Parish News

The Benefice Magazine for St Oswald's, Warton and St Mary's, Borwick







July & Aug 2025

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Kind regards, Editor



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WELCOME

Acts 1: 8

'But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth'

During May and June a number of us have had the privilege of attending the Renewal Programme training across the Diocese. We have gathered with the rest of the rural cohort and been challenged, inspired and encouraged to examine afresh all the worship, activities and governance of our Churches, and to return to a Mission-shaped model where our call to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ takes priority over all else. The greatest part of this programme has been the reminder that the most important thing we can do to grow our relationship with God and to grow His Church is simply to pray.

Can I invite you all to commit to join us every Friday at 9am – in person at St Oswald's, or dispersed wherever we are – to pray for the growth and renewal of God's Church in our Benefice?

With love

Mother Alice



FROM THE EDITORS

We are really enjoying editing the Parish News- it is a pleasure to be involved in sharing updates from our community.

If anyone is interested in placing an advert in a future edition, please feel free to get in touch. Also if anyone is interested in writing an article for the 'Gods Green Earth ' section , anything in regards to Nature, Eco or environment.

Community and Charity events are advertised Free Of Charge.

Kind Regards Jenny & Alan

Services in the Benefice

The regular pattern of services at:

Services at St John's Yealand:

Sundays 11 am - Parish Eucharist, 1st, 2nd and 4th of

the Month.

11 am - Service of the word, 3rd of the

month.

Wednesdays 9.30 am Eucharist.

Services at St Oswald's Warton:

Sundays BCP Holy Eucharist 8 am - 1st and 3rd of

the month.

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month.

Family Eucharist 9.30 am

Service of the word - 3rd of the month 11.00

am

Thursday 9.30 am Eucharist 11 am

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Minimum age: 18.

WHIT WALK

On the Feast of Pentecost a group of us revived the Lancashire Tradition of a Whit Walk and climbed Warton Crag to light the beacon.

At the top we gathered together the kindling and wood that we had brought and waited with baited breath to see if the conditions were right. It was a true test of faith – it had been a wet day, the winds were strong, we didn't have a huge amount of wood, and our ladder was just a little bit too short so there were some rather daring feats of climbing involved to get everything in position!

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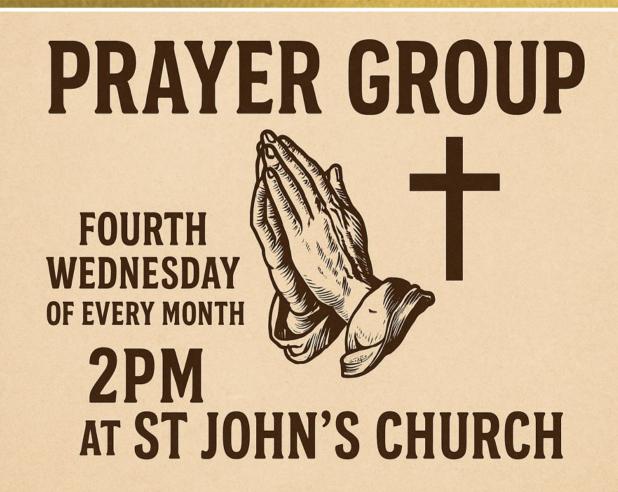
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As the countryside bursts into full summer splendour. The long, light-filled days and warm evenings offer the perfect opportunity to explore the natural beauty surrounding our parish. Hedgerows are thick with life, buzzing with bees. Look closely and you might spot the vivid flashes of butterflies dancing through the air in search of wildflowers.

We all feel lighter in our spirits, more joyful in our hearts when we experience the long days of sunshine, but do we remember to thank our Maker and Creator, God for all the beauty that surrounds us?

As we move into July, we look forward to our children finishing school for the long summer holidays. This is the time when families can relax and enjoy some family time together either staying at home or travelling to hot sunny countries.





In July we also look forward to welcoming everyone to our next Messy Church which will be held on Sunday 6th July from 4 - 6 pm when we will be exploring the theme of journeys and looking at travelling and our destinations. Also, we will be saying goodbye to our minister, Rev Emma, who is herself continuing her life's journey, as she moves to the Cumbria Methodist Circuit. Emma's farewell service will be held on Sunday 20th July at 4 pm at our Church. Everybody is also welcome to attend that service as well as her final Messy Church on 6 July.

Here at Warton Church our Little Stars too will be taking a break over the Summer. Our last session will be on Thursday 17th July. We reopen on Thursday 4th September. We thank all our Little Star's helpers and hope they enjoy their well-earned rest.

All our Sunday morning services continue at 10.00 am every week. Do come along any Sunday – a warm welcome awaits you.

If you need any further information, please contact our minister Rev Emma Holroyd - on 01524 41266 (emma.holroyd@methodist.org.uk) or Rosemary Marsh on 07710916091.







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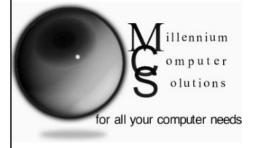
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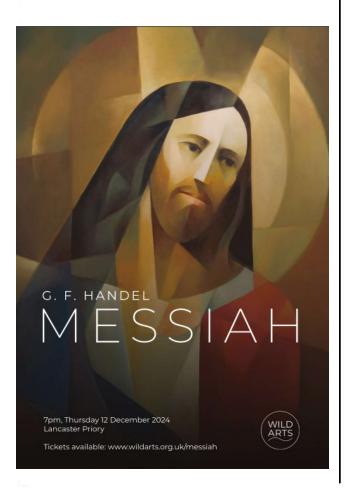
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Across our Benefice there is an increasing desire reconnect with and protect this landscape, especially in the light of the global climate and nature emergencies. There is a growing sense of 'what can I do?'

Or churches feel this keenly too. Last year St Oswald's and St John's enrolled in 'Eco Church' - a scheme which helps churches monitor their environmental impacts and increase biodiversity. De-carbonisation is the goal!

Our churches are off to a good start with St Oswald's achieving a Bronze Award and St John's on track for their Silver. But our team is presently tiny and we could certainly use your help.

Our vicar recently wrote:

'St Oswald's are looking for a volunteer Clerk of Works (Project Manager) to help the PCC develop a programme of repairs and development of the Church building. Please contact Alice if you have any contacts with buildings or engineering experience who may be able to commit a small amount of time to this role.'

Other small but important aspects of church and churchyard life also need attention.

Please contact Paul at St John's and Jodie at St Oswald's if you are willing to share your time and talent with us.

Do also please pray with us!

We invite you to join our monthly Benefice Prayer Meeting at St John's (4th Wednesday at 2pm) and a weekly prayer meeting for Growth and Renewal at St Oswald's, led by Mother Alice (Friday 9am).





Dignity in Dementia July Activities

For more information, please contact Diane Smillie on 07771 682378 or Lesley Gill on 07816 895021

Community Come Dancing - 2pm -3pm

A fun and relaxed intergenerational community dance session with children from the local school. <u>Tuesday 1st July</u> - Arnside WI Village Hall, Orchard Road, Arnside, LA5 0DP

Enjoyable Dementia friendly walks - 10.30am start

<u>Wednesday 2nd July</u> – Cartmel Racecourse LA11 6QF <u>Wednesday 16th July</u> - Arnside Knott from the National Trust car park, LA5 0BP <u>Wednesday 30th July</u> – Canal walk starting opposite The Crooklands Hotel LA7 7NW

Social table tennis - 10:30am - 12 noon

Alternate Wednesday's at Arnside Educational Institute, Church Hill, Arnside, <u>Wednesday 9th July</u> Wednesday 23rd July

Woodland Fun - 11am - 12 noon

A different nature themed activity each time -Silverhelm Scout Centre, The Row, Silverdale, LA5 OUG Monday 14th July

Monday 28th July - please note this will be at a different location (TBC) Contact us for further details

Monthly Tai Chi - 1pm - 2pm

Tuesday 15th July - Levens Methodist Church Hall, Lowgate, Levens, Kendal LA8 8NG

Crown Green Bowling – 2pm

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Time always flies in school but this year seems to have gone particularly fast and it will soon be time to say goodbye to our Year 6 children. They have got a lot planned for this last few weeks – A day out in Morecambe bowling then they will perform their Leaver's Play, which they are all practising really hard for, and we are all looking forward to the annual Year 6 v Staff rounders game followed by a pizza. The Year 6s are all now wearing their leavers' hoodies and will be presented with their leavers' book on the last day of term, which is full of memories for them to look back on over the years.

You may have noticed our new planted area on the school field. We are lucky enough to be one of the first schools to have their very own Micro Wood. We had such a great day just before the Easter holidays, planting the trees. We were joined by Ian Wright from Treescapes, who organised the wood and supplied all of the trees. Every child planted several trees and we were helped by parents, governors and Warton Eco Gang. We look forward to seeing the trees develop and turn into a marvellous micro wood that the whole community can enjoy.

This term has been really busy with sports events. Sports Day was enjoyed by all. Some classes have also been having some tennis, rugby and football coaching. We've also had an amazing day out at Salt Ayre taking part in the Lancaster School's Olympics Day. Everyone was given an event, including golf, dodgeball, hockey and athletics and competed against children from other schools. As usual, Archbishop Hutton's teams worked hard, played well and were a credit to the school.

Class 1 and 2 have been learning all about church and Christianity in their RE lessons this term. Class 1 visited Rev Alice at St Oswald's to learn all about the different areas of church and what happens in a church service. Class 2 made their own churches in their DT lessons which look amazing.

Class 3 have been learning all about the Garden Tiger Moth conservation and have created their own art work which will be displayed at The Silverdale & Arnside Arts Trail. They have also been studying rivers and had a trip out to various areas along the River Lune.

We will all be ready for a break when the end of the school year arrives and look forward to a summer of warm, sunny days (fingers crossed!).

'Everything good, everything magical happens between the months of June and August.' —<u>Jenny Han</u>

Inspire Believe Achieve



Looking out the window today, it is hard to believe that it is Summer and the end of another year is upon us- hopefully by the time you are reading this the sunshine and warmth will have returned once again.

Throughout this year, we have spent time looking at our school vision for the future and have made changes to our Mission Statement to reflect who we are and where we are heading.

The children and staff are using the Bible quote 'Let all that you do be done in love' throughout the school day and we are celebrating moments which inspire us, help us to believe and the things we have achieved together.

We will be holding an end of year celebration to share the things we love with our community- for more details about dates, please check our Facebook page or call the office for more information.

The end of a school year is always a time for reflection, where we can look back through memories and experiences of the year and celebrate the legacy of those children and staff who have changed our school for the better. This Year 6 cohort is a special one- some of the children have not been with us for very long but the impact of their arrival has had a profound effect on us all. On Tuesday 22nd July, we will be celebrating them in our Leaver's Service at 2pm in St. John's Church. Everyone is welcome.

Likewise, our Nursery children, who are graduating from Little Owl's to Robins or flying our nest, are having a graduation ceremony at our forest school site on Wednesday 16th July from 9am. If you would like to see what we do during our forest school sessions, then please come and join in the fun.

Thank you to you all for your continued support of our school. I wish you all a wonderful Summer holiday and we will see you back in September.

Warmest wishes Kathryn Brown 01524 781360

Supporting our churches financially



Like all churches, we rely on the generosity of our congregations and our communities to support our mission and ministry.

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A Prayer for Children leaving Primary School

Dear God,

As we stand at the doorway between yesterday and tomorrow, we thank You for the years we've spent in primary school. For the friends we've made, the lessons we've learned, and the memories we'll carry in our hearts.

Now, as we prepare to step into a new chapter of our lives, fill us with courage and excitement.

Help us to face new challenges with confidence, to greet new faces with kindness, and to hold onto the values that have guided us so far.

Bless our teachers who have shaped us, our families who have supported us, and our friends who have walked this journey beside us. Watch over us in high school — keep us safe, help us to grow in wisdom and strength, and remind us that no matter where we go, Your love will always go with us.

May we be a light to others, find joy in learning, and build a future filled with hope.

Amen.

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