Parish News

The Benefice Magazine for St Oswald's, Warton and St Mary's, Borwick with St John's, Yealand







Ctober 2023

DEAR READER

Hello everyone

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Kind regards, Kate

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Welcome to our October Parish News

As an enthusiastic young vicar, I once decided my parish needed a film evening, so I got Zeffirelli's film "Brother Sun, Sister Moon" about Saints Francis and Clare. It was all good until, oh dear, they got on a roof and started taking their clothes off.



Was this really suitable for my parishioners? In a way it was,

because Francis (whose festival is October 4th) was someone who wanted to be free from all his burdens. So he gave his money, and also some of his father's(!), away. This was freedom and obligation in action. We have been given a wonderful world and life, but we have the obligation to look after them.

Ever since, the followers of Francis have lived in that radical way. It may not be practical for us, but the principle is. Furthermore, Francis is famous for the way he considered animals and birds "his brothers and sisters". He knew the close connection we have with the natural world – a very modern idea. Every nature programme rightly tells us of our obligations. What, however, about the joy? For me the world is all about love and I define love as giving. Look what we have been given and enjoy it, but how do we use it? I am not, I hope, miserable about that because we do a lot of good for the planet but how do we rediscover the delight of Francis? How do we look after the gift? That is a basic question for both religious and non-religious people. We are just coming to the end of the harvest season – giving thanks for the miracle of growing things. People throughout the ages – Christian or not - have understood that.

Do Christians have anything special to add? Francis was free because he saw how important Jesus was above all else. He saw the joy in Jesus' love, but he also saw our obligation to help the world be better. He wanted everyone to share that. If it meant giving all his money to a beggar – so be it. Impractical for us, maybe, but do we understand love and the obligation of love?

Recently, when the junior church came up in their slot in the service, they gave us all cooking tips. Where is the spirituality in that? Well, it was about using leftovers. They told us the amount of food we throw away is appalling. We squander the great gift. We mess up the world and do not, like Francis, honour our "brothers and sisters" in the natural world.

Do you ever feel like throwing your clothes off (metaphorically of course!), getting rid of your burdens and feeling free? That is one side of faith. The other is when we come across the metaphorical beggar by the gate – we are obliged to share the great gifts of life we have received. Praying is a spiritual activity, so is eating responsibly and caring for our world. I am sure Francis would agree.

Peter Mann

The regular pattern of services on <u>Sundays</u> is:

- 8.00am Eucharist at St Oswald's (according to the Book of Common Prayer)
- 9.15am Parish Eucharist at St John's. This service will be livestreamed on the Benefice <u>YouTube channel</u>.
- 9.15am Eucharist at St Mary's (on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month).
- 11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Oswald's

The regular pattern of <u>midweek</u> services is:

Tuesdays Eucharist at St Mary's at 11.00am on the 2nd Tuesday of the month

Wednesdays Eucharist at St John's at 9.15am

Thursdays Eucharist at St Oswald's at 11.00am

Night Prayer

A recording of Night Prayer (Compline) is available via the link on the home page of our website; the form of service is also available to download.

The pattern of midweek activities in our churches includes:

Tuesdays	Coffee Stop at S <u>t</u> Oswald's from 9.00am until 11.00am
Tuesdays	<i>Faith Matters</i> group at St Mary's at 12 noon until 1.00pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Bring your own lunch; drinks provided.
Wednesdays	Knit & Natter at St John's at 2.00pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the month
Thursdays	Breaking Bread Lunch at St Oswald's at 11.45am
Fridays	Coffee @ St John's from 10.30am until 12 noon, with lunch on the 2nd Friday of the month.

Please check the Weekly Sheet, Benefice website or Facebook page for any changes to the above information.

Oversight of the United Benefice during the vacancy (time when no Vicar is in post)

As from 13th March the first point of contact with the churches in the Benefice can be via Annette MacKenzie, the Licensed Lay Minister. Enquiries can also be directed to one of the churchwardens for the appropriate church. For contact details please see the back page of the magazine.

Annette and the churchwardens will respond if possible or they will pass on any enquiry to the appropriate person in the Benefice or contact the Area Dean or Archdeacon for assistance if necessary.

As from 13th March emails can be sent to <u>vicar.ubwby@gmail.com</u> and these will be received by Annette MacKenzie. Please note that the email address vicarwby@outlook.com should not be used after this date.

The Future of your Parish News magazine

During the Covid lockdown of 2020, it was necessary to deliver the Parish News solely by email as physical production and delivery of paper copies was not permitted. This has continued to date, with printed copies available in each of our churches.

The way that the magazine is accessed is currently under review and we would like your help in deciding how we go forward.

To this end, please would you send an email to parishnews@outlook.com telling us how you currently access the Parish News. If you access it digitally, please tell us where you find the link to download it. If you receive a paper copy, please let us know where you get it from.

For those of you that don't use the internet, survey forms will be available in church very soon. We would be thankful if you could complete one and hand it to a churchwarden.

We would also like to know how you would prefer to receive the magazine—are you more likely to read an online edition or a printed one?

The information that you provide will help us decide which is the best way to go forward with publication and possibly result in a more detailed survey. Thank you ⁽²⁾

NORTH WEST CANCER RESEARCH

The Team are again holding an Afternoon Tea with raffle and other stalls on Saturday 28th October in the Church Hall at 2.00 pm. Please support this very worthwhile event

United Benefice dates your diary:

Sunday 1st October	St Oswald's Harvest Festival		
	Young Generations 6-8pm		
Sat 7th Oct	Environment Monthly Coffee Morning 10am-12pm		
Sat 4th Nov	St Oswald's Autumn Fayre 10arn-12pm		
Sun 5th Nov	Young Generations 6-8pm		
Fri 10th Nov	St Oswald's Show Tunes Evening 7.30pm		
Sun 12th Nov	Remembrance Sunday		
Sat 2nd Dec	Jeel al Amal Home for Boys, Bethany,		
	Monthly Coffee Morning 10am-12pm		
Sun Dec	Young Generations 6-8pm		
Tues 5th Dec	Christmas Tree Festival set up 2-7pm		
Weds 6th-10th	Dec St Oswald's Christmas Tree Festival 2-4pm		
Fri 8th Dec	An Evening With Ottovoce Concert		
Sat 9th Dec	An afternoon With The Red Cats		
Sun 10th Dec	St Oswald's Christingle Service		
Sun 17th Dec	Yealand Carol Service		
Tues 19th Dec	St Oswald's Carol Service rpm		
Weds 20th Dec	Borwick Carol Service		
Fri 22nd Dec	Rectory Carols 6pm		
Sun 24th Dec	Christmas Eve 11am and evening service tbc		
Mon 25th Dec	Christmas Day 11am Service		
Thurs 28th Dec	Christmas Tree Removal Day 3-6pm		



Please watch our Facebook page for updates at https://www.facebook.com/UBWBY or our website at



The Young Generations — For young people aged 9+

This group for young people aged 9+ meets monthly each first Sunday 6pm-8pm at St Oswald's, Warton. We will have food, play some great games together and think of ways we can help our community and the world.

We hope to see you; all are welcome. If you are interested and want to know more please contact Emma, <u>evbrantley@hotmail.com</u>.





Yealand Ecumenical Event

Jesus was asked 'Who is my neighbour?'

Do you have a modern story you can share, to answer the question?

We meet as Friends (Quakers), Romans (Catholics) and Countrymen (C of E) to hear modern stories, possibly personal, and enjoy refreshments together.

We have a screen to show pictures.

Sunday 22nd October, St John's Church at 3pm, our first meeting after the pandemic! Please contact Jean, J.Tunnicliffe-wilson@zen.co.uk , preferably by Friday 20th, if you have a story to tell.

From our churches

Coffee Stop at St Oswald's

Tuesdays 9.00am to 11.00am.

A warm place to meet for a drink, cake and a chat! Toys are available for young children. All are welcome.

Join us for Lunch!

On Thursdays at St Oswald's we offer a lunch, usually soup, sandwiches and cakes. We have a guiet Eucharist in church at 11.00am followed by lunch at about 11.45am. Join us for either, or both! Carers are welcome too. If you need transport we will try to help.

A donation of around £3 is invited.

Coffee @ St John's

Fridays 10:30am till 12noon.

Please join us for coffee, tea and cake. Book and jigsaw swap. All welcome. On the 2nd Friday of the month a lunch follows the coffee time.

Bible Study Group – daytime

A monthly bible study group meets on the 2nd Monday of each month from 10am until 12 noon at Fernlands, Tewitfield.

Contact Noeline Clarke on 01524 732825 for more details. All are welcome.

Bible Study Group – evening

A monthly bible study group meets on Wednesday evenings at 7.15am for **7.30pm** in Yealand Convers. The group is studying the Old Testament book Ruth.

Contact Jodie Kilty at jodiekilty@hotmail.co.uk for more details. All are welcome.

RECYCLING DRUG BLISTER PACKS

Thank you for all your support in the past. Unfortunately we are no longer able to accept drug blister packs for recycling as Super Drug are unable to cope with the storage of group recycling. They will still accept recycling from individuals if you are able to do so.















From our churches

Knit and Natter at St John's

If you like to knit, crochet, sew or any other "crafty" sort of work, why not come to Knit and Natter. Everyone is welcome —just bring something to work on while you sit, chat and have a cup of tea. The group meets monthly on a Wednesday afternoon in the upper room at St John's, 2.00-4.00. Dates for the rest of the year are: September 13, October 18, November 8 and December 13.



Sally-Ann Rothwell (734585, sally-ann@thebower.co.uk)

Ode to Autumn in your Garden

As the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness draws to a close, don't hang up your tools just yet!

We encourage you to commune with nature and enjoy the final flourish of Autumn. In a year of extremes, we are blessed with many flowers making a repeat performance. A little time spent now will stand you in good stead for the coming year. Our collective thoughts may help you to plan, tidy, sow, divide and plant your way through October, for the promise of things to come.

In the words of a famous gardener, here are your "jobs for the month"!

Order bulbs for a succession of Spring colour. Our top choices are Iris Reticulata, Crocuses, Narcissus, Erythronium, Fritillaria, Tulips and Alliums. These will give you joy from early March to late June and can even be planted in containers to give a wonderful display by the front door.

Collect seeds into paper envelopes for scattering or sowing in Autumn or Spring. Some of our favourites include Poppies, Fleabane, Corncockle, Wild Carrot, Ammi, Verbena, Cerinthe, Nicandra, Cosmos and Astrantia. Seeds for free which will give you a splendid display throughout Summer 2024, especially if you have an open sunny spot with rather poor soil.

Divide Herbaceous Perennials in October and November, to either pot up and share with friends & neighbours or to increase your stock for replanting elsewhere in the garden.

Deadhead any Autumn flowering plants to prolong the season and cut back flowers and stems of Buddleia to avoid self-seeding. Leave ornamental grasses, teasles and umbels to create habitats for insects, birds and hedgehogs. This will also provide some protection for more tender plants from an early frost.

Scarify lawns and re-seed any bare patches in preparation for an Autumn lawn feed.

Take photos of the garden to help you plan for revised planting and any changes you will make to the design over the Winter.

Soak up the final rays of Autumn sunshine and pour yourselves a drink whilst enjoying the fruits of your labour!

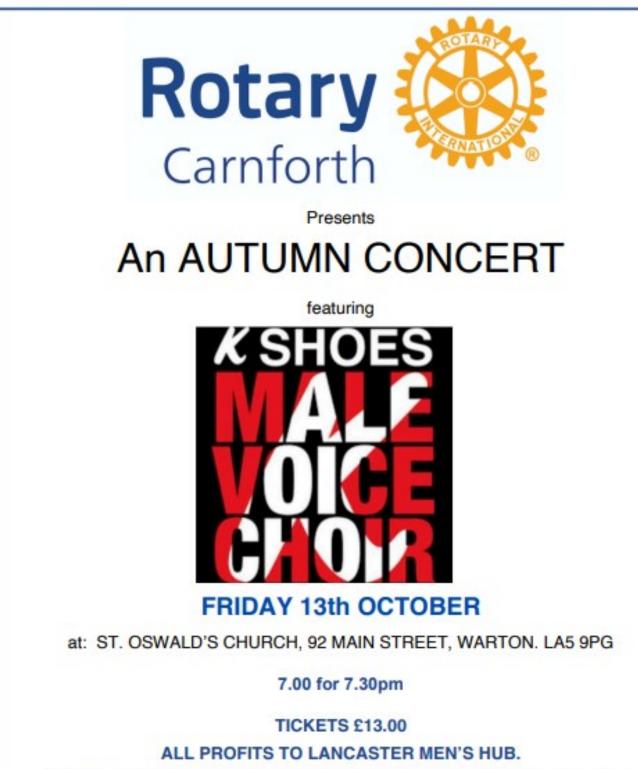
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Junior Church

The Summer term seems a long time ago now. We explored many different ways of talking to God both through words and actions and had a wonderful visit to Hyning when Sister Reina introduced us to using the psalms to help us pray.





For the first half of this term, we will be thinking about the ways that we can help to look after God's wonderful creation, particularly focusing on wasting less, reusing more, taking care of what we have and changing the way we live.

We will be in church for the whole of the Harvest Festival service, taking an active part in the worship and will running a bake sale afterwards to raise money for a charity related to our theme.

We will also be actively involved in the Environment Coffee Morning on the 7th October (10am – 12noon). The Eco Group, who are running the coffee morning, have very kindly decided to donate the money raised to our joint project with Young Generations, to increase the biodiversity within the churchyard. There will be interactive activities for children, lots of information about eco topics as well as stalls and refreshments.

Junior Church will run every week through until the 15th October. We will have a break for half term and start again on the 5th November.

Do get in touch if you would like to join us. We meet every Sunday in term time in St Oswald's Church Hall from 11 - 12am with children aged 3 to 10 with under 3's accompanied by an adult. We explore out faith together through activities, games, songs, drama and fun! Visiting children are always welcome.

For more information, contact Vanessa Alpin on 07746 790979

A date for your diaries! – Wednesday 25th October, Family Games Afternoon

Families from all our villages and beyond are warmly invited to come to St Oswald's Church in Warton to have fun playing games together from 2 – 4pm on Wednesday 25th October.

There will be lots of different games to play, you just get stuck in and enjoy! There will be a free play area for toddlers and refreshments will also be provided.

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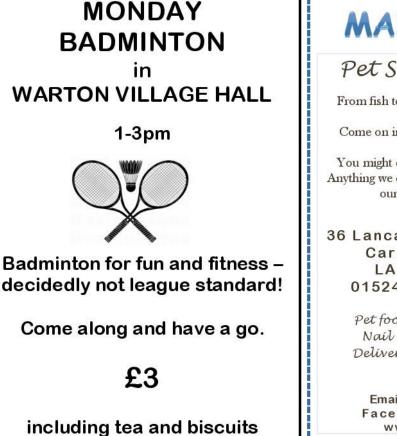
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From our Churches



From our Villages



How are we finding this new season? Autumn is well on its way now that we are in October with leaves falling from the trees, a real nip in the air when we are out walking and our children are well into their first term at school and already looking forward to half-term holidays!! The seasons are changing rapidly but do we see God's hand in it all? Certainly in the beauty of nature we do and I do love walking through the autumn leaves in parks and watching the magnificent trees and hedgerows altering as if God is the artist and He is changing us as well as His glorious Creation - just like the Christian song 'Jesus, You are changing me' by Marilyn Baker.

It makes me think of the Book of Ecclesiastes in the bible in chapter 3 v 1-8 - 'For everything its season and for every activity under heaven its time'. Worth having a read sometime.

At our Messy Harvest last month we chose the 7 days of God's Creation as our theme.

Our next Messy Church will be held on TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER rather than a Sunday as normal and we are calling it a Messy Hallowe'en Light Party. It is at the usual time of 4-6pm so do come along, children of all ages must be accompanied by a parent or carer, and join us for lots of fun activities.

Our Sunday morning services continue every week at 10.00am.

Little Stars meet every Thursday morning during term time at 9.00am.

If you require any further information, please contact our minister Rev Emma Holroyd on 01524 941266 or by email at emma.holroyd@methodist.org.uk.







TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER 4pm - 6pm WARTON METHODIST CHURCH



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 27th Oct – Enid Blyton, Noddy, Big Ears & lashings of Controversy – Drama 7.30pm

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Meeting weekly on Wednesdays from October 25th until February 7th, 2pm - 3.30pm at CF Community Centre, LA5 9LR (next to the High School).

See more details on the GriefShare website: https://www.griefshare.org You can register for the group on the website, type Carnforth in the find a group search box, or contact carnforthgriefshare@gmail.com or ring Elspeth: 01524 702966

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Activities for those living with Dementia

Music and Memories at Carnforth Free Methodist Church Music to feed the brain

Carnforth Free Methodist Church invites you to join them for their Music & Memories sessions. Anyone with dementia or memory loss is welcome along with their friends, relatives or carers, to come and join in singing old familiar songs, learning a few new ones, singing simple rounds or playing percussion instruments. They also have a 'thought for the day' and spend time enjoying chatting and refreshments.

The group is run by volunteers from the church who have all attended sessions about safeguarding and Dementia Friends.

Next meetings: 14 & 28 September, 12 & 26 October and then ongoing fortnightly. Sessions run from 1.30pm to 3.15pm.

Community Centre, Kellet Road, Carnforth LA5 9LR, parking at rear

Email connect@cfmc.org.uk or phone 01524 736141 for further information.



Dignity in Dementia October Activities

For more information, please contact Diane on 07771 682378

Follow us on facebook at https://www.facebook.com/dignitydementia/

Social table tennis – at Arnside Educational Institute, Church Hill, Arnside, 10.30 am start, Wednesdays 4th & 18th October

Woodland Wellness – Being outside is good for us all. Come and join us for engaging activities connected to nature – next to the trees in Cinderbarrow picnic area, Tarn Lane, Yealand Redmayne, LA5 9RX, (will be held inside at Milnthorpe MHub in bad weather) Mondays 9th & 23rd October, 11am – 12 noon

Dementia Embracing Community Singing Groups

Silverdale Songsters - Friday mornings between 10.30 – 11.30 am at St John's Church Hall, St John's Church, Silverdale

From our Villages





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> Wednesday 12th July Thursday 14th September Thursday 12th October Wednesday 15th November

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These can be made by cash or cheque (payable to "PCC of Warton"); please mark the envelope 'Parish News' and hand to a churchwarden in church. Thank you.

A prayer for those in need

Merciful God, be near to those who are troubled with sickness or other need; in the power of your love, bring relief from present suffering and the return of health, that being made whole in body mind and spirit, they may give thanks again for the gift of life.

Be with all who work for healing, especially those who care for the sick and those in need with professional skill and loving care. Bless them with patience and compassion in their work and grant that in due time they will share in thanks for health and life restored.



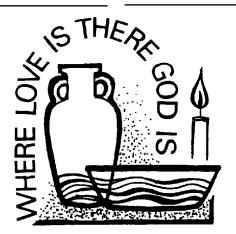
A prayer for those who mourn

May you be held by the God of compassion as you remember your loved ones today. May God be with you in your sorrow, and comfort you in your loss.

May your God, your family and your friends, give you strength and confidence. May your spirit be lifted,

may your heart be filled with peace, and may the light of God's promise fill you with joy and hope.

Amen.



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