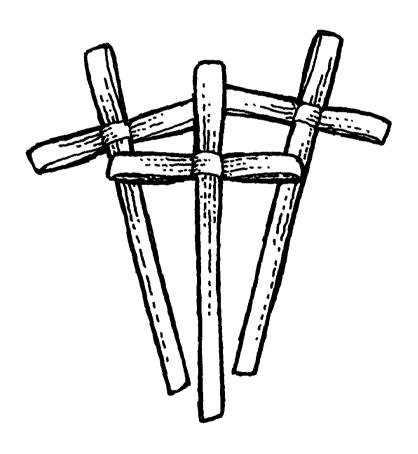
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SERVICES FOR MARCH 2016

Updated 23/02/2016	6 [™] MARCH MOTHERING SUNDAY	13 TH MARCH LENT 5	20 TH MARCH PALM SUNDAY	27 TH MARCH EASTER DAY	3 RD APRIL EASTER 2
Weston	Holy Communion 8.30am (T) Tony Kidd Mothering Sunday Family Service 10.30am Barry Miller		Morning Prayer 10.00am (M) Harry Walker	Holy Communion 8.30am (T) Marlene Wilkinson	Holy Communion 8.30am (T) Tony Kidd
DENTON		Family Service 11.00am Graham Shield		Holy Communion 11.00am (M) Barry Miller	
FEWSTON		Morning Prayer 11.00am (T) John Charman	Family Service On arrival of walkers Graham Shield		Holy Communion 11.00am (M) Barry Miller
BLUBBER- HOUSES	Mothering Sunday 11.00am Graham Shield		Walk with Donkey to St Andrew's Blessing of Palms 11.00am Graham Shield	Holy Communion 11.00am (M) Michael Cleverley	
FARNLEY	Mothering Sunday Family Service 9.30am Graham Shield	Holy Communion 9.30am (M) Graham Shield		Holy Communion 9.30am (M) Barry Miller	Family Service 9.30am (M) John Charman
LEATHLEY	Mothering Sunday Holy Communion 10.00am (T) Michael Cleverley	Morning Prayer 10.00am (T) Stewart Hartley	Holy Communion 10.00am (M) Barry Miller	Holy Communion 10.00am (M) Graham Shield	Holy Communion 10.00am (M) Stewart Hartley
TIMBLE	Morning Service 10.30am Lindsey Hurst;		Morning Service 10.30am Margaret Cook;		
Norwood		Afternoon Service 2.30pm Michael Noble		Afternoon Service 2.30pm Rexd Rick Ormrod	

Greetings from the Rev'd Barry Miller

I wanted to use a space within the magazine to say 'Hello' as Jan and I get to know people of the churches and villages which make up Washburn Valley and Mid-Wharfe communities. By the time you read this we shall have moved into The Vicarage at Askwith and have begun to enjoy an area which we already know quite well from walking in and around Wharfedale.

As well as supporting Graham, I also work across the Yorkshire Dioceses in co-ordinating theological education in collaboration with Durham University. I shall write more about this in a future edition. The scheme offers opportunities for study to anyone who wishes to learn more about the Christian faith. Programmes are offered in local Centres (including within our own Diocese).

In the meantime I look forward to meeting you and learning from you over the coming weeks as I begin to visit the different churches.

Barry



Dear Friends As I look out of my window this afternoon, I'm confronted by a grey winter's day. The light is beginning to fade. It's wet. It's cold. And the Chevin is shrouded in a thin mist. It's a February day.

But, it's a February day in Lent.

And like February, Lent can sometimes feel a bit dull and dreary. It can feel like a long wait until Spring and the joy of Easter. It can be hard to undertake a Lent discipline, especially if that discipline means giving something up for Lent.

But, Lent is a serious and sombre season as we journey with Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. Even as he enters Jerusalem in triumph...riding on a donkey...with the crowds shouting "Hosanna", we become aware of the storm clouds gathering.

During Holy Week, as Jesus begins the final days of his earthly ministry, we walk with him as he shares a final meal with his disciples...prays to God for strength to face what is to come...and is crucified on a cross. It's a serious and sombre time.

But, as I look out of my window, I know that, just out of view at the moment, are four large pots full of tulip bulbs. Even on this cold February day, it's not as cold and dark as it might seem. There's the promise of colour in the very near future. Bright red tulips!

In Lent, there is the promise of Easter. Just as Spring follows Winter, so does Easter follow Lent. It won't be too long before we celebrate and give thanks for the risen Jesus. Through death and resurrection, Jesus offers us a new relationship with God. He promises us forgiveness and new and eternal life.

He is risen. He is risen, indeed. Allleluia.

Lesley Taylor

February 2016

Proposed Leathley PCC Events 2016_

2.5.2016	Bank Holiday Teas
TBA	Buttercross Stall
19.6.2016	Garden Event
3.7.2016	Open Garden
7.8.2016	Gift Day (No Teas)
29.8.2016	Bank Holiday Teas
9.10.2016 Faith Lund	Harvest Festival ch
TBA 11.20	16 Film Evening

Norwood Social Hall Supper Dances 2016

8.00pm until midnight

Friday March 25th Music t.b.c.
Friday May 27th Dancing to Jim
Friday June 24th Bill Johnson

Friday September 30th Bill Johnson Friday October 28th Dancing to Jim

Friday December 2nd Bon-Accords Christmas Dance

Tickets and Enquiries: Gladys 01943 880604 or Janet 01943 880411

Other events at Norwood Social Hall 2016

Sunday April 17th Flea Market & Spring Fair 10.00am until 4.00pm

Friday May 6th Domino Supper 7.00pm.

Saturday September 10th Annual Show & Sports Day

Friday October 7th Domino Supper 7.00pm.

Sunday October 16th Flea Market & Autumn Fair 10.00am until 4.00pm.

Friday December 9th Domino Supper - Christmas Hats & Jumpers!

Thursday December 29th Children's Christmas Party

Last Friday Supper Club Friday Due to the last Friday in March, 25th. being Good Friday, there will not be a supper but we will resume in April. t Paul Howarth on 01943 465076

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Washburn Heritage Centre

Wednesday, 23 March, 12.30 pm

New friends very welcome. Give Pat or Cheri a call, 01943 880284, 01943 465977

Booking Essential

2016 - Dates for your diary

23 March

27 April

25 May

22 June

27 July

NO LUNCH IN AUGUST

26 October

23 November

NO LUNCH IN DECEMBER

Look forward to seeing you, Pat and Juliette. Thank you.

Mothering Sunday,

6 March at St Andrew's, 11 am

An informal service to celebrate Mothering Sunday, bring the youngsters along with any favourite reading or poem.

There will be short talk on 'Children in Africa' and a selection of your special readings.

Poesies for our special mothers, grandmothers, aunts and friends, with refreshments after the service.

For your diary, held at St Michael and St Lawrence Church, Fewston, you are warmly welcomed to –

'Music at Fewston, 2016'

Sunday 24 April 2016, 3.00 pm Leeds Central Band of Salvation Army

Sunday, 29 May 2016, at 2.00 pm Harrogate Male Voice Choir Sunday 12 June 2016, 10.30 am 'Happy and Glorious' a United Benefice celebration for the Queen's 90thbirthday.

Saturday, 9 July 2016, 7.30 pm Pinsuti concert

Refreshments will be served.

Tickets available from Pat 01943 880284, Cheri 01943 465977

EVENTS in ASKWITH, WESTON and DENTON Easter Monday Walk and Easter Egg Hunt

Monday March 28th

Meet 2pm at the Askwith Arms

The walk lasts about an hour, via Whin Hill, Upper Moorside Farm and Brick House Farm where children can search for easter eggs. We then return to the Askwith Arms for a cup of tea and a hot cross bun [or something stronger and more substantial!].

Other events provisionally planned for this year include:

Mar 28th Easter Walk & Egg Hunt

May 7th Coffee Morning at 49 Throstle Nest Close, Weston

June 11th Askwith Show

Aug 29th Fewston Teas

Oct 10th Harvest Supper

Nov 19th Domino Supper

ASKWITH & DISTRICT SHOW

Saturday 11th June 2016

This year it is the shows 60th anniversary, the committee would appreciate any photos, scrapbooks, schedules or any items connected to the show over 60 years. We are hoping to have a display in the shows marquee, so if you have anything of interest it would be most welcome to make this years show very special.

Thank you

Adele Marston, Show Secretary, Tel 01943 850883,

Email askwithshow@outlook.com

Vavasour Society The next meeting of the Vavasour Society will be held on Wednesday 9 March at 7.30 pm in Askwith Village Hall. Our speaker will be John Sheard, the ex-land agent at Bolton Abbey who will talk on the management of the estate. Everyone is welcome (GUESTS £4) and refreshments will be served afterwards. Diana Parsons

Teas and full refreshments at Fewston Parochial Hall on 26,27,28 March from 11am until 430pm.



ASKWITH VILLAGE HALL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN ASKWITH VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 12th APRIL 2016 AT 7.30PM Everyone welcome! Askwith Village Hall committee are looking for new people to come along and join our merry band of members for the year 2016/2017.

Our ordinary meetings throughout the year are held in the Askwith Arms (aka Black Horse) and so the meetings themselves are an enjoyable social event.

This year has been a particularly hard one financially due to the village school having to cut down using the village hall during the week. Our income has therefore reduced dramatically. We have managed to raise over £1000 during the year by holding a Ho Down in October and A Burns Night in January. Both of these events were good fun and very successful. We are planning many more such events in the coming year and would welcome any new ideas and enthusiastic input.

We would love you to come along to the AGM in the hall and then a drink afterwards at the Askwith Arms. Hope to see you on the 12th April.

Our Hall is an important part of the community. Let's make sure we keep it. Carol Marston (Secretary)

Easter

The miracle of Easter, so old yet ever new, brings its special blessing of happiness to you.

And as the coming Springtime adds new beauty to each day,

May God look down and bless you in a very special way.

Weston Church Cleaning and Flower Rota 2016

6th March Mrs H Pullan

13th & 20th March Mrs P Senior -LENT

27th March & 3rd April Mrs L Kendall

10th & 17th April Mrs J Cowgill 24th April & 1st May Mrs J Harrison 8th & 15th May Mrs H Caton

22nd & 29th May Mrs R Woodrup

5th & 12th June Mrs H Pullan & Volunteers 2 weddings on 11th June

19th & 26th June Mrs P Senior

3rd & 10th July Mrs L Kendall

17th & 24th July Mrs J Cowgill

31st July & 7th August Mrs J Harrison

14th & 21st August Mrs H Caton 28th August & 4th September Mrs R Woodrup

11th & 18th September Mrs H Pullan

25th September & 2nd October Mrs P Senior

9th & 16th October Mrs L Kendall 23rd & 30th October Mrs J Cowgill

6th & 13th November Mrs J Harrison

20th & 27th November Mrs H Caton

4th & 11th December Mrs R Woodrup

18th & 25th December Mrs H Pullan

and volunteers

Please add these dates to your diaries/calendars. If you wish to swop your dates please let me know. I will let you know of any weddings or funerals when I hear of them. If you would like a copy emailing my email address is hazelpullan@yahoo.co.uk. Hazel Pullan 12 Throstle Nest Close, Otley, West Yorkshire. LS21

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DENTON FLOWER ROTA

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Blubberhouses Church Flower Rota 2016

Mrs J Ashby	6 March
Mrs C Beaumont	20 March
Mrs R Campbell	24 April
Mrs Y Dale-Winder	8 May
Mrs K Dinsdale	26 June
Mrs D Eagland	24 July
Mrs S Harrison	28 August
Mrs N Hollings	30 September
Mrs J Houseman	23 October
Mrs E Maud	27 November
Mrs J Petty	18 December

Blubberhousese Church Flower Festival

May 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th
We would very much like to hear
from you if you
are interested in helping in any way
with this event.
If you would like to sponsor a flower
arrangement
or create your own in the church or
just help
that would be great.
Please contact Daphne Wilson on
01943 880268 or

By email daphnej.wilson@sky.com

Blubberhouses Bake In – if you would like to hake for the Flower Festival, have a word

like to bake for the **Flower Festival**, have a word with anyone on The Friends Committee and a starter £10 will get you going with ingredients.

Freezer storage space available for your delicious cakes/buns/flapjack, etc. Pat Anderson, 01943 880284, Deborah Power, 07703592926, Gillian Knox 01943 880607, and Daphne Wilson.

Funerals Weston

17th February Robin Cowgill All Saints Parish Church Otley

ASKWITH WITH WESTON WI MEETING held on 11th February 2016.

Askwith with Weston WI's talk this evening was to be about the Royal Protection of Birds, but due to unforeseen circumstances our Speaker wasn't able to be present. However, our President's husband, who is a qualified instructor in First Aid and has been for very many years offered not only give us a talk but to bring the First Aid equipment with him and we were able to 'have a go'. He had also brought with him a Defibrillator to explain how these could be activated too. Defibrillators are situated in various villages in an appropriate place and can be activated with a code given from the Ambulance Service. The Defibrillator then quite simply talks you through the procedures, which takes roughly 10 minutes by then the Ambulance will have arrived. Ken Creek ably demonstrated and instructed how First Aid was extremely important and should be acted upon quickly. Only 10% of people have an idea and the other 90% don't. He gives demonstrations in schools, and teaches army cadets with which he has been involved for many years. The First Aider's responsibilities are clearly defined they are as follows:

- To assess a situation quickly and safely and summon appropriate help. To protect casualities and others at the scene from possible danger.
- To identify, as far as possible, the injury or nature of the illness affecting a
 casualty. To give each casualty early and appropriate treatment, treating the
 most serious conditions first.
- To arrange for the casualty's removal to hospital, into the care of a doctor, or to his home as necessary
- If medical aid is needed, to remain with a casualty until further care is available.
- To report your observations to those taking over care of the casualty and to give further assistance if required.
- To prevent cross-infection between yourself and the casualty as far as possible

CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) should be performed immediately if you find an unconscious adult begin CPR by compressing the chest 15 times at a rate of 100 compressions per minute. Various members did this on the dolls provided by Ken and did it quite successfully. We also tried on the smaller dolls to represent children. Resuscitation for children is slightly different depending on their age. We all appreciated Ken coming at such short notice and welcomed the tuition and practice.

The next meeting will be held at Askwith Village Hall on Thursday March 10th our Speaker will be Rolsie Szlumpet who will be speaking about Associated Countrywomen of the World. An amendment has also been added to our Programme, for our June meeting where our Speaker is a Magician, entertaining us with tales and tricks. Everyone is very welcome to our friendly WI, we have interesting Speakers and outings throughout the year. If you are interested in joining us please contact our President or Secretary, you will be given a warm welcome. Sue Appleyard – Secretary 01943 839292

Margaret Creek - President 01943 467865

Farnley Estate WI From January 13th meeting – Rita Swallow volunteered to be the delegate at the Spring Council Meeting in Harrogate. NFWI AGM resolutions were discussed and voted on – our choice being – Avoid food waste.

February 10th – In relation to the National WI campaign on climate change, several members brought knitted or crocheted 'green hearts' to be made up into a blanket and then will be given to a charity. They also wore handmade 'green heart badges' to the meeting.

Our speaker was Sarah Bates who holds Icing workshops at her studio at Farnley near Otley. She gave a very informative and enjoyable demonstration on using sugar paste icing. Members came away with tips on how to level a cake, marbling effects, making roses and other decorations and also edible lace. Using vodka to make icing paint was something new to all of us.

An insight into how to make Gravity defying cakes – where the liquid appears to be pouring from a bottle onto the cake, was also shown. Her enthusiasm was infectious. I came away with new ideas for my sons wedding cake but whether they will come to fruition is another matter entirely – probably best to leave it to a professional. Hostesses were Emma McKeown and Caroline Barker

March 9th – Bryan Ormerod – Community Ambassador, Martin House Children's Hospice. Hostesses: Rita Swallow and Pat Headley.

April 13th – Margaret Smith – Bradford Mayoress. Hostesses: Anne Crossley and Beryl Pattinson

Farnley Estate WI is a group of very friendly ladies, who would love you to join them at a meeting. I'm sure you would enjoy meeting chatting and possibly learning a new skill or hobby through the WI. Come and try a meeting. We meet the second wednesday of the month at Leathley Village Hall at 7.30pm. For more information please contact our President Gillian Lishman 01423 734275 Caroline Barker.



March at the Washburn Heritage Centre In

March, the Centre and tea room will be open on Sundays from 11am to 4pm, including Easter Sunday. Come and see our Winter exhibition and pick up a leaflet outlining our upcoming events.

A pocketful of posies

Saturday 5 March, 10-12noon or 2-4pm

It's Mothering Sunday tomorrow...so now or for other occasions, why not get expert advice from professional florist Daphne Wilson on creating your own hand-tied posies? Details of what to bring when you book. Home-made refreshments. £12.50 per person, £10 members.

Spring flower search

Tuesday 8 March, 9am If there are any snowdrops left, we know where to find them! But perhaps we'll look out for some primroses or ...who knows, these days? About 5.5 miles of woodland and farmland. Some sections may be wet or muddy, some are quite hilly, but some are easy and level. Includes delicious 2 course lunch followed by tea/coffee, finishing by 2pm. Sorry, no dogs. £12.50 per person, £10 members.

'I wandered lonely as a cloud...'

Wednesday 16 March, **7.30-9.30pm** A selection of seasonal poems, prose and other extracts...with the chance to suggest ones you like for a relaxed evening's discussion. Tea and scones, cash bar. £6 per person, £5 members.

A Celebration of Spring

Friday 18 March, **7-10pm** After a long winter, Spring officially begins this weekend. Welcome in the season with our fresh, Spring-inspired supper roots, shoots, leaves and lots more - plus some sounds of Spring. Includes a welcome drink with a cash bar. £24 per person, £19.50 members.

Patisserie Viennoise

Wednesday 23 March, 7.30-9pm Just before Easter, come and enjoy a chocolate-flavoured evening with Otley's own Trevor Backhouse. Trevor and his team have been delighting customers since 1986. Chocolate-themed light refreshments will be served. £6 per person, £5 members.

Advance booking and payment is required to secure a place for all events. Contact Rachel on 01943 880794 or centre@washburnvalley.org. Events can also be viewed on our website www.washburnvalley.org.

Events around the Diocese – dates for your

diary The Chrism Eucharist Maundy Thursday 24th March 11.00 am at Ripon Cathedral. At this special service Bishop Nick preside at the Eucharist and leads clergy in the renewal of their ordination vows and the laity to re-affirm their commitment to Christian discipleship. After the service there will be a light lunch for those who have booked with judithbustard@riponcathedral.org.uk.

Effective Parish Websites Wednesday 6 April, 7-9pm, at the current Leeds Office. (Led by *Church Edit*) How proud are you of your church website? Do you even have a website? This seminar provides advice and tips on how to create and maintain an effective website. More details here.

www.westyorkshiredales.anglican.org/content/parish-website-training-seminar.

Ripon Cathedral Revealed April 28 - May 2

The aim of this festival is to create an event that showcases to all, both those involved at the Cathedral and the wider community, the different aspects of the Cathedral and elements of its life.

This festival is to celebrate the cathedral in the region it serves and to welcome families, friends and visitors to enjoy its rich heritage as well as the beautiful surroundings of Ripon itself.

Ripon Cathedral 'Revealed' will run from Thursday 28th of April to Monday 2nd of May 2016. This weekend of events, starts with a Jazz evening, with wine and canapés, offering an opportunity to view the stunning 23 flower displays before the general public.

The whole festival offers a variety of activities including a Food Festival on the Friday & Saturday, children's entertainment, concerts, live music, white rose and embroidery workshops, behind the scenes with the Choir, Charities exhibition, Bell Tower Tours and rounding off with our well known Beer Festival in the Cathedral grounds on the May Day bank holiday Monday. The weekend promises to be exciting, captivating, fun and fulfilling. We look forward to you joining us.

Ripon Cathedral – Pentecost Celebrations Sunday 15th May 3.30pm – 5.30pm Episcopal Area celebrations The Bishop's Adviser in Church Growth (and Vicar of Idle), Robin Gamble, is setting up a series of five celebrations across the diocese. These are designed to encourage, challenge and inspire as well as celebrate church growth. Our celebration will be on 1 October at Ripon Cathedral This event will combine worship, encouragement, information and prayer and Bishop James will speak.. Please come along and encourage people to come with you.

THANKS TO ONE AND ALLSt Andrew's Night organised by the Friends of Blubberhouses Church was a great success. Many thanks to everyone who supported the event, the Scottish dancers, piper, and Scottish orators with Selkirk grace and Address to the Haggis, Scottish and disco music. The generous donation of two paintings by Mr and Mrs Graham Hebblethwaite brought keen bids handled by auctioner Kevin Wilson. For the warmth, food and hospitality of The Hopper Lane Hotel, we particularly thank Alison Dibb, the chef and her team.

A very enjoyable evening was had by all and raised £1342 for St Andrew's church.

Philip Livesey,

Chair Friends of Blubberhouses Church Committee

555th Anniversary of the Battle of Towton

Friday, the 18th of March

7:00 p.m. at the Robinson Library, Timble

To mark the 555th anniversary of the Battle of Towton, 2 members of the Red Wyvern Society, a 15thCentury Reenactment group, in full Medieval Costume as members of the Clifford Household, will be passing through Timble on a 3 day walk between Skipton Castle and Towton Battlefield near York.

They will provide an historical talk on the Battle of Towton, the Clifford Family, and medieval arms and armour. They may even provide us with a sword fighting demonstration!

This event is Free and open to the public.

A Bar and light refreshments will be available.

For more information or to register interest, contact Colette Luscomb on 01943 880 559, or luscombc@yahoo.com

Email: washburnwharfe@btinternet.com

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wall in Weston Church. The two bells were stolen from the bell-cote in March 1990, when they were retrieved obtaining £7500 from the Heritage Lottery Fund grant to display the ancient bells high on the rear interior in Weston Park they were found to be too damaged and frail to be re-hung. The bells when examined were Weston Bells sharing Heritage: Weston and Denton PCC has been celebrating their success in found to probably be cast in the 13th century and were originally hung for swing-chime ringing.

conservation experts and the PCC. We are delighted to receive the grant but have incurred costs as we were unaware you could not claim items retrospectively. We held a coffee and cake celebration at Cockpit Farm Tearooms on Saturday 30th January which was well attended. We will keep you posted with updates of congregation on Sunday 7th February enjoying coffee together after the morning service. Hazel Pullan This has been a lengthy process liaising with architects, the DAC, bell specialists, structural engineers, progress and other celebration events. The plans are available to view in the church. Pictured is the



Saved Against Floods Too much water in the wrong places. That has been recent local experience: Otley Bridge and the bottom of Farnley Lane; frequently-suffering Castley Lane; the road bridge at Pool cut off; dramatic destruction of the vital old bridge at Tadcaster and overwhelmed flood defences at York and in the Calder Valley. Maybe exceptional, maybe to be expected in years to come because of climate change.

It's well known that sea levels are rising through the melting of Arctic ice. There are problems along the UK coast. But just imagine living on a crowded low-lying island with no high ground to pull back to. Many people do in Bangladesh. This is not the only area in trouble but is our focus for Christian Aid Week 2016.

Feroza's story. Feroza used to live a life marked by despair and fear, afraid her three children wouldn't have enough to eat and that the next flood would be the one they would never recover from. Living on low-lying islands on the Brahmaputra River in Bangladesh, her home had been swept away by floods seven times.

A Home Safety Package from Christian Aid made all the difference. It helped Feroza to raise her home on an earth plinth, giving her a safe place to rebuild, keep livestock and grow essential crops without the worry that it will be washed away. It also meant Feroza could buy a cow, a goat, ducks, chickens, vegetable seeds and a composting wormery - things that will provide her with an income, long-term.

She says, "What I have received from Christian Aid has changed my life. I never dreamed of it. I think it is a blessing."

Sorted, thanks to generous gifts to Christian Aid. Feroza is now secure. Many more poor people need to be. Hear about Morsheda, (for example) in April. Christian Aid Week 2016 is 15-21 May. If you have helped before with our collecting in our neighbourhood, I'll be in touch to see if you can help us again. If not, and you might be willing, please see me in church or give me a call on 01943 851234.

Michael Cleverley Voluntary Local Organiser

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD I received an e-mail recently from Maureen Bates who is our local contact for Operation Christmas Child. she wrote:-

'Because of your generosity, 17,513 grateful children received a much cherished Christmas gift from our area in 2015, 9,726 of those shoe boxes went to the Ukraine on the 1st December and the balance 7,787 shoe boxes went to Romania on the 8th December 2015. As OCC's mission statement says we...'demonstrated God's love in a Tangible way'. Globally children received 11,000,000 shoe boxes, a 102% increase from 2014.

On behalf of Operation Christmas Child may I take this opportunity of thanking you again, and trust we can partner for the next shoe box

campaign/appeal which starts at the beginning of November 2016.'

Maureen also wrote, 'Together with a small team in 2014, I witnessed the joy of children receiving a shoe box' and she will be with us on Sunday 30th October 2016 to tell us all about it as we launch our 2016 appeal. So please put the date for this united service in your diary.

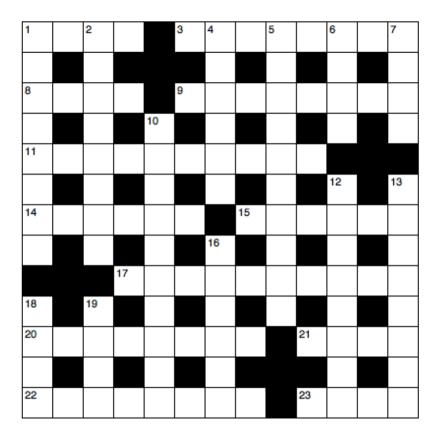
We have also had some more good news. Pam Parrington from Weston and Denton Parish has sent me a copy of a card and letter that her friend Felicity Hague has received from one of the families that received a shoe box sent from here. Let's hope we can make some more children very happy this year.

Julie Shield

Dear mrs FM Hague
Maryy Christmas and
Happy New Year I

Thank you for four
tidness and such wonderful
gifts for our children. In
these Holidays we wish you
love, goodness, gladness,
happiness and Good's mercy!

With best regards from
Andrew and Thanya, and
their four kids—
Serafin, kolya, Anyos and
Georgiy
2016 year



Crossword for March 2016

Across

- 1 Made from the fruit of the vine, symbol of the blood of Christ (4)
- 3 'You are to set an ambush behind the city. Don't go very far from it. All of you be on — ' (Joshua 8:4) (3,5)
- 8 Seep (4)
- 9 Celebrated by Jesus on the night of his betrayal (Luke 22:15) (8)
- 11 One of the supposed sites of Christ's burial place in Jerusalem (6,4)
- 14 'A city on a hill be hidden' (Matthew 5:14) (6)

- 15 He inherited Elijah's mantle (2 Kings 2:12–13) (6)
- 17 Where Jesus prayed 'Not as I will, but as you will' (Matthew 26:36, 39) (10)
- 20 'Only in his home town and in his — is a prophet without honour' (Matthew 13:57) (3,5)
- 21 Sail (anag.) (4)
- 22 How Jesus was punished before his crucifixion (Matthew 27:26) (8)
- 23 Eye sore (4)

Down

- 1 Can't grow (anag.) (5,3)
- 2 A servant girl to Peter, 'You also were with that , Jesus' (Mark 14:67) (8)
- 4 Well-being (Proverbs 3:8) (6)
- 5 Pentecostal denomination, of God (10)
- 6 One of the 'obvious' acts of the sinful nature (Galatians 5:19, 21) (4)
- 7 'I preached that they should repent and to God' (Acts 26:20) (4)
- $10\ ^{\circ}--$, the world will not see me any more, but you will see me' (John 14:19) (6,4)
- 12 He betrayed Jesus: Judas (Luke 6:16) (8)
- 13 Jesus to Peter: ' — of my sheep' (John 21:16) (4,4)
- 16 The centurion said, 'Surely this man was — of God' (Mark 15:39) (3,3)
- 18 Baked bread (Mark 8:14) (4)
- 19 'Blessing and honour, glory and power, be Him' (Handel's Messiah) (4)

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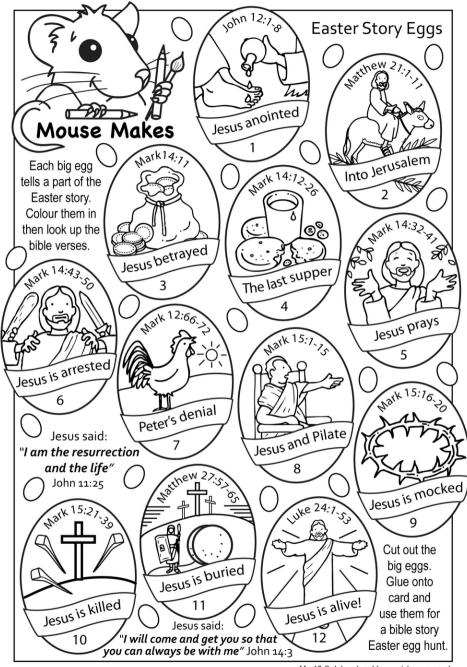
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HOLY WEEK

Holy Week is the week before Easter Day; it starts with Palm Sunday which is on 20th March this year. Palm Sunday is



when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey.

The Thursday of Holy Week is called Maundy Thursday which is named for the words that Jesus used at his last meal with the disciples, what we now call the Last Supper. The Latin words are 'Madatum novum da vobis' – a new commandment I give you'. Do you know what that commandment is? You can read the whole account in St John's Gospel, chapter 13.

Then comes Good Friday - a lot of people can't see why a day that commemorates the trial and crucifixion of Jesus could be called 'good'. It was a black day but Christians know that without what happened that Friday there would be no Easter. Without the death of our Lord there would have been no empty tomb on Easter Day, no glorious Resurrection.

HOT CROSS BUNS

One of the pleasures of Easter is eating hot cross buns. Like most things they cost more now than they did in this old rhyme...
Hot Cross Buns,
Hot Cross Buns,
One a penny, two a penny,
Hot Cross Buns.
If you have no daughters,
Give them to your sons,
One a penny, two a penny,
Hot Cross Buns.

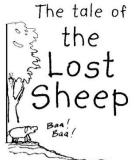
If you have some time to spare, see how many words you cam make from the letters in the words HOT CROSS BUNS. Words of at least 3 letters, no plurals, proper names or foreign words.



What do you get when you pour boiling water down a rabbit hole?

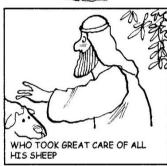
A hot cross bunny.

Why couldn't the rabbit fly home for Easter?
He didn't have the hare fare.





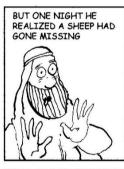






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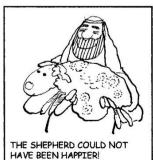






HE SEARCHED HIGH







JESUS EXPLAINED THAT GOD LOVES US IN THE SAME WAY THAT THE GOOD SHEPHERD LOVES HIS SHEEP.

I found this little poem in a box of my mothers, it contained wedding invites from her friends and family between 1925-55. Funeral cards and party invites. I'm glad I looked right at the bottom.

Happy Easter, D adddyman

The Cross In My Pocket

I carry a cross in my pocket, A simple reminder to me, Of the fact that I am a Christian, No matter where I may be.

This little cross is not magic, Nor is it a good luck charm, It isn't meant to protect me, From every physical harm.

It's not for identification, For all the world to see, It's simply an understanding, Between my saviour and me.

When I put my hand in my pocket, To bring out a coin or a key, The cross is there to remind me, Of the price he paid for me.

It reminds me to to be thankful, For my blessings day by day, And to strive to serve him better, In all that I do and say.

It's also a daily reminder, Of the peace and comfort I share, With all who know my Master, And give themselves to his care.

So I carry a cross in my pocket, Reminding know one but me, That Jesus Christ, is Lord of my life, If only I will let him be.

TEDDY CHURCH

welcomes all babies and toddlers and their favourite Teddy Bear to an informal Story, Play and Sing session at Fewston Church and Centre every 2nd Friday of every month throughout the year and we start at 10 am. Parents, Grandparents and Carers welcome. Light refreshments are provided for babies, toddlers and carers.



Red Wyvern Society

Friday, the 18th of March 7:00 p.m. at the Robinson Library, Timble

To mark the 555th anniversary of the Battle of Towton, 2 members of this 15th Century Reenactment group, in full Medieval Costume as members of the Clifford Household, will be passing through Timble on a 3 day walk between Skipton Castle and Towton Battlefield near York. They will provide an historical talk on the Battle of Towton, the Clifford Family, and medieval arms and armour. They may even provide us with a sword fighting demonstration!

This event is Free and open to the public. A Bar and light refreshments will be available.

For more information or to register interest, contact Colette Luscomb on 01943 880 559, or luscombc@yahoo.com

YES, IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN The Churches

year ends are 31st Dec and the annual reports and accounts need to be submitted by the end of April. This means that Treasurers have been completing the accounts for an independent examination, Secretaries, Churchwardens, Deanery Synod reps and the Electoral Roll Officer are preparing their reports for the annual meetings. This year they all take place in April as follows – Farnley after the Family service on Sun 10th (about 10.20 am)

Weston and Denton 7 pm Mon 11th Askwith Village Hall

Fewston with Blubberhouses 7 pm Tue 13th Heritage Centre

Leathley after the Communion service on Sun 24th (about 11.10 am)

The 'Vestry' meeting takes place to elect the Churchwardens for the coming year. This is a legal office as they are the Bishop's officers and are sworn in at special services (Visitation for the Admission of Churchwardens) in May around the Diocese. After this short minute meeting the Annual Meeting takes place which includes voting on any new or existing members to the Council.

Please support your church at the meeting to hear what's happened in 2015 and plans for 2016. If you'd like to join the Church Council please contact me or the relevant Churchwarden whose details are at the front.

Graham

A Special Thanks.....a thank you from the magazine distributors, Mary Booth, Cheri Beaumont and Paul Howarth to the 'foot soldiers' who deliver the magazines and collect the money.

Without them we couldn't function.

Philip Herbert -	Stainburn	Marcia Smith -	Elaine Stead
Farnley	Sarah West -	Leathley	Mrs Hindle
Molly Laxton -	Stainburn	Sarah Ashby	Jane Jackson
Farnley	Heather Stewart	Margaret	Yvonne
Nora Hawkins -	- Castley	Ainsley	Dale-Winder
Leathley	Mrs Keighley -	Kath Dinsdale	June
Sandra Howarth -	Castley	Denise Eagland	Greenwood.
Leathley	David Swallow - Leathley &	Gill White	
Iana Storey -	Castley	Juliette Wood	

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Knabs Ridge Wind Farm Community

Benefit Fund The Two Ridings Community Foundation manages community benefit funds provided by alternative energy suppliers as part of their developments. One fund set up by RWE Innogy is the Knabs Ridge Wind Farm community benefit fund near Harrogate, which supports local projects run by local people.

The fund has been running since 2008 and supports communities in the parishes of Birstwith, Darley, Felliscliffe, Fewston, Hampsthwaite and Haverah Park with Beckwithshaw Over the years since it was set up, the scheme has provided funding for refurbishments and renovations to community buildings, as well as new equipment for playgroups, drama clubs, sports facilities and play areas.

Further details about the fund and how to apply can be found on the Two Ridings Community Foundation website at http://www.trcf.org.uk/grant/knabs-ridge/ or by telephoning 01904 435277.

Funding decisions are made locally by a panel of individuals with an interest in their community along with representatives from Harrogate CVS and the Nidderdale AONB. We are currently looking to recruit new panel members particularly to represent the areas of Fewston and Norwood. For further information about the role or to apply please telephone 01904 435277.



FROM DONKEY TO CROSS AND BEYOND Those who

experience the highs and lows, the roller coast journey that is Lent, Holy Week and Easter, find it emotional and powerful. From Tossing and Ashing and the Lenten Disciplines (with a break for Mothering Sunday), to the cries of 'Alleluia!' then 'Seize him!', 'You know him' and 'I've never seen him', 'My God, my God why have you forsaken me!', silence, and then 'The tomb's empty!', 'Touch my side', 'Throw the net over the other side', 'Go'.

As Bishop Nick wrote, 'We are an Easter people; but, as we see in the Gospels, we cannot ignore the foot washing of Maundy Thursday, the agony of Good Friday, the appalling emptiness of Saturday, and leap swiftly to the joy of Easter Day. We have to live it all and hold it all together.'

Please consider joining us for Palm Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Compline with reflections, Maundy Thursday supper, communion and prayers, Good Friday Hour at the Cross and evening reflections.

On Monday to Wednesday from 7.00 pm there'll be a short evening service with reflection at Leathley. Thursday's venue is Timble Chapel at 7.00 pm to remember those events in The Upper Room. Friday at noon will see us spend an hour or so in quiet reflection Farnley, and then Norwood Chapel at 7.30 pm gives us another opportunity to step aside from normal life and contemplate the day with the Valley choir. Holy Saturday is the pause, the time between, the slow change of gear before we shout out 'Alleluias!' in our churches and chapels and across the Benefice - HE IS RISEN! The penitential purple of Lent gives way to the celebratory colours of white or gold. Why not wear something with those colours to celebrate our Risen Lord!

Join us for what you can and expect the unexpected; prepare for the unknown.



Washburn Parish Council invites you to their

Litter Picking Day

When?

Saturday March 5th 09:45 to 12:00

Where?

Timble, (Robinson Library), Norwood, (Norwood Social Club) or Fewston, (Parochial Hall)

Come and help tidy up your village and countryside by collecting unwanted litter.

Plastic bags, high-viz vests and grabbers will be provided.

All you will need to bring are your own gloves

Celebrate with a drink in the Sun Inn at 1:00 pm

T&T

T& T – marching into March!

February saw each of us creating a superb Spring planter for our homes, all with the help Daphne Wilson. Our planter is gracing the dining room table, looking very smart. Domino drive on 1st March – all with prizes for the winners and a booby prize too of course!



In April we are having a tour of the base at Menwith Hill, followed by refreshments there. In May, for the last meeting of the year, we are off on a trip in a coach to Kilburn, first of all, to have a look around Robert Thompson's (the Mouseman) workshops and museum, followed by lunch and then the Herriot Museum in Thirsk. So where and when do we meet? At Norwood Social Hall 2pm to 4pm and T&T is just £2 when you come with no membership fees; T&T is for the over 60s. Here's a quick reminder of the dates for your diary - we meet on the first Tuesday of every month right through to May, so that makes it 1st March, 5th April, and 3rd May. Then there will be a short break while we all enjoy summer, and then start again in September. For more info and if you want to hear more about T&T, give Gillian a ring on 880362 or Gladys on 880604 - we've always got time for T&T!!

Fewston Foxy Ladies

Lovely to greet old members and welcome new members, all enjoying sweets from the Oldest Sweet Shop in the World and a great talk by Keith and Gloria Tordoff. Next month sees us Cooking Outside the Box



with Christine Turner – so do join us for what promises to be a great cooking demo. So looking forward to welcoming you to our friendly meetings – we meet at Fewston Parochial Hall at 7.30pm and the March meeting is on Tuesday 15th.

If you want any more info, give Gillian a ring on 01943 880362; Margaret 01943 462261; Shirley 01423 770281; Mary 01943 464507; Sheila 01943 468741; Joan 01943 466789 See you soon!

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Washburn Parish Council

Thursday 5th May

Could you:

- Attend six meetings a year
- Comment on planning applications
- Help make Washburn Valley a great place to live
- Contribute to discussions
- Answer emails?

If yes, why not stand as a

Parish Councillor?

We need nominations for the following

Little Timble – 1 seat

Great Timble – 2 seats

Norwood - 3 seats

Blubberhouses - 1 seat

Fewston – 3 seats

Closing dates for nominations is 7th April. Guidance meeting for anyone interested in standing is on 16th or 18th April at 5:30pm at the Council Chambers, Harrogate.

Experience a Parish Council meeting on 7th March, 7:30pm at Norwood Social Hall.

Further information can be obtained by emailing the Parish Clerk at washburnpc@gmail.com or by visiting our website www.washburnpc.co.uk.



We are a local charity offering reliable, low cost help with everyday tasks



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Perhaps you can't afford professionals and you don't know where to turn?

Our Help at Home Team can get the job done!

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ON MONDAY 2ND MAY AT LEATHLEY VILLAGE HALL

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STALLS TO INCLUDE HANDMADE CARDS AND GIFTS, BEAUTIFUL HANDBAGS AND SCARVES AND MORE.

IN AID OF ST. OSWALD'S CHURCH, LEATHLEY.

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