I have and making sure that I have a life beyond work!

What is the diocesan school visitors scheme?

This is a voluntary role which entails being a friend to the school with no strings attached ie a listening voice which doesn't report back to the diocese. The original concept was to be a listening ear for headteachers who are in an isolated or difficult position. The agenda is up to the individual school and can be broader than this; and as a friend to the school the diocesan visitor (or friend as we now refer to them) may attend school events during the year. Some schools ask for this kind of support on a short term basis, whilst others may wish to continue with it for a number of years.

What are the good things and the bad things about being a diocesan (SIAMS) school inspector?

The good things include the privilege of seeing how lots of church schools within the diocese operate, and being able to pass on to other schools the great ideas that I see. I find the dialogue with all those who work in church schools very stimulating, but best of all are the opportunities to talk to the children and learn from them. I always say to schools that I am doing the inspection **WITH** them and not **TO** them. Occasionally, I have to make judgements that don't concur with the school's own self-evaluation which is a hard message, but I hope that I always do this in a professional and supportive manner. The time one has in school as an inspector is very short and you can feel very pressurised as you want to be honest and fair in the judgements you make.

That's not so good, but overall I enjoy these times in schools and aim to make them as stress-free as possible for everyone concerned.

If you had three wishes [for the diocese/schools] what would they be? Basically, more regular support for all church schools in the diocese. I sometimes worry that good and outstanding schools can be left. Therefore, more personnel/time/money would feature highly on my wish list.

ABOUT THE DIOCESE

Songs of Praise to feature church mission worker's Christmas carol re-mix

The BBC's Songs of Praise is to feature a special Christmas carol rap arranged by a Carlisle church mission worker.

Last December Andy Dykes remixed the traditional Christmas carol 'O Come, O come Emmanuel', which had thousands of hits on online. Researchers on the BBC1 show saw it and a few weeks ago contacted him to ask if he had another Christmas special planned.

Now Andy and a group of friends have collaborated on a version of 'God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen'. A Songs of Praise crew filmed with them in November.

Andy, aged 23, said: "We had a think about what we could do and decided on 'God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen'. You need to take care when choosing which carol will work. You can't take a carol which is too bright and cheery as that clashes with the rap element.

"But the most important thing is that we wanted a carol which had a clear Christmas and Christian message, and that's what we've got."

Choristers from Carlisle Cathedral will feature on the track as well as rap sections which Andy will perform, in a mix of traditional and modern music styles.

Andy who is a Young Adult Mission Worker for The Way Church in Carlisle, believes the fuse of musical styles will help open up the Christmas message to new people. The film was scheduled to be broadcast on BBC1's Songs of Praise on Sunday 7 December, 2014.

Two and a half thousand expected at community carol services

Organisers of a special community carol service to be held at Carlisle United's Brunton Park estimate two and half thousand people will attend.

The Silent Night Carols service has been organised by Hope Carlisle 2014, which supports churches in the city work together in mission.

The community service will commemorate 100 years since the start of World War One as well as offering people the chance to celebrate Christmas.

Gates open at 3pm on Sunday 14 December with a pre-service programme of events from 3.30pm. The main service from 4pm to 5pm will include community carol singing, participation from a 220 strong children's choir and a performance by Cumbria Dance Group which commemorates the 1914 Christmas Day truce and football match played on the battlefields of World War One.

Tickets are £2 each and available from Carlisle Tourist Information Office or silentnightatbruntonpark@gmail.com

Work together and be innovative says Rural School report

Small rural primary schools must form effective partnerships and collaborations if they are to survive into the future and continue to be a vital part of rural community life, says a new report published by the Church of England.

Working Together released by the Church of England's National Education Office says that rural schools are one of the state's last remaining points of contact with rural communities and they have a key role in rural life. But it warns that the days of the individual autonomous small school are numbered as they face financial challenges particularly with likely changes to the way schools are funded and falling rolls in rural areas.

The report points out that the Church of England already has support structures in place with diocesan Multi Academy Trusts (MATs).

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WHAT'S ON

Events in Carlisle Cathedral during November

Wed 10, 7.30pm - Duke of Lancaster's Regimental Carol Service

Fri 12, 7.30pm - Eden Valley Hospice Carol Service

Sat 13, 7.30pm - Messiah Part I

Mon 15, 7.00pm - Trinity School Carol Service

Wed 17, 7.30pm - Healing Service

Sun 21, 3.00pm - Festival of Readings and Carols

Wed 24, 3.00pm - Crib Service

Wed 24, 6.30pm - Festival of Readings and Carols

Wed 24, 11.30pm - Midnight Eucharist

Thurs 25, 10.30am - Christmas Day Eucharist

What's On

St Agnes Fountain St Mary's Church, Wigton, Tues 2 Dec, 7.30pm.

Christmas Fayre Westnewton Village Hall, Sat 6 Dec, 2.00pm.

Hospice at Home West Cumbria's Light up a Life Services Sun 7 Dec: St George's Church, Millom, 3.00pm. St John's Church, Workington, 3.00pm. St John's Church, Cleator Moor, 2.00pm. Sun 14 Dec: Methodist Church, Cockermouth, 2.00pm. St Cuthbert's Church, Seascale, 3.00pm.

Urswick Church, Experience Christmas - Sun 7 Dec, Fri 2 Jan 2015 10.00am - 4.00pm

Kendal South Choir, under the direction of Ian Thompson - St Thomas's Church, Kendal at 7.30pm, Sat 13 Dec

Wigton Choral Society Christmas Concert St Mary's Church, Wigton, Sat 13 Dec, 7.30pm.

Ambleside and District Choral Society Ambleside Parish Church, Sat 13 Dec, 7.30pm

Christmas Dominoes Westnewton Village Hall, Sat 13 Dec, 7.30pm.

Pro Nobis Christmas Concert St Mark's Church, Natland, Sun 14 Dec, 7.30pm.

Keswick Choral Society Festival of Christmas Music Crosthwaite Church, Keswick, Tues 16 Dec, 7.30pm.

Christmas Concert with ZING Westnewton Village Hall, Thurs 18 Dec, 7.30pm.

Abbey Singers St James' Church, Denton Holme, Carlisle, Sat 20 Dec, 7.30pm.

Matters of interest

Riding Lights Passion Play for 2015

Riding Lights Theatre Company is touring its acclaimed Passion Play Inheritance by Bridget Foreman, directed by Paul Burbridge. The play is now available for churches and cathedrals to book a performance for Lent 2015. For more info or to book a performance for your church or cathedral, please contact Amanda Mackey amanda@rltc.org or 01904 655317 www.ridinglights.org/inheritance

Announcements

The Revd Canon John Ralph Libby, at present Vicar in the benefice of St James, Carlisle, has resigned from this post with effect from the 30th November 2014. John's last Sunday in the parish was also the 30th November 2014.

The Revd Canon Allan Stephen Pye, at present Vicar in the benefice of Keswick St John, has been appointed Priest-in-Charge of the benefice of Cross Fell. Stephen will be licensed at St Peter's Church, Langwathby, on the 30th January 2015 at 7.30 pm.

For more 'WHAT'S ON' see: www.carlisediocese.org.uk

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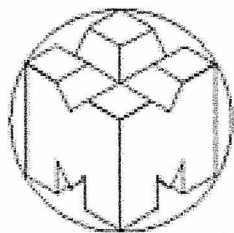
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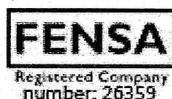
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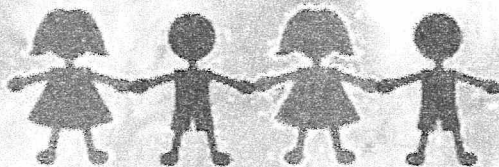
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Saturday 6th December

Greenodd Village Hall

10:00am - 12 noon



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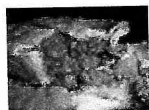
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The car was presented to the hospice on Fri 7th November.

We wish to thank you all for your very kind generosity and all your continuous support.

Dorothy Crabtree
Chair



Lowick Parish Council

The last meeting of the Parish Council was held on 18 September.

CC Highways has forwarded the results of the traffic speed monitoring which they undertook after the meeting with Councillors Dove and Jennings in March. This shows that speeding is an issue, particularly past the old school. The Parish Council will bring this to the attention of the police.

Mr Ellwood, Chairman of Lowick Green Management Committee, has been renovating the seats on the triangle and near where the swings used to be located. He has also contacted Mr Hind's family about the wooden seat outside the Old Police House which needs renovation.

The traffic mirror at Lowick Bridge has had to be removed because of a 'dazzle' factor when the sun is setting which is a potential hazard. The mirror for The Meadows residents, however, is appreciated and thanks have been sent to the Council.

District Councillor Ann Hall updated Parish Councillors on progress to save the X12 bus service for the Crake Valley. Councillor Vaughan commented that some passengers are confused about the future of the service and the times of the buses because there is no clear information available at present. Ann will follow this up and Councillors are willing to distribute information if this would be helpful.

There were four candidates for co option onto the Parish Council. After a discussion, it was agreed to invite John Longmire to join the Council. He will be invited to the November meeting.

This meeting will be held on 20 November at 7.15pm in Lowick Community Hall.

Egton-cum-Newland WI Meeting 14th October 2014

After the singing of Jerusalem a minutes silence was held as it was armistice day, this was followed by a war poem read by Margaret Walker.

President Margaret then welcomed 24 members and Rob Wright from Crake Valley First Responders who had been invited to collect our charity donation. Rob then gave a short presentation on the Crake Valley First Responders, who cover the area from Blawith to Arrad Foot. He brought along the equipment they take to an emergency call out, the defibrillator which costs £800 and a bag containing first aid equipment which costs £230, the communication system they use is the same as the emergency services use and is expensive to run so all donations are much appreciated. Margaret then presented Rob with a cheque for £1000 from our past year's fundraising.

Congratulations were given to Egton Eggheads (Linda, Phyllis, Margaret, June) who were 2nd in the Fun Quiz at the Rusland Pool, there were four teams from Egton and all agreed it was an enjoyable evening.

The Christmas dinner is booked at the Farmers Arms Lowick 27th November, meet at 7pm.

Next meeting is the Christmas party 9th Dec - start time 7:15, payment of £8 was requested tonight, members were reminded to bring a £3 present, wine glass and some raffle prizes.

President's Address.

President Margaret Walker said she had had a busy and interesting year, the highlights being the Presidents' Day at Chester Racecourse and the NFWI annual meeting in Leeds. As next year is the centenary of the WI and Egton's 70th birthday, Margaret is determined we should celebrate and already has some ideas, but also asked members for their suggestions.

Margaret thanked the committee and secretary for all their help over the last year and for agreeing to stay on for another year. She thanked everyone for their help with the fundraising, especially the coffee morning and dance which raised £983, Phyllis for continuing to run the charity stall each month and Mim for collecting the food bank donations each month. Margaret then proposed the adoption of the Annual Report, all were in agreement.

Thanks.

Jean Lancaster thanked President Margaret for her work over the last year on behalf of the members.

Social time:- followed with tea and tray bakes while we watched Judith Law demonstrate four different Christmas flower arrangements. She assured us we could all do them and enthused us all to attempt them this Christmas. Shelia Edmondson thanked her on our behalf. There were several raffle winners, as Judith donated her arrangements as prizes.

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Services at 10.30 am every Sunday, including the Carol Service on 21st December. (No Cafe Style service this month).

25th December: Christmas Day Service, 10 am.

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If the weather turns very wintry and our track is icy or buried in snow, we have a 'telephone tree' for advising folk that the service is cancelled. If you are thinking of coming to join us and are not sure because of bad weather, then please ring either Margaret or Vanessa.

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