





TWO

VALLEYS PARISH

NEWS







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A LETTER FROM MICHAEL WOODCOCK

I recently went on a spiritual retreat to a place called Mucknell Abbey, just south of Worcester. It is a modern day Community of Anglican monks and nuns that originated in Burford, Oxfordshire, but has recently moved and creatively converted an old farm into a new home. I have known some of the monks for a long time and have been making regular retreats like this to Anglican Benedictine communities for over 20 years now. I have a close affiliation with the Benedictine way, and seek to incorporate many Benedictine principles into my way of life. I find this to be of great benefit as it gives space to pray, to reflect and to get life back into perspective. I believe everyone can benefit from making retreats of some kind or another and would encourage you to explore finding somewhere for yourselves. If you are interested then Mucknell Abbey's website is www.mucknellabbey.org.uk/

But many of these traditional monastic communities are struggling, even dying out in the modern world. The whole sense of commitment to a life-long vocation, coupled with the requirement for celibacy, is no longer as attractive an option as it once was. However, in contrast to this decline, there is a growing interest today in exploring new ways of being community and new ways of expressing Christian spirituality. This has been called the "new monasticism" by some and there is much discussion in the wider church today about what we can still glean from the older and more traditional forms of community, such as monasteries, and then redesign them into forms that will work in today's world. Just one book I have read recently is entitled "New Monasticism as Fresh Expression of Church".

What remains true, from the times when they were first established right through the upheavals of the Tudor Reformation and continuing through to today, is that each Parish Church is expected to become a place of genuine and authentic community; to encourage a regular rhythm of prayer, Holy Communion, loving service to those in need, and participation in the local community. We try to do this here in our two valleys as best we can, and I think we do a pretty good job, but of course we are far from perfect. The church, just like any other community, is made up of ordinary men, women and children and we are not all without fault. Over the centuries and indeed today we often find examples of people within the church who fail, who may judge others, who may gossip, who may say one thing with their lips but fail to match it up with their actions. Sometimes we disagree with one another and occasionally we struggle to find reconciliation and that continues to cause us hurt and anguish.

Thus there are many outside the life of the church who look in and see hypocrisy. Is that fair? Is it right? Well those of us who are members of church do not claim to be perfect. I say all this as much to myself as to anyone. I too have made mistakes and get things wrong from time to time, so do not claim to be without fault. We are ordinary

men and women; we are real, we are flesh and blood and we recognize our imperfections. We try our best to be as good as we can, but we will inevitably fall down from time to time. It has been said that "if you ever find the perfect church, don't join it, you'll only spoil it." It is the self-righteous Christian who ends up being the most unattractive of persons.

Of course, that accusation of hypocrisy is fair and right when we include the atrocities conducted in the name of the church in centuries past and the modern day abuse scandals which have horrified us all. These are things of which we are thoroughly ashamed as they distorted and twisted the true nature of Christian faith.

What we do need in society and in the church is more honesty and authenticity, for then we are truly real and can answer the sometimes unfair criticism of hypocrisy that comes from the world at large. That search for integrity and authenticity is part of the phenomenon outlined at the beginning of this Letter. People today are looking for something genuine and authentic. It is these sorts of Communities that we wish to build here in our parishes, although bear with us if we are not as faultless as you might demand.

That acknowledgement of our imperfections, however, brings us right back to the heart of the Christian gospel. We know we are not perfect, therefore we seek repentance and forgiveness through Christ who can then restore and remake us according to his likeness. This is a wonderful gift that God offers to each of us.

Yours in friendship,





FROM THE REGISTERS



Baptisms

21st August 3rd September Joseph Thomas Thacker at St. Anthony's, Cartmel Fell James Alexander Jenkins at St. Anthony's, Cartmel Fell



Weddings

3rd September 10th September

Jonathan Sykes & Anna Tetley at All Saints Underbarrow Joy Stevens and Sam Barratt at St. Mary's, Crosthwaite



Funerals

23rd August

Iris Margaret Lempriere Atkinson (87) at St. Paul's, Witherslack

Iris Atkinson 1924 – 2011

Iris Atkinson, who died on August 15th, was born into a clerical family in Leeds. Her father, who died when she was six, was Vicar of St Marks and her grandfather later became Bishop of Ely so Iris had a sound Christian upbringing. She worshipped at St Paul's Witherslack, which she loved, for over 20 years.

She read Medicine at Edinburgh University and went on to qualify as an anaesthetist. At university, she was a valued member of the Ladies Swimming Team and continued to enjoy swimming until early this summer.

She married Michael Atkinson, also a doctor, in 1951 and thereafter as she put it, "wherever he went, I went too". They moved to London, Chicago, Boston, Worcester, Nottingham before retiring to Witherslack in 1989. While there, they made many friends and Iris was an active member of the WI as well as organising the local Neighbourhood Watch scheme. She also volunteered as a room steward at Sizergh Castle for many years.

In 2002, Iris and Michael moved to Grange Over Sands and enjoyed a magnificent view of Morecambe Bay from their house.

Iris had four daughters and eight grandchildren and greatly enjoyed family reunions. She was very interested in what everyone in the family was doing and always celebrated their achievements. She loved travelling both here and abroad, where she went to most of Europe, the USA, India, Saudi Arabia and Kenya,. Most of all, the natural world gave her no end of pleasure – be it gardening, walking, bird watching or wild flower spotting.

Iris's funeral was held in Witherslack on August 23rd, followed by cremation at Barrow.

Holy Days in October

- 4 Francis of Assisi, Friar, Deacon, Founder of the Friars Minor, 1226 Lesser Festival
- 6 William Tyndale, Translator of the Scriptures, Reformation Martyr, 1536 Lesser Festival
- 10 Paulinus, Bishop of York, Missionary, 644 Lesser Festival
- Wilfrid of Ripon, Bishop, Missionary, 709 Lesser Festival
- Edward the Confessor, King of England, 1066 Lesser Festival
- 15 Teresa of Avila, Teacher of the Faith, 1582 Lesser Festival
- 17 Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, Martyr, c.107 Lesser Festival
- 18 Luke the Evangelist Festival
- 19 Henry Martyn, Translator of the Scriptures, Missionary in India and Persia, 1812 Lesser Festival
- Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, Scholar, 899 Lesser Festival
- 28 Simon and Jude, Apostles Festival
- 29 James Hannington, Bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa, Martyr in Uganda, 1885 Lesser Festival

CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS

All Souls' Service

This year our special <u>All Souls' Service</u> will be at <u>6.30pm on Sunday 6th November</u> and hosted by <u>St. Mary's, Crosthwaite</u>. This is a service where we remember loved ones who are no longer with us on earth. We would like to invite all of you who would find it helpful to remember particular people who have gone before us, to come to this service and share what is always a very special time with us. We ask that you write the Names of those you would wish to be remembered on the special <u>Lists</u> that will be available in all the churches from 16th October; these Names will then be read out and remembered in the course of the service. Please PRINT the names in capital letters so that we can easily read them. Remember, this Service is for <u>everyone</u> who reads this magazine, not just the people of Crosthwaite....

Harvest Collections at our churches

This year we would like to support the Diocese's "Harvest for the Hungry Appeal 2011". This Appeal is again supporting two projects this year:

COC-Bless is run by the development arm of the Coptic Church in Egypt, a country where over 20% of the population live below the poverty line. This project seeks to develop sustainable farming through training and empowerment of local people.

The second project is through Tearfund and is supporting two diocesan development teams within the Church in Uganda as they seek to help poorer communities cope with erratic climate conditions by improving agricultural practices and introducing drought-resistant and high-yielding crops.

It is good at Harvest time not only to give thanks for the blessings and privileges we enjoy, but also in our small way, to look outward and seek to support those less fortunate than ourselves... We look forward to seeing you at our Harvest services and hope you may be inspired to support these projects.

Compline at Cartmel Fell 8.00pm Wednesday 19th October

There will be a service of sung Compline at St. Anthony's, Cartmel Fell at 8.00pm on Wednesday 19th October. Do come along and bring your own candle as we enjoy this wonderfully atmospheric service in the recently newly lit church at Cartmel Fell. The service lasts just under 30 minutes.

Evensong – what's it all about? 5.45pm Sunday 23rd October

A repeat of the teaching session held last year in Crosthwaite, but this time in Witherslack. There will be a short talk about the Anglican service of Evensong at 5.45pm on Sunday 23rd October in St. Paul's church, Witherslack. We will explore the origins of this lovely service and explain some of its meaning. We will then break for a cuppa before the 6.30pm service of Evensong scheduled for that day. Folk are welcome from all our parishes if this subject interests you.

A new and full guide to All Saints' church

Last year Dr David Silk completed a new and full guide to the church. This has recently been produced by Mr Bert Bolton on behalf of the PCC. The thirty page guide in full colour is available from the church at £2. All proceeds go to support church funds. This scholarly guide contains a wealth of information about the church and the village which will undoubtedly improve the experience of those visiting the church, be they tourists or residents of the South Lakes. The PCC is greatly indebted to David and Bert for their skill and hard work in publishing the guide.

Many thanks

for all the cards and letters of support during my recent stay in Hospital; this was very much appreciated. Thank you, Jean Mitchell and family.

Stay-at-home Christmas?

Are you staying at home for Christmas? Would you open your home and share Christmas with a student from China , India , or some other part of the world, who would otherwise be stuck at an almost deserted UK university? HOST invites you to give Christmas, perhaps for the first time in their life, to someone who is a guest in this country, who would love to experience your way of life and make your stay-at-home Christmas special. HOST will match you with one or two guests to suit your household. More volunteer hosts are urgently needed for 1-3 days at Christmas, and weekends all year round. Please see www.hostuk.org or call your local voluntary organisers for a chat: Kerrie and Philip Jopling 01697 324473

Lyth Valley First Responder Group

CEILIDH Saturday November 19th 7.30pm

2 COURSES HOME MADE SUPPER

Dancing to the sounds of

SKELWITH FORCE

Tickets £12.00 from John Holmes (015395 68599)

Or Crosthwaite Exchange.

All Proceeds to the Funds of the First Responders

CROSTHWAITE POST OFFICE

At the Punchbowl.

The Post Office are proposing to alter the opening hours of our Post Office Following a recent review of usage it is being proposed to alter the hours from 0900 to 1230 Monday to Friday to 0930 to 1230 Monday, Tuesday & Thursday.

They advise that a Public Consultation is now running on this proposal with a closing date of October 18th.

They would like views on the following questions:

Do you have any comments about the proposed days of service? Do you have any comments about the proposed opening hours? Are there any local issues specific to Crosthwaite you would like the Post Office to Consider?

You an address your response to Ian Lilley, National Consultation Team, Post Office Ltd., P O Box 1138,St Albans, AL1 9UN.

Or alternatively you can get in touch with the writer who will collate any responses.

John Holmes. District Councillor – Lyth Valley 015395 68599 07766 774326

Crosthwaite Playgroup



We meet during term time Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.30-11.30 at the Memorial Hall. Come along to enjoy a friendly atmosphere with refreshments and an organised activity each session





Costs: £2.50 per child; Extra children £1; Under 1's free

Contact Tess 07825 642773 015395 68453 or Nicola 07902 874523 015395 68535 for more info

THE NEW BUDAPEST CAFE ORCHESTRA

Helsington & Brigsteer Village Hall Wednesday, October 26th at 7.30 pm Following their recent sensational sell-out at Arnside ("Our best concert in five years, they were dancing in the aisles, we want them back here"), these four highly talented instrumentalists will play their unique mix of powerful, driving, gypsy-inspired Eastern European music in Brigsteer at this Highlights concert. Violins, guitar, accordion, double bass, sax & balalaika will beam us to Budapest and gypsy campfires.

HARE HILL KITE FESTIVAL

On Cartmel Fell

(1.5 miles north of High Newton on fell road)

Sunday 9th October, Noon – 5pm approx

Come fly your kite and help raise money for Step by Step Cumbria

Bring your kite, family and friends or just come and watch
Wonderful views!
Cream teas, tractor rides

Entrance - £3.50 for adults. 15 years and under free

For more information ring 015395 31311 or email lambton@kencomp.net

Step by Step: "Restoring broken lives back into the community through 12 transforming steps of faith and Christian hope"

Christmas Shoebox Campaign 2011

We are once again asking for your support for the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal and we would like to encourage as many people as possible to fill shoeboxes. Empty shoeboxes and leaflets will be available in your local church and the contact people for the Two Valleys Parishes are as follows –

- District coordinator: Rosemary Webster 01539568013
- Cartmel Fell: Ann Ratcliffe 01539558107
- Crosthwaite: Caroline Holmes 01539568599 or Geraldine Wilson 01539568836
- Helsington: Diana Dew 01539560680
- Underbarrow: Diana Dew 01539560680
- Witherslack: Tony and Irene Brennand 01539558337
- Winster: Margaret Gambie 01539442325

Filled shoeboxes can be left in church and will be collected by the contact person. The date for collecting shoeboxes and any extra items that you may have from Crosthwaite Exchange is Wednesday 16th November 2011. The checking day for all shoeboxes is Monday 21st November at Winster Village Hall.

Thank you for your support.

Thank you...

George & Emma Taylor would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to all who contributed, donated to & attended our fundraising event for RLI NNU. The Clay shoot was attended by 35 guns, despite the weather; 240 people Danced in t'Barn in the evening & a good night was had by all. Altogether we raised an amazing £3042.93 to donate to the RLI NNU as a Thank you for the care they gave our son earlier this year. Thank you all once again.

Autumn Holiday Club



"Celebrating the Light!"

What better way to spend the end of half term than having lots of fun, craft and games on a 'light' related theme at our Holiday Club!

It is on Thursday and Friday 27th & 28th October from 9.45am - 12pm at St. Mary's Church, Crosthwaite.



There will be a huge collage to help create, puppets, biscuit decorating, sweet making, paper crafts, some more scientific activities especially with boys in mind, singing and stories from the Bible. The Holiday Club is open to all children aged 3 - 12.

Pre-School children need to bring a parent or guardian to help them. School age children (or those who regularly attend Nursery, are toilet trained and who are happy to be left) do not need to be accompanied by an adult, but adults are welcome if they want to share the fun too.

The cost of these exciting mornings is £1.50 per child per day (payable on the day). You can attend for only one morning if this suits your schedule better, but remember, that will only be half the fun! We will bring it all together on the Friday morning with a special service at 11.30am to which parents are most welcome. We will be presenting all we have done over the course of the Holiday Club during this time.

Please wear clothes suitable for painting, working with food and glue and generally making a mess in!

We need to know if you are coming as places are limited and we will have preparations to make. Please complete the attached form and return or contact Michelle Woodcock at The Vicarage, Crosthwaite to book a place before school breaks up or at the latest by Tuesday 25th October if possible. Once you have returned your consent form or have spoken to Michelle your place at Holiday Club will be reserved and all you have to do is turn up on the day!

It's going to be great fun, what a brilliant way to brighten up the autumn days!

Hope to see you there.....

Michelle Woodcock 015395 68276

CORRECTION

"Following the article about the drainage scheme in last month's magazine Mary Harkness wishes to make clear that the printed magazine did not accurately reflect what she had written and implied that the article was from C and L P Council. This was not the case; the editors apologise for this error."

NOTICES FOR INDIVIDUAL PARISHES

CARTMEL FELL

CROOK

HARVEST FESTIVAL

ST ANTHONY'S Harvest Festival will be held in the Church on Sunday 9th October at 5.30pm. Do come and join us for this traditional Thanksgiving Service followed by the **HARVEST SUPPER** at approx. 6.30pm in the Parish Hall. The supper is always a great occasion with plenty of fun and laughter along with a tasty 2 course meal. Tickets available from Vanda (Tel: 015395 31311) Adults £7.50. Children £3.50 and please bring your own drinks.

ST ANTHONY'S ROTAS

Coffee

23rd October Anne Bennett

Flowers

Anne Ratcliffe, Lily Holme;

9th October Harvest Everyone

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.'

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Harvest Supper

Crook is staging its harvest supper at 7pm on Tuesday October 4th in the Village Hall, when we will enjoy a hot pot supper (cost £3.50). Saju Muthalaly, our new Associate Vicar, will be telling us snippets of his story from the west coast of India to the beauty of the south Lakes. Anyone associated with Crook village or church are invited."

Ladies Lunch

The ladies will be meeting for a pub lunch at the Hare and Hounds, Bowland Bridge on Wednesday 12thOctober at 12 noon. A two course lunch will cost £10 and will be followed by a pub quiz designed especially for us. Please bring your friends! A sign-up sheet is available at the back of church, or alternatively contact Hilary Crowe (01539 568959 or taxcaddy@aol.com).

House Groups

Our house groups will take place on alternate Thursdays during October (6th and 20th). The 2.30pm group continues to meet at Thorn's Barn, Underbarrow, the home of Tony and Hilary Fitch, while the 7.30pm group will meet this year at Ruth Hunter's home, 22 Wandales Lane, Natland. This term we will

be providing the opportunity to discuss and challenge the latest sermon based on the E100 passages. We are encouraged to be provocative! If anyone would like to join these groups, please contact Hilary Fitch on 01539 568577 or fitches@aol.com.

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Pathfinders and Trailblazers

Pathfinders has expanded! We have now formed two groups. Pathfinders is now a group for young people in school Years 4-6 (Age 8-11) and the new group 'Trailblazers' is for young people in school year 7 upwards (11 up). We meet together to eat, have fun and explore our Christian faith in an active and exciting way. The timetable has changed slightly to accommodate the new group and our Monday evenings now look like this:

Pathfinders meet 4.45pm, for an active Bible study session.

Pathfinders and Trailblazers gather to eat a hot meal together at 5.30pm.
Pathfinders leave at 6.15pm
Trailblazers meet for their session which

includes drama and discussion until 7.15pm.

This all takes place at The Vicarage, Crosthwaite on a monthly basis, usually the second Monday in the month.

The dates for the rest of this term are; Mon 10th Oct, Mon 14th Nov, Mon 12th Dec.

New members are always welcome, feel free to join us or bring a friend! Michelle Woodcock (015395) 68276

Breakfast Choir

Breakfast Choir is a choir that meets once a month at St. Mary's Crosthwaite. It is for children and young people aged 6 upwards. We meet, have a short practice, eat a yummy breakfast together and then join the adult choir to lead the morning service. We leave the church during the sermon and prayers for a craft based activity in the parish room.

Breakfast Choir continues this term. We are still floating between the second and fourth Sundays depending on school holidays/ Michelle's training commitments and so on, so make a careful note of the dates below!

We meet at 10am prompt, practice until 10.30 and then have breakfast and a quick break before we lead the 11am Communion service. We finish around 12.10pm. Adults are more than welcome to come along and sing too, or just drop off and collect your children. All services are at St. Mary's Church, Crosthwaite. Friends are always welcome to come along and join in. We'd love to grow even more!

Sunday 25th September (Harvest!) Sunday 23rd October (start of Half Term) Further dates to follow **Michelle Woodcock (015395) 68276**

PANTO - It's behind you

YEP! We have an absolutely fabulous script ready for the next Crosthwaite Pantomime but, sadly, so many of the superb cast and support team from past years cannot participate

Relocations, health, work commitments and a host of other issues have depleted our usual team and we have only one new victim (sorry, I meant volunteer) so we cannot stage the panto in January 2012.

We would like to thank all those fabulous stars - those magical members of the cast and support team who have taken part in previous productions and made the performances so special. And we want to say an especial "thank you" to all of you who have come along each year to support us. You were a great audience and we had some real fun, didn't we?

We will keep the script and maybe – just maybe - try again next year.

Marilyn and Peter

CROSTHWAITE ART CLUB

The Art Club will re-convene for its autumn season at 1.45pm on Monday 3rd October in the Memorial Hall. We usually have a tutor once a month and on other Mondays members endeavour to assist one another with advice, criticism (constructive!) and encouragement. Members have a fair mix of abilities, and work in watercolour, acrylics, pastels and oils. Our meetings are also very pleasant social occasions. Anyone who would like to come along to join us or see what we do is assured of a warm welcome. For further information contact Rodney Sale on 015395 68785

CROSTHWAITE & LYTH BOWLING CLUB

The Willie Cottam Cup held on 10 September was won by Shirley Taylor with Eric Bowman as runner up, Ivy and John Pearson provided a barbeque which was very much appreciated by members. After a very enjoyable season the green closed at the end of September and will re-open at the

beginning of April when we look forward to welcoming old and new members to the Club

Please contact Pat Walker, Secretary tel: 015395 68584.

Thank you

On behalf of the committee on the village hall, we would like to say a great big thank you to all the people of the parish who came along and help with the clean-up and boon day at the village hall. A lot of items that have not been used for months got removed. and space became easier in the Wilson store room, mind you, there is still a lot in there still. Some electric work was need and carried out, some painting was required and completed, and the walls were washed down, and the hall smells quite fresh and new again. So to you all, thank you from Jim and the gang at the hall

ST MARY'S ROTAS

Rotas & Notices for October 2011.

Coffee & Refreshments

October: 9th Denise Park & Jean Denny 23^{rd} Margaret & Rodney Sale.

Flowers:

October 2nd From Harvest Festival

From Wedding. 16th Gladys Doodson

23rd Gladys Doodson

 30^{th} Fifth Sunday @ Crosthwaite

Volunteers please.

Note: Will Volunteers for Flowers please contact Vonnie Sharpe (52005) or Eileen Alston (68565)

CROSTHWAITE HELPLINE

Please contact Geraldine & Arthur Wilson on 015395 68836.

HELSINGTON

1ST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

of Helsington and Brigsteer Village Hall on Saturday 22nd. October 2011 7-10pm

This will be a Jacob's Join Event and bring your own drinks. No charge but you may like to give a small monetary b'day present!

For tickets please contact Sue Jager 01539568288 Mary Cross 01539568685

UNDERBARROW

Michael Jenkins Art Sale

Sale of new canvases, used brushes/paints, oil, water and acrylic, paint boxes, portfolios, easels, art books etc.

A selection of his drawings and paintings and large quantity of art books at less than Amazon prices.

Underbarrow Village Hall, Saturday 15th October, 1:30 to 4:00p.m

Underbarrow Marrow Day Cancer Charities

60's & 70's Night
To be held in Underbarrow Institute
On Saturday 8th October 2011 7.30pm –
midnight

Music by Adam Day & his band "Soul Survivors"

Pie & Peas Supper & Puddings Bar & Raffle

Tickets £12. Please call Doreen Swindlehurst on 015395 68285 or Irene Matthews on 015395 68495

UNDERBARROW HARVEST SUPPER

The Harvest Supper will be held on Tuesday 4th October in the Institute at 7 p.m. Tickets (£7.50 for adults and £5 for children) are available from PCC members. Come and support one of the most enjoyable events for both old and new residents of the village alike.

UNDERBARROW HELPLINE

Please contact:

Frank Hodson on 01539 728280 Mabel Evans on 015395 68481 Tom Handley on 01539 724013

WINSTER

UNITED SERVICE WITH ST. MARY'S, WINDERMERE

4.30pm Sunday 16th October

On Sunday 16th October we welcome members of St. Mary's, Windermere as they join us for a united service of Evensong at 4.30pm at Winster Church. This is instead of the usual morning service at Winster, so do come along as we host our nearby friends from St. Mary's. The service will be followed by a light buffet.

Winster Harvest Supper

will be held at Winster Village Hall on **Saturday, October 1st at 7pm prompt.** There will be Pie & Peas followed by delicious homemade sweets. We will play Whist & Beetle & there will also be a raffle.

Tickets: Adults £5, Children £3 & are available from Jane Crowe - 015394 44098 & Hilary Holliday - 015394 42692

BOOK AND PLANT DAY

at Winster Old School Saturday October 29th 10.30-4.30

We look forward to welcoming you to the Old School on the above date. Known to some people as "cake day" this event often causes great excitement among the natives of the surrounding villages and can even cause a "stampede" mid-morning. However, you will be assured of the best attention by our charming staff, whatever time you choose to join us.

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE

11am Sunday October 2nd at 11 am Come and join us for a Traditional Harvest Festival.

Strawberry Tea

The Strawberry Tea had to be held in the Village Hall instead of being outside as planned because of rain and heavy showers left us no doubt. However it was well attended and people enjoyed their tea of strawberries, cakes and homemade scones. Also of course the ever popular tombola. Thanks to all who came to support the event and also to those who set out the tables and chairs and to the ladies who prepared and served tea. A net amount of £189 was raised. Although we were not able to hold the event at Brandybarrow as planned we were nevertheless grateful to Grant Weatherstone for his kind offer.

WITHERSLACK

www.witherslack.org

St. Paul's Appeal

At the May PCC meeting it was reported that the fund raising effort in April, which,

involved every household in the parish receiving a letter explaining the church's financial state of affairs, had an extremely poor response.

Over 400 letters were distributed and only 10 positive responses were received; to these people we are extremely grateful. Our financial situation will be precarious again in the future if more people do not join

Please contact the treasurer if you would like to help. All information regarding donations is confidential.

us in helping with the upkeep of our church.

Mrs B Page, Treasurer The Grove Farm Witherslack, phone 52177

ST. PAUL'S ROTAS

Readers

October 2nd	Hilda Jarvis
October 9th	Barbara Page
October 16th	Trevor Farrer
October 23rd	Val Pattison

Sidesmen

October 2nd	Anne Duffin
October 9th	Danny Jackson
October 16th	Richard Coates and
	Steve Hodgson
October 23rd	Tony Brennand

Altar flowers

Mrs.L.Bowman & Mrs.A.Walshaw

Harvest

At our Harvest Festival Service this month, 9.30am Sunday 2nd October, we welcome our Two Valleys Choir who are coming to sing as part of our celebrations.

Sunday Club

Sunday Člub in October joins in the Family Service for Harvest in church at 9.30am on Sunday 2nd October. The next Sunday Club will be on Sunday 6th November and we meet at St. Paul's church, Witherslack from 9.30am - 10.30am. All children aged 3 - 12 are welcome and will enjoy making friends with our expanding existing group who eat biscuits, play games and create craft items!

WITHERSLACK COMMUNITY SHOP

Monday	7.45 - 6.30
Tuesday	7.45 - 6.30
Wednesday	7.45 - 12.30
Thursday	7.45 - 6.30
Friday	7.45 - 7.00
Saturday	9.00 - 4.00

Tel. 015395 52188

Harvest Supper and Auction Sale

Witherslack Parish Hall

Saturday 1st October at 6:45 pm

Enjoy a locally made pie with mushy peas, wine, sweet and coffee - followed by a short auction

Adults £6.50

Children £2.50

(inc. wine)

(inc. soft drink)

Tickets available from Janet (52481), Anne (52316),

Community Shop (52188) and other PCC members

Contributions of produce for the Auction are most welcome



REPORTS & NEWS

CARTMELL FELL

At the meeting on 7th Sept Ruth Smith outlined the new format for the annual Spring Show, a request from Margaret Gambie in her absence was made for items for the Christmas Shoe Box appeal, Jane Crowe gave a brief report on the judging which had taken place that day at the Westmorland Show and showed 'photos of the our and other WI's displays 'Tea in the Garden'.

Maurice Steel then gave a slid display of his trip to the Antarctic intriguingly entitled 'Sing Penguins Sing'. Magnificent scenery, stunning wildlife photography, very little verbal commentary but well chosen music and lyrics kept the members enthralled, enchanted and amused during this superb presentation.

The next meeting also promises to be full of interest - Andy Lowe 'A Career in Ruins' on Wed 5th Oct in the Cartmel Fell Parish Hall next to St Anthony's Church. Starting at 7.30pm, this event is open to members, visitors, friends etc.

For further information tel: Anne Ratcliffe 015395 52107

Open meeting - Andy Lowe "a Career in ruins"

Wednesday October 5th at 8pm

Everyone - wives husbands, partners, children etc., will be very welcome to join us for a talk and slide show by our favourite local speaker. Andy's career has led him to many fascinating local buildings with a wealth of history.

Admission £2, including light refreshments. Do come and join us.

CROSTHWAITE & LYTH

It was practically a full house for our members' night, and one person didn't know why. We had all gathered to celebrate Olive Worsley's 95th birthday in true W.I. style. After the business we were joined by Olive's son and daughter in law, two grandsons and their wives, and the entertainment began. Eileen Dobson had us rolling in the aisles with one of her tales, Jim Bownass showed a video of the choir singing after the Flower Festival and then Mary Harkness as master of ceremonies sang to us and recited for us. Olive's life history. She was aided and abetted by Marilyn with Jean Sherratt on the piano, and at times by 4 very energetic young ladies from the 1930s League of Fitness. Olive cut a superb cake made by Mary Rockliffe and we all toasted her. Bruce Worsley then gave a vote of thanks and we all had a really good supper.

To all members of Crosthwaite and Lyth W.I. who supported our entry in the County show tent, We eventually had 100 entries which gained us 24 Gold stars (19 or 20 points) and 45 silver stars (17 or 18 points) out of a maximum 20, plus 31 other coloured stars. I know I bullied you all, but

it was very worthwhile. A magnificent effort and I am sure the best result in the history of our Institute. We have won the Golden Jubilee Shield for the Institute with the highest average points gained. Thank you again, Pam Bownass, Marilyn Shuttleworth.

Crosthwaite and Lyth W.I.

Come and join us at our OPEN MEETING

on

Wednesday October 19th at 8pm.

Speaker – David Hardy from Underbarrow will give us an illustrated talk on the development and operation of the gas production facilities in Morecambe Bay

Admission £2-00, including light refreshments

All welcome at this local interest evening

WITHERSLACK

The September meeting was chaired by Sarah Bradley as our president was on holiday. Unfortunately the speaker gave back word at very short notice; so, given a choice of dominoes or chatting, dominoes came second. Plenty of catching up was done. We should have heard about the "Great North Air Ambulance" and the raffle money will be sent to them.

Levens WI have invited 2 members to a Rumicub afternoon.£20 has been sent to ACWW. Arrangements for the next three monthly meetings were discussed including the Christmas Party.

Next meeting . October 11th. Slides of Old Grange will be shown. Visitors welcome.

REGULAR EVENTS

BRIGSTEER

Scottish Dancing Thursdays at 7.30pm in Brigsteer Village Hall

Contact Pauline Hampson 015395 68672 Tuesdays at 8pm in Brigsteer Village Hall

Table tennis Tuesdays at 8pm in Brigsteer Village Hall Yoga Tuesdays 6–7.30pm in Brigsteer Village Hall

Contact Jan Boulding 015397 37233

Women's Institute 2nd Thursday of the month, 2pm winter, 7.30pm summer

Pilates Fridays 12.00-1.00pm and 1.15pm-2.15pm in Brigsteer Village Hall

Contact Cindy Clarke 015242 73974

Zumba Gold Fitness Class Mondays 10.30am-11.30am in Brigsteer Village Hall

Contact: Janet Hurst 07733 883865

CARTMEL FELL

For bookings contact Helen Caldwell Tel. 015395 68428 Women's Institute First Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm

Local History Society Second Monday in the month at 8pm during winter

CROOK MEMORIAL HALL

Table Tennis Monday & Friday 7.30-10pm (from September through winter months)

Young Farmers Club
Aerobics/body toning
Folk Dance Group

Tuesday 7.30 – 9.30pm
Thursday 10 – 11am
Thursday 7.30 – 10pm

CROSTHWAITE MEMORIAL HALL

Check bookings online at http://www.crosthwaiteandlyth.co.uk

Art Club Mondays 1.45pm

Aerobics Mondays 3rd, 24th & 31st October 7.30pm–8.30pm

Playgroup Tuesdays & Thursdays (except 25th & 27th October) 9.30–11.30am

Exchange 1st Wednesday 1pm-4pm; other Weds 2pm-4pm Indoor bowling Tuesdays & Thursdays 7.30pm—10.00pm Women's Institute Every 3rd Wednesday in the month 7.30pm

UNDERBARROW INSTITUTE

Quilting class Mondays 2–4pm Billiards Club Mondays from 7.30pm

WI Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm

WINSTER

Book & Plant days 10.30am–4.30pm last Saturday in the month (April to November)

Line Dancing Classes Mondays 7.30pm–9.30pm at Winster Village Hall Tai Chi Class Thursdays at 4.15 pm at Winster Village Hall

WITHERSLACK

Indoor Bowling Wednesdays 7.30-10pm (except July & August)

Parent & Toddler Group Tuesdays 10am until Noon

Tea & Chat Group
Women's Institute

Every 1st Tuesday of the month at 2pm
Every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm

The Art Club Fridays 9.30am-12.30pm