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St Mary's Parish Church Wigton

MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN

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From the Registers

Holy Baptism

1 st June	Jacob John Jack Crawford
22 nd June	Lyla Jean Walker

'Born of water and the Spirit'

Christian Funerals

10 th June	Ellen Scaife (Carlisle Crematorium)
18 th June	Joanne Bewick

'In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life'

SERVICES AT ST MARY'S

SUNDAYS

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION (Book of Common Prayer, 1662)
9.30 am THE PARISH EUCHARIST and SUNDAY SCHOOL
(NEXT SUNG MATTINS will be 31st August)
6.30 pm EVENING PRAYER (Book of Common Prayer, 1662)

WEEKDAYS

Holy Communion is celebrated every Tuesday at 9.45 am (Book of Common Prayer) and Wednesday at 12.45 pm.
Tots Church 1st Friday in the month

CALENDAR AND SPECIAL DAYS

SUNDAY 6 th JULY	TRINITY 3
SUNDAY 13 TH JULY	TRINITY 4
FRIDAY 20 TH JULY	TRINITY 5
SUNDAY 27 TH JULY	TRINITY 6

Holy Communion is regularly administered in the Cumberland Infirmary. The Chaplain may be contacted via the hospital on 01228 523444

Material for the bulletin and weekly pew sheet should be sent to
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Reverend Richard writes....

We live in a very uncertain world. When you switch on the radio or the TV you never really know who will be at war with whom and who will be bombing or threatening who, and the whole earth just seems very unstable at the moment, doesn't it? There is so much talk of countries being wiped off the face of the earth or heaven forbid, World War 3!

Whatever happened to peace and harmony and people getting on with each other instead of knocking seven bells out of each other or trying to take something off someone just because you have the power to and you can.

There is much talk of ‘peace’ in the bible; in fact Jesus is often talked about as ‘the Prince of Peace,’ and the first thing he said to his friends when he appeared to them after he rose from the dead was ‘Peace be with you!’ He also said “blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called children of God.”

If you are a person who prays or have ever thought about praying, I would urge you now to pray for peace. Pray for a world where peace comes before war and where good outweighs evil.

We may not be able to solve the big problems of the world, but we can pray into them, and we can be peacemakers in our own locality. Love one another like Jesus taught us to; that would be the start we need to bring about changes to the bigger things in the world.

Our church is open daily if you would like to pop in and make your own prayer for peace, but you can also pray as you are walking to work or school or doing the housework or the shopping, because we worship a God who hears us wherever we are and does answer our prayers, just not always in the way we would like, or expect him to.

God Bless

Rev Richard

NEW ASSOCIATE PRIEST

The Reverend Paul Arnesen is a retired priest who has been worshipping with us for a while and has now been given permission by the Bishop to take services in Wigton and Thursby to help out Reverend Richard. The Parishes are very grateful to Paul for doing this for us and thank him in advance for his ministry.

A CHURCH NEAR YOU

Electronic copies of this bulletin, our weekly pew sheet and how to contact the church and find out what is happening, along with a space to allow you to donate to our Windows Appeal, is available on our ‘A Church near you’ page. Just go to www.achurchnearyou.com and search for ‘St Mary’s Wigton’

MOTHERS’ UNION

The Mothers’ Union meeting on Monday 7th July takes the form of an Evening Meal at Denton House. Further details from Noreen Lister.

WINDOWS WEEKEND

A sincere thank you to everyone who was involved in the Windows Weekend - for all the organisation, participation and support. The extra good news is that we have now raised just over £5,000 from the weekend. A superb effort by all concerned. The total raised to date is £180,802; thank you and keep up the good work.

TOTS CHURCH

This will be on the first Friday of the month beginning on Friday 4th July in St Mary’s Church from 10 to 11am. The time will be very relaxed and informal and will involve some simple worship, tea and coffee, biscuits and cake, and lots of toys! All parents and pre-school children welcome to come along!

BRING AND BUY

A reminder we have a bring and buy table in the porch of St Marys. Please continue to use it as it is helping us to get closer to our target in fundraising for the Windows Appeal.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parochial Church Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th July at 7.30pm.

HOME GROUP

There will be a couple of extra meetings this summer: July 15th and 22nd. These will be coffee and chat times, when we will be considering any question at all about our faith which people would like to talk about. Tuesdays at 7pm as usual. All welcome.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The annual Sunday School Prizegiving will take place on Sunday 13th July.

MISSION TO SEAFARERS

Sunday 13th July is Sea Sunday. It has been customary in recent years for the people of St Mary’s to support this important charity in July. A plate will be available in church for your donations.
