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Allhallows, Bassenthwaite, Boltons, Embleton, Ireby, Isel, Plumbland, Setmurthy,
Torpenhow, Uldale and Wythop

February 2023

GOOD NEWS AHEAD?

At the start of any New Year, we hope for good news and for good things to take place in the year ahead. Given the situation in our own nation and the wider world with a seemingly endless stream of bad news that longing is perhaps greater as we face the prospect of another difficult 12 months.



Therefore, what can help us feel more hopeful about the year despite all the difficulties and pressures?

I would suggest that good news is to be found in the normal everyday activity of life and particularly in the interaction with one another. Looking back over the past 3 years, with the benefit of hindsight we now know that the lack of social activity has had a very significant impact on our lives and especially for those people who are most vulnerable.

Thankfully, we now meet up with one another without any restrictions and the usual routine of community events and activities are now happening again in our villages.

Many people can find this time of year more difficult because of the colder weather and the shorter hours of daylight, which can restrict going out and meeting other people. However, each of us has a role to play in looking out for those in our own villages, who we know are lonely or more vulnerable. Those simple acts of kindness and friendship to a vulnerable friend or neighbour such as phoning them or calling them, checking that they are okay and offering help with shopping and such like, that can make such a difference.

Our care and friendship helps the person in greater need and boosts them, and it also benefits us as we feel better knowing that we have done something worthwhile.

Of course, these acts of kindness and friendship are happening every day in each of our villages and this is good news to celebrate, whatever else is happening. Therefore, in the midst of things that we cannot change, I encourage you to thank for all that is good in our lives and in our villages.

In January, Christians celebrate the season of Epiphany, which reminds us of how into the difficulty and suffering of life, the light of God's love still shines in the person of Jesus Christ. Then, at Candlemas we light candles as a sign of the love of Jesus shining in our lives and in the darkness of the world around us.

Whether or not, we have faith in God, it is in showing care and friendship for one another that we play our own part in bringing about good and strengthening our own communities. The love and care we share and show to one another brings us benefit and a greater sense of well-being.

I wish you every blessing for the New Year ahead.

Stephen

Revd Stephen Banks



February 2023

February Services

Sunday 5th February– 3rd Sunday before Lent			Sunday 12th February– 2nd Sunday before Lent		
Church	Time	Service	Church	Time	Service
Boltons	8am	Holy Communion	Embleton	9.30am	Holy Communion
Isel	9.30am	Morning Worship	Setmurthy	9.30am	Morning Worship
Bassethwaite Chapel	11am	Morning Worship	Torpenhow	9.30am	Holy Communion
Plumbland	11am	Morning Worship	Allhallows	11am	Holy Communion
Wythop	11am	Holy Communion	St. John, Bassethwaite	11am	Holy Communion
St. Bega, Bassethwaite	3pm	Holy Communion			
Embleton	3pm	Evening Prayer	Ireby	6.30pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday 19th February– Sunday next before Lent			Sunday 26th February– 1st Sunday of Lent		
Church	Time	Service	Church	Time	Service
Plumbland	8am	Holy Communion	Team Service		
Wythop	9.30am	Morning Worship			
Boltons	11am	Family Service with Baptism	St. James, Ireby	10.30am	Holy Communion
Bassethwaite Chapel	11am	Morning Worship			
Allhallows	11am	Morning Worship			
Isel	11am	Holy Communion			
Embleton	3pm	Evening Prayer			
Wednesday 22nd February 2023 – ASH WEDNESDAY					
<u>Team Services</u>					
Setmurthy		11am	Holy Communion		
Torpenhow		7pm	Holy Communion		

From the Registers

BAPTISMS

Delilah Violet Murphy was baptised at St. Bega, Bassenthwaite on 11th December 2022

WEDDINGS

No Weddings took place in December or January

FUNERALS

The funeral of John (Jack) Lawson, from Bothel, took place at All Saints, Cockermouth on 19th November 2022.

The funeral of Marian Bushell, formerly of Torpenhow, took place at St. Michael & All Angels, Torpenhow on 22nd November 2022.

The funeral of Eileen Taylor, from Blindcrake, took place at St. Michael & All Angels, Isel on 23rd November 2022.

The funeral of Richard Sargent, from Kirkland Green, took place at Carlisle Crematorium on 12th December 2022.

The funeral of Ruth Barnes from Bassenthwaite, took place at St. John, Bassenthwaite on 13th December 2022.

The funeral of Malcolm Ewart, formerly of Bassenthwaite, took place at St. John, Bassenthwaite on 16th December 2022.

The funeral of Isabel Teasdale from Ireby, took place at All Saints, Boltongate on 23rd December 2022.

The funeral of James Hinds, from Torpenhow, took place at St. Michael & All Angels, Torpenhow on 10th January 2023.

The funeral of Norma Frost from Threapland, took place at Carlisle Crematorium on 12th January 2023.

Baptism in the Binsey Team Mission Community

We are really pleased when parents approach us about Baptism (also known as Christening) for their child. It's a very important step, both for parents and the child.

Infant Baptism involves parents and godparents making a public commitment about their own Christian faith and the church. They are making a commitment to pray for their child, so that as they grow, with their help, and ours, they may be able to live out in practice the Christian life.



BAPTISM

To enable parents to do this we ask that you come and join us in worship at any of our team churches at some point in the two months BEFORE the date of the baptism, if at all possible. After an enquiry is made, a home visit will be arranged to discuss things informally, to see what level of preparation might be appropriate and answer any questions.

For an informal chat about infant baptism, please contact the Team Rector, Revd. Stephen Banks on 016973 71541 Please note that St James, Uldale is not currently available because of major restoration work.



Choose any one of our churches for your special day!

Congratulations if you have just got engaged and are thinking about getting married in one of the Binsey Mission Community churches.

If you currently live anywhere within the Binsey Mission Community area, then you can get married in our churches. If you live elsewhere, but have a family connection to a church, or want to come and worship regularly in our churches, then we'd love to help you.

If you would like to enquire about what is currently possible or book a wedding, please contact our Team Rector, Revd. Stephen Banks on 016973 71541 for a friendly chat. He will be able to talk you through what is possible and what are the current differences.

We would love to welcome you into our church and help you make your life-long commitment to each other before God.

Please note that several of our churches are small, so not able to accommodate more than 50-60 guests, and St James, Uldale is not currently available because of major restoration work

Introducing Peter Dixon

The Revd Peter Dixon has been licensed by the Bishop of Carlisle as Interim Associate Priest for the Binsey Team to provide support for the parish over the next few months. Peter's normal working days are Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays along with Sundays and we are very pleased to welcome him to Binsey.

"Hello, my name is Peter Dixon and I am delighted to be part of the Binsey Team and very much looking forward to meeting you all and to taking on the role of self-supporting Associate Priest. I shall enjoy getting to know each one of you in the weeks and months ahead.

I am married to Wendy, who works for the NHS. We have two children, Rachel and Joseph. Rachel, a psychotherapist, with her own practice in central London, is married to Toman accountant and they have a three year old son, Wyatt Joseph our son, lives in Cornwall and works as a grants manager for an international disaster relief organisation.

My own background has been in the field of mental health, the caring professions and working with people with addictive behaviors. Having worked in drug treatment programmes for a number of years we eventually moved as a family to live and work in Nepal. At that time there was a rapidly growing drug problem in the country, so the work therefore entailed initiating and developing a comprehensive range of services to prevent the spread of HIV amongst drug users and the wider population. We returned to this country after six years.

Upon our return, I had an interesting year studying for a masters at the Liverpool of Tropical Medicine which involved research into ante natal care in clinics around Harare, Zimbabwe. I then worked in the area of community health in Mozambique and Tanzania, running health care programmes for refugees under the auspices of UNHCR. A job offer brought us to Cumbria to work for the NHS Cumbria Partnership Foundation Trust as Clinical Director for the Drug and Alcohol Directorate; working there for several years before taking early retirement.

Upon retiring I responded to a longstanding call to ordination. That call initially came many years earlier whilst at university; but the journey since has been a very long, interesting but necessary one, before finally coming to fruition. I have since completed a training course for the ordained ministry with what is now the Emmanuel Theological College, Diocese of Carlisle, and was ordained in Carlisle Cathedral. More recently, I served in the Eden Wild Goose Mission community as an Assistant Curate to the Churches of Holme Eden and Wetheral.

Wendy and I are very much looking forward to starting in this new role and to working with Stephen and the team in the Binsey Team Mission Community and to getting to know all of you in the near future."

Peter

Do you shop online? You can support the Binsey Link in the process!

We have registered the Binsey Link with **Easyfundraising**

You can raise FREE donations for the Binsey Link EVERY time you shop online. Just use Easyfundraising! There are over 7,000 brands which will donate as you shop online, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat, Uswitch and many more!

Do you have online supermarket deliveries? Booking a holiday? Christmas present shopping online? This will not effect any existing schemes of reward points or debit card cash back

Visit: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/binsey-link/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_source=social&utm_medium=whatsapp&utm_content=rm-wa-1

Please email accounts@binsey.org.uk and I can forward you this link to click on and further information to read on Easyfundraising. Many thanks Craig

Book Review

Hamnet By Maggie O'Farrell

Having won the Women's Prize for Fiction, the National Book Critic's Circle Award for Fiction, Dalkey Literary Award's Novel of the Year and Waterstone's Book of the Year 2020, I don't suppose anyone can deny that there must be something worth exploring in this book...and believe me, there really is. On a summer's day in 1596, a young girl in Stratford-upon-Avon takes to her bed with a fever. Her twin brother, Hamnet, searches everywhere for help. Why is nobody at home?

Their mother, Agnes, is over a mile away, in the garden where she grows medicinal herbs. Their father is working in London. Neither parent knows that one of the children will not survive the week.

Hamnet is a novel inspired by the son of a famous playwright. It is a story of the bond between twins, and of a marriage pushed to the brink by grief. It is also the story of a kestrel and its mistress; flea that boards a ship in Alexandria; and a glovemaker's son who flouts convention in pursuit of the woman he loves. Above all, it is a tender and unforgettable reimagining of a boy whose life has been all but forgotten, but whose name was given to one of the most celebrated plays ever written.

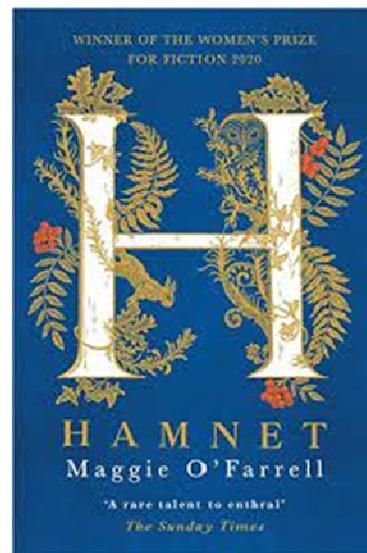
I believe that Maggie O'Farrell manages to achieve something in this novel that few writers do: a compelling and profoundly affecting plot coupled with a style of writing that captures the imagination and builds a historical world in detail of such perfection that I never wanted this novel to end. It absolutely tore me apart and made my heart sing in equal measure. In fact I did something after reading (a borrowed copy of) this book that I have never done before in all my life...I went out and bought a beautiful copy in hardback so I could keep it always.

I have read literally hundreds of books in my life and this one is definitely in my top five

Clare Doherty

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Answers to Decembers book review Letters from the Lighthouse by Emma Carroll

On the cinema trip at the start of the novel, what film do they go to see? The Mark of Zorro

Which hospital was Olive taken to after the air raid during the film? St.Leonards

When packing her suitcase for the evacuation Olive puts in one thing that her dad gave to her. What is it? A seashell

Which train coach are Olive and Cliff told to sit in? Coach D

What was the surname of the boys who used to work for Queenie but left to join the army? Jensen

When Olive and Cliff leave Queenie's house to live at the lighthouse, who do they go to live with? Ephraim Pengilly

After the air raid during the school day, Esther thinks she is bleeding but it's not blood she has on her. What is it? Ink

Which country are the refugees coming from originally? Austria

What is the name of the village doctor? Dr. Morrison

They take the yellow stars off refugees' coats. What do the yellow stars have written on them? Jude

February: This month derives its name from the word februare—to purify or from the word Februa—the Roman festival of expiation which was celebrated through the latter part of this month.

February Mottoes: 'If Candlemas Day be fair & bright Winter will have another flight. But if Candlemas Day be clouds of rain, Winter is gone and will not come again'

'If February bring no rain, 'tis neither good for grass nor grain'

On this day.....

How much do you know about key dates in History?

1st Feb. 1901 royal yacht Alberta brings the body of Queen Victoria into Portsmouth harbour en route to her funeral in London tomorrow. The Queen, aged 82, died on January 22, at Osborne on the Isle of Wight.

2nd Feb. 1665 British forces capture New Amsterdam, the centre of the Dutch colony in North America. The trading settlement on the island of Manhattan is to be renamed New York in honour of the Duke of York, its new governor.

3rd Feb. 1730 The London Daily Advertiser newspaper publishes the first stock exchange quotations.

4th Feb. 1926 Malcolm Campbell sets a new world land speed record of 174 mph (278 kmph) in Wales.

5th Feb. 1958 Parking meters first appear on the streets of London's exclusive Mayfair district. The meters were first used in America in 1935.

6th Feb. 1783 Death of Lancelot 'Capability' Brown the greatest English landscape gardener. His work lives on today throughout the great estates of England.

7th Feb. 1301 The son of King Edward I of England becomes the first English Prince of Wales.

8th Feb. 1587 Mary Queen of Scots is beheaded on the orders of her cousin England's Queen Elizabeth I.

9th Feb. 1964 73 million Americans tune in to the Ed Sullivan Show to watch four lads from Liverpool appear for the first time – The Beatles.

10th Feb. 1354 Students at Oxford University fight a street battle with local townspeople resulting in several deaths and many people injured.

11th Feb. 1975 Iron Lady Margaret Thatcher, becomes the first woman leader of the British Conservative Party.

12th Feb. 1554 At the tender age of 16, the "nine days queen", Lady Jane Grey is beheaded at the tower of London.

13th Feb. 1688 A "Glorious Revolution" brings the Protestant William of Orange and his wife Mary (daughter of James II) to the throne of England after the Catholic King James II flees to France.

14th Feb. 1933 Students at Oxford University, obviously bored fighting the local townspeople, declare that they would not fight for "King and Country".

15th Feb. 1971 Pennies, bobs and half-crowns all disappear as Britain goes decimal.

16th Feb. 1659 A cheque is used for the first time in Britain as Mr Nicholas Vanacker settles a debt.

17th Feb. 1461 Lancastrian forces defeated the Yorkists at the Second Battle of St. Albans.

18th Feb. 1478 George Plantagenet, Duke of Clarence died in the Tower of London said to have been drowned in a butt of his favourite malmsey wine.

19th Feb. 1897 The Women's Institute is founded in Ontario, Canada, by Mrs Adelaide Hoodless.

20th Feb. 1938 Anthony Eden resigned as British foreign secretary after Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain decided to negotiate with Italian Fascist leader Benito Mussolini.

21st Feb. 1804 British engineer Richard Trevithick demonstrated the first steam engine to run on rails.

22nd Feb. 1797 Over 1,000 French troops attempted to invade Britain, landing on the Welsh coast. The brave ladies of Fishguard saved the day!

23rd Feb. 1863 Lake Victoria, in Africa, was declared to be the source of the River Nile by British explorers John Speke and J A Grant.

24th Feb. 1917 President Woodrow Wilson informs the US nation of the contents of an intercepted message from the German foreign minister offering Mexico an alliance against the US.

25th Feb. 1570 England's Queen Elizabeth I is excommunicated by Pope Pius V.

26th Feb. 1797 The Bank of England issues the first ever one pound note, in part a result of the panic in London caused by the French invasion of Fishguard.

27th Feb. 1782 The British Parliament votes to abandon the American War of Independence.

28th Feb. 1900 The four-month siege of the British garrison at Ladysmith in Natal, South Africa, ended as a relief force broke through the Boers at Spion Kop.



Around The Parishes

Allhallows

ALLHALLOWS CENTRE

Happy New Year to Everyone.

Two by Two for Toddlers at Allhallows Centre, Fletchertown. Every Tuesday from 10:00am to 11:30am All under 5's are welcome £1:50p per family. The Group are looking for Volunteers;

Those who enjoy the company of children will find it very rewarding. There are many ways you can help, setting up, making teas and coffee, playing with the children, supporting parents and by just being there. We need this group to flourish. If you are interested then please contact Sandy Brown on 07720757394.

Allhallows Readers. 'Kathleen Jones - Travelling to the Edge of the World' Friday February 3rd 1.30 pm

BOOKINGS: If you would like to make a booking for room hire, please ring 07849 713207.

Alternatively you can message via the Facebook page .

www.Facebook.com/allhallowscentre.org

Website: <https://allhallowscentre.org>

Email: allhallowscentre@gmail.com

TWO by TWO



To all Parents / Grandparents / Carers

We have a relaunch of the Two by Two Playgroup at Allhallows Centre, Fletchertown.

Every Tuesday at the new time of

10:00am to 11:30am

Starting on November 1st (after half term)

All under 5's are welcome to enjoy, Songs, Activities Craft and Fun. £1:50p per family



Bassenthwaite

Bassenthwaite St. John's and St. Bega's

St. John's cleaning: Sue and Vic Siddall

Flowers: Valerie Trafford

St. Bega's. Cleaning and Flowers: Christine Ladd

If you could help with cleaning or flowers at St. Bega's or St John's we would love to hear from you. Polite reminder, please can all Christmas Wreaths, on graves, be removed by March. Thank you.

Soup Lunch. Tuesday 14th February. Soup, scone, cheese, biscuits, tea or coffee. 12noon to 1.30. £4. A warm welcome to all.

Once again on behalf of the village , we would like to thank Messer's Thomas Trafford for donating the Christmas tree for the village green. Special thanks to Edward who delivered it to the village. Also Brian Fell with his tractor when we raised the tree and installed the lights. Not to forget all the others who helped at short notice. A good community effort

February 2023

The Mystery of the Blue Moon Saloon

A comic radio play presented live on stage with the assistance of the audience



**Bassenthwaite Parish Room
Sunday 12th March 7.30pm**

**Tickets Adult £10 Child £5 Family £22
from clairewebzell1@gmail.com or
Claire Brewis 07743 893489**

Bassenthwaite

BASSENTHWAITE WINTER DROP-IN

A VERY "WARM" WELCOME

to Bassenthwaite Parish Room

Call in any time between 10.30 am and 2 pm on the Tuesday below for a chat, coffee and refreshments
£1 per person

7th February & 21st February

7th March & 21st March

You can also join in a "bring and share" lunch at 12 noon or bring your own lunch Catch up with friends or spend time on your favourite pastime/hobby You may also fancy a game of cards, bingo or join in a board game

PLEASE JOIN US – ALL ARE WELCOME

Further information from:

Helen 017687 76222 or Margaret 017687 76175

Keep up to date with the Parish Room: Sign up for our Friends of Bassenthwaite Parish Room Newsletter by emailing fobr.newsletter@gmail.com and join the mailing list for our regular news and updates. Facebook: www.fb.me/bassparishroom Website: www.bassenthwaite.org.uk/parish-room.html

Hall for Hire Available for classes, events, functions and weekend group accommodation. Large well-equipped kitchen ,AV system, Accessible facilities, Reasonable Rates For further details: www.bassenthwaite.org.uk Contact the Parish Room Coordinator for bookings Email: bookbassenthwaiteparishroomroom@gmail.com Phone: 07786 434411

Boltons

All Saint's Church, Boltons

Bolton's DCC respectfully ask anyone whose loved ones are buried in the Churchyard if they would remove holly wreathes from their graves by the end of February. Thank you.

Boltons Parish Hall

PILATES Wednesdays 9.30am - 10.30am

CIRCUITS Mondays 9.30am - 10.30am,

both with Helen, all classes £5.

For more information contact Helen on 07900410076.

BEGINNERS LINE DANCING alternate Wednesdays 2pm - 3pm from 7th February. Fun, friendly and only £2 per session. Contact Ness on 07718264700 or just come along, ALL WELCOME!

NORTHERN FELS GROUP POP IN - 2nd Tuesday of each month 10.00am - 11.30.

Coffee (or Tea!) cake and a chat. Come along and have a crack plus find out what's going on in your local area! For more info contact Gill 07874241604 or Judy 07879613838. All Welcome.

The Parish Hall is available for private hire for meetings, classes, parties etc. Central heating and WiFi! For details call Judy 07879613838

Are you happy with your Broadband Service?

We are looking for registrations of interest from people who would like to see improved services in their broadband service in the Woodrow, Bolton Low Houses, Mealsgate, Fletchertown and Waverton areas .

Representatives from within your community are currently trying to champion an improvement of broadband services in your area with a company named WeFibre. This work would be carried out under the Government Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme with the support of the Cumbria County Council top up fund, the success being dependent on community demand.

This is a **unique opportunity** for **all properties** in our **area** to access an improved and future proofed service bringing speeds of 1000mbps direct to each property it serves.

If you would be interested in securing an improved service for your property, supporting your local community in being able to do the same and securing the WeFibre early bird price offer for services, then please register your interest at <https://wefibre.com/#signup>

You are not signing up to anything contractually at this stage, we just need to know that there is a demand in the area for an improved service. Once that demand is identified, WeFibre will work with us step by step communicating each stage of the process as they go.

If you have any questions then please search your community Facebook Page @To Gether or email woodrowbroadbandscheme@yahoo.com

Embleton

Happy New Year! Are you looking forward to lighter nights? So are we and at St Cuthbert's we are holding our evening services at 3pm through February and March to help us through the dark days of winter! Our thanks to everyone who supported our Christmas services and fund raising; did you see the beautiful quilting on display in church? Maureen assures us there will be more to come this year. Have you noticed the little carved pieces on the windowsill – created from wood found in the churchyard? More keep appearing as our friendly crafter gains inspiration!

Funds raised at our pop-ups help to pay the bills both for church and the Dewode health centre in Uganda. Yusuf, the manager out there sent this message: As we plan to get into new year 2023, the staff of Pakegido Health Centre are very happy for the financial support that made them to continue giving medical services to the people of Katinge/Kobulubulu. We wish everyone a happy new year. Dates for your diary:

Art and craft groups at St Cuthbert's Sunday School, all are welcome. Cuthbert's Crafters on Mondays at 2pm Artists meet on Wednesdays at 2pm.

Ragbags; Unwanted clothing, linen, shoes, handbags and belts; Items can be left in the porch at St Cuthbert's OR in the collection bin at Ling Crest, Wythop Mill. All money raised goes to Dewode. Any items or comments for the next edition please send to Jean at jeanmaca@aol.com or 01768776184 by February 7th please.

Hi everyone.

I hope most people will have seen the poster for the meeting to form a coronation celebration group. Unfortunately, with the Christmas edition being early I was unable to get it into it but, hopefully, by the time you read this we will have got a committee and some idea what we want to do. The floor has been refurbished and painting is next on the agenda we're going to be very smart.

Can I just mention that the flower club is not a private function and everyone is welcome to join.

What's on in February? .

Monday: Mah-jong 2.30 pm Vivian 01900829490.

Monday: Dance class 6.30p.m. Edna 01768776630

Tuesday: Yoga 6.15pm Rebecca 07735 439126.

Thursday: Circle dance 7pm, Kathleen 76532.

Friday: Yoga 9.30am, private function.

Friday: Youth Club 6.30pm.

Sunday; Dance class 7.00pm, Edna76630.

Wednesday 1st : Village Hall meeting 7.15pm.

Thursday 2nd : U3A digital photography group 9.30 am.

Wednesday 8th : W.I. 7.30pm.

Tuesday 14th : Geology group 10am.

Wednesday 15th : Flower club 12.30 pm.

Thursday 16th U3A Geology group 10.30-12.30pm.

Wednesday 22nd : Parish council 7pm.

Friday 24th : Seniors club 11am.

Sunday 26th: Yoga 11.30 -1.30 pm.

February 28th ; U3A folk dance 10-12.30pm.

The Ducks have recovered from the men's football world cup and are preparing for the women's world cup, finalists at least. The girls will bring it home! Chris.

Ireby

Parish Church of St James, Ireby

A very big THANK YOU to all the people who helped make our celebration of Christmas really special: those who helped with decorations and putting up the tree (and clearing away in January), those involved in the lovely time we had at our Carol Service – Janet Clayton for preparing the service, the Ireby children, Ireby Singers, readers and Susan Allison for their participation, and those who prepared and served the delicious refreshments which everyone much enjoyed. Plus all who came to our services: we were glad to have time with you!

During the coming weeks, in preparation for Lent, please could the churchyards be cleared of Christmas wreaths and other decorations before Wednesday 22nd February.

February 2023

The Ireby Carnival & Sports Committee would like to invite all Ireby and Boltongate senior residents to:

Annual Christmas Dinner with Entertainment



**Friday 10th February 2023
6.00pm W I Hall, Ireby**

Please contact Emma on 016973 71796 or Diane on 016973 71283 by Friday 3rd February to book your place. Thank You

**This is a free evening for all those eligible.
There will be a donation box on the night.**

Get in contact on above numbers if you would like to know any more information

Ireby

NFG Septic Tank Syndicates. Significant savings can be made on orders Please contact Gillian Skillicorn 07874 24160 Order dates March & November

Ireby CE Primary School

Binsey Toddlers

Every Wednesday Morning
9:00am – 10:30am.

Donations are most welcome and will go towards resources for Binsey Class and the school library.
refreshments available

For further details or to sign up, please contact Amy King at
amyking@ireby.cumbria.sch.uk



Isel

CHARITY CURRY LUNCH SATURDAY 11th FEBRUARY

There will be a mouth watering curry lunch served in Blindcrake Village Hall on Saturday 11th February at 1.00pm, courtesy of Peter and Elaine Streatfeild and Isel Church Committee.

The cost will be £15.00. per person. This will include Curry etc., pudding, a glass of wine/beer/ juice and tea or coffee.

Numbers are limited so if you wish to reserve a place in really good time, please contact Ann Thompson on 01900 823763, Sue Buckwell on 07789 163106, or email ann.mt@btinternet.com

This event is in aid of COAT (Cumbria Overseas Aid Trust)

Coffee will be at the Great Escape Café, Moota on Monday 13th . February at 10.30 am.

Isel and Bridekirk Parishes First Responders 150 Club Draw January 2023

1st Prize Tom Carr
2nd Prize Elaine Marrs
3rd Prize David Roberts
4th Prize Alison Wilson



Drawn 12 th January 2023 Beech Farm Sunderland

The First Responders offer an invaluable service to the parishes

of Isel, Bridekirk and Setmurthy; they all trained in life support and give their time freely, bringing their skill and equipment to an emergency in those vital first few minutes. The "150 club" is a main source of income to provide these volunteers with training and equipment. . If you would like to join the "150 club", or know someone who would, contact Moira Purvis on telephone 01697320534 or email moirapurvis@hotmail.com

TO HIRE BLINDCRAKE VILLAGE HALL: Look at <https://blindcrakevillagehall.org.uk/>, click on HIRING, and use the CONTACT FORM to request bookings, or to make enquiries, etc. Hiring charges: £8 per hour for meetings, classes, etc, and £12 per hour for parties and functions. To hire the hall please book on the new website, or contact the bookings secretary using 07503 763590, TEXT ONLY, please, (due to poor signal). The village hall phone is checked daily, and the bookings secretary will ring you back (from a landline). Why not have a look to see what else you can find, on the website. (We have an automatically updating calendar on the Home page, worth checking to see what's coming up soon, or plan what date you'd like to hire the hall based on current bookings.) Please also look for up-to-date information on our parish's facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/166193357452161>

Plumbland

St Cuthbert's

New Years greetings to all our friends in our community, trusting that you have all managed to have a peaceful festive period with family and friends. Here at St Cuthbert's we held our Carol service midweek in order that we could, as is becoming traditional, invite our schoolchildren and their families to join the celebration with us. The children were fully involved in the service and worthy contributors to the proceeding, including the serving of light refreshments to all afterwards. Our Christmas eve Eucharist was well attended when we welcomed seven visitors into our service.

Recent visitors will, perhaps, have noticed an improvement to our lighting system as we have been able to replace out-dated bulbs with modern, energy efficient ones, in both the North and South aisles thanks to a very generous grant of £1000 from the Aspatria Charity Shop, THANK YOU.

Soon we hope that we will be able to improve the lighting in the Chancel/Choir area thereby enhancing the beauty of the East window.

A friendly reminder, please remove all Christmas trees, wreaths and displays by the end of this month, plastic bags are available for your use close to the small 'wicket' gate, so you are able to dispose of the items properly. This system has worked well in the past, ensuring that the Churchyard can be maintained in a tidy manner. It also helps to protect the 'Grasscutter'!

Ongoing plans are to replace the 'main' wooden gates as the current ones are becoming 'unfit for purpose' and so

we would ask that all use either the small wooden gate or the 'Kissing' gate for entry. Your co-operation will be much appreciated.

Flower Rota

Feb 5th: Mr C. Lazonby

Feb 12th and 19th: Mrs H. Sharpe

Best wishes to all our friends, hope to renew our acquaintance with you soon.

Graham Cox

Plumbland pre-school and toddler group

Our toddler group runs on a Friday morning and everyone is welcome when accompanied by a child aged birth to four. We operate in term time only from 9am to 11am. Attendees include parents, grandparents, carers, childminders, for any further information please contact Gillian Winder 07789542736

Plumbland Village Hall

Before Christmas we had a Christmas Lunch in the Hall on 13th December and the following week Santa made a stop to us for Breakfast.

All groups have restarted after the Christmas break.

Thanks to Rebecca from Yin and Yang Yoga for starting us on our four week beginners course on the 14 January and after week one already looking forward to week two.

Our wine tasting evening in February is fully booked and the trustees would like to thank everyone for attending these events and booking them early to ensure we know numbers ahead of time.

Setmurthy

St Barnabas Church

Cleaning & flowers : Mrs A Richardson & Mrs B Richardson
Please check the Binsey Link , Church Notice Board or website for details of services.

Christmas Services: The attendance at the Carol service was lower than usual due to the treacherous road conditions & we unfortunately had to cancel the sharing of seasonal refreshments because of frozen pipes in the hall, but our thanks go to Brian Eaton who kindly brought along mulled wine which we enjoyed at the end of the service. Thanks also go to our readers especially our young readers who read very well. We had a very good attendance on Christmas morning at 8.30am.

Parish Hall

Disabled Ramp : The hall have a ramp that they would be pleased to loan out to parishioners within the Binsey team who need to improve access to their property. Please contact Elizabeth (01900 823329) or Nicola (017687 76483) for further details.

The Parish hall is available for bookings, please contact Mrs Nicola Laws tel 017687 76483

Torpenhow

Torpenhow

Everyone is invited to join in the fun of a BEETLE DRIVE on Tuesday, 28th February at 7.00pm in Torpenhow Village Hall. A chance to relive your youth but no previous experience is needed to play this fun game. Admission is £1.00, children 50p and there will be refreshments and a raffle. All proceeds to help Brownie funds.

Calling all girls aged 7 to 9, 1ST TORPENHOW BROWNIES would love to meet you so why not come along to one of our meetings on Tuesday evenings during term time and see what we do. You will be able to join in the fun of being a Brownie including crafts and games. We meet between 6.00 to 7.30pm in Torpenhow Village Hall and for more information about us ring 016973 71514 or email torpenhowbrownies@gmail.com.



Big Night Inn Friday 24th February 2023 7.30pm

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Bothel Vilage Hall

All activities have resumed for the winter months

Indoor bowling Mondays 7.30pm

Lunch club every 4th Monday

W. I. 1st Tuesday in the month

Gardening Club 3rd Tuesday

Yoga Wednesdays 10.00am (term time)

Bingo Last Wednesday 6.00pm

Craft Group 2nd Wednesday 7.30pm

Fencing Wednesdays 7.30pm

Circuits Thursdays 7.00pm



Our Christmas Bingo on 10th December 2022 was a huge success and £417 was raised. Next bingo is 22nd February at 6pm.

Save the Date: Saturday 25th March 2023 There will be a Mr & Mrs Night. Great entertainment for all the family. It is several years since the last one but it is well remembered by all who attended as a fantastic night out.

December 100 club winners 1.I. Macer 2. L. Martindale 3. D. Crone 4. R. Chapelhow

Torpenhow Village Hall

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Uldale

St James Uldale

The Diocesan Chancellor approved our Faculty virtually 100% as submitted just before Christmas and it is intended to arrange a meeting with the Architect and Heritage Consolidation with a view to restarting work as soon as possible.

Our prayers have been answered and we look forward to resuming worship in our beautiful Church later on this year.

Uldale Sports committee. The relaunch of Uldale 100 club. If you would like a number please contact Marion Pattinson 016973 71287 The committee look after the tennis court and playground.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

NFG Septic Tank Syndicates. Significant savings can be made on orders Please contact Gillian Skillicorn 07874 24160 Order dates March & November

Wythop

How lovely it was to welcome everyone to our Carol Service and to enjoy Mince Pies and Mulled Wine afterwards, for the first time for three years. Thank you to everyone who helped to decorate the Church for Christmas. It is a step in the right direction having the opportunity, as we did on Christmas Day, to take wine at Communion after so long without, but no-one who is still uncomfortable about this will be under any pressure at all at Wythop if they prefer to opt out.

We look forward to welcoming John Freeman to St. Margaret's and hope he enjoys his ministry in the area, as Associate Priest and A66 Church Plant Pioneer. His appointment will help to relieve the pressure on The Rector.

General

Caldbeck Surgery

We have Protected Learning Time in February and March when the surgery will close at 1 p.m.

Wednesday 15th February

Wednesday 15th March

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Skiddaw U3A: Our monthly meetings are now being held in Crosthwaite Parish Room Keswick. We have more than 50 different activity groups so if you are retired or semi-retired and want to stay active, learn new things and make new friends, pick up a copy of our Annual Guide to Groups which is available in Keswick Library or visit our website www.skiddawu3a.co.uk or contact Tony Marsh on 017687 72137.

Uldale Lunch Club First Thursday of the month.

Please contact Mark Nellist 016973 71369

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Ravenstone Manor

The 10% discount voucher off food in the advertisement from Ravenstone in the adverts at the back of the issue. This ends in March!

Bassenthwaite

In early December WI members gathered with friends at a "Bassenthwaite Winter Drop-In" in the Parish Room to make a selection of Christmas wreaths and decorated Christmas candle holders. As ever, experienced hands were generous with their knowledge and practical skills, all enjoyed a sociable morning in a lovely warm room and friendly atmosphere which really felt that Christmas had begun. The Christmas spirit was further enhanced at our Christmas evening meeting when members and their guests were royally entertained by the very talented Ian France with a Christmas musical extravaganza. There was a full programme of well-known Christmas songs and ample opportunity for audience participation. A glass of mulled wine, a magnificent Christmas buffet and convivial company all contributed to a very enjoyable evening. The competition for a Christmas tree decoration was won by Kate with her felt creation of '3 French hens'. Congratulations to Valerie Trafford who won the prize for most points from the competitions this year. Our February meeting on Thursday 9th will be a talk by Max Lothill on the Border Reivers and the competition will be an interesting one. The hostesses for the evening will be Mesdames K. Calvert and J. Williamson.

Embleton

Members of Embleton WI held their first meeting of 2023 on Wednesday 11 January at which Ros Downing from Bassenthwaite gave a well-researched talk about the history of Biscuits. The first biscuits were dry Ships Biscuits made to last on long sea voyages. Sweet biscuits weren't produced until the 19th century. In Cumbria Jonathan Dodgson Carr was one of the founders of mass-produced biscuits. He set up a shop and bake house in Carlisle in 1831 before building the factory in Caldewgate which made biscuits by day and bread by night. He received the Royal Warrant in 1842 and became the largest baking business in the country, famous for Table Water Biscuits. Carrs remained in the family until 1931 but was eventually absorbed by United biscuits and is now part of a private equity company.

Evelyn Chester won the competition for a biscuit tin; Laura Todhunter came second. Wendy Mitchell won the raffle. We have invited members of several other local WI branches to celebrate Embleton WI's 99th birthday at a Pudding Evening on Wednesday 8 February. Our speaker for the next meeting on Wednesday 8 March will be Mark Stainton who will be talking about Antiques. Meetings are held at 19.30 at the village hall on the second Wednesday of each month. We are always pleased to welcome guests and new members; please contact our secretary Joanna South 01900 828110 for more information.

Uldale & Ireby

December meeting. What a great evening we had! It was led by Emma who gave us a talk on how and what to notice when tasting wine. The tables were laid out beautifully with specially designed place mats, tags for glasses so we didn't all get mixed up, water to swill our glasses and spittoons (paper mugs) – in case we didn't like anything! Our hostesses – Louise and Colina and also Amanda brought out small amounts of 5 wines in turn for us to taste. We had to note the aroma, colour and other aspects of the wine and have a guess at what grape it was, which country it was from and also how much it cost!! From the murmurs around the room – the German Reisling was the most popular and the most expensive wine – an English sparkling was the least favourite! We then had to try and pair the wines with the cheeses we had on our tables....all of this was easier said than done! We had lovely cheeses – some sourced locally. The Torpenhow Cheese Company donated a round of Darling Howe Brie and The Lake District Cheese Company – based in Aspatria and supplied by cows from Uldale among other villages nearby, supplied a range of cheddars and a Red Leicester. This evening was in the form of a competition and our answers were marked by the organisers so there could be no cheating! The team Mistletoe and Wine came second with the 6 Old Binsey Boozers - Doreen Gleed, Sarah Ashburner, Gladys Strickland, Anne Robinson, Lin Nieves and Elizabeth Gill – the outright winners. Doreen Gleed won the drawing. Kathryn Fielding won the competition for a bottle stopper – it had antlers – and Doreen Gleed came second. Susan Little gave the vote of thanks to the organisers. This was a new event and it was well thought through and most enjoyed by everyone. Non alcoholic wine was also available.

Eighteen of us braved appalling weather to attend the first meeting of 2023. A large number of members were ill but the vice president extended a warm welcome to those of us who could make it, especially to the two new ladies. After a short business meeting, during which it was mentioned that new key boxes and a new cash box had been fitted, we tucked into a lovely meal of various pies with peas and beans followed by several delicious desserts. An intriguing quiz followed, which took a bit of working out! The competition for a tray cloth was won by Janice Havelock, with Janet Clayton coming second, and the drawing was won by Velma Bottomley. We meet on the first Thursday of the month at Ireby WI Hall. Please message the Secretary at UldaleandIrebyWI@gmail.com if you are interested in attending.

Parish Council

Allhallows

The January meeting was held at Allhallows Centre in Fletchertown.

BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT:

Mike Johnson our Borough Councillor updated us on continuing developments within the new Cumberland Council. Progress is being made.

He will continue to inform the Parish Council about the legislation concerning the disposal of old furniture.

Concern was raised about speeding through the Parish and how monitoring had been installed in the wrong place.

COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT: Jim Lister did not attend. Nor did our future Councillor.

PLANNING: one application had been received.

ALLOTMENTS: Little has been done by holders because of the rainy weather. One allotment is causing concern.

PLAYPARK: The equipment company will be along to inspect the equipment. The weather has made conditions very difficult.

WEBSITE: A new company has been chosen.

JUBILEE WOOD: New trees are to be planted; oak trees and holly also. Daffodils have also been planted.

DEFRIBRILLATOR: Councillor Standish is to investigate the management of this device.

PRIDE IN THE PARISH: Work will recommence in the spring.

Embleton

EMBLETON TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO).

The Traffic Regulation Order which forbids HGV drivers from using the C2064 through Embleton village is now fully operational in that National Highways staff have erected the necessary signage along the A66 to alert drivers from both the Keswick and Cockermouth directions

that it exists. It is a legally binding regulation and one would think that the vast blue-and-white signs, as well as the black-and-white lorry panels are unmissable. However, this does not seem to be the case so if you see any HGV travelling through Embleton village, please inform our Clerk, Becx, whose details are below. If you are able to note the name of the haulier as well, that would be a great help in our attempts to stop this exasperating problem.

Thank you

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duty-bound to respond and remedy the problem. Please be patient, though, because there are relatively few council workers covering a very large area, and when the task is completed, please send a note of thanks. Sadly, they don't receive many of those.

Meanwhile, many thanks to the residents who voluntarily take on salt-spreading and drain-clearing duties.

With very best wishes to you all for 2023 from Embleton & District Parish Council.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023 at 7.00pm in Embleton Village Hall.

If you have a matter that you would like to raise, please contact our Clerk, Becx Carter, on 077866 78283 or email her at embletonparishclerk@hotmail.com.

School News

Plumbland

Happy New Year to you all!

We had a very enjoyable time in school throughout the festive period. Our children performed brilliantly in our whole school production of 'Silent night' which told the story of where the carol originated from. Their singing of the carol in German was particularly impressive. We then had the chance to watch a professional team of actors perform 'The Borrowers' during our visit to 'Theatre by the Lake'. We were joined by community members for our annual carol service at St Cuthbert's Church, Plumbland and our Year 6 children served festive refreshments at the end of the service.

Other events in school included a whole school Christmas craft themed morning, Year 1 and 2 visit to Bassenfell Manor for 'The Christmas journey', Christmas lunch and parties and breakfast with Santa, which was organised by Fops, our fundraising team. We would like to say a special thankyou to the members of Fops who give up their own time to help raise funds for our school and also a big thank you to Mrs Sue Eilbeck who provided all of the items for the tombola, which we held after our concert.

As the new year begins we have lots to look forward to including multi sports tuition, musical instrument tuition, our forest school programme, a visit from a real artist for a printing workshop and a Chinese New Year workshop. Children in Year 3 and 4 are also busy planning their U Dance performance for the festival at the Sands Centre later in the term.

School News

Bothel

St Michael's CE School, Bothel

Happy New Year from all of the staff and Governors of St Michael's in Bothel! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and have had a great start to 2023. The new term is well underway here at school and the children have made a great start back to school, including our newest Nursery children who have joined our fantastic Nursery this term.

This term, KS1 are looking forward to a visit to St Michael's Church in Torpenhow to learn about Baptism as part of their RE curriculum and they are also going to be joining our local cluster of schools to learn about Chinese New Year in February. Year 3 and 4 are going to be joined by Kate from Healthy Ways once a week this term with lots of fun sessions on ways of keeping our bodies and minds healthy, and KS2 have already linked up with their partner school in India this term, with another Zoom call planned for next month. We are also hoping for a visit from Animal Encounters to support science learning in both KS1 and KS2, which should be very exciting!

Our focus Christian Value this half term is Respect and as a whole school we will be talking about what this means to us and how we can show respect to others, treating all people with love, respect, friendship and equality. Each week we share the ways in which the children have displayed our Christian values and they have already shown a super understanding of how we should respect everyone.

Toddler Group: Please do come along if you can to our Wednesday morning Toddler Group. It is lots of fun for children up to three years old. It runs from 10am to 11:30am every Wednesday morning in term time, so we look forward to seeing you there!

Nursery and Reception places available: We still have some spaces available if your child is either ready to start school Nursery or will be starting school in September 2023. We would love to show you round our lovely, friendly, spacious and well-resourced school, so please get in touch on admin@bothel.cumbria.sch.uk or on 016973 20632. We would love to meet you and everyone is always welcome!

Ireby

A very happy new year to you all! The Spring Term always seems to start with wild weather but happy faces arriving back in school certainly lifts everyone's spirits. New topics, activities and trips are planned for the next few months with an expectation in the air of what looks like being another fun-filled and busy term. The nursery children in Binsey Class, and the Year 1 and 2 pupils, Whinlatter class, are diving straight into a topic around Travel and Transport. Binsey Class will be learning all about how mankind learnt to fly and both classes will be going to visit the Solway Aviation Museum.

Whinlatter Class are also hoping to jump on a train and take a visit to explore Carlisle train station. A climb up Binsey is also planned for our younger pupils – hopefully on a lovely calm and sunny day and these two classes are also visiting the World of Beatrix Potter. The KS2 class have a busy half-term planned as well including weekly swimming lessons at Wigton baths every Wednesday. In history, the Year 3/4 pupils are going to be focusing on how children's lives have changed across history and Year 5/6 pupils will be studying what the census can tell us about our local area. In geography the children will be finding out about Rainforests and in English they will be reading and listening to rainforest stories and exploring issues confronting indigenous people and the environment.

Our half-term school Christian Value is Friendship, an undisputed value in our society and a continuing focus and strength within our school, where strong friendships are developed and valued within each classroom, on the playground, eating lunch together and across year groups. At the end of last term, the whole school performed a wonderful and very special nativity Christmas service which even included our friend Bobble the donkey who led the children, carrying Mary, from the school to the church. With prayers from Rev. Banks and pews full of parents, grandparents, carers, neighbours, and friends, it was a perfect start to the Christmas holidays. The older children also enjoyed a fantastic trip to see The Borrowers at The Theatre by The Lake.

Ireby School has felt truly humbled over the years by the support from our local community. This was especially felt in December when we were presented with a cheque for £15,000 from the Ireby Festival Committee towards a new minibus, which we are hoping to replace soon. As you can see from our news updates and posts on our Facebook page and school website, we use our minibus every week for activities ranging from swimming lessons, sports events, Forest school and numerous trips and visits. It is an asset we are very proud of and appreciate enormously, and we are so grateful for the way it helps support and enhance the learning experiences we are constantly planning for our children here at Ireby School. A heartfelt thanks to the festival committee from us all.

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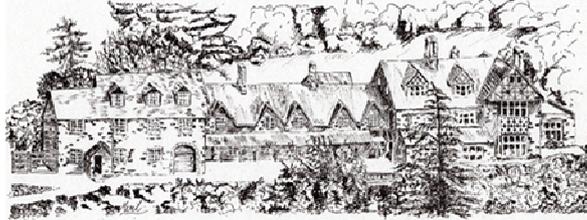
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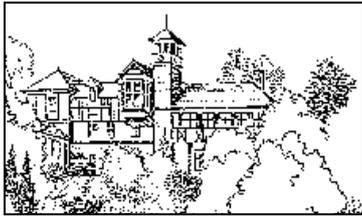
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January brings the snow, makes our feet and fingers glow.

February brings the rain, Thaws the frozen lake again.

March brings breezes loud and shrill, stirs the dancing daffodil.

April brings the primrose sweet, Scatters daisies at our feet.

May brings flocks of pretty lambs, Skipping by their fleecy dams.

June brings tulips, lilies, roses, Fills the children's hand with posies.

Hot July brings cooling showers, Apricots and gillyflowers.

August brings the sheaves of corn, Then the Harvest home is borne.

Warm September brings the fruit, Sportsmen then begin to shoot.

Fresh October brings the pheasant; Then to gather nuts is pleasant.

Dull November brings the blast, Then the leaves are falling fast.

Chill December brings the sleet, Blazing fire and Christmas treat.

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