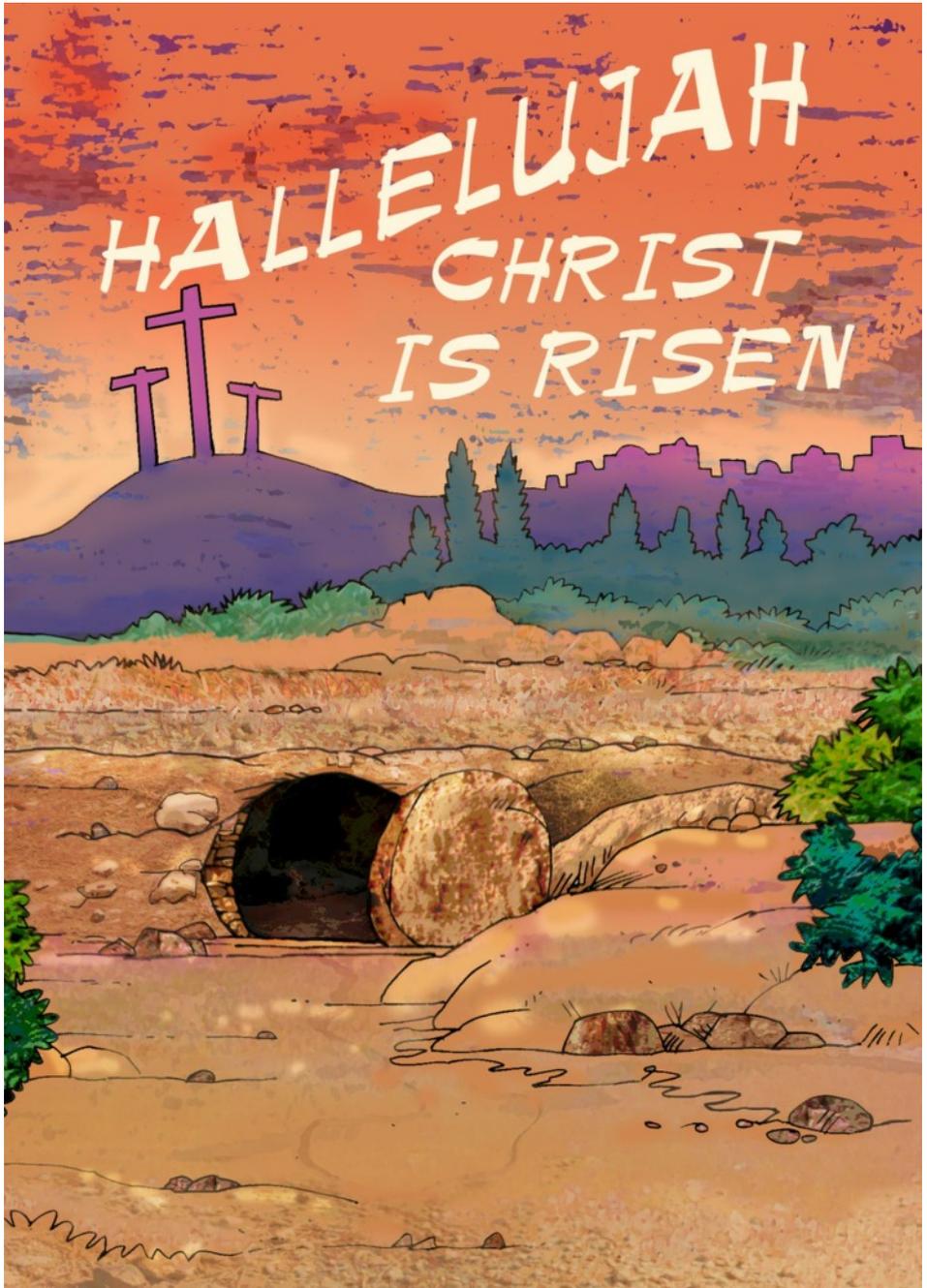


Washburn Valley & Mid-Wharfe Churches



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Denton		Family Communion 11 am Rev M Wilkinson <i>A White</i>	Family Service 11am Mr P Wiggins <i>A White</i>		Holy Communion 11am (M) <i>C Macdonald & S Teasdale</i>	
Fewston	Maundy Thursday Passover Supper and Communion 7.30 pm Parochial Hall Rev G Shield	Family Communion 11am Rev J Walden <i>Everyone please</i>	Morning Prayer 11am (M) <i>C Beaumont</i>	Family Service 11am <i>M Booth</i>		Holy Communion 11am (M) Rev G Shield
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Leathley	Mon, Tue, Wed 7.30pm Compline and Reflection Rev G Shield Good Friday 12noon An hour at the Cross Rev G Shield	Family Communion 10am Rev G Shield	Morning Prayer 10am (T-BCP) Mr J Charman	Holy Communion 10am (M) Rev G Shield then APCM	Family Service 10am Mrs J Shield	Holy Communion 10am (T-BCP) Rev M Cleverley
Norwood	Good Friday Service 7pm		2.30pm Mr A Sheath		Holy Communion 2.30pm Rev L Taylor	
Timble		Holy Communion 10.30am Rev K Reed		10.30am Mr N Revis		10.30am Mr N Mofffoot

4 Church details

The parishes and Anglican churches of the Washburn Valley and
Mid-Wharfe United Benefice are

All Saints Weston, St Helen Denton, St Michael and St Laurence Fewston,
St Andrew Blubberhouses, All Saints Farnley, St Oswald Leathley
www.fewstonwithblubberhouses.org.uk

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The Revd Stewart Hartley

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Dear Friends,

As Christians, Easter is a time we all look forward to. Easter Day is usually the Sunday when churches have their largest congregations of the year and, as a Presbyter, I especially look forward to leading the Easter Day services in churches full of people celebrating the resurrection of our Jesus.

And yet so many miss out on a big part of Easter.....

If Easter Day service is one of the best attended services of the Christian year then the Good Friday services must be some of the least well supported and attended. This has certainly been my own experience in the Methodist Church for several years and many Methodist and Anglican colleagues confirm the same experience.

Many Christians jump from the celebrations of Palm Sunday, when Jesus rode into Jerusalem seated on a donkey to cries of Hosanna; straight to the celebrations of Easter Day when Jesus rose in triumph from death to glorious, new, transformed resurrection life! They miss out the crucial bit in between.

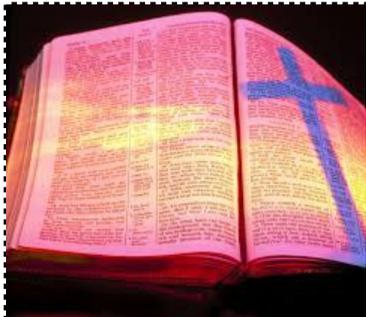
Those who don't go to church on Good Friday miss out on Jesus' suffering and

death; the sacrifice Jesus made for each and every one of us to set us free from the power of sin and evil and put us into right relationship with God.

Yes, it is perfectly possible to meditate on the Biblical accounts of Good Friday alone, at home; but there is something very powerful about gathering in church and remembering those events together, in singing the wonderful Good Friday hymns like "There is a Green Hill Far Away" and "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." There is something very powerful about gathering together to worship God on that day and to corporately offer our thanks and praise for the saving power of the cross!

If you have never been to a church service on Good Friday please do think about going to a Good Friday service this year. I am sure you'll find that if you journey with your sisters and brothers in Christ through the pain and sorrow of Good Friday; you will appreciate even more the celebration and joy of the resurrection on Easter Day as we sing our Easter hymns and share in Holy Communion together!

Yours in Christ,
Rev Rick Ormrod



Monthly Discussion Group

Wednesday 15 April

Fewston Parochial Hall

10.30 to 11.45 am

We're continuing to look at John's Gospel, where we've reached Chapter 14

All are very welcome for friendly discussion as we learn together

Farnley Church is looking for volunteers who could open and close the Church for Morning Prayer Services, usually the 4th Sunday in the month. If you are interested, please speak to either Graham or Caroline. Thank you.



SECRETARY WANTED

St Oswald's Church PCC are in need of a Secretary to deal with the administration required and to take minutes of their meetings which are held 5 times a year at the Village Hall, The Green, Leathley and last approximately 1.5 hours. Please apply directly to the Reverend Graham Shield, either by email at leathleyrectory@btinternet.com or by phone on: 0113 203 7754 or by letter to: The Rectory, Stainburn Lane, Leathley, Otley LS21 2LF.



Please can we have flowers and helpers for decorating Fewston Church for Easter on Saturday 4th April at 9.30 onwards. All help gratefully received.

Cheri Beaumont

The Stations of the Cross have formed part of Christian devotion at Passiontide for many centuries because they enable us to engage actively with the path of suffering walked by Jesus. They originated when early Christians visited Jerusalem and wanted to follow literally in the footsteps of Jesus, tracing the path from Pilate's house to Calvary. They would pause for prayer and devotion at various points. Eventually those pilgrims brought the practice back to their home countries and ever since then Christians of differing traditions have used this form of devotion.

In the late fourteenth century the Franciscans were given the responsibility for the holy places of Jerusalem and they erected tableaux to aid the devotion of the visitors. These kinds of images are now commonplace inside churches, and occasionally outside them.

The number of stations has varied immensely through the centuries from as few as five to as many as thirty-six, but the now traditional number of fourteen was established by Clement XII in 1731 – nine scriptural stations and a further five based on popular devotion. However, owing to the increasing ecumenical popularity of this devotion

there have been attempts to create a wholly scriptural set on which to focus.

The recent rediscovery of the unity of the death and resurrection of Jesus has also led to the inclusion of a fifteenth station – the Resurrection, though this may be superseded by the emergence of the 14 Stations of the Resurrection as part of popular devotion (from page 236 *Times and Seasons Church House Publishing*).

Having followed a cross and stopped at various points on the Via Dolorosa (the way of sorrow) in 1998, Julie and I found it very powerful, despite the sights, sounds and smells as the rest of Jerusalem continued with their trading etc. We will be offering 'The Way of the Cross' as a Good Friday (3 April) devotional from 12 noon at St Oswald's, Leathley using readings, music, silence, prayer and paintings by Sieger Koder, (German soldier in WW2, then artist and Catholic Priest). Join us as our journey continues to move from Lent to Palm Sunday, through the quiet evenings of Compline, Maundy Thursday's Last Supper to Calvary with the deathly silence of Holy Saturday a prelude and counterpoint to Easter's ALLELUIAS!

Graham

Hymns and Hollywood

(www.singingthefaithplus.org.uk)

"In 2014, Singing the Faith went to the Oscars. We took a look at four of that year's multi-award nominated films and asked how the words of certain hymns may pick up on their themes and develop them from a Christian point of view. That admittedly unusual approach to film-viewing was well-received – so we've done it again.

It has to be said that Wes Anderson's wonderfully quirky *The Grand Hotel Budapest*, which picked up nine nominations, floored us. You may have some ideas though – if so, let us know. However, other films on the nominations list have offered up themes that hymn writers too have tackled, sometimes from quite contrary points of view. Where films such as *Interstellar* and *Wild* challenge us to think about our beliefs and to find words with which to respond, our "sung theology" can be a helpful place to start.

Boyhood: In trouble and in joy

Interstellar: 'Tis mystery all

The Theory of Everything: Love tested

Wild: Alternative pilgrimage

One further 2015 nomination for Best Picture is the Martin Luther King film, *Selma*. On Singing the Faith you can find Pamela Pettit's hymn: "I have a dream", a man once said, together with articles and resources inspired by MLK's actions and his "I have a dream speech":

And don't forget that our thoughts on some of 2014's big award winners are still available."



Morning Prayers ~ 9.45am

Wednesday 8 April

Timble Chapel

Wednesday 22 April

St Helen Church, Denton



Everyone is welcome to drop in and the start the day in prayer with fellowship afterwards over coffee

The Bishop of Worcester has launched the 2015 series of St Wilfrid Lectures with a plea for churches to remain open throughout the week and be flexible, as signs of the Christian faith and places of both worship and community service.

In a wide ranging talk (on Thu Feb 26) called 'The Rural Church in Place', Bishop John Inge, who has a longstanding interest in rural affairs, told the Cathedral audience that churches were a vital part of national spiritual life.

"Christian churches are absolutely crucial to the scheme of things" he said. "Their very existence is, literally, significant. If the heavens declare the glory of God as the psalmist says, then our skyline of our country is dotted with the towers and spires of our churches which point heavenwards to the witness to the fact that this world is not a 'system closed to itself'."

The Bishop added, "If the majority of our churches were to be closed the message sent out to our society would be a disastrous one as far as the Gospel is concerned. It would be to suggest that the Christian faith had had its day."

With 16,000 Church of England churches needing continual upkeep, Bishop Inge addressed the challenges facing those with responsibility for churches and he advocated the need for open churches, serving the community, flexible in their use.

"Part of the answer must lie in being more flexible with our buildings," said Bishop Inge. "That is a theological as

well as a practical point. The trouble is that we have gone wrong sometimes by forgetting that both parts of our Lords 'summary of the law' have repercussions for churches just as they do for disciples.

"The first purpose of churches, as with human beings, is to worship God... but when it comes to the second, 'loving our neighbour', which I would suggest should apply to churches as well as to people, churches do rather less well. Churches should be vibrant centres of service to our community and the record there is not always so good. Traditionally our rural parish churches were at the heart of the community in which they stand in both a human and geographical sense. The trouble is that over the years a pietism has crept in which has excluded all activities apart from worship from them, all other activities being transferred to other places."

He added, "Far too many churches still remain locked and stand like mausoleums except when open for worship making them almost completely marginal to the communities they are intended to serve."

Bishop Inge gave examples of imaginative use for churches which he said "had breathed new life into them". He concluded, "My hope and my prayer is that our churches might truly embody our faith.. and so help our country to recover its spiritual moorings by embodying a real and deep commitment to God and to neighbour".

Other speakers in the series are outlined over the page

Married in 1965 or earlier?

Couples who married in 1965 are invited to celebrate their Golden Wedding year in a special service at Ripon Cathedral on Sunday 14 June at 3pm. Tickets usually go quickly for this event and couples married more than fifty years are also invited.

If you would like to apply for tickets to attend this unique service, regardless of where you were married or where you are now living, please send your name and address to:

Mrs Linda Bennett The Chapter House Ripon Cathedral Ripon. HG4 1QT or, for further information, please contact the Ripon Cathedral Office on 01765 603462



Change! Over My Dead Body! says Jesus

A Christian Reflection

Saturday 25 April

10.00am—3.30pm

St Peter's Church Hall, Addingham

The day offers the opportunity to look at change, how we react to it and some practical ways of dealing with it. There will also be reflections on how God wants change and transformation in us all so we can become the person he created us to be.

Dawn Jenkins, a Reader and Myers Briggs practitioner will lead us through the day. She recognises that change is a constant in our lives at work, at home and in our faith, and works professionally in an arena of change.

There is no charge for this event organised by the Bradford Spirituality Group but a suggested donation of £5 would help us to recover the cost of hosting the day.



The St Wilfrid's Lectures 2015

Rural Life and Living:

Challenges and Opportunities

Ripon Cathedral, Minster Rd, Ripon HG4 1QS tel: 01765 603642

7.30pm

Free entry ~ All welcome

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| 23 April | Prof Nigel Curry: For they know not what they do: reflections on a lifetime of rural policy |
| 11 June | Does the Panel think...? The Very Revd John Dobson, Dean of Ripon, chairs a panel discussion |
| 17 Sept | Revd Canon Jeremy Martineau, OBE: Applying Industrial Mission Theology in a remote rural context: lessons from the Celtic fringe |
| 15 Oct | Poul Christensen, CBE: Young Farmers' Clubs - fighting back for Rural Communities |

GATHERING IN MAY

We all had one: many of us still have. A mother. 100% essential to life for humans (and to most animals also). Someone did it for us or we would not be here; not only giving birth but also care afterwards. For years. Mother's Day in March was a special chance to say "Thank you".

I promised last month to tell you about two women in Ethiopia, Adi and Loko. Good mothers both, with many children to support. For Adi, help arrived from Christian Aid's partner, HUNDEE. That help has transformed life for her and her children. Loko's life is still very hard. Hopefully, help can reach her soon with funds from this year's Christian Aid Week.

Adi is a widow 46 years old with 8 children. When she was widowed her community sidelined her and she struggled to feed her family. She didn't have what counts - farm animals. So Christian Aid's local partner gave her a cow and two goats. All change! As well as being able to feed her family and having an income, she has status in her community. Now, people listen to her. She has joined others to campaign against the destructive local custom of child marriage for girls. Adi

has choices and hope for the future. The cow made all the difference!

Loko is 28, also with 8 children. Married, but with no help from her husband. Afraid, alone and in pain, four times a week she makes a back-breaking trip to gather firewood to sell. Big thorns scratch her legs and pierce her plastic shoes. Adding to her fear, hyenas could attack her in the bush. But she has no choice: "If I can't collect firewood my children will die". As it is, the family eats only once a day. A small loan, as little as £5 to us, could enable her to set up a simple business and free her from her desperate and dangerous task.

With Loko's situation now well known, I'm sure she will get help. But she is just one of many in dire straits. And you and I can make the world of difference in Christian Aid Week.

Christian Aid Week is 10-16 May this year. If you would be willing to help with our house-to-house collection - and have not done so before - please have a word with me when we meet or give me a ring on (01943) 851234.

Michael Cleverley
Voluntary Local Organiser

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

Following on from the appeal for people to join the Open the Book teams for Askwith and Farnley schools, I'm pleased to announce that Ian and Sandra Monger from Askwith and Brenda Greetham from Norwood Chapel are joining the teams. Michael and Duncan will still be available to assist occasionally at Farnley and Julie Shield is willing to help with either team. This is great news for the schools as well as for the existing members (Michael, Mary, Rita and Yvonne) and myself.

Duncan has also made a cross for the altar at Farnley School at the request of Farnley Church Council. It had been reported at the last Council meeting that the altar had a Bible, candle and school prayer, and the members wanted to provide something for the school. Duncan brought it to Church where thanks were given and it was blessed. Duncan then gave it to the school and I saw it in situ at the last governors' meeting.

Please collect, and take in, the super-market vouchers for our schools. Farnley School has sorted out the raised beds behind the school and we

look forward to the children enjoying the fruits of their efforts

Graham

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MID WEEK COMMUNION

I've wanted to offer this service across the Benefice since I came here for two reasons. Firstly, for people who couldn't take communion on Sunday, and secondly, to try and get to know people a bit more over coffee afterwards. It's also an opportunity to learn a bit more about the saints, martyrs and other Christians that the Church remembers rather than a sermon. I use 'Exciting Holiness' which has collects, readings and a few paragraphs about them. This is a quieter service with pauses for reflection and time to listen to God.

We'll meet at Leathley Church on the first Wednesday of each month at 9.45 am, starting on Wed 6 May. This will complement the other Wednesdays where there is Morning Prayer on second and fourth Wednesdays and Bible Study on the third.

Graham



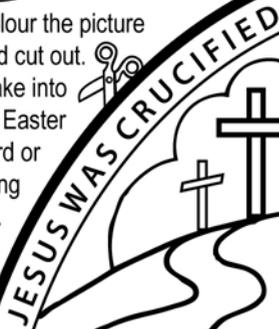
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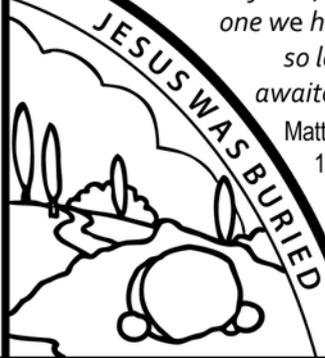


Jesus said to Martha,
"I am the one who raises the dead and gives them life again. Anyone who believes in me, even though he dies like anyone else, shall live again. He is given eternal life for believing in me and shall never perish. Do you believe this Martha?"

"Yes, Lord," she said "I believe you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one we have so long awaited."
 Matthew 11:25



JESUS
SON OF GOD
 Matthew 3:16-17
SAVIOUR
 John 3:16-17
LORD
 1 Corinthians 1:9
SHEPHERD
 John 10:11



JESUS IS WITH US




JESUS IS ALIVE!
 Read the Easter story in Luke 22-24

THE WORD
 John 1:1-50
THE WAY
 John 14:6
THE LIGHT
 John 8:12
THE BREAD
 John 6:35
THE LAMB
 John 1:29
THE DOOR
 John 10:9
THE LIFE
 John 11:25-27




 Jesus said:
"I am the resurrection"
 Read Matthew 11:14-44

We read with great interest David Swallow's excellent article in the February Magazine about the papers found behind the old notice board in the porch at St Oswald's Leathley and we have a little more information about Sir George Martin and Kenneth Crawford.

As boys just before the first world war, they used to come out from Leeds with friends and camp at a cottage in Leathley, which goes a long way to explain why in 1952 they presented the bible to Leathley Church. The cottage became known as Campers' Cottage and later Campus Cottage. The shed they used is still in the garden and the bunk beds on which they slept are still in the shed over a hundred years later. In those days to cycle into the country from Leeds to camp would have been quite an adventure for them.

After the first world war Kenneth Crawford became a respected Leeds dentist and George Martin a successful businessman, later founding the Sir George Martin Charitable Trust, now a very substantial donor to worthy Yorkshire causes. Kenneth Crawford's son Michael, a chartered accountant among other things, became Chairman

of Yorkshire County Cricket Club in the troubled early 1980's.

Here comes our present day involvement. Marcia's brother-in-law is a trustee of the Sir George Martin Trust. He and I were partners with Michael Crawford and others in John Gordon Harrison Taylor in Leeds. By chance a few days after reading the article, he and I and our wives entertained Michael Crawford's widow to lunch. We showed her the article. She confirmed that her father-in-law and George Martin used to camp in Leathley over a hundred years ago.

John and Marcia Smith

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Farnley Estate Young Farmers Club 25 February was our own club quiz at Leathley. It was a fun night enjoyed by everyone. We had a special guest of the county chairman. 4 March was spent filling in the rally forms at Leathley which was a very successful evening. 11 March was our annual fashion show at Norwood Social Hall. Complete Clothing Company at Otley hosted this for us and lots of money was spent and raised for our club, a very enjoyable evening was had by all.

*James Driffield*



## JESUS IS ALIVE!

Early on the first Easter morning Mary Magdalene and some other women went to the tomb where Jesus had been buried. When they reached the tomb it was open, the big stone that had sealed the entrance was rolled away - and it was empty! They thought that someone had stolen Jesus' body but an angel told Mary what had really happened, that Jesus was alive!

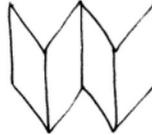
The disciples were all together when Mary arrived back with her news and told them what had happened, but they wouldn't believe her. They were confused and afraid. Sometimes we say 'I can't believe it' if someone tells us really good news. We say 'I'll believe it when I see it with my own eyes' and that is what the disciples said. And when they saw the risen Jesus they believed. Read about what happened that first Easter Day in the four Gospels. And what is the next thing that you do when you hear good news? You want to share it with someone else.

Share the Good News with someone this Easter!

## SPREAD THE NEWS

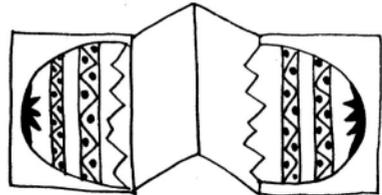
One way you can pass the good news on is to send Easter cards. You could make some of these easy Easter egg cards (the egg is a symbol of new life so that's why we have eggs at Easter). You will need

- a strip of thin card about 10cm by 30cm
- another piece of coloured card for the egg about 9cm by 12cm
- felt tip pens
- a ruler, scissors and a glue stick.



Fold the long strip of card in half and then each half back on itself to make a W shape.

Draw an egg shape on the coloured card and cut round it. Cut the egg in half with a jagged edge and stick it onto the folded card as shown. Decorate it and write your message inside - you could even draw a fluffy yellow chick inside the egg.



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**What is smooth, oval and very rich?**

An eggstravaganza.





























Mid Wharfedale Parish Council

An ordinary meeting of MWPC was held at Askwith Village Hall on 19 February 2015. All parishes were represented with new co-opted councillor for Middleton Christopher Bloor welcomed onto the council. Discussion items included

- Speed recording strips that have been applied for outside Askwith School
- Blocked road gullies on Carters Lane
- The bad road condition between Denton T junction and Ben Rhydding iron bridge
- White road markings that have not been replaced at Denton triangle and Hunger Hill
- White Rose cycle race passing through our parish on 20 June.

All these to be followed up by the Clerk.

NYCC Highways have responded to MWPC request for Priority road sign arrows over Ben Rhydding iron bridge. Highways are not willing to erect these signs as they will contravene traffic regulations. Cllr Fort from NYCC reported an increase of 1.99% in household Council Tax bills.

The next meeting of MWPC is on 21 May 2015 which will start with the Parish meetings and then move onto the Annual council meeting which will also incorporate an ordinary meeting of the council. Proceedings start at 7.30pm in Askwith Village Hall.

[www.midwharfedaleparishcouncil.btck.co.uk](http://www.midwharfedaleparishcouncil.btck.co.uk)

*Nick Pullan Clerk to MWPC  
07720260401  
npullanmwpc@fsmail.net*



Vavasour Society

At our next meeting on Wednesday 8 April at 7.30 in Askwith Village Hall, Paul and Val Middleton will speak on 'From the Dales to the Desert,' a fascinating personal account of their experiences working in Saudi Arabia. All are welcome - guests £4 - and refreshments will be served afterwards.

*Diana Parsons*

Washburn Parish Council invites you to their

# Litter Picking Day

Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>

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

09:45 to 12:00

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

Meet at

**Timble,** (Robinson Library), **Norwood,** (Norwood Social Club) or

**Fewston,** (Parochial Hall)

All you will need to bring are your own gloves



TIMBLE COFFEE MORNING

WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL

At the Robinson Library

10.30am to 12 noon

*Colette Luscomb and Tracey Dickinson are hosts*

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MARTIN HOUSE BAKE SALE

My daughter Emma, as part of her charity week at school, will be selling buns, tray bakes etc at the coffee morning.

She would be very grateful for any support either via a donation or buying some of her buns.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Many thanks

Tracey Dickinson

Tel: 880217

Martin
House
children's hospice



Cock Pit Farm Tea Rooms

We had a quiz night on Friday 6 March which raised £300 for the Alzheimer's Society, our 2015 charity.

Also we announce our 2nd Annual Dog Show on Bank Holiday Monday 25 May at Cock Pit Farm Tea Rooms. 12 til 3 pm. Fun and games for all the family. Refreshments, stalls etc. Everyone welcome.

Washburn Parish Council met on Monday 2 March at Norwood Social Hall. It has been a relatively quiet period with a few planning applications and little correspondence. There were no crimes committed in the area in January and just two minor ones in February.

The main issue causing concern in the district is the surface of some of our roads. While many potholes have been repaired others are still requiring attention. Blocked drains and full ditches are causing surface water to collect and in some cases freeze. This can cause dangerous road conditions. These concerns have been raised with highways although landowners are responsible for the state of ditches and drains on land adjacent to their properties.

Saturday 11 April is Litter Picking Day for residents:
from 09:45 to 12 noon. Meeting places are Robinson Library, Timble, Parochial Hall, Fewston and Norwood Social Hall. All litter pickers will need to bring their own gloves but other equipment is provided.

Full draft minutes are available on the website www.washburnpc.co.uk

Advance notice:

The Annual Parish Meeting is on Monday 11 May 7:00pm, at
Norwood Social Hall
Everyone welcome

CHAPEL TEAS and LUNCHES

At Norwood Methodist Chapel

On Easter Monday 6 April

Homemade cakes, scones, fresh sandwiches, teas and coffees

will be provided by Bramhope Methodist Church

10.00 am -4.30 pm

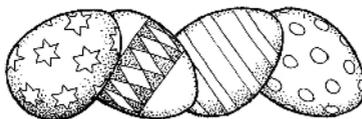
All welcome – see you there

EVENTS in ASKWITH, WESTON and DENTON

The Beetle Drive and Supper in Askwith Village Hall in February was a great success with over 40 adults and children participating. This most enjoyable evening raised over £340 for church funds. Grateful thanks to all those who helped make the evening a memorable event.

6 April

Easter Monday Village Walk and Easter Egg Hunt.



Meet at Askwith Arms at 2pm for an hour or so's circular walk. Children's Easter egg hunt will take place approx

2/3 of the way round. The walk will finish at the Askwith Arms where hot cross buns and light refreshments will be available.

16 May

Village Refreshments, 12noon - 4pm

13 June

Askwith Show Stall

Saturday 27 &

Open Gardens, 2-6pm

Sunday 28 June

We would be very grateful for gardeners in Weston, Askwith and Denton to open their gardens for this week end. Tea and stalls in Askwith Village Hall 2-6pm If you would like to support this major fundraising event for our two churches, please contact Mary Booth on 461281 Fewston Teas?

31 Aug

Norwood Social Hall

Dances 2015

8.00pm until midnight

Friday 15 May

Bon-Accords (Buffet Supper)

Friday 23 October

Alan's Band

Friday 20 November

Bill Johnson

Friday 4 December

"Dancing to Jim"

(Christmas Dance)

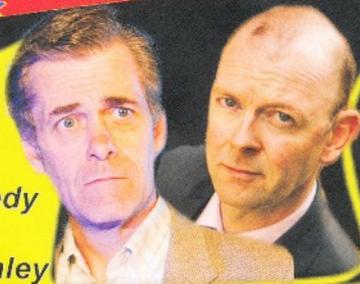
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LOTTERY FUNDED

22 Washburn Heritage Centre in April

Churchyard Secrets exhibition & tea room
is open every Saturday and Sunday, 11am–4.30pm.

Events You can pick up a programme leaflet from the Centre and also view events on www.washburnvalley.org. Advance booking and payment is required to secure a place. Contact Rachel on 01943 880794 or centre@washburnvalley.org.

Lambing Live

Sunday 5 April, 1.15pm meet at Centre
Another visit to Scaife Hall Farm to see the Ryders' ewes and lambs. Not suitable for pregnant women or those likely to be. £4 adult, £1 children, non-walking babies free.

Hands on! Archaeological dig at Toad Hole

Wednesday 8 and/or Thursday 9 April

Book 1 day and get 2nd free!

9.30am–4pm

Where the old village of Fewston subsided. With John Buglass, archaeologist on the Fewston excavation. Refreshments and lunch provided. £25 per person per day, £20 Washburn Society members.

Haunting memories

Wednesday 15 April, 7–9pm

Read and talk about graveyard verse and prose, including the Fewston epitaphs and your own choices. Glass of wine and refreshments. £10 per person, £8 members.

Walk: 'Fewston can't buy their dead': a tale of two cemeteries

Tuesday 21 April, 9am meet

3 mile walk, hear about the churchyard closure and a bit of old Fewston, then walk to explore Meagill Lane cemetery, finishing with a look round Fewston churchyard and its environs. Return to the Centre for lunch. No dogs. £12.50 per person, £10 Washburn Society members.

Timble Man's Supper

Friday 24 April

Eat and drink some of his favourite items - a 5 course supper accompanied by relevant readings, with one of his descendants on the catering team! Cash bar. £24 per person, £19.50 Washburn Society members.

Talk: "Children of the Revolution"

Tuesday 28 April, 7–9.30pm

Health inequalities during industrialisation in the north of England with Dr Rebecca Gowland, Durham University. £7.50 per person, £6 Washburn Society members. Refreshments included.

Listed below are individually booked art sessions with Imogen Collins-Thomas, looking at churchyards as sanctuaries for the living as well as the dead. 9.45 for 10am to 3.30pm with home-made lunch and refreshments. £50 per person, £40 Washburn Society members.

History and heritage: bones and skulls

Thursday 16 April

An introduction to the anatomy of birds and animals, sketching, drawing and painting from specimens.

Community and conservation: graveyard art

Thursday 23 April

We look at the symbolism of remembrance and thanksgiving on Victorian headstones using different media, including rubbings, to record inscribed patterns and lettering.

Sanctuary and survival: smaller species

Thursday 30 April

Churchyards provide quiet areas for birds and butterflies, rodents, reptiles and invertebrates. Working from observation and evidence we will experiment with different techniques.

Norwood Social Hall

SPRING FAIR and COLLECTABLES

Sunday 26 April

10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Plants, Produce, Home-made Baking,

Woodwork, Handicrafts, Collectables and more

In addition, our well-renowned, home-made refreshments will be available

all day, so do try and come along

If you would like to know about having a stall, please ring:

Shirley – 01423 770281

Ella – 01943 880169

HOG ROAST

Friday 26 June

6.30 pm onwards

Fewston Parochial Hall



Join in the fun & bring the family

Delicious 2 course meal and a
welcoming drink

Bar & great night guaranteed!

Tickets: Jane 880840; Gillian
880362; Yvonne 880225

£7.50 adults; £5 children under 11

YES, IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN

The Churches year ends are 31 December 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 have prepared / are preparing their reports for the annual meetings. This year they all take place in April as follows -

Weston and Denton - Monday 13 at 7 pm - Askwith Village Hall

Fewston with Blubberhouses Tuesday 14 at 7 pm - Heritage Centre

Leathley after the Communion service on Sunday 19 (about 11.10 am)

Farnley after the Family service on Sun 26 (about 10.20 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 5 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 2014 and plans for 2015. If you'd like to join the Church Council please contact the relevant Churchwarden on page 4.

Graham



Note from Editor,

The deadline for submitting material for the May issue is Monday 13 April.

It costs £5 to have 12 copies of this magazine delivered to your door, and £12 to have it posted. Please contact Paul Howarth on 01943 465076 if you'd like to arrange postal delivery.

Please contact Ann Johnson at ann@apmj.co.uk or on 01943 880000 if you'd like to discuss advertising your business.

Rachel Batchelor

At our March meeting we welcomed Kirsty Christmas from the Leeds Donkey Sanctuary based at Eccup, near Leeds. The first sanctuary in the UK was founded by Dr Elisabeth Svendsen in 1969 to support abused, neglected, and abandoned donkeys everywhere. The movement soon spread and it is now an international animal welfare charity with seven centres throughout the UK and many overseas project teams helping donkeys in other countries.

In the UK they've become involved in donkey assisted therapy for local schoolchildren with additional needs, and members of the public can also adopt a donkey at one of the UK centres. Donkeys are willing and hard working animals which means that they are often almost worked to death by their owners, and then frequently abandoned when they're unable to work anymore, and the charity exists to find and help these creatures wherever they are in the world. They never turn away from a donkey in need and rely entirely on fundraising and volunteers to keep their centres open and carry on their important work. Kirsty gave a very enlightening talk and we were all

moved by her passion for these gentle animals.

2015 is the WI's Centenary year and we're celebrating in style with a Buckingham Palace garden party, Ladies Day at Ripon Races, a Centenary craft exhibition at Kiplin Hall in North Yorkshire, and a Centenary lunch on WI Day with guest speaker Janet Street-Porter at Swinton Park near Masham. Just a few of the countless events taking place this year.

If you'd like to know more we meet on the second Thursday of the month, 7.30 pm, at Askwith Village Hall and new members/visitors from the area are always welcome. Our next meeting is on Thursday 9 April when our speaker will be Ros Lilley from the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust. For more info contact Sue Appleyard on 01943 839292.

The logo features the text 'the WI' in a large, green, sans-serif font, with 'the' in lowercase and 'WI' in uppercase. Below this, the words 'INSPIRING WOMEN' are written in a smaller, teal, all-caps, sans-serif font.

St Oswald Leathley PCC ~ Programme of events 2015

4 May	Bank Holiday Monday ~ Teas on the Green 10am - 5pm Stalls to include gifts, cards, bags, scarves and produce Refreshments available all day In aid of St Oswald's Church
20 June	Buttercross Stall in Otley
11 July	Summer BBQ (see below)
2 August	Gift Day (No Teas)
31 August	Teas on the Green
11 October	Harvest Festival Faith Lunch
13,15 & 16. Dec	Carol Singing

HOLD THAT DATE!

Saturday 11 July

A Summer Barbeque with Sixties Music

(Sixties dress optional!)

At Leathley Village Hall

In aid of Leathley Church



Last Friday Supper Club

Friday 24 April

Leathley Village Hall

£10 per head for a 2 course supper

Bring your own bottle, or we have decent wine to buy on the night

Booking essential

Please contact Paul Howarth 01943 465076 by the preceding Wednesday

All proceeds to the Leathley Village Hall Development Project

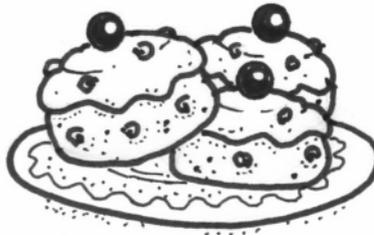
Teas and refreshments

Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 April

11am - 4.30pm

Fewston Parochial Hall

In aid of Askwith School



Community Lunch

At Washburn Heritage Centre

Wednesday 22 April

12.30pm

Booking essential ~ Pat 01943 880284 or Cheri 01943 465977

New friends most welcome

Fourth Wednesday of each month ~ 27 May, 24 June

and every fourth Wednesday except August

Come and join Fewston Ladies
and enjoy a variety of talks, visits and meals out

We meet at 7.30pm at Fewston Parochial Hall

For further information, ring Gillian Knox 880362, Margaret Ainsley 462261,
Mary Donovan 464507, Sheila Herbert 468741, Joan Knight 466789
or Shirley Dawson on 01423 770281

A great welcome and an enjoyable evening awaits you!

Tuesday 21 April	Plate Painting + Decoration
Tuesday 12** May	Trip Kiplin Hall, Richmond
Tuesday 16 June	Lady Randy – Pat Osborne
Tuesday 21 July	Hooray for Hats! – Claire Spooner
Tuesday 18 August	Horticap to be entertained at Robinson Library
Tuesday 15 September	Lies, Damned Lies & Registrations – Barbara Dixon
Tuesday 20 October	Life Changing Trip – Mary Donovan
Tuesday 17 November	Cartoons from Past to Present – Alex Purves
Tuesday 8 December	Christmas Dinner – venue TBA

** PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE



Norwood Social Hall
All Age Domino Drive
Friday 1 May at 7pm
Adults £3.50, children £1.50
Includes hot supper
Raffle

To help with catering ~Tickets available in advance:
Hazel 01943 880270 or Janet 01943 880411

Attention ladies!

Great news, hot off the press...



We are holding a fantastic fashion show, a great excuse for you to have a girly get together, a guaranteed giggle, some naughty nibbles and a glass of vino!

What more would you need for a great night? Well we have that as well, fantastic fashion, stunning jewellery and amazing handbags by Harriets of Otley, Thirsk, Knaresbrough and Horsforth, modeled by very brave models.

Please contact us if you would like to be a model for the night you get a great discount for your bravery.

Where: Darley Village Hall, Sheepcote Lane, Darley HG3 2RP

What: Charity Fashion Show

When: Thursday 14 May, 19:00

Why: The fashion show is to raise vital funds for Cystic Fibrosis

Cystic Fibrosis is one of the UK's most common life threatening inherited diseases which affects 9,000 people in the UK. Each week there are 5 babies born with the disease. Cystic Fibrosis affects the internal organs especially the lungs and digestive system by clogging them with thick sticky mucus. This then makes it very difficult to breathe and digest food.

Tickets are only £8 which includes a glass of wine on entry and canapés.

Cash and cheques will be accepted on the night.

For tickets and any further information please contact

Anne: 07955255206 or Gemma: 07969376716

Nidderdale Society talk & walk

20 April

Dacre and Hartwith Village Hall, 7.30pm

Fountains Abbey and Studley Park: Terry Frazier

Terry has worked for 13 years as Projects Manager for the National Trust recently involved in the construction of the new Visitor Centre

28 April

Studley Royal 7 Bridges

Meet at Fountains Abbey Visitor Centre Car Park at 10.30 am – map reference 272686. 5.0 miles. The walk will be followed by lunch at the Visitor Centre for those wishing to come along.

30 April's diary

Saturday 4 April	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Sunday 5	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Sunday 5	Lambing Live!
Monday 6	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Monday 6	Askwith Easter Monday village walk and egg hunt
Monday 6	Teas at Norwood chapel
Every Tuesday	Weekly Bible Study (contact Peter Wiggins, see page 4)
Wed 8 / Thurs 9	Archaeological dig in Toad Hole
Wednesday 8	Morning prayer at Timble Chapel
Wednesday 8	Timble coffee morning
Wednesday 8	Vavasour Society
Thursday 9	Askwith with Weston WI meeting
Saturday 11	Litter picking morning
Saturday 11	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Sunday 12	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Wednesday 15	Monthly discussion group, Fewston Parochial Hall
Wednesday 15	Graveyard verse and prose at the Washburn Heritage Centre
Thursday 16	Art session at the Washburn Heritage Centre
Saturday 18	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Sunday 19	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Tuesday 21	Walk with the Washburn Heritage Centre
Tuesday 21	Fewston Ladies at Fewston Parochial Hall
Wednesday 22	Morning prayer at St Helen Church, Denton
Wednesday 22	Community Lunch, Washburn Heritage Centre
Thursday 23	Art session at the Washburn Heritage Centre
Friday 24	Leathley Last Friday Supper Club
Friday 24	Timble Man's Supper at the Washburn Heritage Centre
Saturday 25	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Saturday 25	Teas at Fewston Parochial Hall
Sunday 26	Teas at Fewston Parochial Hall
Sunday 26	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Sunday 26	Spring Fair and Collectables at Norwood Social Hall
Tuesday 28	Talk: Children of the Revolution at Washburn Heritage Centre
Thursday 30	Art session at the Washburn Heritage Centre
Thursday 30	"The Unlikely Dads" at Fewston Parochial Hall
Friday 1 May	Archaeology session at the Washburn Heritage Centre
Friday 1 May	Domino drive at Norwood Social Hall