THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL GRANGE-OVER-SANDS



April 2022

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Normal services at The Parish Church of Saint Paul

Sundays - 11.00 am - Parish Service Wednesdays - 10.00 am - Holy Communion

and at The Fell Church, Grange-over-Sands

9.30 am Second Sunday - Matins (BCP)
 9.30 am - Fourth Sunday - Holy Communion (BCP)
 Fifth Sunday of the Month
 United Service within the Benefice



ST PAUL'S MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to build confidence in Jesus Christ in the heart of the community through prayer, worship and learning, in joy and practical service to the wider world.

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I write on the day that the Church celebrates John Donne, born in 1572. He was ordained at the age of 42 and six years later was made Dean of St Paul's Cathedral in London, a post he held until his death. Donne is known for his sermons, his profound reflections on life, death and love, but principally for his poetry.

One of his poems is entitled "Good Friday 1613. Riding Westward" a poem about Easter which was conceived as he was riding from Warwickshire to Wales on Good Friday. The poet is aware that he's doing things the wrong way; literally, he's headed in the wrong direction. He's travelling westward on a day when Christ was crucified in the east — Jerusalem. Not only that but his body is moving in one direction whereas his soul is stretching in the other: "Hence it is, that I am carried towards the West / This day, when my Soules forme bends towards the East". He is aware of the conflict within.

But that Christ on this Crosse, did rise and fall, Sinne had eternally benighted all.

Yet dare I'almost be glad, I do not see
That spectacle of too much weight for mee.

Who sees Gods face, that is selfe life, must dye;
What a death were it then to see God dye?

The poet is 'glad'. He is glad that he's travelling in the wrong direction because he is all too aware of his destructive tendencies. He is all too aware that, if it were up to us, we would have crucified Christ and made certain that he stayed dead. Indeed, the whole point of Holy Week, and Good Friday in particular, is that we come to the stark realisation that the cross is not merely a coincidental prelude to Easter. Good Friday is a startling recognition of the darkness in the world, the deep darkness in us, the very darkness that wanted nothing more than to destroy the Lord of all life. "What a death were it then to see God dye?".

As we contemplate our own journey through Holy Week, we are all too aware of the darkness in our world. Recent events in Ukraine are just the latest and nearest to grab our attention. Syria, Myanmar, Ethiopia, Yemen, Afghanistan: these are just a few places where humanity's foolishness rumbles on.

When we contemplate the cross, its central message is that of love: as St John put it, "This is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins". The cross is a picture of how far God will go to redeem his broken creation, which includes you and me. It is a picture of just how much we are worth to God, how much we are worth, full stop. John Donne knows how his life has turned away from God, and yet God has not turned away from him: "For thou look'st toward mee, O Saviour, as thou hang'st upon the tree".

The closing lines of John Donne's poem are about restoration: "Restore thine image, so much, by thy grace, that thou may'st know mee, and I'll turne my face". Isn't that in the end what we long for? To be restored to our very best selves, restored to one another, restored to love? John Donne may have been born 450 years ago, but the words of this poem still ring true today. May God's love reach out to us from the cross, restoring us in God's image, that we may live in the light and hope of the resurrection.

Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY FOR APRIL

Friday 1st April - 12 noon - 1.15 pm - Lent Lunch - Grange Methodist Church Monday 4th April - Easter Holidays begin

Friday 8th April - 12 noon - 1.15 pm - Lent Lunch URC Grange

HOLY WEEK - Bishop James will be on the peninsula Monday-Friday

Monday 11th April, 7.30 pm Reflection & Compline, Cartmel Priory

Tuesday 12th April, 7.30 pm

Reflection & Compline, St Peter's Field Broughton

Reflection & Compline, St Mary's Allithwaite

Maundy Thursday 14th April, 7 pm Passover Supper with Communion, St Paul's Good Friday 15th April

2 pm - Meditations with the Bishop at St Mary's Staveley in Cartmel **1-2 pm** -Private Prayer in St Paul's, with service 2-3 pm - 'At the foot of the Cross' - Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

Saturday 16th April, 8.30 pm - Easter Vigil, Cartmel Priory Sunday 17th April

6 am - Sunrise Service - Hampsfell Carpark with refreshments in St Paul's **9.30 am**- Easter Communion at the Fell Church - the Ven Penny Driver

11 am - Easter Communion at St Paul's - the Ven Penny Driver

Tuesday,19th April, 5pm—Mother Teresa co-workers, St Charles side chapel Wednesday 20th April, 10.00 am - Joint Holy Communion at Methodist Church Grange. Children return to School

Thursday 21st April, 10.30 am - Charles Edmondson Concert in St Paul's Church Monday 25th April-3rd May St Paul's Church closed due to sanding & varnishing of floors Wednesday, 27th April, 7.30 pm—Annual Parochial Church Meeting, Fell Church Friday, 29th April, 2 pm—Memorial service for Jean Marsden, Fell Church

FINAL TWO LENT LUNCHES

Fridays 12 noon - 1.15 pm, including a short time of devotions - 1.00 pm - 1.15 pm 1st April - Grange Methodists, 8th April - URC, Grange

The amount raised by donations at St Paul's was £145.60. As in previous years, the total from all the lunches will be split between Tearfund, CAFOD and Christian Aid.

MAY FAIR

We will be holding a May Fair on Saturday, 28th May 2022, with all the usual stalls—bric-a-brac, cakes, plants, tombola, books, scarves, etc, plus of course The Raffle! Boxes for donations will be placed in church during May; raffle prizes should be given to Helen Hill ASAP.

We look forward to your support and hope you can join us on the day.

THE MID-WEEK CONCERTS RETURN FOR THE TENTH SEASON

This year five concerts will be spread out over the spring, summer and autumn.

The first of these will be given by Charles Edmondson on Thursday 21 April starting at 11 am with coffee and biscuits available from 10.30 onwards.

The programme will commence with music by two Viennese composers, Haydn and Schubert and will be followed by an extended work by the Belgian composer Cesar Franck whose 200th birthday anniversary we are celebrating this year. The concert will end with four short and lighter pieces from Italy and the States.

As usual, admission is free with a retiring collection.

WORK ON THE FLOOR AT ST PAUL'S CHURCH CLOSED FROM 25TH APRIL FOR ONE WEEK

The PCC has agreed to carry out upgrading work on that part of the floor at St Paul's which was left untouched during the re-ordering project of 4-5 years ago. At the same time, we shall carry out maintenance and re-touching work on the part of the Social Area which has looked so resplendent since it was completed.

The same company – Border Floor Ltd – will be used and the work is scheduled to take five days. So St Paul's will be closed on Monday, 25th April, for a full week. All events planned in that week will take place in the Fell Church. As a precaution in case the final lacquering may not be fully dry, the Sunday 11.00 a.m. service on 1st May will also be transferred to the Fell Church. Monday, 2nd May, is a Bank Holiday so that gives us a further day to ensure that everything is back to normal when we re-open.

The work involves sanding, cleaning and lacquering. The pine area in front of the centre pews will also be restained. The contractor was most punctilious in keeping dust and dirt to a minimum last time but there may be some inevitable dust spreading around this time. Perhaps our cleaning volunteers could take a look at things as soon as possible after 1st May and be prepared to tidy things up.

Some work will also take place in the Parish Office and the corridor outside. We hope that the Parish Office can function largely as normal (all being well) during most of the week of 25th April but there will be some closures which we shall not know about until the detailed planning is completed. There will be some access to the church during that week for emergencies but it WILL be a work place and people enter at their own risk. When the final lacquering starts, there can be no access for over 24 hours until the floor is fully dry so please check your needs and requirements well in advance.

PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS BEING PLANNED

Saturday 4th **June** — an outdoor community event on St Charles' field or Methodist Church if wet.

Sunday 5th June — Ecumenical united service of celebration, 11am, at St Paul's.

MOTHERING SUNDAY

A busy afternoon was spent making over 100 posies to be handed out and/or delivered on Mothering Sunday. Gardens had been raided for greenery and daffodils ordered from the local shops to make up the individual posies.

A basket was sent to St Peter's at Finsthwaite for the Leven Valley parishes, some to the Fell Church, some labelled for hand delivery to those unable to get to church, and the remainder were blessed during the morning service and then distributed to the congregation, with the help of Poppy and Millie Brewster.



The photo shows one grateful recipient! Phyllis Ward (aged 98) is one of our Home Communicants, and she was surprised and delighted with her posy.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

On Friday March 4th about 30 people from Churches Together in Grange gathered at the United Reformed Church to celebrate the World Day of Prayer in a service prepared by women from England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

The theme this year was "I know the plans I have for you", and was based on the passage from the book of Jeremiah where the exiled people of Israel were longing to return to their homeland. This had quite a resonance with the Ukrainian situation. The service focused on people in "exile" in our own countries and was told by three voices naming how they had suffered from fear, poverty and isolation and how God's plans worked in surprising ways to reach out to them.

The service moved from "darkness" to "light" by the lighting of 7 candles as the service progressed.

The focal point was a table covered with a blue cloth to represent the sea with brown and green areas depicting the land, towns and cities. There was also a Bible open at the passage from Jeremiah 29: 11. and 7 candles. Towards the back of the table was a

globe and a vase of flowers representing England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Around the edge of the table were cutout groups of families made by the youth group.

Everyone was given a bookmark embedded with seeds to plant and nurture into flower as a symbol of God's plans for us all.



WALKS WITH SARAH BREWSTER

We had another successful walk for Sarah to meet parishioners & explore the local area.

On a beautiful Thursday we did a circular walk from Haverthwaite vicarage over Trundill Hill and down into Backbarrow over the river to the Lakeland Motor museum cafe. We can also recommend the huge scones from the cafe!

Hopefully more parishioners will be able to join us on our next walk in late April - see pewsheet for details.

Judith

The photo shows Cath and Sarah with Harvey.



TALK ON INDIAN HILL RAILWAYS

The talk on the Indian Hill railways was well received by over 25 parishioners as Judith gave an insight into the wonders of India—its colour, the mad traffic, the crowds and, of course, its trains— especially the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway.

Later we tasted Indian sweets and Molly Inglis showed us how to wear a sari.

Thank you to Colin, Molly & Pat for their help in making it a successful fun afternoon...







FROM THE REGISTERS APRIL 2022

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph Jeffry Robinson 22

22nd April 2018

"Born of Water and the Spirit"



17th March 2022 Raymond Riley Milligan

23rd March 2022 Florence Trudgill

YEAR'S MIND

Heather Margaret Gill 27th April 2017 John Alexander Nightingale 9th April 2018 Jean Margaret Broadhead 15th April 2019 "In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ"

Only the deaths for the previous five years are included in the magazine, but each name in our remembrance book is read out during the intercessions at St Paul's during the Sunday service.



SOLO DINERS

You are invited to join us on 8th May at the Woodlands Hotel, Meathop, for lunch at 1pm. The list and menu will be available at the back of Church from the 24th April. Please sign up with your choice of either 1,2 or 3 courses.

The cost for 2 coursers is f.19.95, for 3 courses f23.95.

We look forward to you joining us.

READING FRIENDS

The Friends of Grange Library have joined a nation-wide initiative set up by the Reading Agency to bring people together to read, chat and share stories. It gives you a chance to share your thoughts on a number of topics, and make new friends at the same time while relaxing with a cup of tea in the Library. Their next event is on Tuesday, 5rth April, at 2.30 pm, when the focus will be **SPRING**.

What does Spring mean to you? Is it just the end of Winter, or does it herald a chance for new beginnings. Have you a favourite Spring poem, a special picture of photo that you would like to share?

Did you know that Co-op shops, even a relatively small one like the one in Grange, now provide somewhere to recycle "soft" plastic? Their website says:

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"Great news! You can now recycle soft plastics like crisp packets and bread bags at a Co-op near you. It doesn't matter where you bought them. Just pop your soft plastics into our recycling units and we'll do the rest. It means we can all do our bit for the environment."



Parish of Saint Paul, Grange-over-Sands

APRIL 2022 SERVICES AT ST PAUL'S & FELL CHURCH

SUNDAY 3rd APRIL - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

11.00 am Morning Worship - Lay-led, St Paul's Church, Grange

WEDNESDAY 6th APRIL

10.00 am - Morning Worship - St Paul's Church, Grange Lav-led

SUNDAY 10th APRIL-PALM SUNDAY

9.30 am - The Fell Church, Grange - Lay-led11.00 am - Holy Communion St Paul's Church, Grange The Venerable Penny Driver



WEDNESDAY 13th APRIL

10.00 am - Holy Communion - St Paul's Church, Grange Rev'd Nick Hallam

Maundy Thursday - 14th April - St Paul's, Grange

7.00 pm - Passover Supper & Communion Bishop James & Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

Good Friday - 15th April - St Paul's, Grange 1.00 pm - 2.00 pm - Private Prayer 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm - 'At the Foot of the Cross'

Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

SUNDAY 17th APRIL - EASTER SUNDAY

6.00 am - Easter Sunrise Service, Hampsfell Carpark, With refreshments in St Paul's

9.30 am - Holy Communion - The Fell Church, Grange The Venerable Penny Driver

11.00 am - Holy Communion - St Paul's Church, Grange The Venerable Penny Driver



WEDNESDAY 20th APRIL

10.00 am Joint Holy Communion at Methodist Church, Grange

SUNDAY 24th APRIL- 2ND EASTER

11.00 am - Holy Baptism- St Paul's Church, Grange - Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

WEDNESDAY 27th APRIL

10.00 am - Holy Communion - at The Fell Church, Grange Rev'd Jonathan Brewster

CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT AND CONCERT



Christian Aid Week is 15-21 May this year, and two exciting fundraising events are coming up: a charity supper and quiz night, and a concert of music and drama by the young people of Grange. Both are part of the work of Churches Together in Grange and District.

Now, for the first time in a generation, global poverty is rising. Covid-19, conflict and the climate crisis are pushing more of our global neighbours into a struggle



for survival. Christian Aid began as a response from UK churches to the refugee crisis across Europe in 1945. Today Christian Aid continues to work with local partners and communities to fight injustice, respond to humanitarian emergencies (including the Ukraine crisis), campaign for change and provide long-term development support for poor communities worldwide.

The supper and quiz night starts at 7pm on Monday 16th May, in Grange Methodist Church Hall. Tickets are £7.50, and include a two-course supper and participation in the quiz. Teams up to six people – either make a team up beforehand or join one on the night. Tickets are limited and must be booked by Sunday 8th May. Contact Hazel Edmondson tel: (015395) 36213 email: edmola11@yahoo.co.uk

The concert takes place on Friday 20th May, 7-8.30pm in Grange Methodist Church. The concert itself is free, but there will be a collection for Christian Aid during the evening.



VIGIL IN GRANGE FOR UKRAINE

About 60 people gathered at the peace pavement in the Ornamental Gardens at Grange to remember the situation in Ukraine, and to stand in silence alongside all those who are suffering.



It was organised by Churches Together and led by the Revd David Edmondson.



Did you know that the peace pavement was inspired by a visit to the peace pavement in the Dane John Gardens in Canterbury, and the late Pam Baines was responsible for having it erected in Grange as a millennium project when she was President of Churches Together, with folk sponsoring different letters on the slate.

CARTMEL QUAKERS TIME FOR PEACE

Cartmel Quakers will be holding a short Time For Peace on **Tuesday 5 April from 10:30 am.** There will be 30 minutes of mostly silent time, holding in the Light the continuing conflict in Ukraine.

Everyone is most welcome to attend, whether or not they are familiar with Quaker worship. We may meet in the garden if the weather is warm enough, or else in the Meeting Room with extra ventilation and masks. Hot drinks will be served afterwards.

HOLODOMOR a term derived from the Ukrainian words for hunger (holod) and extermination (mor)

In the memorial park in Kyiv, there is a sculpture of an extremely thin girl with a very sad look holding a handful of wheat ears. Behind her is the Candle of Remembrance, a monument with details reminiscent of the embroidery that can be found on traditional Ukrainian costumes. This monument +commemorates a historical event known as the Holodomor.

What is the Holodomor?

The Holodomor, also known as the Terror-Famine or the Great Famine, was a famine in Soviet Ukraine from 1932 to 1933 that killed millions of Ukrainians.

After the end of the First World War, Ukraine was an independent state, but in 1919 the Soviet Union "sucked" it into the community of Soviet states. The Ukrainians,



who even then considered themselves a Central European people like the Poles and not an Eastern European like the Russians, tried to restore Ukraine's independence.

In 1932, not wanting to lose control of Europe's main granary, Stalin resorted to one of the most heinous forms of terror against one nation. In the process of nationalization, he took away the grain-producing land from the Ukrainian peasants, but also all its offerings, thus creating an artificial famine. The goal was to "teach Ukrainians to be smart" so that they would no longer oppose official Moscow. Thus the people who produced the most grain in Europe were left without a crumb of bread. The peak of the Holodomor was in the spring of 1933. In Ukraine at that time, 17 people died of hunger every minute, more than 1,000 every hour, and almost 24,500 every day! People were literally starving to death in the streets.

Stalin settled the Russian population in the emptied Ukrainian villages. During the next census, there was a large shortage of population. Therefore, the Soviet government annulled the census, destroyed the census documents, and the enumerators were shot or sent to the gulag, in order to completely hide the truth.

For the people of Ukraine, their poison gas was hunger. Their Hitler was Stalin. Their Holocaust was the Holodomor. For them, fascist Berlin was Soviet Moscow, and their concentration camp was the Soviet Union. Today, 28 countries around the world present the Holodomor as genocide against Ukrainians, which you could not learn about in school, because almost all evidence was destroyed and victims were covered up for decades; survivors were forcibly silenced by not having the right to vote until recently.

The Holodomor at that time broke the Ukrainian resistance, but it made the desire for Ukraine's independence from Russia eternal.

THE FACES OF CHRIST by Gideon Heugh, poet and environmentalist

'But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29)

There are around 125 billion galaxies in the known universe. All of them unique. Each of these galaxies contain hundreds of billions of stars. All of them unique. Most of these stars have planets orbiting them. All of them unique.

One of those countless planets is, of course, the Earth. And on this gorgeous world there are around 8.7 million different species of life. All of them unique.

And one of those beautiful species is us. Human beings. Today, there are around 7 billion of us. All of us unique.

God, clearly, loves diversity. Everything created has a unique identity. Yet all of this awesome abundance of uniqueness is held together by one thing: Christ. All of it, all that has ever been made, was made by and through and for Christ (Colossians 1:16).

When we look into a face, we see a beautiful uniqueness, but also a beautiful connectedness. We see Christ. Who is our neighbor? Everyone; and in everyone, Christ.

Christ over all, thank you for the diversity of your creation. Help us to embrace and celebrate it. And open our eyes so that we can see you in all things. Amen.



This was the Tearfund devotion for Day 7 in Lent

Or... C.C.C.C.C.C.C.

No. 24 Setmurthy Church dedicated to St Barnabas

In terms of rural beauty, Setmurthy Church near Cockermouth is right up there near the top!

The building is hidden away just off the busy A66 road, surrounded by mature trees on all sides, and has close connections with nearby "Higham Hall".

On my visit here I learned that it was the centre of the smallest parish in our Diocese, but not, indeed, the smallest



church! There is a difference! Less than a hundred souls reside around here, and... there isn't even a hamlet by the name of Setmurthy!

However, I couldn't help being puzzled as to why it was dedicated to the rather-more 'obscure' *St Barnabas*? I needed now to learn a bit more about this particular saint from the Bible, but there was no mention of answer to my question inside the place, so for this reason I had to refer to the internet. It appears that St Barnabas was an early Christian missionary who travelled to many Mediterranean places, along with St Paul, to spread the Gospel of Christ. In later years he drifted away from the company of St Paul, but continued the work of helping to spread Christianity.

Here, in this corner of Cumbria, St Barnabas' Church was constructed in 1794, with much restoration and alterations taking place in 1870, but records show that there has been a place of worship on this site since 1225. Prior to this date and long into the distant past there is evidence of early humans having an impact nearby. In close proximity to the church is the "Elva Plain" Neolithic stone circle. The prehistoric construction of stone circles and their true significance is largely speculative. It is entirely possible that they had a spiritual nature of some sort, probably in connection

with the pagan worship of the sun and stars. Long after the time when stone circle-erecting and usage ceased, the stones if they were small enough were in the main just carried away and broken up for local building purposes. Perhaps this is where the 'recycled' stones to construct St Barnabas' Church originally came from? It is, of course, possible that the earliest church



building on this site was indeed intended to extinguish pagan worship and to spread the embryonic Christian church.

Once inside St Barnabas' Church is tiny and beautiful. The building is lit by chandeliers from its "candle-lit era" converted to take electric bulbs! The compactness of the church gives it a very spiritual atmosphere with some lovely stained glass windows and rich carvings in the woodwork. The addition just over a hundred years ago of the baptistry at the rear of the church is most enchanting. A small circular extension had to be built by funds donated from the Fisher Family who owned nearby "Higham Hall", simply to encompass the stone font and enable the relatives of the one being baptised to gather round, although I suspect that today it is rarely used. Whilst the photograph depicts the metal



gated-off baptistery, it perhaps doesn't give the truest picture of the extension to the church. For this reason, another external shot shows how sensitively the baptistry has been added.

Looking at the church from this direction, it is clear how hemmed in the small churchyard actually is. Names on ancient headstones recall folk from this scattered community. Some of the far parts of the cemetery area are actually being overtaken by nature in weed-growth and saplings, but someone keeps most of the external area of the building neat and tidy, perhaps folk connected with nearby "Higham Hall"? I did learn, however, that the Hall had just been bought by an up-market hotel chain - no



longer the 'seat' of a wealthy local family! Perhaps visitors to the new Hotel should take a brief stroll down the lanes to see this tiny The louvered wonder. and octagonal bell tower is possibly unique in this Diocese, and the added baptistry tends to suggest an invitation for visitors to come and explore inside. It is worth the journey!

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Together News Churches **Youth Trust** Spring

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couple of years behind us, it feels as if we can refresh, restore and begin again many aspects or our The Youth Trust is After periods of Covid-19 restrictions and a difficult ministry with young people. committed to: Grow 'church' amongst young people. Work in schools and the community to create



been delighted to welcome new and key member to the team to lead our mission This is was appointed back in September to the Helen Hoyle. have

St Mary's Church, Allithwaite developing Community Outreach, Helen is striving to maintain, build and contribute to partnerships with and between new full-time post funded and shared between CTYT, as Youth Worker working across the Cartmel peninsula focusing on young people, and at

new Trustee. We would love to hear from you if you would like to help the Youth Trust in this way or any churches, Network Youth church, schools and the community. Many of you will have met her. At the end of 2021, David Webster needed to stand down as one of our Trustees. David has served for many years and his enthusiasm and wisdom have been much appreciated and will be missed. This does mean that we are looking to recruit at least one Do contact us if you would like to volunteer or if you have any ideas or queries about our work.

Mervyn Hull, Chair, CTYT. mervynhull@hotmail.com

YOUTH CHURCH

Festival Manchester 2nd July Crazy Golf 8th & 9th April

Prayer Meeting

After School Drop In

have started an after school drop in for young people aged 11 upwards on Wednesdays during Helen and Network Youth Church Leader, Chris, term time. This is an opportunity for young people to come and 'chill out' in a warm welcoming place. We are very grateful to the Methodist Church for enabling us to use their church hall and for providing volunteers. The Drop In is in its early stages and we expect it to grow and develop over the next few

Grange Over Sands

After School Drop In

Chill out Drinks

WAIT YOUR TURN

Crazy Goll

Schools

been running 'Secret Agents' Investigating Christianity which is an after school club that takes place in 6 week blocks which ensure that each of the 6 schools has a turn. Helen has also taken a number of assemblies/ Collective Worships and in addition to this she supports their RE curriculum display to which young people from various schools contributed paper people in the colours of different with one off creative lessons. The picture below is Heten has built relationships with mos primary schools on the Cartmel Peninsula, been running control of the co

We have not managed to get in to Cartmel Priory School since lock down. We are hoping this will change in the summer term.

Venue - Crown Cottage, Thornfield Road,

Tuesday May 3rd - 7pm Grange Over Sands.



Friday Night Youth

Friday Night Youth has been running for the last few months at Allithwaite Church. The group is aimed at young people who want to go a bit deeper in to the Christian faith.



6PM -7.30 PM ST MARYS CHURCH, Young people require a parental consent form. Email Chris for a digital copy, chris mason@coritisediocesa.org.uk. or phone Helen 07940465792 to find out more. ALLITHWAITE

Anne Hegerty, star of quiz shows The Chase and Beat The Chaser, is famous for her knowledge and intelligence.

Yet when this very clever woman looked into the evidence for the Christian faith, she admitted: "I couldn't come up with any arguments against it".

Speaking to the Salvation Army's War Cry magazine, she recalled: "I became a Christian because, in my teens, I read a lot of the Christian writings of C S Lewis, a professor and children's author, and thought: "This all makes sense to me'."



It's maybe not surprising that her route to faith in Jesus was through logical arguments. Anne has been open about the problems of living with Asperger's syndrome, one of which is having difficulty relating to emotions. She thinks this played a part: "My faith is intellectual rather than emotional, and that's because I'm not a terribly emotional person...

"For me, the most important bit about Christianity is when Jesus says: 'I am the way, the truth and the life'. I keep focusing on the word 'truth'. Some people believe things because they find them comforting, but... I have to know that this stuff about Jesus actually happened. And I do believe it happened – because you couldn't make it up. It seems so plausible to me."

When Anne meets people who don't believe, all their arguments do is strengthen her faith, because "I know that I can defend it... in my mind, Jesus is the incarnate God -God in a human body – that's central and essential to me".

www.goodnews-paper.org.uk



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Another number to ring - HELPLINE 03030030003

Website: www.ageuk.org.uk/campaigns Twitter: @ageukcampaigns

KEEP CALM AND KNIT - A quick history of the first half of 20th Century knitting

In the early part of the 20th Century there was an explosion in popularity of knitting. This was largely due to articles of clothing being introduced that were easy and quick to make, with the patterns placed in domestic magazines for all to use.

Going into the 1920's, women's lifestyles started to change. They had more freedoms, which included social opportunities, and their clothing started to reflect this change. There was a sweater 'craze' and jumpers were the popular item of clothing to knit. Mainly straight up and down in line with the flapper fashion, they were really stunning and made for easy movement.

After this, knitting became much more fashionable and jumpers in the 30's became more shaped, accentuating curves, with more exaggerated necklines and nipped in waists. The patterns became more sophisticated, with different colours, open work, cabling and lace work. Knitting became the forefront of women's fashion and people enjoyed doing it.

During the two World Wars, knitting became increasingly important and had a practical role to play. Magazines published during the wars encouraged their readers to knit balaclavas, chest warmers, socks - all for service men at the front - and also surgical stockings for injured men returning home.

Before the First World War, magazines often had knitting and crochet tutorials in them (equivalent of a YouTube video nowadays!) There were black-and-white close-up shots with detailed instructions on how to cast on and off, how to master cabling, and so on. From the 1930's the magazines went further, including factors like tension, needle size and yarn brand. There are some great patterns to be found from that time, and people are now offering them for sale on line. On Ebay, you can find a variety of styles and, knitted in the new wools of today, the finished garments can look even better.

By the 1960's and 70's most magazines published a knitting pattern in their magazine every week and these were advertised on the front covers. As patterns increased and became more elaborate the market for yarns, needles and other paraphernalia expanded considerably.

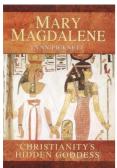
It seems that women who knitted through the Wars were encouraged by national drives for the armed forces and used knitting as a way of bringing a sense of normality to their lives. This is something that we can relate to now having lived with Covid over the last two years. Knitting has been so good for people's mental health, for stress relief, and "keeping calm". Knitting has and can help people to cope.

Information taken from Knit Now Magazine

PS There are a number of knitting groups locally who meet up regularly and have demonstrated their skills in dressing trees for our Christmas Tree Festival. Our own Parish Administrator is a 'knitter and natterer'!'

BOOKS TO READ IN OUR LIBRARY

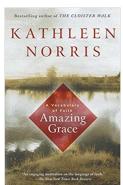
MARY MAGDALENE: CHRISTIANITY'S HIDDEN GODDESS - BY LYNN PICKNETT



Acting as a historical detective, the author of this text strips away the layers of deception and propaganda that surround the Christian story in a quest to find the real Mary Magdalene, asking such questions as was she a reformed prostitute who spent the rest of her life in penitence; or was she merely one of the women who followed Jesus? Using both scholastic and heretical sources, the author discovers that virtually everything that the Church has led people to believe is not only wrong, but part of a deliberate conspiracy to cover up some uncomfortable facts. From the scriptures - both biblical and non-canonical, besides other historical traditions such as the secret inner circle of the Knights Templar - a

very different Magdalene emerges.

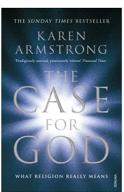
AMAZING GRACE - BY KATHLEEN NORRIS



Struggling with her return to the Christian church after many years away, Kathleen Norris found it was the language of Christianity that most distanced her from faith. Words like judgment, faith, dogma, salvation, sinner--even Christ--formed what she called her scary vocabulary, words that had become so codified or abstract that their meanings were all but impenetrable. She found she had to wrestle with them and make them her own before they could confer their blessings and their grace. Blending history, theology, storytelling, etymology, and memoir, Norris uses these words as a starting point for reflection, and offers a moving account of her own gradual conversion. She evokes a rich spirituality rooted firmly in the chaos of everyday life--and offers believers and

doubters alike an illuminating perspective on how we can embrace ancient traditions and find faith in the contemporary world.

THE CASE FOR GOD - BY KAREN ARMSTRONG



There is widespread confusion about the nature of religious truth. For the first time in history, a significantly large number of people want nothing to do with God. Militant atheists preach a gospel of godlessness with the zeal of missionaries and find an eager audience. Tracing the history of faith from the Palaeolithic Age to the present, Karen Armstrong shows that meaning of words such as 'belief', 'faith', and 'mystery' has been entirely altered, so that atheists and theists alike now think and speak about God and, indeed, reason itself - in a way that our ancestors would have found astonishing. Does God have a future? Karen Armstrong examines how we can build a faith that speaks to the needs of our troubled and dangerously polarised world.

April 2022	ALLITHWAITE	FLOOKBURGH	GRANGE	GRANGE FELL	FINSTHWAITE	HAVERTHWAITE	STAVELEY IN CARTMEL	FIELD BROUGHTON & LINDALE
Sunday 3 rd April 5 th Sunday of Lent	9.30 am Service of the Word Sue Wymer	Holy Communion Rev'd Jane Maycock	11.00 am Morning Worship Lay-led		11.00 am Holy Communion by extension Dianne Maguire	11.00 am Morning Worship Lay-led	Holy Communion by Extension Richard Rhodes	9.30 am Morning Worship Lay-led
Sunday 10th April Palm Sunday	4.00 pm Afternoon Worship for Palm Sunday Jenny Leahy	10.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jane Maycock	11.00 am Holy Communion Venerable Penny Driver	9.30 am Lay-led	11.00 am Holy Communion United Service Rev'd Jonathan Browster	11.00 am United Service at Finsthwaite	11.00 am United Service at Finsthwaite	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathar Brewstwer
14 th April Maundy Thursday			6.00 pm Passover Supper & Stripping of the Alter Bishop James & Rev'd Jonathan Becwster					
15th April Good Friday			1.00- 2.00 pm Private Prayer 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm Holy Communion at the foot of the Cross Rev'd Ionathan Browster				2.00 pm Holy Communion Bishop James & Richard Rhodes	
16 th April Easter Saturday			United Service at Cartmel Priory Rev'd Nick Devenish					
Sunday 17th April Easter Day	9.30 am Holy Communion Canon Amiel Osmuston	10.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jane Maycock	6.00 am Ecumenical Sunrise Service Hampsfell Carpark Followed by Hot Cross Buns 11.00 am Holy Communion Venerable Penny Driver	9.30 am Holy Communion Venerable Penny Driver	9.30 am Holy Communion Re'd Jonathan Brewster	11.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jonathan Becuster	11.00 am Hoby Communion Archdeacon Vernon Ross	9.30 am Holy Communion Archdeacon Vernon Ross

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Sunday 24th April 2nd of Easter	9.30 am Joint Service of the Word Steve Bell	9.30 am Joint Service of the Word at St Mary's Allithwaite	11.00 am Holy Baptism Rev'd Jonathan Becuster		6.00 pm Evensong Rev'd Jonathan Brewster	11.00 am Morning Worship Lay-led	11.00 am Morning Worship Lay-led	11.00 am Morning Worship Biddy Hibbert

Wednesdays Clergy Rota April 2022 10 am - St Paul's Church, Grange					
6th April	Lay-led				
13th April	Rev'd Nick Hallam				
20th April	Methodist Church, Grange				
27th April	Rev'd Jonathan Brewster				

Another of Churchill's quotes

Early in 1945 there was an exchange of letters between President Roosevelt and Churchill about the agenda for the Yalta conference. The American President could not see any reason why they could not complete the plans for establishing the United Nations during the six days of the conference. Churchill wrote back: "I don't see any way of realising our hopes for a world organisation in six days. Even the Almighty took seven".



PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.

Amen.

A message from MOLLIE (aged 7)

To all the people in Ukraine

I hope you are safe and don't die.

I hope you get better and be able to leave the hospitals if you get better.

I hope neither the Rushians (!) or Ukraine die.

I hope you are all safe.

(Granddaughter of David Pendlebury)



AWAY DAY FOR THE PCC - 5TH MARCH

The long planned away day finally happened on 5th March and we made our way up to Rydal Hall on a beautiful sunny day in early March.

Revd Jonathon Brewster led the day with 12 PCC members and we held a good planning session on the way forward for St Paul's & The Fell Church in the future, reviewed the Mission Action Plan, discussed Charitable giving, and reviewed Lay-led services.

At lunchtime we walked in the gardens and explored the sculpture garden by the waterfalls near The Grot which were stunning. The grounds at Rydal Hall are well worth a visit, plus of course the tea shop!

Thank you to Rosemary and Judith for making the arrangements.







FOODBANK COLLECTION

The latest collection for the foodbank for Barrow, Millom and Ulverston raised 168.8 kg of food, which equated to 401 meals. In addition, £193.20 was donated in cash. A small group of Co-workers for Mother Teresa spent just two hours receiving parcels of food, which were sorted and then collected the following day by van for transport to Barrow.

Date for our next collection is Sunday, 22nd May—same time, same place.









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GRANGE OVER SANDS MONTHLY RAINFALL (MM) - ANDREW LITTLE								
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	154	141	98	142	73	107	186	58
February	76	125	91	69	99	263	139	171
March	110	107	162	60	182	75	134	28*
April	46	72	15	98	39	12	12	
May	165	32	75	37	52	26	101	
June	34	185	135	19	91	99	30	
July	69	113	126	33	134	169	70	
August	112	168	86	108	180	188	63	
September	29	118	177	133	177	66	62	
October	60	31	172	131	160	165	304	
November	246	118	189	62	85	114	71	
December	352	65	109	160	155	126	153	
Annual								
Totals	1,453	1,275	1,435	1,052	1,433	1,408	1,325	257*
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